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Move over fossil fuels. This place gets its charge from solar and hydrogen power

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Trustees approve three-year budget

Economic reality forces program changes, layoffs

By **Browning Brooks**

Director, News and Public Affairs

The Florida State University's budget has been cut \$82 million since 2007. Of that total, \$56.6 million will be cut during this fiscal year.

At its June 17 meeting, the university's Board of Trustees approved a three-year plan to cut that \$56.6 million, beginning in fiscal year 2009-10.

Administrators first began preparing for this budget crisis almost three years ago. These preparations included the formation of a Budget Crisis Committee, composed of faculty and student representatives.

The plan calls for as many as 200 faculty and staff layoffs, including about 25 tenured professors; the merger, restructuring or suspension of academic programs; a requirement that branch campuses support themselves within three years; and a 15-percent tuition

increase each year of the three-year plan. It does not call for across-the-board salary cuts or furloughs for employees.

The university is attempting to assist affected individuals in finding other positions either on or off campus. Human Resources has established the Office of Budget Crisis Support Services to meet with them individually.

"For more than two years, we have worked diligently to manage these cuts, but we are now at the point where we will have to restructure or suspend some programs to preserve the core educational mission of the university," said President T.K. Wetherell.

"We wish we were not forced to take these actions, but the campus will be better served by targeted solutions rather than by diluting the educational experience for all," said Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Lawrence G.

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WETHERELL TO STEP DOWN

Thomas Kent "T.K."

Wetherell, who has served as The Florida State University's 13th president since January 2003, announced his intent to step down as president during the university's Board of Trustees meeting on June 17.

In a letter to Board of Trustees Chairman Jim Smith, Wetherell said the timing is right to step down to pursue other interests, including teaching in Florida State's College of Education and spending more time with his family. Wetherell plans to remain in office until the next president is hired.

Look for more coverage about Wetherell's presidency later this fall in the *Florida State Times*.

At the June 17 meeting, Smith directed three university employees to head the search team to find Wetherell's successor — General Counsel Betty Steffens, Assistant Vice President for Human Resources Joyce Ingram, and Ella Scoble Opperman Professor of Music Jayne Standley.

For the latest news about the presidential search, visit <http://president.fsu.edu/search>.

Robust student scholarship leads to national honors

By **Melanie Yeager**

One student is building a computer program to analyze the evolution of an ecosystem. Another provided Liberian refugees with vocational training to rebuild their lives. Still another is intent on engineering a safe sanitation system for impoverished Haiti.

These projects — each a passion with a purpose — are examples of the ambitious work being carried out by The Florida State University's latest national award winners.

"The recognition earned by our national fellowship winners reflects not

only the academic strengths, creative talents and social commitment of our students but also the strong culture of scholarship, research, creativity and innovation that characterizes Florida State University as a whole," said Karen Laughlin, dean of Undergraduate Studies.

The 2008-2009 awards year started off with a bang last fall when Myron Rolle was named Florida State's third Rhodes Scholar in four years. (In the past five years, only nine American universities have produced more Rhodes Scholars than Florida State.) By year's

end, FSU students had landed most of the prestigious national awards available, including one Goldwater Scholarship, one Truman Scholarship, one Udall Scholarship, two Boren scholarships and eight Fulbright grants.

It's an impressive feat for any university, said Paula Warrick, president of the National Association of Fellowship Advisors. Florida State excelled in a rigorously competitive process among the nation's universities, she said, noting that candidates for these elite awards

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Let us play

Second annual gala will raise funds for women's athletics.

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Family football weekends

Florida State and the Leon County Tourism Development Council deliver affordable fun.

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Women's athletics

Event aims to raise endowment

When you let us play...we learn what it means to be strong.

When you let us play...we are a force for change in our community.

These words are the driving force behind the inaugural "Let Us Play" dinner and auction, a special event to raise funds for The Florida State University's Women's Scholarship Endowment, scheduled for September 25 at the Florida State Basketball Training Center. With headliners across the years such as track stars Susan Kuijken, Kim Batten and Kim Williams; basketball standouts Brooke Wyckoff and Tia Paschal; golf champion Caroline Westrup; soccer star Mami Yamaguchi; and softball standout Jessica Van der Linden, to name just a few, women athletes at Florida State have been highly successful.

Florida State answered their plea to "Let Us Play." The university and the players are stronger and more successful because Florida State was able to provide the support they needed.

Now Becky Spetman, wife of Athletics Director Randy Spetman,



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and a team of volunteers want to make sure women's athletics has scholarship funding to respond to the "Let Us Play" call for decades to come.

"I have always had a passion for women's athletics, and I wanted to get involved to support them," Spetman said. "FSU has a great women's program, but we needed to do more, so we put together a committee of 20 women — former athletes and prominent figures on campus and in the local business community — who support women's academics and athletics."

The event will feature dinner, appearances by former Florida State athletes, including Gabrielle Reece — volleyball champ and fashion model —

and both live and silent auctions with items like weekend getaways, dinner with the Bowdens, skybox seats and specialty packages.

"It takes hundreds of thousands of dollars to endow a single scholarship. We need help from all Seminole fans," Spetman said. "We're expecting a big crowd for an evening to celebrate our star athletes — past, present and future."

For more information, to contribute items or services for the event, and to

Members of the Let Us Play committee are, from left, Diana Padgett, Aimee Wirth, Becky Spetman, Rachel Catalano, Valerie Peacock, Cassandra Jenkins, Susan Powers, Susie Busch-Transou, Connie Jenkins-Pye, Vicki Childers and Erica Uzzell. Not pictured are Carole Smith, Lee Hinkle, Michelle Wilson, Cecile Reynaud, Genie Morcom, Jennifer Anderson and Alicia Crew.

reserve tickets, visit www.seminoles.com/genrel/letusplay.html or call (850) 644-3484.

College hosts 'boot camp' to turn veterans into entrepreneurs

By Lindsay Potvin
College of Business

The 19 veterans who arrived at the Florida State University College of Business on June 9 didn't know one another and weren't sure what to expect. When they left on June 17, they were a close-knit group of up-and-coming entrepreneurs, ready to succeed in the business world.

This year's Entrepreneurship Bootcamp for Veterans with Disabilities brought veterans

wounded in post-Sept. 11 conflicts from as far away as California to Tallahassee for a crash course in entrepreneurship. Everything from marketing, raising capital, licensing and filing for patents to creating the actual business plan was covered. The rigorous camp culminated in each participant's presentation of his or her business plan to a group of "angel" investors.

"The transition between being a soldier and a citizen isn't an

easy one," said Randy Blass, an assistant in organizational behavior in the College of Business and director of the boot camp. "This program gives them the tools to be entrepreneurs, but it also gives them the confidence to make a positive transition back into their lives at home."

The Entrepreneurship Bootcamp for Veterans with Disabilities, which began in 2007 at the Whitman School of Management at Syracuse University, is offered

at a consortium of schools, including Texas A&M University, the University of California-Los Angeles, Purdue University and Syracuse University. The program also is recognized by the Army Community Covenant program of the Department of the Army as a "national best practice" program.

To learn more about the program and how individuals can lend their assistance, visit www.cob.fsu.edu/ebv.



The 2009 graduating class of the 2009 Entrepreneurship Bootcamp for Veterans with Disabilities are, from left, Sayngeun "Sy" Phouamkha, Eulanda Shingleton, Ricardo "Ricky" Perez, Christopher "C.J." Greer, Johnny Moncayo, Garland "Zac" Faison, Luis Perez, Holli Summerset, Kenyona Wilson, Ben Houston, Jeff Miller, Clifford Hawkins, Greg Amira, Ernest Charles, Lee Stewart, Allen Schmidt, Christopher Cancialosi, Jon Hurley and Jose Vasquez.

SHORT TAKES



Wagner named Lawton Distinguished Professor

A psychology professor who has helped establish The Florida State University as one of the nation's premier institutions for research into learning disabilities such as dyslexia has received The Florida State University's highest faculty honor.

Richard K. Wagner, Florida State's Alfred Binet Professor of Psychology and a Distinguished Professor of Psychology, has been named the 2009-2010 Robert O. Lawton Distinguished Professor. It is the highest award that the Florida State faculty can bestow on one of its own.



Richard Wagner

"I could not have been more surprised and delighted to learn of this award," Wagner said. "It is incredibly humbling for three reasons. The first is what I know about the contributions of some equally or more deserving colleagues who have yet to receive it. The second is what I know about the contributions of previous recipients, including psychology Professor Jim Smith, who has been a mentor to me since I arrived at Florida State fresh out of graduate school. The third is how much of a role my colleagues and friends have played in what we have accomplished."

PeaceJam makes FSU its southeastern headquarters

PeaceJam, an international organization that seeks to inspire students to better themselves and their surroundings through education, inspiration and action, has made The Florida State University its Southeast region headquarters and, in turn, will give Florida State students unprecedented access to the 12 Nobel Peace

laureates who sit on its board of directors.

The laureates take turns headlining annual conferences sponsored by each region. This past spring, Nobel Peace laureate Betty Williams was the guest at Florida State's first PeaceJam.

"We seek to transform our students, no matter their age, in three ways, the first being through education," said Roddy Thompson, director of PeaceJam Southeast. "PeaceJam is more than just a conference. It has a yearlong, age-appropriate curriculum for elementary-, middle- and high-school students. Florida State students will be able to serve younger students in Leon County (Florida) by going into schools to teach them about the lives and work of Nobel Peace laureates, helping them to understand their values and roles as leaders for change. Florida State students also will be involved in planning and presenting conference workshops, and figuring out service initiatives for the younger students and, in turn, being able to work alongside them."

"Then there is transformational inspiration derived through interaction with our Nobel laureates," Thompson said. "The conference, which is geared for high school students, is the most compelling way to inspire kids, and every year we'll have a different Nobel laureate on campus."

It is Thompson's hope that high school students from throughout PeaceJam Southeast's five-state region — Florida, Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina and North Carolina — will be able to attend future PeaceJams on the Florida State campus.

"Lastly, transformation comes from taking action," she said. "Everyone who participates in PeaceJam must be engaged in service. So beginning in elementary school and going all the way through, there are service requirements through our Global Call to Action."

PeaceJam's Global Call to Action encourages students to engage in service projects to address 10 core issues of injustice and suffering, which include finding ways to equalize access to water and other natural resources; ending racism and hate; halting the spread of global disease; eliminating extreme poverty; restoring Earth's environment; and breaking the cycle of violence.

The spring 2010 PeaceJam Southeast conference will be March 20-21. The headlining Nobel Peace

laureate has yet to be determined.

PeaceJam Southeast is a program of Florida State's Center for Leadership and Civic Education. To learn more, visit PeaceJam.org, call (850) 645-8782 or send an e-mail to rhthompson@admin.fsu.edu.

Coming to TV this fall: 'Strength, Skill, Character'

During the Seminole's 2009 televised football games, viewers will be treated to a special "national television message" about The Florida State University and three of its highest-caliber students who embody the university's values of "Strength, Skill and Character." However, their identities won't be revealed until the commercial airs during the first televised game against Miami on Sept. 7. Check local listings for time and station.

A similar national television message aired during the 2008 football season featuring Rhodes Scholars Garrett Johnson and Joe O'Shea, and Goldwater Scholar Rebecca Stone. It can be viewed at www.fsu.com.

Heritage Protocol accepting historical items

The Florida State University's Heritage Protocol program is dedicated to identifying, acquiring, cataloging, and preserving items related to the institutional history and cultural heritage of the university and its predecessor institutions. To that end, the program is accepting donations of artifacts from alumni, former faculty and staff members, and friends of the university. Photographs and ephemera are of particular interest, but nothing is off limits. To donate an item or make arrangements to have the item picked up, send an e-mail to ewoodward@fsu.edu or call 850-645-7988.

Alumni sought for research project

David W. Eccles, the lead research scientist at the Florida State University Center for Expert Performance Research, is seeking participants for a national study of household finances. Participants will be asked to complete a survey involving only a few hours of work and will be paid \$50. Households that are asked to participate in the second phase of research will be paid \$300. Participants should be part of



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D'Alemberte immortalized: As a tribute to his vision to build a medical school at The Florida State University, a statue of President Emeritus Talbot "Sandy" D'Alemberte has been installed on the east side of the John Thrasher Building, home of the College of Medicine. The college, which opened in June 2000, was established and accredited during D'Alemberte's tenure, which ran from 1994 to 2002. The statue was sculpted under the leadership of sculptor Melinda Copper at the university's Master Craftsman Studio. D'Alemberte and his wife, Patsy Palmer, were very appreciative of the tribute at the April 9 unveiling of the statue.

a couple (one male and one female between the ages of 51 and 61) who are not business owners, have never experienced bankruptcy, and have children.

To participate, call (850) 644-5465 or send an e-mail to financestudy@lsu.fsu.edu. The survey will not ask participants to disclose any information about their identities, and all volunteered data will be kept secure and confidential.

