

# ALUMNOTES

## [Calendar]



### May

- 5 Spring 2007 Commencement Activities**  
10:30 a.m. - Baccalaureate Service  
11 a.m.-1 p.m. - Commencement Brunch  
2 p.m. - Commencement Ceremony

- 15,24 New Student Registration Day**  
Parent Panel Discussion

**Fort Wayne, Ind., Area Alumni Event**  
**Ada/Lima, Ohio, Area Alumni Event**

### June

- 8 Columbus, Ohio, Area Alumni Event**  
Easton Hilton

- 13 New Student Registration Day**  
Parent Panel Discussion

### July

- 1 Alumni Band Concert/Ice Cream Social**  
2 p.m. - Riverside Park Bandshell, Findlay

- 13 New Student Registration Day**  
Parent Panel Discussion

### August

- 25 New Student Orientation**  
**26 Arch Ceremony**  
**27 Fall Classes Begin**

### September

- 28, 29 Family Weekend**

### October

- 12-14 Homecoming, 125th Closing Celebration**

For more information about these events, to register, or to plan an event in your area, contact the Office of Alumni and Parent Relations at 1-800-472-9502, extension 4516.

## [In Memory]



**VERNON E. GARNER**

MEMBER, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

**Vernon E. Garner** passed away on March 20, 2007, in Findlay. He served on The University of Findlay Board of Trustees since 1991. In 1996, UF awarded him an honorary doctor of entrepreneurial business development degree, and he was named a Distinguished Associate of UF in 2000 for his leadership and support of the institution.

A native of Wayne, Ohio, Garner and his wife, Jean, founded the Garner Transportation Group in 1960, which began by transporting agricultural products and has grown to include transportation, expediting, warehousing, logistics management, third-party services, contract maintenance and transportation consulting. A satellite terminal was opened in Greenville, S.C., in 1987.

He served as chairman of the Ohio Trucking Association for two years before becoming chair of the American Trucking Association (ATA), based in Washington, D.C. He also served on the boards of the Interstate Truckload Carrier's Conference, Truckload Carriers Association and Toledo Trucking Association and was a member of the Task Force for the National Highway Traffic Safety and Department of Transportation Highway Policy Committee. He received the second annual Transportation Professional of the Year award from the Toledo Transportation Club and the Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority in 1998.

Garner attended College First Church of God and served on the boards of the Humane Society of Hancock County, United Way of Hancock County, Winebrenner Village/Birchaven, the Findlay-Hancock County Chamber of Commerce and the Lincoln Center. He was involved with the GOP of Hancock County, Findlay Elks (B.P.O.E.) and Findlay Rotary. He also served as spokesperson with his wife for the capital campaign for Open Arms Domestic Violence and Rape Crisis Services.

He is survived by his wife, Regina (Jean) of Findlay; daughters Stephanie Kramer and Sherri Brumbaugh of Findlay and Shellene Garner of Dublin; five grandchildren and a sister.

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## [In Memory]

'31

**N. Erma (Bisel) Shrider** passed away Dec. 26, 2006, in Findlay. She taught math at Bloomdale High School and at Glenwood Junior High School in Findlay, retiring in 1972. She was a member of the First Evangelical Lutheran Church and the Findlay Order of Eastern Star #23, Ladies Shrine and Hancock County and Ohio Retired Teachers Associations. She is survived by her son, Lawrence of Fall Brook, Calif.; daughters, Patricia Pachlhofer of Van Buren, Ohio, and Phyllis Beil of Waukesha, Wis.; six grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and a sister.

'39

**Betty (Rader '39) Edie** passed away Dec. 22, 2006, in Findlay. A graduate of the Findlay College Business School, she worked at the Boss Glove Factory, the Hancock County courthouse and the Republican-Courier, where she retired. She also was a member of the First Christian Church where she was involved with the Christian Women's Fellowship. She is survived by her husband, Ralph '42 of Findlay; a son, Halson Kent Edie of Tampa, Fla.; a daughter, Barbara DeLong of Columbus Ind., two grandsons; two great-granddaughters; and three sisters. Memorials may be made to the Ralph H. and Betty B. Edie Scholarship Fund at The University of Findlay.

