

President Hosts Discussion on Strategic Planning Recommendations

At a campuswide meeting Jan. 10, vice presidents who have led the three strategic planning update teams shared high-priority actions that have been identified to date, and President Katherine Fell, Ph.D., welcomed comments and asked for additional input from community members.

Dr. Daniel J. May, Ph.D., vice president for academic affairs, who led the group discussing Quality Learning, Scholarship and Performance, presented the recommendations for his area; David W. Emsweller, vice president for student services, and Martin L. Terry, vice president for business affairs, presented recommenda-

tions on Service-Focused Administration and Support Functions; Growth of Enrollment, Programming and Affordability; and Enhanced Financial Performance and Capital Resources; and David P. Ferguson, vice president for development, offered recommendations on Enhanced Financial Performance and Capital Resources and Expanded Outreach, Engagement and Service.



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Dr. Fell presents strategic planning recommendations.

The vice presidents led groups made up of faculty, staff, students, trustees and alumni who each reviewed the specific areas of the 2005-2015 Strategic Plan for The University of Findlay. The highest priorities identified by the groups were discussed at the meeting and can be reviewed at <http://bit.ly/hYJLln>. The entire campus community is currently reviewing these priorities, and comments from alumni are welcome as well, and should be directed to the president's office c/o flemion@findlay.edu by Feb. 1. The Board of Trustees will modify the strategic plan based on input from all groups during its February meeting.



Dr. Gary Johnson, dean of the College of Liberal Arts, offers his perspective during a discussion session following the well-attended presentation on high-priority actions for the coming five years.

UF to Add Imaging Programs through Hubbard Acquisition

The College of Health Professions' Diagnostic Services area will be expanding through the acquisition of the nearby Hubbard Press building, allowing it to add three new imaging programs.

Hubbard Press, which is situated across Morey Avenue from the current NMI building at 400 Trenton Ave., is moving to Louisville, Ky., within a few weeks.

UF will then renovate the 17,000-square-foot building, allowing the medical technology program and the nuclear medicine technology program to move into the new location this fall. The building also will provide space for additional diagnostic imaging programs

including ultrasound, positron emission tomography/computed tomography (PET/CT), and in the future, magnetic resonance imaging, or MRI.

The expanded location will benefit students with additional state-of-the-art classrooms and laboratories, according to Dr. Richard B. States, chair of Diagnostic Services. States explained that the additional space and programs will allow UF to train the technologists of tomorrow in an environment of collegiality.



Hubbard Press building located at 400 Trenton Ave., Findlay.

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UF's only imaging program was nuclear medicine and the additional imaging programs will allow for more collaboration, not only among the students, but also the faculty members.

'Power of Positive' Speakers Focus on Passion, Optimism

On Tuesday, Jan. 25, America's Fun Fitness Coach, Jim Steffen, will team up with author, speaker and media personality Bruce Boguski for the Power of Positive: Celebrating Human Goodness campaign. The pair will present a motivational presentation on passion and optimism beginning at 7 p.m. in the Alumni Memorial Union's South Multipurpose Room.

Steffen, a Findlay native, is a motivational speaker and the author of several books on how to exercise, eat right and lose weight through fun and effective exercises. He is also the owner of Jim's Fitness, where he teaches JFO365 fitness classes.

Boguski is the president of The Winner's Edge, a peak performance consulting firm in Findlay. His inspirational presentations have

become internationally known, providing motivational tactics and mental toughness training for sports, business and life.

Together, Steffen and Boguski's talk will celebrate The Power of Positive, a University-sponsored community-wide campaign highlighting various virtues November through April. These characteristics have been identified as traits that can lead to a happier, healthier life.

Additional events and presentations are scheduled throughout the campaign. Each month Shafer Library will feature a display and a UF faculty or staff member will be highlighted in *The Pulse* for his or her positive qualities. The UF Film Series has also adopted the virtues and will show a movie based on the highlighted character strengths of

each month. The feature film for January will be *Secondhand Lions*.

Malacos' interdisciplinary learning project is made possible by the generosity of Dr. Richard E. Wilkin. Additional funding is from other sources.

Mark your calendar!

In February, our focus on the positive will continue with a talk on love and compassion by Linda Draper, wife of Dr. David Draper, president of Winebrenner Theological Seminary.

She will speak at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 15, in the Alumni Memorial Union.

