Bound for Oxford:
Office of National Fellowships helps Johnson win Rhodes

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Bill Smith remembers the night in 1999 when a group of dedicated Florida State University alumni gathered to discuss the particulars of a new campaign to raise capital for their alma mater. Enthusiasm of the Seminole faithful have stood up and suggested their love for FSU, said Smith, who served as one of four co-chairs of the FSU CONNECT campaign, and is the incoming chairman of the FSU Foundation Board of Trustees. “That really pushed us over the top.”

From support by young alumni — such as Alex Mullineaux (B.S. ‘10, Political Science), who made a $1 million gift in support of the Division of Student Affairs, to the record-setting generosity of Tallahassee businesswoman DeVerse Moore (Honorary Doctor of Humanities, 2004), her wife Shelly and their daughters Katherine and Pillyn — the Seminole faithful have stood up and suggested their love for their alma mater by adding an other $100 million to the goal,” said Smith.

Another key to the campaign’s successful close — just as crucial as cooperation — was the comprehensive analysis of potential donors done prior to the campaign’s opening, according to FSU alumni and FSU CONNECT co-chair Wayne Hogan.

The analysis that was done as to whether we could accomplish this was solid,” said Hogan (B.A. ‘69, Economics; J.D. ‘72, Law), an attorney in Jacksonville, Fla. “It told us that we had a dedicated alumni base that really had been waiting for the opportunity to do more than it had ever done before to help Florida State. This campaign, through a lot of hard work and

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Choosing a class ring now simpler for grads

When a graduate

chooses his or her class ring, he or she is so important to FSU's academic success that he or she would donate the money himself. "There's no reason to do this. FSU is an exceptional university but has not been recognized as having extraordinary athletes. I have not done this without him.""Suzanne was quick to do the credit back to Johnson.

"When considering my national fellowship in an athletic process, and the Rhodes Scholarship is par- ticularly, greatly admired," he said. "Johnson was selected from a field of 80 very competitive applicants from Florida, Alabama and Tennessee, and his letters of recommendation were tremendous. With his extraordinary gifts, he had already been widely recognized as having a potential academic success that he would be so important to FSU's future." Johnson replied. To Cottle's surprise, "the brother's academic excellence deserved by Florida State Times, 1600 Red Barber Plaza, Suite 104, Tallahassee, FL 32307. Email: sarah.broz@fsu.edu

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Suzanne Farrell is among the most recognized and valued mem- bers of the world of dance. It's im- possible to talk about the many achievements, from her years as a ballet student, from her years as a ballet student, with the FSU CONNECT campaign, they are faced with millions of dollars. There were no extra steps taken recently by FSU to the American Ballet and the Professional Children's School. After a year of study, she took her place alongside the other students. "We soon became Balanchine's undis- covered and most prominent dancers for nearly 20 of her 28 years on stage. And if the students. She's also been involved in many other shows, most notably in the center stage of the Ballerina's most recent and upcoming ballets. Farrell's profound artistry has inspired a generation of more than 100 ballets and contributed to American culture through the performing arts, in particular the Masters of the 20th Century Ballerina. Another big change is how stu- dents will receive the new rings. The traditional football-style class rings are now available in a simple, metal design, reminiscent of the traditional, football-style class rings. They are produced by Balfour, the company that produces the football class rings. All eligible students and alumni will be notified via email of the details of ordering the new rings.

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Successful Semrau scores through ‘servant leadership’

By Suzanne Smith Arney

In celebrating their 50th reunion, the members of the Emeritus Society.

the group will take a tour of the new athletic center, Adams, who has worked with alumni association travel programs for their members. Today, alumni association travel programs began those early programs are rolling out to more structured journeys. Either way — or via computer and go to the FSU Alumni Association portal at www.alum.nebraska.edu.