'58

**Dorothy Gail (Brant) Ream** passed away Nov. 11, 2006, at her home in The Villages, Fla. She earned her master's degree from St. Francis College, Ft. Wayne, Ind., and formerly was an elementary school teacher. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Bowling Green, Ohio. Survivors include her husband, **Ronald '58**; sons Gregory of Bowling Green, Ohio, and Kevin of Davenport, Fla.; a brother; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

## [George Tuttle '36]

### Homecoming parade grand marshal

George Tuttle '36 celebrated 70 years since graduation when he returned to campus in October for Homecoming weekend and served as grand marshal of the golf cart parade. A graduate of Liberty High School in Hancock County, Tuttle remembered that Findlay College President Homer Dunathan gave him a half-tuition scholarship for being a salutatorian. In return, Tuttle played the piano for chapel several times a week and worked after classes in the Music Conservatory where he greeted visitors and answered the phone. He fondly remembered playing spring piano concerts in which he and five other students played three pianos, two to a piano. After graduation, he taught math and science for five years at Vanlue and Mansfield schools before being drafted into the Army. After World War II, he taught vocal music in Richmond, Va., for five years. Returning to Ohio, he taught math at Kettering, near Dayton, Ohio, for 22 years, retiring in 1974. For the past 21 years, he has resided at Friendship Village in Dayton.



## [ClassNotes]

'54

**Harold "Herky" Wolfe** was re-appointed to the Ohio Rail Development Commission for a term ending in 2012 by former Ohio Gov. Bob Taft. He is retired as chairman of Wyandot Dolomite Inc. in Carey, Ohio, and resides in Upper Sandusky, Ohio.

'70

**Chuck Osting** is president of Petroleum Consultants of South Carolina LLC. He and his wife, Beth, live in Hilton Head Island, S.C.

'72

**Vernon Preston** was appointed by former Gov. Bob Taft as a judge for the 3rd District Court in Lima, Ohio, effective Jan. 2, 2007. He is completing the remaining two years of the term of Judge Robert Culp, who was elected to the Ohio Supreme Court in November. Preston served as judge in the Findlay Municipal Court for the past 16 years. He resides in Findlay.

## Key to degree abbreviations:

**A** - Associate's Degree

**B** - Bachelor's Degree

**M** - Master's Degree

**H** - Honorary Degree

Class years are assumed to be bachelor's degrees unless noted otherwise with the listed codes. A person with a master's degree, but no bachelor's degree will have an (M) after their name. A person with a bachelor's degree and a master's degree is listed under their bachelor's degree year with an (M class year) after their name.

'85

**Bill Werner** and Melissa Brundjar were wed on May 6, 2006. He is a regional sales manager for KVP Inc. in Reading, Pa., and she is a vice president and manager of regulatory reporting for Key Bank in Cleveland, Ohio. They live in Bedford, Ohio.

'87

**Bethany Blue** has a new position as dean of students at Patrick Henry Schools in Malinta, Ohio. She lives in Hamler, Ohio.

'89

**Larry Arrowood** has won two awards for his new novel, "Bloodroot," which is his sixth published book. The novel received both the Editor's Choice Award and the Publisher's Choice Award from publisher iUniverse in Lincoln, Neb. He has taught college classes for 18 years and currently is senior pastor of a congregation of 600 parishioners and teaches American history in the parochial school. He resides in Seymour, Ind.

'86

**Kimberly (Rhoton) Andrus (M '06)** recently graduated from Findlay with a master of arts in education. She is a learning disabilities teacher at Cory-Rawson Elementary School in Rawson, Ohio. Her husband, **Doug '99**, is a high-performance applications analyst with Cooper Tire & Rubber Co. They live in Findlay.

**Brook Loudon Hanes** participated in a joint art exhibit in November 2006, "The Edge of the Sea; Shapes, Colors and Images of Nature," at the Library Gallery of Owens Community College's Findlay campus with his mother, Marie Loudon-Hanes, Ph.D., dean of undergraduate education at UF. A photographer with Rant and Rave Photography Studio in Findlay and a sports photographer for UF, Hanes exhibited color photographs that feature

eclectic landscapes, and Loudon-Hanes displayed abstract acrylic paintings portraying the dynamics of nature, focusing on a particular scene multiple times at different times of the day or seasons.