Florida State Times readership survey

The editors of the *Florida State Times* invite our readers to take a survey about this publication at <http://tinyurl.com/FSTimes-Survey>. The survey will remain posted through the end of September and can be taken at any time until then. Results will be published later this year in the *Florida State Times*.

'TRUE Seminoles' pregame tailgate parties

During the 2009 football season, the Seminole Student Boosters and the Florida State University Division of Student Affairs will co-sponsor two TRUE Seminoles pre-game tailgate parties: Sept. 7, from 3 to 5 p.m., prior to the Miami game; and Sept. 26, time tba, prior to the University of South Florida game. Both events will be at Wildwood Plaza, between Ragans and Wildwood halls on the Florida State campus.

The TRUE Seminoles campaign began in 2007 as a way to unite the student body by advancing the ideals of "Tradition, Respect, Unity and Excellence."

This year's TRUE Pride T-shirt, the proceeds of which endow scholarships for student-athletes and provide opportunities for students in need, will be available in Tallahassee at Garnet

& Gold, Bill's Bookstore, the Seminole Sportshop at Doak Campbell Stadium, the Seminole Bookstore in the campus parking garage on Woodward Avenue, and at www.seminoles.com.

Athletics donates \$100,000 to library

The Florida State University's Stroz Library has become one of the top beneficiaries of the Seminole football team's win over Wisconsin in the Champs Sports Bowl last December. Florida State Athletics delivered a check in June for \$100,000 to the library from proceeds of the team's participation in the Orlando-based bowl.

"We are pleased to be able to continue a long history of a significant financial commitment to academic projects from athletics," said FSU Director of Athletics Randy Spetman. "Athletics is an integral component of the mission and experience of higher education, and at Florida State we have been able to join with Seminole Boosters to give back to academic interests. We are fortunate to be one of the shrinking number of athletics programs that are self sustaining, which enhances the impact of the academic support."

Florida State defeated Wisconsin 42-13 to finish the 2008 season with a 9-4 record. The bowl game was the Seminole's 27th consecutive, which is the longest active streak in college football.

"Stroz Library has benefitted from several gifts from athletics in the past and this most recent donation comes at a time when funds are in highest demand on campus," said Julia Zimmerman, dean of University Libraries. "It is critical that the libraries at Florida State receive support from our friends and alumni in order to fulfill our mission. It is nice to be a part of this team and we appreciate the support of athletics."

Spend money wisely, creatively to weather recession

By Dave Fiore

The fact that families are feeling the pinch of an economic recession is not surprising, but according to a Florida State University researcher, the impact may be more widespread than expected.

In his study, which focused primarily with recession-related stress in the workplace, Wayne Hochwarter, the Jim Moran Professor of Management at Florida State's College of Business, found that more than 70 percent of men and women admitted also making significant spending changes at home. This included decisions to limit or eliminate the purchase of items deemed nonessential.

"Scared — it's the one word I would use to describe the mental status of employees these days," Hochwarter said. "Employees are more stressed and more strained today, and they aren't looking to make a move to improve their situation. The study shows employees have little confidence that the next work situation will be any more secure than the current one."

While the economic tide is low, two Florida State alumni are teaching others to stretch their dollars further, one by promoting handmade over mass-produced gifts, the other through the use of coupons.

'HAND MAIDEN'

Throwing caution to the wind to follow her dream, Beth Cummings (B.A. '05, Theatre) opened an online store called "Diffraction," selling handmade jewelry made from original photographs.

"I have been creating things all my life, and I come from an entrepreneurial family," Cummings said. "I tried the 9-to-5 thing for a while, but it was really not what I



Wayne Hochwarter

wanted to do. I started Diffraction as a creative outlet, and it grew. I started getting wholesalers and doing shows and then realized it could be a full-time career."

At the one-year mark, Cummings now focuses on her sister company, DiffractionFIBER (www.diffractionfiber.etsy.com), for which she designs and produces offbeat pillows, mouse pads and keychains from material that is made up of 100-percent recycled plastic bottles.

"They are modern with a sense of humor," Cummings said. "I love the modern aesthetic, but it is always cold. This is a fun way to liven things up."

Handmade gifts are especially popular in a recession, according to Cummings.

"If someone is looking for a great present and wants to spend \$20, a unique, handmade gift is perfect," she said. "With less money to spend, they put more thought on where to spend it, and most will



Beth Cummings

choose handmade every time."

For example, Cummings' three-pillow set with the words "Control," "Alt" and "Delete" on them has really taken off.

"A blog picked them up and then 15 more blogs, so I had IT guys from all over the world wanting them," Cummings said. "I was making them nonstop for two weeks straight."

Although Cummings and husband Patrick Regan Davis (B.A. '05, Theatre)



Ashley Nuzzo

Ashley Nuzzo, with daughter Lucianna

said it was scary when they decided to give the idea a try, they knew it was the right time to take a risk.

"I sat back and realized that I will only be 26 once, and I have something I really believe in and know I can make work," she said. "Even if my parents think I'm insane."

'COUPON QUEEN'

Florida State alumna Ashley Nuzzo (B.S. '04, Elementary Education) is making extra money by saving money and helping other families do the same. The elementary school teacher turned stay-at-home mom decided even before the recession that her family needed to make some changes.

"When we had our baby, we went from two incomes to one, so we had to cut down our spending and shop differently," Nuzzo said. "We had always been watching pennies, but when I learned the secret of combining store sales with store

coupons and manufacturer's coupons, things really clicked. By combining the three, our grocery spending went down by about one-third, but I was bringing home two to three times more stuff."

Today, Nuzzo's Web site, www.FrugalCouponLiving.com, is known across the country — and the world — as an invaluable resource for families looking to save big dollars, one coupon at a time.

Creating the site became a necessity after word began to spread of her money-saving ways, according to Nuzzo.

"Friends and family were constantly asking me where the deals were, and I was always repeating myself, so I started posting to a personal blog and then started the Web site," Nuzzo said.

Helping to increase her exposure were an article in *U.S. News & World Report* and an appearance on the "Dr. Phil" show in February 2009. Today, the site averages between 5,000 and 7,000 visitors per day.

"I did not want to reinvent the wheel," Nuzzo said. "The key is to plan your menus around what is on sale and then stockpile. We have items stored in the pantry, laundry room, bathroom cabinets and the linen closet."

The process of gathering, printing and organizing the coupons, and then making the shopping lists, takes the average family around an hour and a half every week, Nuzzo said.

"We are now looking differently at every dollar we have," she said. "When we are able to buy more than we can use, we donate it to charity. It is important to spend less and give away more, which is good for everyone in times like these."

Alumnus's book recounts remarkable era in Florida politics

By Dave Fiore

When Florida State University alumnus Bob McKnight (M.B.A. '67, Management) sat down to record his thoughts about his time as a state legislator from South Florida in the late 1970s and early 1980s, he never dreamed it would evolve into a book that would help define an era of unprecedented change in Florida politics.

The idea for "The Golden Years ... The Florida Legislature, '70s and '80s, Reflections on Campaigns and Public Service" (Sentry Press, 2007) was born from McKnight's realization that not much had

been written about the tumultuous political period.

"It started as a memoir but quickly veered into more substantive issues," McKnight said. "The Golden Years' were an extraordinary opportunity for change in Florida, mandated by the U.S. Supreme Court."

A forced reapportionment resulted in a dramatic shift of power from the Panhandle to South Florida and brought an end to the influence of the infamous "porkchoppers," a North Florida-based group of "good ol' boy" conservative legislators. It also created an influx of inexperienced first-term lawmakers with wide eyes and big ideas.

"The new people were better educated, altruistic and progressive," McKnight said. "There was no more 'good ol' boy' network, and no more ties to special interests. They didn't even know who the special interests were. It was a like a clean slate."

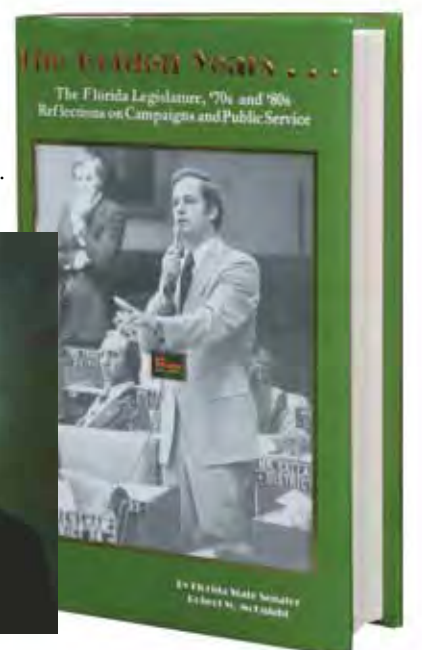
It took the entire decade of the 1970s to effect all that change, according to McKnight, a period that also included the emergence of some of Florida's political elite, such as Lawton Chiles, Reubin Askew and Bob Graham.

The book, which has attracted interest as possible PBS and cable documentaries, is in its second printing. Information

on the book, documentary and a political blog maintained by McKnight can be obtained at www.goldenyearspoliticalcollection.com.



Bob McKnight



Two colleges merge into one

**By Audrey Post
and Bob Branciforte**
*College of Communication
and Information*

Seizing an opportunity to strengthen their traditional programs and explore new interdisciplinary offerings, the College of Communication and the College of Information at The Florida State University merged on July 1.

Faculties of both colleges voted to approve the merger in early April, and Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Lawrence G. Abele approved the creation of the new College of Communication and Information.

"Pooling the resources and combining the strengths of both colleges will put the new college in a leadership position to address emerging communication and information challenges of the 21st century," Abele said.

The merged college includes the School of Communication, the School of Communication Science

and Disorders, and the School of Library and Information Studies. Students in existing programs will transition seamlessly into the new college in August.

"The recent climate of cuts in educational funding makes resources at the university very scarce," said Larry Dennis, dean

of the College of Information, who will serve as dean of the new combined college. "The merger gives us the opportunity to rethink how we can provide quality education for more students with less money."

"The beauty of this merger is that it brings together the

traditions of innovation and success of three Florida State programs," said Gary Heald, who became interim dean of the College of Communication after the February retirement of longtime dean John Mayo. "Communication has cutting-edge programs in communication, advertising, new

media, digital video and project management; *U.S. News & World Report* ranks the programs in Communication Science and Disorders and those in the College of Information among the very best in the nation. We are building our future on a foundation of excellence."

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Abele. "We want to put Florida State in the strongest position we can until the economy begins to recover."

"These cuts have been a painful but necessary exercise," said English Associate Professor and Faculty Senate President Eric Walker. "Faced with \$56 million in cuts, faculty support the goal of a sustainable budget over three years. Although the university has not been able to avoid some faculty layoffs, the faculty has been a regular part of a process that has attempted to minimize such actions through every other cost-savings measure possible."

Student Senate President Pro

Tempore Reggie Cuyler said students understand what the administration is up against.

"The vice presidents and the president have been very considerate of student interests and needs," said Cuyler, a member of the Budget Crisis Committee, which met more than a dozen times. He lobbied for, and won, assurances that Strozier Library would be held harmless even though it had been slated for cuts. "That was one of the top issues for the student body, and the administration listened."

Wetherell said the university will receive approximately \$22.9 million annually for the next two years in federal stimulus money that is non-recurring, which will aid in retaining affected faculty for the maximum length of time possible.

In addition, tuition will be raised 15 percent for in-state undergraduate and graduate students, which will bring in an additional \$9.3 million in 2009-10. The increase will not apply to out-of-state students, law or medical students, all of whom pay higher tuition.

"Although these revenues will help us offset the current budget reduction, we will still face a significant gap that will become more urgent when the stimulus money goes away in two years," Wetherell said. "That's why we've planned for three years out."

Over the past 18 months, administrators at Florida State have cut enrollment, frozen positions and hiring, reduced travel, cut utility usage, reduced supplies and severely reduced the president's and six vice presidents' budgets. In addition to millions of dollars in cuts in administrative functions, the new plan enacts various changes in academic programs.

For example:

- In the College of Arts and Sciences, the geology department will be suspended as a separate department but will be merged with meteorology and oceanography into a new Earth &

Atmospheric Sciences unit.

- In the College of Business, the Dedman School of Hospitality and the Professional Golf Management Program will come under separate accreditation from the college so they can be open to more students and become self-supporting.
- The College of Social Work is exploring the possibility of merging with another college.
- The College of Visual Arts, Theatre & Dance will be restructured into three schools: Theatre, Dance and Art Design. The college will suspend its lighting program, scenic design, and Art Education B.S. degree.
- FSU-Panama City must become self-supporting in three years. Its budget will be cut by 25 percent (although it will receive federal stimulus funds). It will suspend its Information Studies and resident MBA program except online and is developing a plan with Gulf Coast Community College to accept freshman and sophomore students, pending Board of Governors approval. Florida State will encourage students who are not admitted to the main campus to begin their studies at the Panama City campus, Florida State's "Campus on the Coast." Military personnel with honorable discharges or currently serving will be admitted to select undergraduate and graduate programs at Panama City.
- The Ringling Cultural Center in Sarasota must become self-supporting in three years.
- The Asolo MFA acting program in Sarasota also must become self-supporting.
- The colleges of Education, Human Sciences, Music, Nursing and Social Sciences also will suspend or restructure some programs.

