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Dear Alumni and Friends,

As we begin the 1997-98 academic year, the University of North Florida campus is filled with both excitement and a great sense of pride over a stellar 25 year record of impressive institutional achievement. The results are clear — UNF is receiving growing national recognition and visibility for the quality of its academic programs. This was most recently illustrated by a national publication which ranked the University as one of America's 100 Best College Buys.

Although we should look back over the University's first 25 years with a true sense of accomplishment, I believe that the next quarter century will be an even more significant one from an institutional development perspective. In a recent edition of this publication, Provost Kline outlined the University's guiding core academic values and philosophy. I see these values being implemented within the context of three major trends which will constitute the building blocks for the University's future.

First, based upon current State population growth projections, over the next quarter century, UNF will double its student headcount enrollments from the 12,000 projected during Fall 1997. Notwithstanding the magnitude of this student growth, the University will place a continuing emphasis on UNF's high admissions standards and on value-added education through high quality academic programs.

Second, the University will become a more comprehensive institution as we continue to expand the number and range of academic degree programs offered at both the undergraduate and master's degree levels. Over the next five years, for example, we will ask the Board of Regents for authorization to offer new undergraduate degree programs in such areas as physics, civil and mechanical engineering, anthropology, sports medicine, French and nutrition. Graduate programs will be requested in such areas as nutrition, applied sociology, biology, speech pathology and taxation.

Third, the University's physical plant will be expanded to accommodate projected enrollment growth. Over the next decade, for example, we have identified a need to add or begin planning for the following new academic buildings: Fine and Performing Arts; Science and Engineering; Library; College of Education; Arts and Sciences; and a General Purpose Classroom Building. Simultaneously, we will construct a track and soccer complex, complete the Student Life Building expansion, expand seating in the UNF arena, construct 500 - 750 beds of additional student housing and add two - three additional parking garages.

As you can see, the University's plans for the future are both exciting and challenging. With your strong support of our institutional development plans, there is no doubt in my mind that UNF will continue on its trajectory of becoming one of the nation's most outstanding comprehensive universities.

Adam W. Herbert
President
AmeriCorps Project Unites Students and Community

By Ingrid Roebuck
Staff Writer

Fifteen students from the University of North Florida plus eight students from Florida Community College at Jacksonville are participating in a yearlong AmeriCorps project, funded by the Florida Service Commission.

Titled Community Learning and Urban Education (CLUE), the project enables students to serve as mentors to low-income schoolchildren as well as collaborate with community groups to address specific concerns in Jacksonville neighborhoods. In turn, participating UNF and FCCJ students will earn funds for college expenses, an education award, job experience and possibly college credit. The project involves students at Mary M. Bethune, Moncrief, and West Jacksonville elementary schools and residents of the Royal Terrace and Moncrief neighborhoods.

Programs and events have included a work day to beautify and renovate a historic clubhouse; a tutoring program; a bike rodeo focusing on road safety; a lock-in at a neighborhood community center; and a Community Unity Day at a local park. The AmeriCorps CLUE team also is working in conjunction with the Clara White Mission to offer additional support in the community.

Charleen Morency, a junior at UNF, says she is participating in the program because it offers a good opportunity for her to get involved with local residents. She plans to get her master's in public administration and attend law school. "The idea is to get to know the kids and to help them in any way we can," says Morency, a mother of two.

"We're offering ourselves as resources to the people in the community," says UNF's Dr. Jeffry Will, a sociology professor working with the project. The AmeriCorps CLUE project is a natural for UNF, according to Dr. Henry Camp, another University faculty participant. "This is dealing with the true mission of UNF — community involvement."

AmeriCorps is the national service movement started by President Bill Clinton which involves Americans of all ages and backgrounds in a domestic Peace Corps. AmeriCorps is aimed at meeting the nation's education, public safety, environmental and human needs.

Participating college students had to meet certain criteria, including being 18 years of age; a U.S. citizen, U.S. national or lawful permanent resident alien; and meeting the task-related eligibility requirements established by the program.

During the yearlong program, students must dedicate 900 hours (approximately 15-20 hours each week) in return for a small living stipend and an education award of $2,362 per student that will be granted at the end of the project. The education award may be used to repay a student's educational loan or to pay the cost of continued attendance at UNF or FCCJ.

Training for AmeriCorps participants will span the duration of the project and also includes labs, biweekly sessions conducted by UNF and FCCJ faculty and project staff. Dr. Mosetta Cohen is the FCCJ faculty coordinator.

At right, UNF participant Charleen Morency helps her 7-year-old daughter, Cara, as Danielle Williams, (bottom) also from UNF, greets a runner at home plate during a softball game, which was part of Community Unity Day.
Museum-based Art Education Class Provides a Hands-on Learning Experience

By Laura Smith
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Sunlight dances on the St. Johns River while UNF elementary education students sketch and paint under the oak trees at the Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens. Inside, in the cool dark Art Connections interactive gallery, several classmates create a painting with a mouse and keyboard. And in another wing, Dr. Michael Smith talks quietly to a group of students who peer intently at a rare piece of china.

These types of learning experiences, typical in Smith's Art Methods for Elementary Teachers course, transcend the textbook. Smith, an associate professor in the College of Education and Human Services, has created an innovative learning environment for elementary education students. His museum-based art methods courses, which meet each week at the Cummer, allow students the opportunity to learn in a hands-on, interactive environment. "It's very exciting to be able to use the museum," says Smith. "We have the freedom to explore the entire gallery." His students learn techniques to incorporate art into their elementary classrooms. They learn how to use the museum as an instructional resource while developing their own skills in art production, art criticism, art history, and aesthetics.