## '90

**Desmond V. Buford**, director of inter-cultural student services, passed away April 5 at Blanchard Valley Hospital as

this issue went to press. The UF community is mourning his loss. A complete obituary will follow in the next issue.

## '91

**Vassilios Damiras** and Diana Felix were married April 26, 2006. He is chairman of the Athenian Heritage Foundation, and she is the founder of alexandergeorge.co. and a member of the board for the Athenian Heritage Foundation. They reside in Chicago, Ill.

## '92

**Tim Utrup** has been named the American Association of Independent Professional Baseball (AAIPB) General Manager of the Year. He is vice president and general manager of the Lincoln, Neb., Saltdogs. The Saltdogs finished the past season at 65-31, and earned their first automatic berth to the playoffs. This is the second time he has been honored by AAIPB since 2001, the Saltdogs' inaugural year. During the past 15 years he also has worked for professional baseball franchises in Boise, Idaho, and Sioux City, Iowa.

## '93

**Tori (Tuttle) and Jason Durliat** welcomed a son, Alex, on Aug. 28, 2006. He joined sisters Kacey, 6, and Cindy, 2. Tori is corporate manager of marketing and communications for Advanced Drainage Systems Inc./ Hancor Inc. in Findlay. The family resides in Findlay.

**John Kidd** has a new job as real estate construction analyst for Feldman Mall Properties in Phoenix, Ariz., where he resides with his wife, Tracey.

**Michelle (Hayes) Smith** is an impound officer for the City of Columbus Division of Police. Her husband, **Otis G. Smith Jr. '94**, is a Qam account manager for Alliance Data Systems in Columbus. They reside in Columbus with their 9-year-old son.

## '94

**Desmond May** was promoted to mortgage loan officer in Findlay by Fifth Third Bank, Northwestern Ohio, where he has been employed since 2003. He also volunteers with the United Way and is a member of the finance committee for the Lupus Foundation of America, Northwest Ohio.

**Kimberly Moody** and David Holmes were joined in marriage on Sept. 2, 2006, in South Lyon, Mich. She is an environmental engineer with the Michigan Department of Transportation, and he is a mechanical engineer for General Motors Research and Development. They reside in Whitmore Lake, Mich.

**Tisha (Glosette) Rodriguez** has a new job as physical therapist assistant at Adams Memorial Hospital in Decatur, Ind. She and her husband, Ron, live in Rockford, Ohio.

## '95

**Janna Flynn** is the new coach of the intercollegiate riding team at Harvard University. In addition, she is the owner and trainer at Lanes End Farm Inc. in Danvers, Mass., which is also the new home barn of the University of Massachusetts – Lowell intercollegiate riding team. She lives in Danvers.

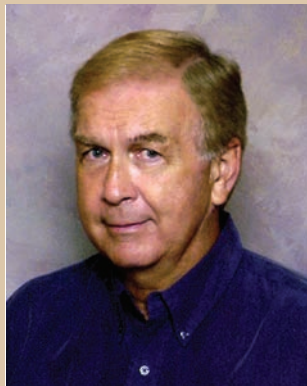
**David Grove** accepted a new position as assistant vice president statistical reporting in the product management department for Ohio Mutual Insurance Group. He has been employed by Ohio Mutual Insurance Group since 2000. He and his wife, **Missi (Hemm) '94**, reside in Bucyrus, Ohio, where she is district technology coordinator for Wynford Local Schools. They have two daughters, Hannah and Chloe.

**Julie (Molnar) Harley** is a teacher at Our Lady of Perpetual Help School. She has been named vice president of the Spina Bifida Association of Northwest Ohio. Her youngest daughter, Ruby, was born on June 21, 2005, with spina bifida. She resides in Toledo, Ohio, with her husband, Benjamin, and daughters Zoe, 3, and Ruby, 1.