The university will work closely with undergraduate students in the affected programs to work out plans for completing their degrees. Faculty

members will be retained with stimulus funds to also ensure that master's and doctoral students who are affected can graduate.

"The administration has planned effectively to deal with the budget cuts so that the impact on the quality of the university is minimized," said Music Professor and past Faculty Senate President Jayne Standley. "This has been accomplished over the past year in an open format with input from all areas, especially faculty and students. I feel confident that the overall plan is the best that could be devised under extraordinarily dire circumstances, and that the university community will continue to work together to ensure a quality education for the students of Florida State."

Students support faculty salaries with campaign

By Jeffery Seay
Editor in Chief

You know times are tough when students begin raising money to help pay the salaries of their professors.

On March 19, The Florida State University's 2009 Senior Class launched the "POP! Protect Our Professors" campaign, a noble effort to support the university's faculty in the face of pay cuts that were being proposed by the Florida Legislature. The Senior Class set out to raise \$100,000 from their own ranks, from fellow Florida State students and from the general public.

From setting up information tables on campus to using Facebook and other online resources to generate support, the Senior Class raised \$57,023.63 over three-and-a-half months. What's more, an anonymous donor who had originally pledged to match the campaign total decided to contribute \$100,000 on top of what the seniors raised.

The final budget did not include pay cuts for faculty members; Gov. Charlie Crist's veto of state employee pay cuts did not directly affect faculty members. Still, faculty member salaries throughout Florida continue

to be adversely affected by the Legislature's inadequate funding of higher education. At Florida State, the average faculty salary is \$10,000 behind the national average, despite some variances. It is not unusual for a faculty member to leave FSU for a comparable position elsewhere and receive a raise of anywhere from \$20,000 to \$40,000.

Administrators have yet to decide how "POP!" money will be applied.

"The faculty is extremely grateful for the student support in the 'Protect Our Professors' campaign," said Eric Walker, an associate professor of English who serves as the president of the Faculty Senate. "Far more than any dollar amount, this effort provides a tremendous morale boost during threatening times. Once again, FSU students have demonstrated their ability to keep their eye on the ball: the academic mission of the university, which is crucial to the future of the state."

Walker predicted that higher education will be given greater priority as this generation of students assumes positions of leadership in the state.

Upset about inadequate funding at The Florida State University?

Tell Florida's elected leaders: Governor's Office, (850) 488-4441; House of Representatives Education Committee, (850) 414-6694; and Senate Education Committee, (850) 487-5213.

If you feel strongly about the future success of Florida State, find your niche and support it every year. To begin making an annual contribution, call the FSU Foundation at (850) 644-6000. Contributions also can be made online at www.foundation.fsu.edu.

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Scott Atwell
**President,
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Association**

In short order, you can initiate a robust conversation among Florida State alumni by asking a simple question: "Spring or fall, which on-campus season do you long for most?" Viewpoints are often entrenched — rooted, no doubt, by some long-ago rite of passage (or love) — and it would be foolish here to favor either side of the argument.

However, the landscape before us leads to autumn, so for those who fancy fall and football, here's how your Florida State University Alumni Association plans on tugging at your heartstrings in the coming months:

• **Aug. 21 - Kickoff Luncheon.**

It began nearly 60 years ago as a way to sell football season tickets to Tallahassee businessmen whose minds had been poisoned during their college days in Gainesville. They took the medicine, and today the antidote is even more potent as some 1,500 faithful wedge their way into every nook and cranny of the Civic Center for a dose of excitement and Bobby's "State of the Seminole" address. This year's luncheon will have a new option available for attendees to sit next to

Rites of autumn await alumni

players. Visit alumni.fsu.edu or call (850) 644.2761 for tickets.

• **Alumni Open House.** In school, you only ventured to the President's House to serenade the first family with song or to make good on a fraternity dare. Today, the "old" president's house across Tennessee Street is the new Pearl Tyner Alumni Welcome Center, and the welcome mat is always out — especially on home Fridays game from 5 to 7 p.m. when we gather for spirit and spirits. Admission to the Open House is free for association members and \$5 for non-members. Make a new football tradition by stopping by for live music, refreshments and Seminole spirit!

• **On The Road.** Your Alumni Association, in conjunction with our vibrant Seminole Club network, is your traditional host for away football games. Our brand new Utah Seminole Club has been preparing for more than a year to welcome us to the BYU game, with festivities in Park City that include a Friday pep rally and Saturday game-day festivities. If you're following the 'Noles on the road this season, make sure to check our Web site for the latest details.

• **Oct. 22-25 – Seminoles at Sea Disney Cruise.** If you plan on watching the FSU-North Carolina football game from your living room couch, kick it up a notch with a few

hundred Seminole faithful as we sail on an alumni cruise to the Bahamas. Our Disney friends will televise the game live on the boat as we sail for Nassau, joined by Heisman Trophy winner Chris Weinke. He will help us celebrate the 10-year anniversary of the 1999 National Championship with a big-screen viewing of the Sugar Bowl win over Virginia Tech. Ask us about availability of cabins.

• **Homecoming.** Your Alumni Association organizes everything from the Chief and Princess election to the parade and Homecoming Awards breakfast. This year, we're adding a

new feature, the Festival of Colleges, outside Doak Campbell Stadium. Drop by this tented city to find out what's new with your college. This year's Homecoming game falls on Halloween, so bring the kids for treats.

Your FSU Alumni Association is celebrating its 100th anniversary this year, and more events can be found in the center spread titled "Alumni Association Times," starting on page 9. Find the latest information on our activities and even join or renew your membership at www.alumni.fsu.edu.

It will be hard to beat such a fanciful fall. Your move, spring.

2009 Football Schedule

Date	Game	Event
9/7	MIAMI	
9/12	JAX STATE	O
9/19	at Brigham Young	W/T
9/26	S. FLORIDA	O
10/3	at Boston College	W/T
10/10	GEORGIA TECH	O
10/22	at North Carolina	W/T
10/31	N.C. STATE	O
11/7	at Clemson	W/T
11/14	at Wake Forest	W/T
11/21	MARYLAND	O
11/28	at Florida	W

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O Friday Alumni Center Open House
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T Game Day Tailgate



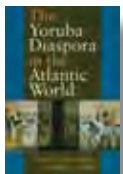
This year, lucky Kickoff Luncheon attendees will dine with the players.

Seminole bylines

New books and CDs by Florida State faculty and graduates

"The Yoruba Diaspora in the Atlantic World"

edited by **Toyin Falola** and **Matt D. Childs** (assistant professor in Caribbean history)
Indiana University Press



This anthology traces the experiences and trials of the Yoruba culture, focusing on their enslavement, middle passage, experience in America and return to Africa. The 19 essays provide varying perspectives of the Yoruba, covering their integration, transformation and resistance of American culture.

"Pediatric Emergency Medicine"

Jill M. Baren, **Steven G. Rothrock** (B.S. '82), John A. Brennan and Lance Brown
Saunders Elsevier



This reference textbook covers the specific knowledge described by the authors as essential in caring for a child in an emergency situation. Features such as "Quick Look," a section that lists common

symptoms and provides different diagnoses, are designed to be quick, easy to read and highly applicable in an emergency situation. Diagnostic algorithms, text boxes and charts illustrate crucial information.

"The Adventures of a Sheltered Life"

Sonia Primm (B.S. '55)
Tate Publishing and Enterprises
In this memoir, Primm writes that she has always been told that she has lived a sheltered life. Be that as it may, she has had exciting and sometimes dangerous adventures. The book covers her time as a student at The Florida State University in the 1950s, when she was a member of the University Chorale and tuition was \$100 a semester.



"Adventure! Finding Adventure in One's Own Home State"

Dan Dolack (B.S. '49)
Authorhouse
After the death of his wife and a period of mourning, Dan Dolack became determined not to spend the rest of his life drinking, overeating and watching television. This book documents his quest to explore his

home state of Pennsylvania by motorcycle. His adventures and pictures include his visit to the "haunted" Fort Mifflin, taking his first parachute jump and touring the site where United Airlines Flight 93 crashed on Sept. 11, 2001, near Shanksville.

"Broken Strings: Wisdom for Divorced and Separated Families"

Deborah Hansen (B.S. '71)
Authorhouse



The ending of a marriage can be emotionally messy for both parties, but divorces that involve children can be even messier. The author has 15 years of experience being a divorced parent and recognizes that separated families are part of the fabric of today's society. This book illustrates that families of divorce, though altered, can find a new reality and become healthy again.

"The Search for a Hero"

Dr. Myung Un Lee (M.A. '81)
New World Media
Since the beginning of time, there have been innumerable historical figures — Julius Caesar, Alexander the Great and Napoleon to name a few — who have left heroic legacies for all to remember. In hindsight,



"The Rise of an American Cowboy"

Dr. Myung Un Lee (M.A. '81)
New World Media



Historically, the image of the "American cowboy" has been invoked for many purposes, such as its use to shake off the crisis of confidence known as the "Vietnam syndrome" and recapture the "old glory" of the country. In his second novel, Lee explores the idea of this same "cowboy" image safely leading and ruling the world in the 21st century.

"Weeki Wachee, City of Mermaids: A History of One of Florida's Oldest Roadside Attractions"

Lu Vickers (B.A. '87, M.S. '89, Ph.D. '97) and Sara Dionne
University Press of Florida



Filled with photographs and history, this book tells the tale of Weeki Wachee — also known as the City of Mermaids — the historical roadside attraction at a large natural spring in Hernando County, Fla. The attraction

features entertainers who dress as mermaids and mermen, and perform a variety of underwater acts, which have ranged from eating bananas and performing ballet to full-blown aquatic musicals.

"Designing and Conducting Research in Education"

Clifford J. Drew, Michael Hardman and **John L. Hosp** (assistant professor of teacher education and research faculty member of the Florida Center for Reading Research)
Sage Publications



Designed for students who will be studying others' research and conducting their own, this book is a practice-oriented approach to understanding, planning and conducting research in education. Included are key explanations of various research methods, steps of the research process and real-world research applications.

"The Master of Secrets"

D.S. Lliteras (B.A. '74, M.F.A. '77)
Hampton Roads Publishing Company



Set during the time of the birth of Christianity, this novel follows Addan, a young boy sent to find his father after witnessing the death of Jesus. On his journey, he falls prey to bandits and is rescued by Jeshua, whose influence goes against everything that Jesus taught. Yet Addan is charmed by Jeshua. Faith, doubt and redemption are tested in this story.

On campus house goes off the electricity grid

'OGZEB' demonstrates viability of alternative energy

By Bayard Stern
Managing Editor

Its form is inviting — a red house on stilts with vaulted ceilings, reclaimed wood beams, angled windows and a contemporary décor. Its function is nothing short of revolutionary — a completely solar-powered structure that serves as a real-world testing facility for hydrogen power, hydrogen combustion and other innovative clean energy and design technologies developed at The Florida State University.

The Off-Grid Zero Emissions Building (OGZEB) was developed, designed and built under the leadership of researchers from Florida State's Energy and Sustainability Center.

"The OGZEB is a test bed for developing and implementing cutting-edge technologies in both residential and commercial settings," said Anjaneyulu Krothapalli, the Don Fuqua Eminent Scholar Professor of Mechanical Engineering and director of the center. "It also serves as an energy-efficient model for student living and office space."

The building is completely powered by solar energy collected from a solar array installed on the roof. The energy collected can be used for all of its electrical needs, but in addition, the electricity generated powers an innovative system that converts water into hydrogen, which is stored, and then converted back into electricity.

Justin Kramer, OGZEB's project manager, is a graduate of the Florida A&M University-Florida State University College of Engineering. He completed his master's thesis on sustainable energy engineering with a focus on OGZEB.

"The sunlight coming in is converted into direct current," Kramer said. "That power is then converted into alternating current by an inverter, and that powers the house. Excess power is stored in a hydrogen system that takes excess electricity and uses it to split water molecules by using a water electrolysis device we developed, which separates water into its component elements of hydrogen and oxygen. The oxygen gets vented into the atmosphere and the hydrogen is stored."

Kramer explained that by keeping hydrogen away from oxygen, it is actually stored energy because hydrogen seeks to combine with oxygen to make water. The hydrogen is stored in tanks that are able to hold enough to produce up to 30 day's worth of electricity. So at night or on cloudy days, when electricity is required but not being produced by the solar panels, or if more power is ever needed, the stored hydrogen is

recombined with oxygen in a fuel cell, and this process produces the electricity for the house.

"It's a very cyclic and clean system," Kramer said. "The only byproduct coming out of the fuel cell is water vapor."