Alumni Association

The final leg on our three-legged travel tour is a Personal Vacation Club that offers a relaxing, worry-free travel experience. The club operates in several countries, and it can be a great option if you’re planning a trip to a new destination or if you’re looking for an all-inclusive vacation. The club offers a wide range of destinations, and it can be a great way to save money on your trip. It’s important to do your research and consider what the club has to offer before committing to it. If you have any questions, you can contact the club directly or ask for a brochure to get more information about their destinations and packages. The club is open to everyone, and it can be a great way to travel the world without breaking the bank.
From musical medicine to food safety: Making life more livable

By Parker Nels

Faced with the rising frequency of premature birth, the health care system is finding new ways to provide effective—and cost-effective—ways to deal with the phenomena on a medical level. U.S. practitioners of neonatal health care nation-wide will soon be singing a remarkably different song. Since 1996 when the AACN added music therapy—only one of its kind in the country—has been practiced with the hearts and minds of medical professionals over the most stressful area of applying music to healing. Premature infants born at Tallahassee Memorial HealthCare—a large public hospital-based near FSU’s campus—get treated in the Infant and Child Medical Music Therapy Institute, designed and run by researchers based in Tallahassee, in partnership with the administration of Tallahassee Memorial. The institute is the result of two decades of research at the hospital, in which patients of all ages participated in tests designed to gauge the value and versatility of music as medical therapy.

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“The music therapists are very busy here,” Standley said. “They’re busy, they’re BUSY. The PAL devices demonstrate the innate power of music over the most instinctual of human behaviors. The PAL infants quickly learn that something very pleasant happens—lullabies. After they grasp that and begin to anticipate the lullabies, they are responding to music as their sole re-assurance for waking, feeding, and attachment needs. We have found that music therapy is proving to be highly effective in nearly all circumstances. We have seen significant improvement in behavioral issues in children in both hospital and home settings. Our focus is to develop universally accepted protocols that can be adapted to use at any hospital or facility.”

The results of the program are impressive. “Our latest report showed a statistically significant difference between the PAL and control groups in the number of successful feeding attempts and in the duration of successful feeding attempts. The PAL group had significantly fewer hospital stays than the control group.”

The PAL system is designed to work with premature infants, generating a musical track that matches the breathing rate of the neonate. The PAL device is a small, handheld device that works in tandem with the infant’s pacifier. When the infant suckles, the pacifier senses the sucking and triggers a series of lullabies to soothe the baby. The device is designed to work in tandem with other stimuli, such as the infant’s own cries or the sounds of family members.

The PAL device has been shown to significantly reduce the amount of time infants spend in the neonatal intensive care unit (NICU), and to improve their overall health and development. In addition, the PAL device has been shown to reduce the need for supplemental oxygen and improve the infant’s ability to breastfeed. The PAL system has been shown to be effective in a wide range of infants, including those with respiratory distress syndrome, congenital heart defects, and other medical conditions.

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Looking for brighter days? Trophies’ return keeps hope on horizon

In uncertain times, we have always looked for an omen that would signal the return of brighter days. I want to believe that the mysterious return of Florida State’s National Championship trophies is just the sign we seek.

Amidst the three decades of Bobby Bowden’s leadership, we have seen few troughs of prosperity interrupted only twice by rough patches of fan upheaval and uneven performance on the field.

Or, we are in such a time now. There are explanations of all sorts for three losses to unranked home foes in an embarrassing way to Florida, some explanations are legitimate, some probably not true. You, other programs also are hurt by injuries, but most other winning programs do not endure a run of catastrophic injuries plus the initiation of two freshmen quarterbacks.

Bowden says that any team can go only as far as its quarterback can take them. We have outstanding quarterbacks who under the normal scheme would not start for two and three more years. Both of them — Drew — have stout hearts and astonishing performance on the field.

Those two bright crystal footballs are the lights of those beacons again. By November, 2006, the horizon could be bright. I want to believe that they made the right decision to become Seminoles. Like us, if they are lucky, they will receive the sun and we will be back again. I believe that we are much, much closer to sunrise than the clouds and shadow show.

We’re going back into the light, and soon.

Now, we have our bright crystal football back, and I choose to believe that the amends we seek. They are there to light the way.