## [Bob Kritkauskay '68]

### Facilitating a web of friendships

Bob Kritkauskay '68 of Glendale, Ariz., has launched a unique Web site called eFamilyFriends.com. The concept is to match similar families with like profiles. Given the increasing mobility of Americans, Kritkauskay created the site to help couples and families find a new network of friends with similar lifestyles and values. The site is beneficial across age ranges from newlyweds moving to advance careers to retirees relocating. Each search provides matches based on seven prioritized categories. Participants can use "Findlay" as a keyword to find other UF grads in their area. Currently, there is no charge to use the site. Kritkauskay is the president of eFamilyFriends.com. He also is the owner of Kritmark Corp., an advertising specialties firm that he started in the mid-1990s. Originally from Binghamton, N.Y., he moved in 1979 to the Phoenix area, where he has enjoyed a more than 25-year career in advertising. A member of Citizen Potawatomi Nation (CPN), Kritkauskay is affiliated with the tribe located in Shawnee, Okla. He is married to his high school sweetheart, Lorraine, and they have three grown children.



**John Moshier** and his wife, Jennifer, had a son, Alexander Malcolm, on Sept. 22, 2006. He is vice president – SBA relationship manager for Key Bank in Cleveland. The family lives in Shaker Heights, Ohio.

## '96

**Amy Harber** completed a six-week run of the play, "The Hollywood Dream," at the Avery Schreiber Theater in North Hollywood and starred in another play called "The Zombie" at The Hub Theater in North Hollywood in November. She also filmed a supporting role in the high-definition independent feature film "Never Divided Again" in October. She is represented by BMG Models in Los Angeles and Heyman Talent in Ohio.

**George McAfee (M)** and Susan Kill were married Aug. 26, 2006, in Huron, Ohio. He is the director of worldwide quality, and she a purchasing manager, both at Cooper Tire & Rubber Co., Findlay. They reside in Findlay.

## '97

**Craig Cramer** graduated with his doctor of ministry degree from Winebrenner Theological Seminary in August 2006 and serves as the associate pastor of Gateway Church in Findlay. He resides in Findlay with his wife, Mary Ellen, and their daughter, Carrigan Grace, 1.

**Diane (Molyet)** and Mark **Rudolph** welcomed twin sons, Maximilian and Quentin, on Oct. 30, 2006. She is the business unit manager at Rittal in Springfield, Ohio. The family lives in Urbana, Ohio.

## '98

**Melissa Grolemond** and Broc Kuhn were married April 22, 2006. She is a veterinary technician with Large Animal Associates in Kissimmee, Fla., and he is president of G&K Inc. They reside in Montverde, Fla.

**Ami (Winter) Johnson** has a new position as food safety inspector for the State of Wisconsin Department of Trade & Consumer Protection. She and her husband, Carl, reside in Saint Germain, Wis.

## [Ralph C. Smothers '83]

### Adding spice to lives



Ralph C. Smothers II '83 is promoting the good life with two Ralph's Joy of Living stores in Tiffin and Fremont, Ohio. The stores feature 16 brands of appliances, kitchen design and cabinetry, kitchen cookery and gadgets, gourmet foods and beverages, and home theatre systems. Functional kitchens are used for popular culinary classes. The Tiffin store was greatly expanded to 15,000 square feet in 2003, and the Fremont store has been renovated and had a grand re-opening on Nov. 16, 2006. "People have so much fun with this," Ralph said, adding that the joy of living concept "adds so much spice to our personal lives." Ralph and his wife, Julie, live in Tiffin with their children, Ralph III "Will," 8, Sean, 5, and Lucy, 4. Ralph participated as a vendor at UF's Cruise, Cuisine and Travel Show on Family Weekend Sept. 22-23, 2006, and is shown with Paula Wolper, assistant professor of hospitality management. Prof. Wolper also has hosted cooking demonstrations at Ralph's. For more information, see [ralphsjol.com](http://ralphsjol.com).

**Elizabeth Schweinfurth** and Timothy O'Jack were married Oct. 14, 2006. She is a hazardous materials specialist for the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. They live in Ann Arbor, Mich.

## '99

**Megan Behney** and Jared Utley were wed on Oct. 28, 2006, in Logan, Ohio. She is an administrative manager at The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center in Columbus, Ohio, and he is a self-employed Web developer. They reside in Columbus.

**Tony Fenstermaker** has a new position as an English teacher with the Findlay City Schools. He and his wife, **Holly (Dysert '99)**, live in Vanlue, Ohio.

**Amanda Harring** is a clinical study coordinator for Harvard Medical School, working on the genetics of age-related macular degeneration, which is the leading cause of blindness in persons over the age of 50. She resides in Boston, Mass.