OGZEB also uses a new technology to allow hydrogen combustion to be usable in appliances. The house is furnished with a custom-retrofitted, hydrogen-burning Viking stove.

"The entire combustion technology was developed here at Florida State," Kramer said. "We researched hydrogen combustion to see what parameters were required to use it safely and efficiently. A hydrogen flame burns clean and its only byproducts are heat and water vapor."

In one of the first "experiments" conducted with the hydrogen-burning stove, Kramer said some of the OGZEB team tested the equipment with a crawfish boil, and all systems worked perfectly. Kramer stressed that many people contributed to the OGZEB project, including professors and students from the Energy and Sustainability Center, the College of Engineering's Department of Mechanical Engineering, and local architects and engineers. The interior designer was Pam Andras, a graduate student from Florida State's Interior Design program.

OGZEB is nestled in the heart of Florida State's campus adjacent to the Love Building near Woodward Avenue. It's divided into separate living and office space, allowing each to function independently of the other. One of the missions of the project is

to have graduate students live in the house for months at a time. By having people living there, OGZEB and all of its systems will have prolonged exposure to many different conditions and variables. The office space is to be used by researchers to study OGZEB's environment and its total functionality while occupied. Every room has sensors installed that detect and record information on indoor air quality, carbon monoxide levels, organic chemicals, temperature and humidity. This data will help researchers determine how efficiently all of the technologies perform and interact with each other.

According to Kramer, the OGZEB was designed to rival the top environmentally friendly houses in the world. It has been registered to be

LEED Platinum-certified, the highest level of certification awarded for energy efficiency standards given by the U.S. Green Building Council.

In addition to its clean power supply, some of OGZEB's other "green" features include a structured, insulated panel system that makes up the shell and the core of the house. This system is extremely well insulated, produces little construction waste and is quick to assemble. In the interior, reclaimed wood was used throughout, and the exposed truss that supports the roof was recovered from an old barn. In addition, light-emitting diode (LED) lights, solar-thermal heating and geothermal heating and cooling systems are used. All of OGZEB's mechanical systems are designed to be removable

and easily replaced for research purposes and as technology progresses.

"We've integrated all of these environmentally friendly technologies together in this project and the ongoing research will study how they best perform in conjunction with each other," Kramer said. "It becomes a question of figuring out how to most efficiently balance our energy-producing systems with the energy-consuming ones."

"This project's goal is to help develop and promote cost-effective and environmentally friendly energy-producing systems and construction techniques."

To learn more about the OGZEB project, visit www.esc.fsu.edu/ogzeb.html.

'LEEDing' in responsible building

By Bayard Stern
Managing Editor

Whether they are ultra-modern research facilities, high-tech classrooms or a grand performance hall, all new and renovated buildings at The Florida State University are now being designed and constructed to be as energy-efficient and

environmentally friendly as possible.

According to Larry Rubin, Florida State's director of Facilities Design and Construction, all new major construction and renovation projects are being designed and built using methods that will enable the university to achieve LEED certification, which stands for "Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design."

"We think that being good stewards of the environment in terms of our construction projects is important and worthwhile," Rubin said. "Building wisely in order to conserve resources is always a good thing to do. And when you start planning the project early on to meet LEED standards, the economy of it makes good sense both

monetarily and environmentally."

Florida State has completed two LEED-certified buildings to date. The McIntosh Track and Field Building earned a LEED Silver Certification and the King Life Sciences Building, home of the Department of Biological Science, earned a LEED certification.

Completed projects awaiting LEED certification include the Materials Research Building and the College of Education's Stone Building expansion. Buildings currently under construction that are registered for LEED certification include the Ruby Diamond Auditorium/Westcott Building renovation, the William Johnston Building renovation, Student Success Center II and the Florida State University Conference Center.

Awarded by the U.S. Green Building Council, LEED certification signifies that completed building projects meet the highest recognized standards of green-building design and performance. In order for a building to be LEED-certified, a construction project must meet strict criteria and earn required points in categories that include energy and water efficiency; site selection, including proximity to public transportation; green space preservation and habitat protection; indoor environmental quality; stewardship of resources and sensitivity to their impacts; and innovative design.

"Being an institute of higher learning, we should set the right tone," Rubin said. "Building energy-conscious facilities enables Florida State to save money over the long run by conserving energy. We hear from students and faculty that they really appreciate our efforts to do as much as we possibly can."

Larry Rubin, director of Facilities Design and Construction, with the LEED-certified James King Life Sciences Building in the background.



Photo/Bayard Stern



The Off-Grid Zero Emissions Building, which is completely powered by solar and hydrogen energy, is located on the north side of the Florida State campus. The Love Building can be seen in the background.

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Celebrating a century FSU Alumni Association stages yearlong birthday bash

By **Scott Atwell**

Alumni Association President

A full century has passed, and it still ranks as one of the most significant dates in the history of our institution: 1909, a year that ushered in a new name (Florida State College for Women), a new president (Edward Conradi, who would serve for more than 30 years) and a new seal (Vires, Artes, Mores). It also was the year in which graduates of the Class of 1909 began an Alumnae Association, its object to "promote fellowship among the alumnae, to further the well being of the college and to cooperate in its work."

A century later, we continue to build upon that promise, celebrating the centennial with 100 events in our 100th year.

In February, on the very weekend of the university's annual Heritage Day festivities, the curtain came up on the association's Centennial celebration with a "Night of Gershwin" piano concert performed by beloved professor of music Tommie Wright. Wright is a "49er," one of the 125 legendary faculty members who arrived on the Florida State campus in 1949. He spent 59 years in the classroom and taught more than 58,000 students. Who better to salute our alumni than the man who has taught more of them than anyone in history?

From there, our celebration went on the road to meet alumni in their own backyards. Orlando, Tampa, Atlanta and Miami welcomed the Florida State University Film School,

which is celebrating its own milestone, along with Dean Frank Patterson, who screened the best student films in the 20-year history of the program. Return visits to those cities brought together Florida State Rhodes Scholars Garrett Johnson, Joe O'Shea and Myron Rolle. The university has produced three Rhodes Scholars in four years, more than all universities in Florida combined.

Along the way, we were proud to offer our alumni exclusive presentations by the Admissions Office and Career Center. We followed our arts programs to New York for an alumni travel event that featured Florida State grads who make us proud on Broadway, welcomed home the Class of 1959 for a 50th reunion, and celebrated the accomplishments of our emeritus alumni (graduated at least 50 years ago) with an awards brunch.

Under the leadership of our 36-member National Board of Directors, chaired by Phi Beta Kappa Maury Kolchakian, your Alumni Association has rolled through the first half of its schedule of 100 events. The fall is chock-full of more fun and recognition, led by newly installed chair Don Eddings ('68). In the

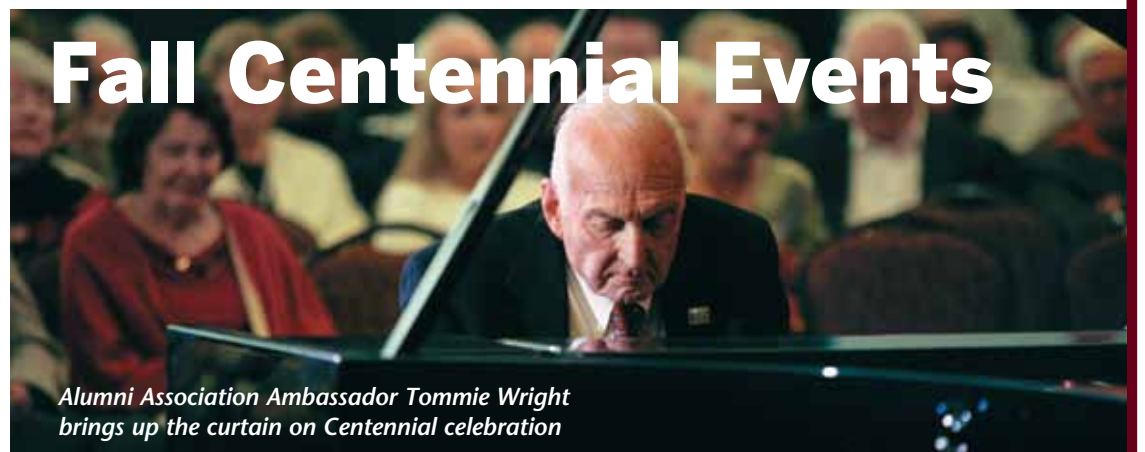
December mail, Alumni Association Members (if you're not a member, join today) will receive a copy of our commemorative publication "VIREs," which will feature a listing of "100 Distinguished Graduates," as selected by a blue-ribbon panel.

On the landscape of higher education, traditions form paths of hallowed ground upon which we walk. One century ago, the Class of 1909 began leading us down a fruitful trail that has widened into a superhighway, boasting more than 280,000 alumni around the world. This birthday party is thrown in their honor and for all those who have joined us on the journey.



Rhodes on the Road: Myron Rolle ('06), Joe O'Shea ('08), T.K. Wetherell ('67, '68, '74) and Garrett Johnson ('05) in Tampa. Above, Myron Rolle in Miami.

Fall Centennial Events

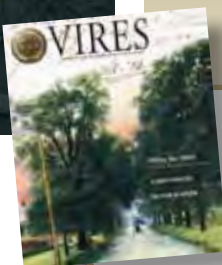


Alumni Association Ambassador Tommie Wright brings up the curtain on Centennial celebration

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| Aug. 21 | Kickoff Luncheon |
| Sept. 26 | Time Capsule Dedication |
| Oct. 7 | FSU Symphony at Ringling |
| Oct. 9 | Alumni Cup Golf Tournament |
| Oct. 17 | Odds and Evens Flag Football |
| Oct. 22 | Seminole at Sea Disney Cruise |
| Oct. 30 | Homecoming Parade |
| Oct. 31 | Homecoming Breakfast/Festival of Colleges |
| Nov. 20 | Salute to the Presidents
Student Alumni Association
30th Anniversary Open House |
| Dec. 11 | Big Band Dance |

In December, FSUAA members will receive a commemorative Centennial publication.



Association President Scott Atwell (r) presents outgoing board chair Maury Kolchakian ('75, J.D. '78) with a feather from Chief Osceola's spear during the 2008 football season.



Alumni Association Seminole Clubs

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The Seminole Club Network

What are Seminole Clubs?

Seminole Clubs are organized groups of Florida State University alumni, friends and fans who gather to support the university. Seminole Clubs exist throughout the country and around the world, working directly with the Florida State University Alumni Association to represent the university in their communities.

Why should I connect with my local Seminole Club?

Members of Seminole Clubs gather for social functions, such as game-watching parties and membership mixers; host student receptions for current and newly accepted students to Florida State; organize community service events; represent Florida State at college fairs in the area; raise money toward scholarships for students from the region; and much more.

How do I get involved?

Good question! Contact the club representative in your area (see map below). If there's not a club in your area, contact the Florida State Alumni Association to start one. You can reach us at (850) 644-2761 or visit <http://alumni.fsu.edu> for more information.

Many Seminole Clubs also use social networking Web sites such as Facebook and Myspace to communicate with alumni and friends in their area, so check those Web sites as well if you're looking to connect with your local Seminole Club.

Are there other alumni groups?

If you're looking for other alumni groups to get involved with ... try one of our constituent groups.

The Emeritus Alumni Society

The Emeritus Alumni Society was organized to encourage the continuing interest and participation of those alumni who have reached emeritus status, i.e., those who graduated 50 or more years ago. All alumni of The Florida State University who have reached emeritus status constitute members of the Emeritus Alumni Society. At the 50th anniversary of each succeeding class, the members are automatically welcomed into the society. For more information, e-mail Stephanie Lamb at slamb2@fsu.edu.

The Florida State University Black Alumni Association

The Florida State University Black Alumni Association (BAA) is an officially chartered affiliate of the The Florida State University Alumni Association. The BAA's goals are to serve, involve and inform black alumni. For more information, e-mail National President Benjamin L. Crump at bcrump@parkscrump.com or National Board of Directors chairwoman Cassandra Jenkins at dcs1028@embarqmail.com.



We support constituent organizations like the Black Alumni Association, seen here celebrating a Homecoming Reunion where Oscar Braynon II ('00), state representative from South Florida, was recognized.



- Established Seminole Club
- New Seminole Club

Many Seminole Clubs host Emeritus Luncheons to honor alumni who graduated at least 50 years ago.



In Winston-Salem, N.C., the Triad Seminole Club's work with the Ronald McDonald House is an example of Seminole Club work in the community.



The Kentucky Seminole Club adopted a highway as part of its community outreach.



Students reap the benefits of scholarships provided by Seminole Clubs in their area.



Seminole Club officers convene annually at Florida State for a Leadership Conference that helps guide their clubs.



Florida State fans gather for game watching parties in cities across the country.

Seminole Clubs host tailgate parties before Florida State football games in their area. The Greater Orlando Seminole Club welcomed hundreds of alumni before last year's Champs Sports Bowl.