Fells host Open House at Carrothers Home

Dr. Katherine Fell welcomed faculty, staff, students and community members during an open house held Jan. 9 at The Carrothers Home, the official residence of the President, at 1115 North Main Street. Late in 2009, following Dr. DeBow Freed's decision to step down as president, University trustees decided to utilize the transition as an opportunity to renovate the property to make it more useful not only as a president's residence but also as a site for activities involving students, alumni, donors and community members. The renovation includes an addition on the north side of the home and the transformation of the existing garage into a catering kitchen. The grounds have been landscaped to accommodate an outdoor entertainment area (with additional off-street parking), and the basement was renovated to accommodate a greater variety of student activities.



Dr. Katherine and Roger Fell in the Carrothers Home's new formal dining room, one of the improvements planned by the Board of Trustees during the presidential transition.

Campus Bustles with Students, Events



Faculty were back in the classrooms Monday, Jan. 9, for the beginning of spring semester.



Students enjoy reuniting over lunch in The Cave.



Storytelling, art stations, music and books are enjoyed at Mazza Museum's Funday Sunday held Jan. 9.



Steven Johnson, a 2011 graduate of the Nuclear Medicine Institute (NMI) is congratulated by Dr. Richard B. States, program director, on winning the Mallinckrodt Award of Excellence. A ceremony Jan. 7 also included a recognition of graduates and a national honor society induction.

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UF Offers MAE Degree Entirely Online

The University of Findlay now offers its master of arts in education (MAE) degree entirely online.

Findlay's MAE is built around the theme of educational leadership. Emphasis areas are available in children's literature, educational technology, reading, human resource development, science education, curriculum and teaching, and educational administration.

Leadership and educational research courses make up the 15-semester-hour core. The remaining 18 semester hours address individual professional goals.

Faculty members in the College of Education are easily accessible and work one-on-one with students to help them develop into highly qualified professionals.

"The convenience for profes-

sional educators to further their learning online is attractive," said Julie McIntosh, Ed.D., dean of the College of Education. "Our online course management system, Blackboard, has features ... that allow the student to interact with the professor and their peers in a virtual classroom. The faculty in the college are excited to teach in this format."

Tony-Winning Actress Beth Leavel to Perform Jan. 30 at UF

The University will play host to Tony Award-winning actress Beth Leavel for a performance at 8 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 30, in Winebrenner Theology Seminary's TLB Convocation Center.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for students and senior citizens over the age of 65. A limited number of tickets are available at the box office at 419-434-5335 or boxoffice@findlay.edu. Tickets may be available at the door; however, Leavel's performance is expected to sell out and pre-sale tickets are encouraged.

Leavel won the 2006 Tony Award for best featured actress in the lead-

ing role of "The Drowsy Chaperone," which also earned her Drama Desk and Outer Critics Circle awards. She completed a Broadway holiday run of "Elf The Musical" on Jan. 2, 2011.

Accompanying Leavel on the piano will be Phil Reno, Grammy-nominated Broadway conductor of "The Drowsy Chaperone," "The Producers," "Cats," "Thou Shalt Not" and "Broadway Under the Stars." Most recently, he served as music director for the Broadway revival of "Promises, Promises" with Kristin Chenoweth and Sean Hayes, which opened in April, and as music director for "Elf The Musical."



Beth Leavel

Leavel is The University of Findlay's Mary Snyder Kirk Musical Guest Artist Chair for 2011; the performance is also supported by the Curtain Raisers Society for the Performing Arts, the Convocations Committee and the UF music and theatre programs.

Keys Named Oilers' New Football Coach

Rob Keys, a former co-defensive coordinator and special teams coach for the Oilers from 2000-04, was named the new head football coach by Steven Rackley, director of athletics, on Dec. 16, 2010.

"We are very excited to announce that Coach Keys has accepted the challenge of leading our football program," said

Rackley. "Following an extensive search, we found the man to lead our program, one that knows Findlay and what needs to be done to get this program back on track. He has an impressive vision for our program and he takes pride in developing the young men under his guidance."

Previously, he was the defensive

backs coach at the University of New Hampshire, helping coach the team to an 8-5 record in 2010 and a spot in the NCAA Division I football championship playoffs. He also spent four years from 2006-10 at Slippery Rock University as the special teams coordinator, recruiting coordinator and defensive backs coach.

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