**Julie Marckel** and Brock Stull were married Nov. 11, 2006, in Findlay. She is a consultant at Children's Hospital

Autism Center, and he is a senior engineer for Honda Research and Development. They reside in Columbus, Ohio.

**Elaine Nye (M)** accepted a contract as superintendent for New Riegel school system beginning Jan. 1, 2007. Previously, she was the principal at Hopewell-Loudon elementary school for more than four years. She also has been the gifted coordinator for Sandusky County Education Service Center and taught 16 years in the Riverdale school system.

**Jennifer Reinhart Perry** and Wade Schoenberger were married Nov. 2, 2006, in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic. She is a sales and marketing manager at Rowmark Inc. in Findlay, and he is a sales representative for Holdfast Technologies LLC. They live in Findlay.

**Lindsay Snyder** is the new director of marketing for THP Graphics Group in Conyers, Ga. She has recently moved to Midtown, which is in the heart of Atlanta, Ga.

**Shannon (Kilpatrick)** and **Scott Weissling '04** had a daughter, Kaelin Olivia, born June 11, 2006. Shannon is a school psychologist at Allen County Schools, Lima, Ohio, and Scott works for Dietsch Brothers in Findlay. The family lives in Bluffton, Ohio.

**Sara Wells** and Ryan Cox were married on Oct. 14, 2006. She is a veterinarian with Twin Maple Veterinary Hospital in West Carrollton, Ohio, and he is an EMT with Wells Institute for Health Awareness in Kettering, Ohio. They reside in Dayton, Ohio.

## '00

**Anne (Rothlisberger)** and Alec **Bacon** welcomed a son, Aidan Michael, on Aug. 24, 2006. She is membership services director for the Ohio Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians in Columbus, Ohio. They reside in Upper Sandusky, Ohio.

**Tammy Churchill** and Timothy Trus were married Aug. 26, 2006. She has a new job as professional representative with Merck U.S. Human Health in Cleveland, Ohio, and he is a Web design consultant with Brulant in Beachwood, Ohio. They reside in Cleveland.

**Nathan Dennison** has a new position as coordinator of marketing and media services for the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum in Fort Wayne, Ind. He resides in Huntington, Ind.

**Aaron Dewey** has a new position as graphics coordinator/designer for the Cleveland Cavaliers. He and his wife, Lisa, live in Avon Lake, Ohio.

**Melinda Hendricks-Jones** and Christopher Jones had a baby boy, Mason Julien, on May 2, 2006. Melinda is a physician assistant in trauma services for The Toledo Hospital. The family resides in Toledo.

**Tommy Sawin** recently completed five years of service in the Army as a military police officer. He is in the academy for the Austin, Texas, Police Department where he is training to be a police officer. He and his wife, Sara,

have twins, a boy, Tommy Joseph Sawin II, and a girl, Ella Isabel. The family resides in Killeen, Texas.

**Leann Thorp** and Jim Hardesty were married Aug. 4, 2006. She is a seventh-grade special education teacher, and he is a history teacher, both at Farmington Junior High School. They make their home in Farmington, Ill.

**Jennifer (Bercher) and David '00 Trippany** welcomed their first child, Meghan Rose, on Aug. 3, 2006. Jennifer is the owner/veterinarian of Willow Run Veterinary Services, PLC, in Rockford, Mich., and David is ergonomics technical specialist for Steelcase Inc. in Grand Rapids, Mich. The family lives in Rockford.

## '01

**Kimberly Butterworth** has recently

accepted a position as physician assistant with Premier Neurospine Specialists in Tullahoma, Tenn., where she resides.

**Kara (Anderson) Clouse** has a new position as a kindergarten teacher for New Albany Local Schools in New Albany, Ohio. She and her husband, **Mike '96**, reside in New Albany.

**Jenny (Scherer) and Mark Golding** welcomed a son, Logan Anthony, on May 12, 2006. She is an intervention specialist for Westerville City Schools in Westerville, Ohio. The family lives in Lewis Center, Ohio.

**Thomas Hallett II (M '03)** has earned a doctor of physical therapy degree from Temple University in Philadelphia, Pa. He also has certifications in mechanical diagnosis and therapy through the McKensie Institute of New Zealand and certification in Kinesio Taping Technology. He is employed by Advanced Health Limited at their offices in Fremont and Port Clinton, Ohio. He resides with his wife, Kim, and their son, TJ, in Oak Harbor, Ohio.