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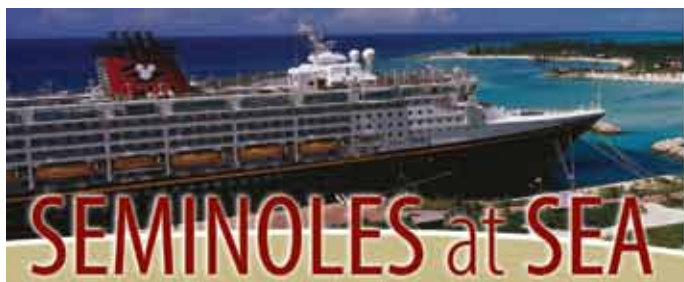
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Seminole Clubs often welcome Florida State athletic teams to town, as the Austin Seminole Club did earlier this year for the Florida State softball team.

Networking events organized by Seminole Clubs help members connect within their local communities.





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A snapshot of the FSU Student Alumni Association, whose membership approaches 700 this fall.



Class portrait with T.K. Wetherell on the steps of the new President's House.

Class of 1959 50th Reunion

This Golden Reunion ushered in a new status for the Class of 1959 — emeritus alumni. The class reassembled on the April weekend of the Florida State University spring football game and enjoyed several events, including a piano performance by Tommie Wright.

Seminole great Hugh Durham ('59), who both played and coached basketball at Florida State, talks with former teammate Joe Westhafer and his wife, Anna.

Florida State University



The family of Herman Gunter (seated right) was on hand to see the retired music professor receive the Emeritus Society's Dean Eyman Award for Service.



Emeritus Reunion

They're getting better! Our emeritus alumni (50-plus years since graduation) gathered for the annual reunion, including a special 60th for the Class of 1949. The stunning April weekend included the annual Emeritus Awards brunch, featuring Commitment to Excellence Award winners Alice Englert ('47), Betty Lou Joanos ('57, Ph.D. '85) and Tommy Waits ('56).

Mary Pat Peacock ('49) entertains Bess Lux ('43) and Miriam Arnold ('49) in the living room of the new President's House.



Homecoming

Our earliest record of "Homecoming" dates back to a 1929 gathering for the Florida State College for Women. Over the years, one constant remains: the Alumni Association is the organizing entity of this annual pilgrimage, which rallied around the theme "Unconquered Legacy" in 2008.

Alumni and friends packed the Union Ballroom for the traditional Alumni Association Homecoming Awards Breakfast.



College Football Hall of Famer Ron Simmons at a Homecoming Parade pre-reception in the Alumni Association's Pearl Tyner Welcome Center.

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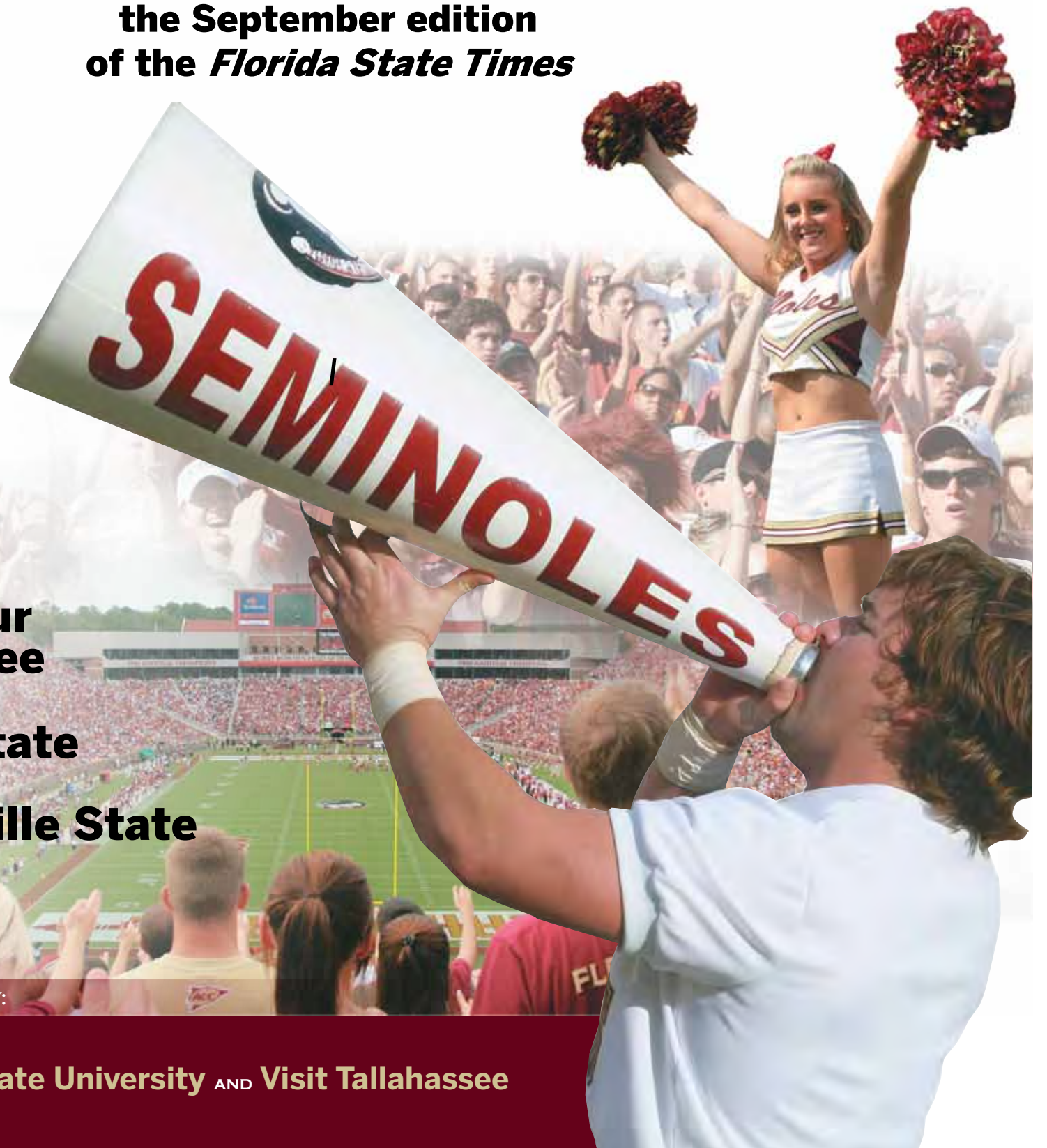
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Yesterday and today, Florida State's campus offers welcoming assurance

There are times when the spirit yearns to be renewed, the Human spark to be refreshed. For many Seminoles and for many Americans, this is such a time.

Our University and the cool green hills of Tallahassee has always been a place to nourish renewal of the spirit. On campus, yes, new buildings confuse the old familiar trails, but much of the core remains as it was for us, and for those who were here before us. Look at old photographs of Florida State University and Florida State College for Women students in an earlier day. The trees are still there; the same landscapes can be seen with brick and stone façades rising up in the distance, and we know those places. They were here before us. They welcomed and embraced us in our youth, and they will be here after us to warm the lives of men and women not yet born.

You may have walked down Landis Green to the Library at twilight. You may remember the buttery yellow light from the street lamps near the old Sweet Shoppe, or the sweet scent of

cut grass on game day. The Marching Chiefs used to practice on their field near the stadium on Saturday mornings, and the thump of the drums and the brass could be heard across the campus.

You might recall a time when students gathered outside the locker room on Saturday to greet our football players as they came out after the game. Burt Reynolds was "Buddy" then, and just a regular guy. In the 1960s, T.K. Wetherell lived in Smith Hall and walked, perhaps as you did on bright days, to classrooms among the buildings that still stand in a broad apron down the gentle slopes from Westcott. I wonder how often in the past year he's stared out the window of his office in Westcott at Florida's Capitol looming on the next hill, and thought how comforting of the spirit it might be to just once stroll anonymously back along the old paths.

On a beautiful spring day in 1994, Jerry Kutz wrote of the joy he felt as he stood atop the grandstand at Dick Howser Stadium watching the #1 ranked Seminole baseball team trounce an ACC opponent, and turning his head to watch, at the same time,

spring football drills being undertaken by the defending 1993 National Champions. As a fragrant breeze rose, he could see across Pensacola Street the magnificent, newly bricked grand towers of University Center glowing gold in the afternoon sun.

Where Westcott stands is the oldest continuous site of higher education in the state of Florida. Our architecture reassures us with timeless grandeur; its cool niches offer a calming languor letting us pause to breathe. We take time to remember all that this place has meant to us across our lives.

Our University leadership is in transition. Our alumnus-President — his football letter and Ph.D. parchment both garnished with the same garnet & gold colors — is stepping down. Our beloved football Coach, who will forever be identified with us as we will with him, is turning the pages of the final chapter. Our Hall of Fame baseball Coach came here in 1964 as a Seminole player and has been Head Coach for 30 years.

There is a lot of harsh noise about Florida State right now in the newspapers and on the Internet. Much of it is caustic and destructive but it will

be endured. We've been through trying times before and emerged triumphant, and so we will again. Don't pay much attention to the noise. It will pass, and it will pass so soon that you may find you can't remember all the details a year from today.

In the National Championship game in the Sugar Bowl in 2000, I sat with a large group of friends, and we were very excited and animated as the game progressed early on. Our Seminoles jumped to a big lead over the hapless Virginia Tech Hokies.

The mood changed sharply as Virginia Tech fought back. If you recall, the third quarter was awful, shocking. Virginia Tech went ahead as the fourth quarter began, and our once-merry band of fans was raging against everything that seemed to be at fault with our Seminoles. Threats were made, and dark promises.

But one fellow kept smiling. He's a communications entrepreneur from Louisville, Ky., named Sherman Henderson. Sherm told everyone to be calm. "It's going to be all right," he said. "Trust me; we'll win."

Loud voices demanded to know, "Why?" Why did he think we were

going to win?

Sherm just kept smiling, and said, "We'll win because we're too good to play that bad for this long."

And of course Sherm was right. What he said was right about the Sugar Bowl game nine years ago, and it's just as right today about our University. We are too good, too strong, and there are too many alumni who love the school for the current unpleasantness to have any lasting effect.

These are stressful days for many Americans. You may be one who counts yourself among that number. Know that here is always a place to welcome you. Return here, to the time machine that offers respite from the day's concerns. Enjoy once again the fellowship with your friends of college days. Refresh your spirits with the game and the colors and the noise and the grandeur and all the joy.

Come to the football games this fall. Close your eyes. Feel the sun and breathe in the sweet air. Life doesn't provide us so many days that we can afford to discard our memories of the best ones.

Life is good at your university. Come home again this fall.

Two alumni help Mets battle for National League championship

By Gary Libman

It's 2:45 p.m., more than four hours before game time, and in the right field corner of quiet Dodger Stadium, Florida State University alumnus Rick Slate is working with Jose Reyes. The New York Mets' star shortstop has missed four games with a tight right shin. Slate, the Mets' strength and conditioning coordinator, is trying to determine whether Reyes can play that evening.

Wearing shorts and a T-shirt, Reyes runs sprints, stretches his legs, crouches and moves laterally. After 20 minutes, he flashes a "thumbs up." As he leaves the field, Slate stands on the infield and discusses Reyes' condition with Mets trainer Ray Ramirez and Manager Jerry Manuel.

As Reyes starts the game at shortstop, Mets first base coach Luis Alicea, another Florida State alumnus, scrutinizes opposing pitchers and infielders. He gleans information that

helps runners steal bases or avoid getting picked off first or second base.

Alicea learned much of what he knows about base running while leading the Seminoles to the championship game of the College World Series in 1986. Slate earned a bachelor's degree in sports management in 1989 and a master's degree in athletic administration in 1992, both from Florida State.

Slate and Alicea are helping the Mets battle for the National League championship this season, and experiences at Florida State catapulted their professional development.

Slate said his time at Florida State meant "everything" to his career. As a junior, he walked on with the Seminoles football team but did not play. So he changed direction. He won a full scholarship as an assistant strength and conditioning coach for his senior year and two years in graduate school.

"That opportunity is how I'm

here today," Slate said, sitting in the Mets dugout before working with Reyes. As a trainer, he accompanied Florida State teams to the College World Series, the NCAA basketball tournament, and the Sugar and Fiesta Bowls. He also worked with football coach Bobby Bowden, baseball coach Mike Martin and basketball coach Pat Kennedy.

"It's pretty impressive when they see those names on your résumé," Slate said.

As a result of that experience, he was named the strength and conditioning coach of the fledgling Florida Marlins in 1992. He left the Marlins in 2001. But in December 2002, the Mets named him to a similar position.

Meanwhile, Alicea, the Mets' first base coach, said that three years of Florida State baseball keyed his success in professional baseball.