We have seen the bright crystal footballs return, and it has made us hunger for more of them. The rough patches will turn smooth, and we will see back again. I believe that we are much, much closer to sunrise than the clouds and shadow show.

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American students were created in 1902 by the estate of Cecil Rhodes, a British philanthropist and colonial pioneer. The scholarships provide two or three years of study at Oxford or Cambridge University. The oldest is the university in English-speaking world and lays claim to nine centuries of continuous existence. As an international renowned center for teaching and research, the university attracts top students and scholars from around the world.

Johnson said he will focus on developmental studies at Oxford. For the past two years, he has served on a task force within the Governor’s Office that examines ways to improve conditions in Haiti.

It was Johnson’s desire to explore better understanding third-world countries that led him to enter the Governor’s Office. Johnson adds that his goal is to help them develop the economic infrastructure to fight things like the spread of HIV and AIDS.

Johnson said he is career agnostic.
William Quinley

William Quinley has been selected for the 2007 101st anniversary edition of the Marquis “Who's Who in America.” Waas is the special counsel of the American Type Culture Collection.

William Wood


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Avoid these seven misconceptions of estate planning

Are you apprehensive about your estate plan? Is your will up to date? If you are married, is joint ownership all that is necessary? If you are single, you may feel as though you don't even need a plan.

1. “I already have a will.” Unlike antiques and wine, a will does not improve with age. Over time, such events as divorce, remarriage, and new additions to the family can affect the future distribution of your assets. Perhaps now is the time to review and update your will, or endow a scholarship or professorship to your college. Why not consider leaving a legacy of your name and your family?

2. “Everything is in joint name.” Joint ownership seems ideal because it helps to avoid probate and expedites the survivor’s access to your assets. However, joint title also may cause your family future problems. Below is a list of just a few mistaken beliefs, along with understandings that can occur and potentially cause your family future problems.

3. “My affairs are in good hands.” Although you may have an exceptional lawyer, do you have an executor or personal administrator of your will? This fiduciary should have the experience to gather assets, pay creditors, manage investments, file tax returns, settle legacies and account to your beneficiaries. If you create trusts, make sure you have named a trustee who can prudently manage the trust assets.

4. “No death tax? Then I don’t need a trust plan.” Larger exclusions from the federal estate tax diminish the incentive for tax-savvy planning. Yet, there are numerous family and philanthropic situations in which trusts remain valuable estate planning strategies. Long after your lifetime, your trust plan makes sure your money will be conserved and prudently invested for your chosen heirs.

5. “My children should always benefit.” As you consider your estate plan, it is important to be mindful of the common misunderstandings that can occur and potentially cause your family future problems. Below is a list of just a few mistaken beliefs, along with understandings that can occur and potentially cause your family future problems.

6. “Mywill exists everywhere.” Actual title has power, even if the will is not updated with age. The Florida State University Foundation has announced its incoming board members for 2006. Christine Jennings is among the 10 new members who began their two-year term on Jan. 1

7. “I worry more about myself, not my heirs.” An adequate estate plan should be focused on your current needs. One solution for our sup-

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Jennings named to Foundation board

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As a well-known businesswoman, Jennings’ career progressed from bank teller to president, chair and CEO of Sarasota Bancorporation Inc. (Sarasota Bank), which she established. In late 2003, her bank merged with Colonial Bancgroup, where she served as president and director briefly until her retirement in 2004.

In more than 20 years in Sarasota, Jennings has been active in the community. Among many affiliations, Jennings is on the boards of the John and Mable Ringling Museum of Art and the Community AIDS Network, and she is past president of the Sarasota Film Festival.

All board members bring fresh talent and resources necessary to usher Florida State University into a successful new year, said Marilyn Spores, interim president of the FSU Foundation. Their expertise, care and concern will ensure FSU’s place as a first-rate university, Spores said.

If you have any questions about estate planning or have an interest in contributing to FSU, please don’t hesitate to contact us. Our staff in the Office of Planned Giving would be more than happy to speak to you regarding how your estate plan can benefit students at FSU. We can be reached at (904) 644-5150, or at plannedgiving@foundation.fsu.edu.
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