**Alice Hausfeld** married Nic McKinney on Oct. 21, 2006. She also has a new position as safety specialist with Coca-Cola Enterprises in Cincinnati, Ohio. They reside in Cincinnati.

**Kathryn Kelly (M)** has a new position as proposal development specialist for Momentum, a Volt Information Sciences Co. in Oakbrook Terrace, Ill. She resides in Glendale Heights, Ill.

**Lisa Nardi** recently opened a business, Portland Arts and Healing Center LLC, in Portland, Maine. She also is a writing instructor for Husson College and Central Maine Community College. She lives in Old Orchard Beach, Maine.

**Kendra (Niswander) and David Spears** welcomed a daughter, Emma Fay, on July 25, 2006. The family lives in Findlay.

**Andrea Warner** is an associate veterinarian with Companion Animal Hospital in Selinsgrove, Pa., where she lives.

## '02

**Joe Blackburn** and Leah Bake were married July 1, 2006. He is a PC/network technician for Milton-Union Schools. They reside in West Milton, Ohio.

**Michelle (Brogden) and Christopher Bondra** welcomed a daughter, Cabrini Marie, on Oct. 11, 2006. Michelle has a new position as an animal keeper for the Franklin Park Conservatory in Columbus, Ohio. The family lives in Galloway, Ohio.

**Ryan Elliott and Amber Meeks '02** were married Sept. 2, 2006, in Findlay. She is a math teacher at Findlay High School, and he is employed in technology support at Plumblin Solutions, Findlay. They live in Findlay.

**Diana Jordan** is a chemist for the city of Cincinnati. She also volunteers for the Family Readiness program with the 320th Army Reserve Postal Unit in Cincinnati. She resides in Harrison, Ohio.

**Angela Niemeyer** and Shawn Birkemeier were wed on Sept. 9, 2006, in Ottoville, Ohio. She is a substitute teacher and tutor, and he is a computer programmer at Central Insurance Companies.

**Diana Rumschlag** is a human resources specialist with CMC Group Inc. in Bowling Green, Ohio. She and her husband, Paul, live in Risingsun, Ohio.

**Dr. John Wood** has joined the practice of Hookway Eye Care in Willard, Ohio.

## '03

**Bridget Ensminger** and Fred Wagner Jr. were married Sept. 30, 2006, in Oak Harbor, Ohio. She is an early head start teacher for WSOS Community Action Commission, and he is an electrical design engineer for Kaufman Engineered Systems. They live in Oak Harbor.

**Rebecca (Ruggles) Geris** has a new position as recreation therapist at Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center in Baltimore, Md. She and her husband, Matt, live in Halethorpe, Md.

**Wayne Pneuman (M)** has been named manager of curing, bladders and the global materials sourcing group by Cooper Tire & Rubber Co., Findlay.

## '04

**Nicolas Boes** and Brandi Rathburn were married Sept. 16, 2006, in Carey, Ohio. He is employed at Best Buy Distribution Center in Findlay, and she

## [Seth Reini '03]

### Researching the cortisol connection

Seth Reini '03 is in his fourth year as a doctoral student in physiology at the University of Florida, where he is studying the effects of elevated cortisol levels on fetal heart development. He has received a prestigious two-year, pre-doctoral grant from the American Heart Association to fund his research through July 2008. Cortisol is a stress hormone released by the adrenal gland, so fetuses are exposed to higher levels of cortisol when the mother is stressed. In addition, cortisol is given to mothers in labor prematurely to help develop the lungs of the fetus before delivery. It is known that exposure of fetuses to elevated levels of cortisol can increase the likelihood of them developing heart disease or an enlarged heart later in life. His research is centered on finding the mechanism(s) by which cortisol enlarges fetal sheep hearts. (The maternal adrenal gland is the major source of cortisol in fetal blood in late gestation for both sheep and humans.) Discovery of this mechanism could lead to finding ways of blocking the negative effects of increased cortisol levels. His research involving measurement of genes known to be important in heart growth and their responses to cortisol treatments has been published in the American Journal of Physiology – Regulatory, Integrative and Comparative Physiology, Volume 291, December 2006. He also had a scholarly abstract published and presented his results at a meeting of the Society for Gynecologic Investigation in Los Angeles in March 2005.