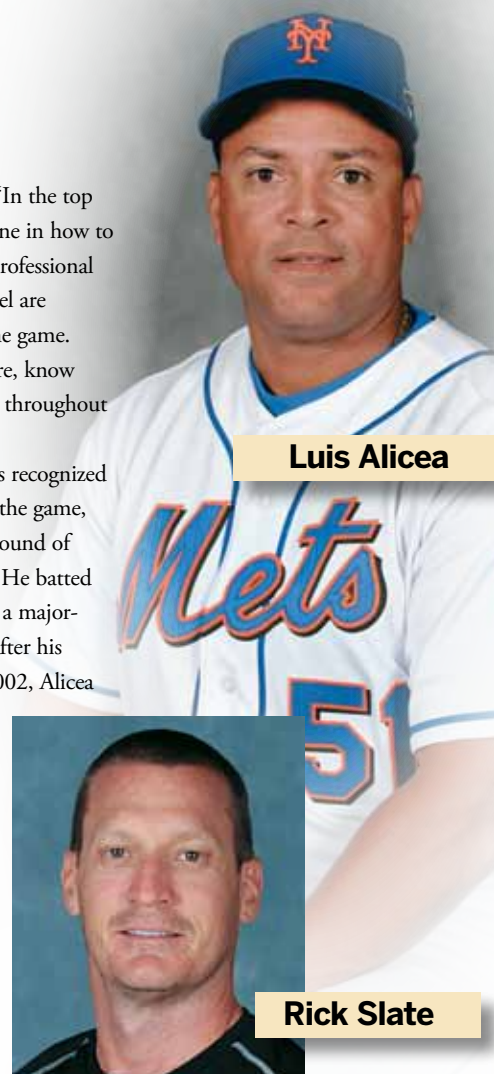
"The level of baseball (under Mike Martin) was very good," he said in the

dugout before the game. "In the top programs, you get discipline in how to play. When you go into professional baseball, the guys that excel are disciplined. They study the game. They know how to prepare, know how to make adjustments throughout the season."

The St. Louis Cardinals recognized Alicea's understanding of the game, selecting him in the first round of the 1986 free agent draft. He batted .260 during 13 seasons as a major-league second baseman. After his playing career ended in 2002, Alicea managed minor league teams for three seasons and coached first base for Boston for two seasons. He joined the Mets in 2009.

Alicea praises what he learned at Florida State.

"If I had to do it all over," he said, "I would go back to FSU."


Luis Alicea
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The Hon. John R. Blue (B.S. '58) was honored with the 2009 Chief Justice's Distinguished Judicial Service Award, given to the judge in Florida who has given the most outstanding service in the area of pro-bono legal assistance.

1960s

Raymond E. Bellamy II (B.A. '61), a Tallahassee orthopedist won the Capital Medical Society's Outstanding Physician Award.

James B. Miller (B.A. '61) has been elected as chairman of the Buckhead Coalition for a two-year term. He is currently the chairman and chief executive officer of Fidelity Bank in Atlanta.

Clifford E. Snedeker Jr. (B.S. '62) is now Rotary Club district governor for Tampa Bay, Fla. He has been a member of Rotary International for 45 years.

Ronald E. Lindquist (B.S. '63) has retired from Regions Financial Corporation as a senior vice president after nearly 45 years of institutional portfolio and mutual fund management.

Terry E. Lewis (B.A. '65, M.A. '66, J.D. '78) has been selected for inclusion in the 2009 edition of The Best Lawyers in America, an online database of lawyers in the nation.

Marcia B. Feinstein (B.S. '66) was named a finalist for the Eric Hoffer Award for Fiction for her book, "Paper Children: An Immigrant's Legacy."

Judith A. Bense (B.A. '67, M.S. '69) is now president of the University of West Florida in Pensacola, Fla.

Charles Lee Moates (B.S. '67) has been elected as a councilman to the Greenwood County Council, Greenwood, S.C.

David R. Zimmerman (B.A. '68) has been hired as a consulting principal at the Greenway Group in Norcross, Ga.

1970s

Miranda F. "Randi" Fitzgerald (B.A. '72, J.D. '78), a partner with the law firm of Lowndes, Drosdick, Doster, Kantor & Reed, has been selected Orlando's Real Estate Lawyer of the Year for 2009 by Best Lawyers, an online database of lawyers.

Capt. Lonnie N. Groot (B.S. '73) served as a judge for "We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution State Finals Competition" for 2009.

Neil J. Doroshenko (B.S. '74) has retired as senior manager after 33 years with the Internal Revenue Service, completing his career in Greensboro, N.C.

Pamela K. Heringhaus (B.A. '74) was presented with the Athena Award by the Chamber of Commerce in Bowling Green, Ohio. This award is presented to someone who has excelled in his or her profession, helped to improve the quality of life for others and supported the position of women in the community.

Elisa F. Topper (M.S. '75) has been named site director of the DuPage Library System in Geneva, Ill., by Library Associates Companies, an information industry firm that provides staffing service and support to the 388-facility system.

Ret. Col. Lettie Bien (B.S. '76) will return

to Iraq for a six- to nine-month tour as a civilian adviser to the Multinational Force Corps-Iraq on issues associated with the Iraq ministries, the provincial reconstruction teams and coordination between the corps and the U.S. Embassy.

Nikki Ann Clark (J.D. '77) was appointed to the First District Court of Appeals by Florida Gov. Charlie Crist. She has served on the bench of the Second Judicial Circuit since 1993.

John G. Wood Jr. (J.D. '77) was elected to the Florida House of Representatives, District 65, representing northeast Polk County.

Hon. Cory J. Ciklin (B.S. '78, J.D. '81) has been appointed by Gov. Charlie Crist to the Florida Fourth District Court of Appeal.

Cindy Brown (B.S. '79) has graduated from Emory University with a Master of Divinity degree.

1980s

Raymond Gilley (B.S. '80) was named the Eunice Sullivan Professional of the Year by the Florida Economic Development Council.

John W. Culver (B.S. '82), has been promoted to executive vice president of Starbucks, president of global consumer products, food service and Seattle's Best Coffee.

Maureen McLaughlin Brockman (B.S. '83) was named the Public Relations Professional of the Year by the Orlando-area Chapter of

the Florida Public Relations Association.

Deborah Rubens (B.S. '83) was elected to the board of directors of the Association of Junior Leagues International, a women's community leadership organization.

Bonnie Fowler (B.S. '84) has been recognized as one of the top 25 agents by the Tallahassee Board of Realtors. She received the 2008 Tallahassee Board of Realtors Presidential Spirit Award.

Robert S. Lewis (J.D. '85) has been selected for inclusion in the 2009 edition of The Best Lawyers in America, an online database of lawyers in the nation.

Vivian Arenas-Battles (J.D. '86) has been certified by the Florida Supreme Court as a circuit court mediator and is available to handle mediations involving eminent domain and environmental-law matters.

Barry G. Brooks (B.S. '86) was elected and sworn in to serve a four-year term as a supervisor for the Capital Region Community Development District-Southwood development in Tallahassee, Fla.

David M. Caldevilla (J.D. '86) had his automotive artwork, "Automotography," displayed in the Bank of America Plaza Building in Tampa, Fla.

Igmedio Edgardo Pantaleon (B.S. '86) merged his law firm with Tampa-based Bricklemyer, Smolker & Bolves.

Jorge A. Perez (B.A. '86, M.S. '88, D.R. '97) has been named faculty executive

assistant to the president at Kennesaw State University.

P.S. Ruckman Jr. (M.S. '88) has become a nationally recognized expert on presidential pardons, working with the British Broadcasting Corporation's "The Takeaway" and National Public Radio's "On the Media," as well as filming for an upcoming episode of "History Detectives."

1990s

Christian Peterson (B.S. '90) was named the Volunteer of the Year for the L.A. Lee Family Center of the YMCA in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Peterson is a shareholder and a member of the litigation practice group of the law firm of Gunster, Yoakley & Stewart; he was recognized for his dedication to the YMCA at its annual meeting.

Guy E. Quattlebaum (B.A. '91) joined Butzel Long as a senior attorney in the firm's branch in Palm Beach, Fla.

Marion A. Hill (B.S. '92, J.D. '95) is the managing partner of the South Florida law firm Delancyhill and is now a member of the The Orange Bowl Committee.

Gregory W. Meier (B.S. '92), a Shuffield Lowman estate planning and taxation attorney, attended the Heckerling Institute on Estate Planning, the nation's leading conference for estate planning professionals.

Charlotte Barnes (B.S. '93) has published a new collection of poetry, "Poems from a Florida Girl." Also, her children's book, "Stella

OBITUARIES

Carole Haggard

Carole Haggard, 53, the first female board member of Seminole Boosters, died March 19. Because of her tireless and enthusiastic dedication to serving The Florida State University, Haggard became an integral part of its culture and history.

In addition to her service to the national Seminole Boosters organization, Haggard was the first female president of the Greater Miami Seminole Club and created the first endowed scholarship for women's athletics at Florida State.

The Haggard Baseball Plaza outside of Dick Howser Stadium on the Florida State campus is named in honor of Haggard and her husband, prominent Coral Gables, Fla., attorney William "Andy" Haggard (B.A. '64), who is an FSU trustee.



Margo Bindhardt

Margaret "Margo" Bindhardt, 67, artistic sponsor and former chairwoman of The Florida State University's annual Seven Days of Opening Nights arts festival, died May 20.

Bindhardt was a major supporter of artistic culture in Tallahassee, Fla., and was an active patron of the arts throughout the state. She was a former chairwoman of the Florida Arts Council, a board member of the Council on Culture and Arts for Tallahassee/Leon County, and started the Plantation Wildlife Arts Festival in Thomasville. She also was the main force behind the Arts Exchange project near Railroad Square in Tallahassee.

Don Gibson, dean of Florida State's College of Music, credited Bindhardt as the driving force behind the current renovation of Ruby Diamond Auditorium.

"She was always trying to nurture the very best artistic activity in this city and always involved in supporting people who were trying to do it," Gibson said.



Philomene Asher Gates

Philomene Asher Gates, 90, a member of the Florida State University Foundation board of directors, died Feb. 17.

Gates earned a Bachelor of Science degree in 1938 from the Florida State College for Women, the university's institutional predecessor. She was a member of the Cotillion Club and Pi Beta Phi Sorority.

Gates not only endowed scholarships, such as the Philomene Gates Award for Excellence in Communication, she also raised almost \$100,000 for a center for speaking and writing the English language at Florida State.

As a correspondent for the *Orlando Sentinel*, she also wrote about living conditions in the Soviet Union and war preparations in Germany before World War II.



Neal Kenyon

Neal Kenyon, 79, the former director of the Florida State University Asolo Conservatory's graduate program in theater arts, died Dec. 9, 2008.

He taught graduate students at the Asolo Conservatory of Professional Actor Training in Sarasota, Fla. from 1976 to 1981, and later taught acting on Florida State's main campus in Tallahassee.

"I think he was probably more proud of his teaching than anything else," said Jimmy Hoskins, a longtime friend, "He was so proud of his students and how well they fared."

Kenyon embarked on a theater career in 1950 in New York after graduating from Louisiana State University with a theater degree. He became a singer, dancer and a choreographer, talents that he honed over his 40-year career.



Monsignor William A. Kerr

Monsignor William A. Kerr, 68, the executive director of the Claude Pepper Center for Intercultural Dialogue at The Florida State University, died May 3. During his tenure at the Pepper Center (2006-2009), he launched an international dialogue to support a United Nations program called the Alliance of Civilizations to establish international connections and collaboration.

Kerr earned a master's degree in American Studies in 1973 and a doctorate in diplomatic history in 1975, both from Florida State. In addition, he served as the Catholic campus minister and an adjunct history professor from 1971 to 1984. In 1997, the FSU Alumni Association named Kerr a Distinguished Alumnus.

Kerr served as president of La Roche College in Pittsburgh from 1992 to 2004, and was the vice president for university relations at The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., from 1984 to 1992. He then served as the executive director of the Pope John Paul II Cultural Center in Washington, D.C.



Jimmy Carr

Jimmy Carr, 95, the first dean of men at The Florida State University and longtime administrator, died April 1.

Florida State President Doak Campbell hired Carr to be the dean of men in 1946 when the university changed from an all women's school to a co-educational institution. He remained at Florida State until 1963 when he became an assistant to the chancellor of the Florida Board of Regents.

"Jimmy Carr was the most admired and respected college administrator I've ever known," said Florida State alumnus Reubin O'D. Askew (B.S. '51), former Florida governor.



Ducktropolis,” was recently named a finalist in the children’s picture-book category of the 2009 Next Generation Indie Book Awards.

Brian Xanders (B.S. '93, M.B.A. '94) was promoted to general manager of the National Football League’s Denver Broncos.

Kyle Eiselstein (B.S. '94) has achieved member status at Miller & Martin PLLC in Chattanooga, Tenn. He concentrates his practice in the area of civil litigation with an emphasis in complex commercial disputes.

Melissa L. Fenton (B.A. '94, M.S. '95) was hired as an adjunct library faculty member at Hillsborough Community College in Hillsborough County, Fla.