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is a legal secretary at Osborn and Fox Co. CPA in Upper Sandusky, Ohio. They reside in Carey.

**Kathryn Foor** has a new position as Chicago showroom manager/administrative assistant for Atlas Carpet Mills in The Merchandise Mart in Chicago. She resides in Chicago.

**Ryan Keller** and **Cassandra Beard '05** were married Sept. 23, 2006. He has a new position as purchasing/warehouse manager for Cogburn Electric in Marion, Ohio, and she has a new job as receptionist for Rejuvenations Salon and Spa in Marion. They make their home in Marion.

**Brent Nye** has a new job as business development coordinator for Raymond James Financial Services Inc. in Bellevue, Wash. He and his wife, Kristina, live in Redmond, Wash.

**Natalie Snyder** married Ben Smith on Sept. 30, 2006, in Findlay. She is a shift manager for Rocking U Restaurant, Findlay, and he is employed by Casey's Sales and Service. They live in Jenera, Ohio.

**Kelly (Pohlman) Yarnell** has a new position as first-grade teacher at Elida Local Schools in Elida, Ohio. She and her husband, Steve, live in Bluffton, Ohio.

### '05

**Thomas Climes** was named district sales manager in the Western Region of Cooper Tire & Rubber Co. subsidiary Oliver Rubber Co. and is relocating to Salt Lake City, Utah. He has been employed by Cooper since 1996.

**Emily Hoying** is a West Hardeeville pre-K teacher for the Jasper County School District. She resides in Port Royal, S.C.

**Erin McClure** and Michael Smith were married Sept. 2, 2006. She also has a new position as a development services technician for Evans, Mechwart, Hambleton and Tilton Inc. in Columbus, Ohio. They reside in Upper Sandusky, Ohio.

**Victoria Provenzale** and Aaron Ebricht were married Oct. 21, 2006, on St. Simons Island, Ga. She is employed in the engineer's office of the City of Brunswick, Ga.

**Thanks to all who have submitted their updates for Alumnotes. Information for this issue was received by Dec. 26, 2006. Subsequent submissions will appear in future issues of MainLine or the Findlay magazine.**



## UF Alumni/Employee Reception

The Office of Alumni & Parent Relations hosted a luncheon on Dec. 8, 2006, for those Findlay College/The University of Findlay alumni who are employed at The University of Findlay, with 43 employees attending.

## [EndNotes]

**By Dee Dee Spraw**

**Director of Alumni and Parent Relations**



Greetings FC/UF alumni! It's an exciting new time at The University of Findlay. On February 8, 2007, the kick-off celebration for the 125th

anniversary was held with a Founding Day celebration. Festivities will continue throughout the year, concluding with Homecoming in October 2007.

All events will be based on the theme, "Celebrating the Past, Embracing the Future." Many activities will take place in the community and on campus. The Hancock Historical Museum is hosting a rotating exhibit in the community room. This is an exciting time in our history. This celebration gives us a unique opportunity to honor our past and also look at our future and consider what we can do to best serve the needs of our alumni. We're looking forward to a fun celebration and a great year.

Also part of this celebration, we are working with Harris Connect Inc. on publishing an alumni directory. Therefore, please know that any correspondence you receive requesting for you to update your records, is legitimate. You should have received an e-mail or a mailing asking for "Verification of The University of Findlay Alumni Information." If you have not received any requests, please feel free to contact me either by e-mail [sprow@findlay.edu](mailto:sprow@findlay.edu), or phone (419) 434-4589. Please answer these requests in order for us to have your updated information in the directory.

To view a 125th video and the list of scheduled commemorative events, visit the 125th Anniversary website at [www.findlay.edu/about/125/default.htm](http://www.findlay.edu/about/125/default.htm). Be sure to mark your calendar for Homecoming 2007 – Oct. 12 & 13. As always, please be sure to keep me updated by filling out the "What's New with You?" form at [www.findlay.edu](http://www.findlay.edu) KEYWORD: Alumni.

All the Best,

**Dee Dee Spraw**

**Director of Alumni and Parent Relations**