John “Rhett” Bullard (B.S. '95) was elected to serve as the vice chairman of the Florida Democratic Party and as one of the members from Florida to serve on the Democratic National Committee.

J. Albert Stobbe (B.S. '96) was named the 2008 Associate of the Year in the Orlando, Fla., branch of New York Life Insurance and has been promoted to partner.

Rachel Hyman-Solomon (B.S. '97) received her master’s degree in speech-language pathology from Nova Southeastern University. She also completed her certificate of competence in speech-language pathology as offered by the American Speech-Language Hearing Association.

Maggie Mooney-Portale (B.S. '97), an attorney at Lewis, Longman & Walker, has recently been named one of *Biz941*’s “Top 25 People to Watch.”

Aaron J. Solomon (B.S. '97) was promoted to commercial sales manager for ADT Security Services in Pompano Beach, Fla. He also was honored by ADT as the No. 1 nationally ranked commercial account executive for 2008.

Monica R. Guy (B.S. '98) has been certified as a family law specialist by the Board of Legal Specialization of the North Carolina Bar. She is currently an attorney with the law firm of Bell, Davis & Pitt, P.A.

Randall N. Vitale (B.A. '99) was recognized as one of the “Top 40 Professionals Under 40” by the *South Florida Business Journal*. He also received the Distinguished Leadership Award, presented at the Community Leadership Association’s annual international conference in Denver.

Derek R. Young (B.S. '01) has joined the Fort Lauderdale, Fla., branch of the law firm Weiss, Serota, Helfman, Pastoriza, Cole & Boniske.

Maxi-Madelynn Wood (B.A. '02) has released her debut album, “Soulful Integrity,” and the album has been listed on music charts in Japan, England and Sweden. She has just returned to Tampa Bay, Fla., after a stint in Chicago.

Cody L. Langston (B.S. '05) was appointed to the board of directors of Flight Line Group Inc., an aviation service group based at Tallahassee Regional Airport.

David A. Lipp (B.S. '05) received the Certified Commercial Investment Member designation by the CCIM Institute, a commercial real-estate association.

Joshua Sampiero (B.A. '05) has been promoted to editor in chief of *Windsurfing* magazine, after working there only four years. What’s more, he is the youngest editor in chief in the Bonnier Corporation, the magazine’s publisher. Sampiero also is working on a new digital magazine that he hopes will revolutionize the way computer users approach media.

Got News?

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IN MEMORIAM

1920s

- Mary Frances Chittenden Foster (B.A. '29)
- Irene Saunders (B.A. '29)

1930s

- Eva Mae Green Lane (B.S. '32)
- Mary Hale Mizell (B.A. '32)
- Marguerite Williamson Spann (B.S. '32)
- Betty Dunn Culpepper Coleman (B.A. '33)
- Gertrude Davis (B.A. '34)
- Hazel Moreland Christie (L.I. '35)
- Thelma Grace Smith Grentner (B.A. '35)
- Julia Baker Hard (B.S. '35)
- Mary Francis Ellenberg Kinnin (B.S. '35)
- Mamie Jane Clark Worley (L.I. '35)
- Rev. Esther Helen Davis (B.S. '36)
- Anna Gertrude Kuhn (B.A. '36)
- Mary Louise Hoenshel Smith (B.S. '37)
- Mildred Ida White McCullough (B.A. '37, M.A. '40)
- Helen Virginia Lane Mulling (L.I. '37)
- Adeline Naomi Bledsoe Braik (B.A. '38)
- Jane Rice Ingram (B.S. '38)
- Margaret Stout Renfro (B.S. '38)
- Hilda Dale Spradlin (B.S. '38)
- Ruth Rubin Elasser (A.B. '39)
- Elizabeth Wynn Porter (B.A. '39)

1940s

- Elizabeth Blyth Venning Blackburn (B.S. '40)
- Joan Miller Griffin (B.S. '40)
- Marianna Swank Harrison (B.A. '40)
- Zonira “Zee” Hunter Tolles (B.S. '40)
- Mary Louise Anderson Herr (B.A. '41)
- Catherine Quinby Lester (B.A. '41)
- Virginia Balkcom Mikler (B.S. '41)
- Marguerite Dressler Strand (B.A. '41, M.A. '43)
- Gean Elvira Meave Atkinson (B.A. '42)
- Julia Frances “Judy” Campbell Chittenden (B.S. '42)
- Florence Jean Wood Crow (B.S. '42)
- Mary Brice Deaver (B.S. '42)
- Doris Clotille Black Ellis (B.A. '42)
- Avis Tucker Lowe (B.S. '42)
- Tam Thomas Milton (B.S. '42)
- Esther Rowland Hack Paine (B.S. '42)
- Edith Seiver Taylor Smith (B.A. '42)
- Carolyn Faye Talley Williamson (B.S. '42)
- Monterey W. Wilson (B.S. '42)
- Charlotte Huffman Bruce (B.S. '43)
- Mary Lucile Rivers Carter (B.S. '43)
- Roberta “Tillie” Van Brunt Cheney (B.A. '43)
- Marguerite Louise Rivers Connors (B.S. '43)
- Lora Elizabeth Draughn Dietz (B.A. '43)
- Roberta Dunlap Folker (B.A. '43, M.A. '59)
- Elizabeth Mitchell Gardner (B.A. '43)
- Jean Carolyn Buescher Harriman (B.S. '43)
- Mary Stephenson James (B.A. '43)
- Marion Elizabeth Rogers Dufoe (B.A. '44)
- Ora Gwindyl Brookins Ferguson (B.A. '44)
- Jean Carraway Leach (B.S. '44, M.S. '63)
- Dorris Herman Rubin (B.A. '44)
- Margaret Friedman Bergstrom (B.A. '45)
- Mildred Olive Ehrhardt (B.A. '45)
- Audrey Opal Moore Free (B.A. '45, M.A. '57)
- Betty Claire Ames Grosskopf (B.A. '45)
- Myrtice Clarice Langston Ashmore (B.S. '46)
- Margaret Treisback Derby (B.S. '46)
- Eugenia Tatum Avant McJunkin (B.A. '46)
- Patricia Louise Hill Smith (B.S. '46)
- Sarah Jane McKelvy Smith (B.S. '46)
- Mary Frances Rutland Kinnaird (B.A. '47, M.A. '60)
- Paulette Blank Wright (B.A. '48)
- Norma Margaret Gavilan Barli (B.A. '49)
- James Robert Crabtree (B.S. '49)
- Augusta Struck Haberyan (B.S. '49)
- Frank Hammock (B.S. '49)
- Anthony Alvaro Montes de Oca (B.S. '49)
- Dr. Martin Palmer (B.S. '49)
- Mable “Marie” Wood Norman Clay Ubbens (B.A. '49)
- Fred Richard Wagner (B.S. '49)
- Ouida Alford Whitehurst (B.S. '49)
- Fern Meta Roberts Williams (B.A. '49)
- Kenneth Victor Woolsey (M.S. '49)

1950s

- Arthur Willis Bauknight (B.S. '50)
- Earline Lila Bright (B.S. '50)
- Esther Johnson Burton (B.S. '50)
- Martha Ann Robinson (B.S. '50)
- Barbara Schippert Moler (B.S. '50)
- James Madison Pafford Sr. (B.S. '50)
- Virginia Aleine Burgess (B.S. '51)
- Mary Virginia Fountain Goodman (B.S. '51)
- Thomas Howes (B.S. '51)
- William Richard Kendall (B.S. '51)
- John Peter Knudsen (M.S. '51)
- Marion-Ellise Davis Kraljev (B.A. '51)
- Lorraine Lee Larson (B.S. '51)
- Claude Ethan Locklin (B.S. '51)
- Wendell Dustin Waters (M.M. '51)
- Lois Lenore Boulware Williams (B.A. '51)
- Norma Crane Alley (B.A. '52)
- Thomas Ates (B.S. '52)
- Bobbie Wheeler Hammond (B.S. '52, M.S. '69)
- Herbert L. Henry (B.S. '52)
- Cmdr. Theodore Lawrence Hodson (B.A. '52)
- Lorraine Parrish (B.S. '52)
- William Olin Shuler (B.S. '52)
- Johnnie Davis Cook (B.S. '53)
- Maj. George Edward Fett (B.A. '53)
- Dewey Lee Glass (B.S. '53, M.A. '54)
- Ruth Leigh “Virginia” Miller Kay (B.S. '53)
- Robert Pense (B.S. '53)
- Jo Anne Thorpe (B.S. '53)
- Ezzat Saad Younathan (M.S. '53, Ph.D. '55)
- Frank Edson Bean (B.S. '54)

- Charles Michael Cain (B.S. '54)
- Polly Lassiter Cook (B.S. '54)
- Evelyn Fredrickson Frost Deyo (B.A. '54)
- Sterling Gilbert (B.S. '54)
- Matha Nez (Ph.D. '54)
- Lt. Jack Robert Swike (B.S. '54)
- Paul Rutledge Wharton (M.S. '54)
- Huber Winton Ellingsworth (Ph.D. '55)
- Edward B. Harding (B.S. '55)
- Bobby Lee Johnson (B.S. '55)
- John Pistone (B.S. '55)
- Harry Edward Senske (B.S. '55)
- G. Donn Teal (B.A. '55)
- Fred A. Thornton (B.S. '55, M.A. '62)
- James Samuel Bailey (B.S. '56)
- Gene Calvin Cox (B.S. '56)
- Richard Erman Holladay (B.S. '56)
- J. Herbert Josephs (B.S. '56)
- Jerome Lyle Klonsky (B.S. '56)
- Ronald Carl Phillips (M.S. '56)
- Col. William Clark Plumb II (B.S. '56)
- Lester Hickman Childs (B.S. '57)
- David Dixon Cureton III (B.S. '57)
- Shirley Luella Goodson Davis (B.S. '57)
- Catherine Harkins Jensen (B.S. '57)
- William Henry Leonard (B.S. '57)
- Jessie Anton-Mitchell (M.S. '57)
- Lucille Merritt Bullock (B.S. '58)
- Eldon Lloyd Greene (B.S. '58)
- Wendell L. Gunn (B.S. '58)
- Frank James Little (M.S. '58)
- George Maust (B.S. '58, M.S. '74)
- Charles Whitfield Pennington (B.S. '58)
- Travis Harvey Ross (B.S. '58)
- Marcia Murray Beveridge (B.A. '59)
- Edgar Albert Bragg (M.S. '59)
- William Raymond Brennan (B.S. '59)
- Patricia Stephens Cook (B.M. '59)
- Susie M. Copeland (M.S. '59)
- Theresa G. DeVane (B.S. '59)
- Okle Catherine Jones (B.M. '59)
- Walter James Koss (B.S. '59, M.S. '61, Ph.D. '75)

1960s

- John M. Bullock (B.S. '60)
- Jack Nelson Coffey (B.S. '60)
- Mary Brooke Billings Leonard (B.S. '60)
- Walter Marshall Odum (B.A. '60, M.A. '62, Ph.D. '78)
- Robert R. Sherman (B.S. '60)
- Lynn Paul Cleary (M.S. '61, Ph.D. '70)
- Sandra Doris Cooke Eubanks (B.S. '61)
- Myriam Sellers Esneul (B.S. '61)
- Lucy Lee Entzminger Jacoway (B.S. '61)
- Milton Johnson (M.S. '61)
- Clarence L. Lowman (M.S. '61, Ed.D. '67)
- Evelyn Grayson Rutledge (M.A. '61)
- Ted Eugene Starnes (M.S. '61)

- James William Trout (B.S. '61)
- Donald Wayne Vander Jagt (M.S. '61)
- William Augustus Burgstiner (B.S. '62)
- Albert Leonard Henderson (B.S. '62)
- Donald Paul Jaeschke (M.S. '62, Ph.D. '71)
- David Terrence Kelly (Ph.D. '62)
- James Lewis Scraggs (B.S. '62, M.S. '65, J.D. '74)
- Carolyn Hanna Wetzell (B.S. '62)
- James L. Barnawell (B.S. '63)
- Thomas Whitley Benton (B.S. '63, M.S. '72)
- Stephen Gary Bush (B.S. '63)
- Leslie Dean Cassels (B.M. '63)
- Betty-Ann Lundgren Drouin (B.S. '63)
- Howard Thomas Hillabrand Jr. (B.S. '63)
- Clarence Rodgers (M.S. '63)
- Dorothy Turner (B.S. '63)
- Nancy Keeneth Binger (B.S. '64)
- Paul Quentin Cultra (B.S. '64)
- Linda Price LaMay (B.A. '64)
- Clement Henry Lausberg (M.S. '64, Ed.D. '72)
- Janell Wheeler Rice (B.S. '64)
- Joseph John Richter (B.S. '64)
- Stephen Gray Roberts (B.S. '64)
- Michael M. Strayhorn (B.S. '64)
- Juanita Adderhold Thiel (B.S. '64)
- Marguerite MacCalla Winfree (B.S. '64)
- Alan Vandam Bornstein (M.S. '65, Pd.D. '67)
- Shirley K. Collins Fortino (B.S. '65)
- Marcelle Massey McLeod (B.S. '65)
- Charles John Molnar (B.M. '65, M.E. '70)
- Henry Daniel Saastamoinen (M.S. '65)
- Jess Clower Palmer (B.A. '66)
- Ann Shuler Stoutamire (B.S. '66)
- Charles Wayne Brown (B.S. '67)
- Richard Lamar Gamble (B.S. '67, M.S. '75)
- James Lee Harley Sr. (B.S. '67, M.W. '72)
- Dean L. Makinster (B.S. '67)
- Sandra Jo Hollingsworth Sowell (B.S. '67)
- Alice Edith Bundy Ventry (B.S. '67, M.S. '69)
- Harry S. Cardea (M.S. '68)
- Jerry L. Curtis (Ph.D. '68)
- Aaron Marion Dowling (B.A. '68, M.S. '75)
- Joseph Lanier Hornsby (M.S. '68)
- Mary Ellen King (B.S. '68)
- Victor Earl McElhiney (M.S. '68)
- Walter Albert Sheridan (B.M. '68)
- Robert Walton Bush (M.S. '69)
- Mollie Crum (B.S. '69)
- Cortland Hoach Edwards II (M.S. '69)
- Anna Marie Howard Johnson (B.A. '69, M.S. '70)
- Carlene A. Miller (M.A. '69)
- Dennis Silver (J.D. '69)

1970s

- Timothy David Crowe (B.S. '70, M.S. '78)
- June Kirkpatrick Fletcher (M.S. '70)
- Lucien F. Lamoureux Jr. (B.S. '70, M.S. '71)



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Susan Sigman

Director of
Communications
FSU Foundation

New online community coming to Florida State University

Wondering how you can join the Seminole Boosters to help make football crowds at Doak Campbell Stadium 83,000 strong? Perhaps you're interested in learning about ways you can provide philanthropic support to the university? Maybe you'd like to renew your Alumni Association membership? Now, instead of visiting multiple Web sites and conducting search after search, you can do all of these things, and more, from one location.

Alumni and friends of The Florida State University now can experience a new "Garnet and Gold" connection as the university unveils "oneFSU," an online community that provides single sign-on access to the FSU Alumni Association, Seminole Boosters, the FSU Foundation and the John and Mable Ringling Museum of Art. This members-only

Web site features a variety of news and offers from the university, a place to update personal profiles and manage memberships, and an outlet to RSVP for university-sponsored events and provide donations and financial support to Florida State.

The result of months of preparation, design consultation and planning, oneFSU was created to provide alumni and friends of the university with more ease and flexibility in staying connected to Florida State.

"OneFSU allows us to better serve and engage members of the FSU family with what's happening at the university," said Jeanne Pecha, assistant vice president for advancement services. "Why make it difficult to know what's going on at Florida State?"

OneFSU goes beyond the typical Web site that simply provides information. Individual colleges will begin building their sites over the next

six months, and many will provide social networking components such as an alumni directory and class notes. Features such as these allow oneFSU

to provide a two-way street of information sharing that encourages alumni and friends of the university to build and maintain a stronger connection with Florida State.

"The site, while a work in progress, reflects the vision of where The Florida State University is heading," Pecha said. "OneFSU truly allows us the opportunity to continue our goal of building relationships and providing quality services while keeping everybody up to date."

With a scheduled public launch of fall 2009, Florida State invites all alumni and friends to visit the site and experience the latest Seminole

connection. Register today at one.fsu.edu.



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**ALUMNI
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Student scholarship ... *continued from page 1*

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Alexander Merkovic-Orenstein



Alan Kuhnle



Ashley Danley

have the backing of their respective schools.

Faculty and administrators credit the campus' Office of National Fellowships (www.onf.fsu.edu), created with money donated by Trustee David Ford, with bolstering Florida State's annual award wins.

"Our best students are as good as any in the country; they just need to be encouraged," said Peter Garretson, assistant professor of history and director of the university's Middle East Center. "Having an office that can help them with the nuts and bolts has made all the difference in the world."

The office, which opened in January 2005, works to connect the best students' academic passions with government agencies or private foundations looking to fund projects that fit their criteria or values. It's an exhaustive process for students

that includes writing and rewriting application letters, fielding questions from faculty committees, mastering interviews with poise and obvious intelligence, and keeping tabs on current world events. For the 60 to 80 students who participate, it also is a self-discovery process that fine-tunes their future goals and professional skills, regardless of whether they win an award.

Along with building Florida State's national prestige, the recent focus on preparing students to be nationally competitive also enriches the academic culture throughout campus, stimulating scholarly activity and promoting student success.

"FSU has some fabulous students, but usually they were only known within their home departments," said Susan Blessing, a physics professor who was instrumental in the office's creation. Now top students have better

opportunities to socialize and learn.

"We want to help students learn and grow; we are teachers and mentors as well as researchers," Blessing said. "Having a student recognized nationally is a tremendous feeling when you have helped that student along."

Recent recipients of national awards at Florida State include:

- **Alexander Merkovic-Orenstein** of Tequesta, Fla., won the Truman Scholarship for Public Service, which awards \$30,000 for graduate school to "change agents" who are committed to careers in public service. Merkovic-Orenstein co-founded Global Peace Exchange, an organization that gets college students involved in humanitarian service by linking universities with government agencies. In 2007, he traveled to Liberia to work with ex-child soldiers and refugees from the country's civil conflicts. He provided them with treatment aid against intestinal worms and vocational education to better their lives. Merkovic-Orenstein plans

to attend the School of Oriental and African Studies in London.

- **Alan Kuhnle**, a junior mathematics major from Oxford, Miss., won the Goldwater Scholarship, a \$7,500 award for sophomores and juniors who plan to pursue research careers in math, science and engineering. Kuhnle has written a computer program that uses computer models to simulate the evolution of an ecosystem and how it changes when foreign species are introduced.

- **Ashley Danley**, an engineering student from Cape Coral, Fla., received the Udall Scholarship, which provides her with up to \$5,000 for tuition, room and board or other educational expenses. Udall recipients are college undergraduates who are working to preserve and protect their national heritage through studies in the environment. Danley founded "Dare to Love: Project Haiti," a group that plans to work on improving water quality in two of the country's small villages this summer.

- **Isabel Callejas** and **Alena Ho**, international affairs majors, won Boren scholarships. Each receives \$20,000 to use for

program expenses in another country for an academic year. Callejas will be studying Swahili in Tanzania, and Ho will be studying Turkish in Istanbul.

- Eight students won Fulbright fellowships, which fund study, research or teaching of English worldwide. Full-grant recipients and the countries to where they will travel are graduate students **Michael Douma**, Germany; **Jason Hobrathschk**, Netherlands; **Victoria Penziner**, United Arab Emirates; and **Heather Wakefield**, Georgia. Four other students received assistantships to teach English in other countries: **Jennifer Ervin**, graduate student, Vietnam; **Carly Nasehi**, graduate student, Germany; **Travis Smith**, undergraduate student, Russia; and **Lulio Vargas-Cohen**, undergraduate student, Spain.

- **Nasehi** also won the Thomas R. Pickering Graduate Foreign Affairs Fellowship, valued at \$122,000. The award pays for two years of graduate study in international affairs, two paid internships with the Department of State, a Foreign Service mentor and an automatic appointment as a Foreign Service officer after she earns her degree.

- **Allie Dick** and **Amanda Gonzalez** were named to the USA Today All Academic Third Team.

- **Peter Hoelsing** received the Fulbright Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Award. Valued at just over \$30,000, the honor will fund Hoelsing's dissertation research in ethnomusicology in Uganda for six months.



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Grand Tour Tallahassee

Way back in 1822, Napoléon Achille Charles Louis Murat (Royal Prince of Naples, 2nd Prince Murat), nephew of Napoléon Bonaparte, began a Grand Tour of the United States, including a visit to the land that Congress had granted to General Marquis de Lafayette for his service as the French hero of the American Revolution—36 square miles that would become Tallahassee, the Capital City of Florida.

Murat was a well-liked, colorful, and opinionated man who spoke seven languages and, in publishing his observations on America and Americans, described the Tallahassee social scene as bustling with elaborate parties where its ladies were as beautiful and well dressed as any in New York.

He might have told General Lafayette, who never had the chance to visit, "You don't know what you're missing."

Long story short - Prince Murat settled in Tallahassee, met and married the great-grand niece of George Washington, served as Postmaster, Alderman and Mayor, died there, and both he and his wife are buried in the city's St. John's Episcopal Church cemetery.

Like Murat, Florida State alumni know that most folks who haven't visited this Capital City of Florida don't know what they're missing.

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See Tallahassee for the First Time...Again

September 11 – 13

Alumni and fans already know the gem that is Tallahassee. You revel in the warmth, beauty and excitement of the Florida State campus. Now, take a fresh look, and introduce your kids, your grandkids and your friends to Murat's favorite place. Discover Tallahassee again...through their eyes.

Introduce them to the area's amalgam of rolling hills, tall pines and majestic live oaks, adorned with Spanish moss, that form the city's famous canopy roads. Show off the campus. Take them on a stroll along Legacy Walk. Teach them the warchant and share all the game-day festivities.

(And...even if you've been back recently and think you've seen it all, surprises await you in town and on campus.)

Florida State University and Visit Tallahassee invite you, your family and your friends to discover—and rediscover—Tallahassee September 11 - 13.

With-the-Tag Van for some special Seminole giveaways.

- **Friday night**, country music fans won't want to miss Kenny Chesney at the Tallahassee-Leon County Civic Center - just a short walk from the Downtown GetDown.



- **On Saturday**, consider taking a tour of the state Capitol building and the nearby Challenger Learning Center with its IMAX Theatre, relish local crafts, food and music at the Downtown Marketplace - or visit one of the other nearby museums or attractions.
- **Saturday afternoon**, the flavor of Tallahassee and Leon County will be on display at the "Visit Tallahassee Showcase" on Langford Green, right next to Doak Campbell Stadium. Some of the area's finest restaurants, attractions, hotels and merchants will have exhibit booths set up with free food and other freebies right up until game time.
- **At 6 p.m. Saturday**, THE GAME - sponsored by VisitTallahassee.com - see the Florida State Seminoles take on the Jacksonville State Gamecocks.
- **On Sunday**, cap off your visit with a drive along one of Leon County's beautiful canopy roads and visit or even picnic at Alfred B. Maclay Gardens State Park, a masterpiece of floral architecture, or the Tallahassee Museum.



For details, tickets and Grand Tour Tallahassee Coupons, see **VisitTallahassee.com**

WIN THE GRAND TOUR GRAND PRIZE You could win a Grand Tour Ideal Weekend for two. With every ticket you purchase for the September 12 Florida State v. Jacksonville State Game, your name will be entered automatically in a drawing for the GRAND TOUR GRAND PRIZE and other prizes.* On his September 3, 2009, call-in show, Head Football Coach Bobby Bowden, along with Gene Deckerhoff, the Voice of the Seminoles, will draw and announce the winner of the Grand Prize and the winners of the second, third and fourth prizes.

GRAND PRIZE – IDEAL WEEKEND • Deluxe room for two for two nights – Sept. 11 and 12 – at the newly renovated RESIDENCE INN BY MARRIOTT TALLAHASSEE NORTH. • Dinner for two at TALLAHASSEE'S CARRABBA'S ITALIAN GRILL (\$90 certificate), Sept. 11 or 12 • Two tickets to the KENNY CHESNEY CONCERT, 7:30 p.m., Sept. 11 • Two tickets to the FLORIDA STATE vs. JACKSONVILLE STATE GAME in the Osceola Grill, overlooking the FSU Football Stadium, 6:00 p.m., Sept. 12 • RESERVED PARKING SPACE directly across from the stadium, Sept. 12

SECOND PRIZE • Deluxe room for two for two nights at TALLAHASSEE'S HAMPTON INN & SUITES, I-10/THOMASVILLE ROAD, Sept. 11 and 12 • Dinner for two at TALLAHASSEE'S OUTBACK STEAKHOUSE (\$75 certificate) • Two tickets to the FLORIDA STATE vs. JACKSONVILLE STATE GAME in the Osceola Grill, overlooking the FSU Football Stadium, Sept. 12 • RESERVED PARKING SPACE, Sept. 12

THIRD PRIZE • Two Dinners for four by ARAMARK at Chili's on campus in the Oglesby Union, Sept. 11 or 12 • Two tickets to the FLORIDA STATE vs. JACKSONVILLE STATE GAME in the Osceola Grill, overlooking the FSU Football Stadium, Sept. 12

FOURTH PRIZE • Four Dinners for four by ARAMARK at the Park Avenue Diner on the FSU, Sept. 11 or 12

*The names of all those who purchased game tickets as well as those who hold season tickets will be automatically entered in the drawing. No purchase is necessary — to register for the drawing, and for complete prize details, go to VisitTallahassee.com and complete the registration form.