Smith's courses focus on Discipline Based Art Education (DBAE), a movement in art education which emphasizes a respect for art as an essential component of the elementary curriculum. While art education programs in elementary schools have historically been under-funded and misunderstood, Smith stresses that art is an essential part of the general education of elementary school children. "In the past," says Smith, "art education in the elementary school was characterized as 'refrigerator door' art. Many administrators and teachers failed to see how art instruction contributes to the general cognitive goals of schooling." Now, he maintains, through the application of DBAE, the perception of art as an important component of general education is growing.

In Smith's museum-based courses, student-teachers become comfortable in a museum setting and learn skills they can take to their K-6 classrooms. "Students learn techniques for criticism," says Smith. "Then they take a work and analyze it. They also learn how to work as a museum guide so they can share their skills with others."

"It's one of the best ways to learn," says Donna Burney, a graduate student in Smith's spring class. "You don't get this kind of experience from a book. We learned by actually seeing and doing, and experience is the best teacher." Classmate Franklin Doyle agrees. "The availability of the real works of art was great," he says. "That experience can't compare to anything else."

Students also hone their skills in drawing, painting, printmaking, research, and, of course, computer-aided instruction. They learn how to infuse the latest technology into their projects. For example, last spring students developed an interactive HyperCard stack linked to a laser videodisc containing thousands of works of art. They prepared an instructional resource describing the works of African American and Native American artists. The HyperCard stack, which is a collection of computer cards with audio, video or graphics, also contained activities to be used as aids in teaching about artists and their works.

Next spring, Smith plans to expand his course even further and infuse more technology. Using a newly awarded faculty grant, Smith has developed a special museum-based, technology-rich art methods course with a volunteer focus. This course, based in the Jacksonville Museum of Contemporary Art, will place heavier emphasis on training students to become museum docents and to implement the microcomputer as a powerful resource for the instruction of young museum visitors.

If Smith has anything to say about it, art education for elementary students will go far beyond spray-painted macaroni and Elmer's glue. "I can't even look at a tree the same way after taking this course," remarks Doyle. "The class introduced not just a new way of looking at art, but a new way of looking at learning, which I can then pass on to my students."

"I will absolutely use these concepts in my classroom," states Burney. "Using the museum is wonderful; you take some concepts and some principles and then look at the art, and you're able to show a young person how the various pieces make up the whole. It's a great skill."

(Editor's NOTE: The writer is not related to the subject of this story)
Ex-governor Shares Political Prowess at UNF

By Ingrid Roebuck
Staff Writer

When you ask former Florida Gov. Reubin Askew what he misses about being in the state's most powerful post his answer is swift and emphatic: "Nothing. Zero." The 68-year-old, silver-haired former state leader turned professor now reaps great delight from his work. "Teaching is what I love," he says.

After retiring from a lifetime of public service Askew is able to do what he loves. Starting in 1989 the former lawmaker began instructing college classes at the state's universities, starting with Florida International University ("they were the first to ask me") and later at Florida Atlantic University, where he became a permanent member of the faculty. At the time Askew and his wife, Donna Lou, were living in Orlando. Once he taught at three different campuses in the same semester. It's all part of a program through the Florida Institute of Government, where Askew serves as a senior fellow. The program allows him to teach one semester a year at any State University System institution. UNF was his sixth university.

Born in Muskogee, Okla., in 1928, Reubin O'Donovan Askew moved with his family to Pensacola in 1937. He served as a U.S. Army paratrooper from 1946-48 and later served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. A graduate of both Florida State University and the University of Florida Law School, Askew began his public career as assistant county solicitor for Escambia County in 1956. He went on to represent his district in the Florida House of Representatives in 1963-70. Askew served as Florida's governor from 1971 to 1979.

Askew championed the idea of a corporate income tax and saw it pass after much debate. During his second administration he campaigned for a Sunshine Amendment (now referred to as the Sunshine Law) to the new state constitution that required full and public financial disclosure by candidates and public officials. Askew opposed legalizing casino gambling in Florida and helped defeat a 1978 proposed constitutional amendment to that effect. After his term of office ended, Askew worked in the Carter administration and ran for the presidency in 1984.

He is currently a tenured distinguished professor of public policy at the Askew School of Public Administration and Policy at FSU; a senior fellow with the Florida Institute of Government; professor emeritus at FAU; serves as chairman of the board of trustees of the LeRoy Collins Center for Public Policy; and as a fellow of the National Academy of Public Administration.

His UNF course was titled "Politics and Administration: Florida Case Study." "The idea behind it is to give students a pretty good understanding of American government in terms of the evolution of American federalism and the states' role in it, concentrating on Florida state government and current public policy issues," Askew says. At UNF as well as other universities where he teaches, Askew often invites guest speakers who play vital roles in government and/or education. For example, the 20 students in his class at UNF were treated to visits from Health Care Administrator Doug Cook, Harry Singletary, secretary of the Department of Corrections, Bob Bradley, director of budgets and planning for Gov. Lawton Chiles, Education Commissioner Frank Brogan and UNF President Adam W. Herbert.

Being able to talk with major players in state government is an advantage to students in many ways. "They get to see role models in their (the students') discipline," says Askew. However he also brings in some of the not-so-well-known in state government, such as Nancy Houston, transportation district deputy secretary for Central Florida and Samara Navaro, deputy secretary of the Department of Children and Families. "I want them to see people that are actually doing the job and making a living with their degree. I want them to know that ultimately decisions are made by people like them," Askew says.

Dr. Henry Thomas, chairman of the Department of Political Science at UNF, says having the former governor here was a privilege for both the students and professors. "To the extent that we have a clear vision of what Florida Politics and Public Administration can achieve in the 21st Century, it is because we stand on the shoulders of giants like Governor Reubin O'D Askew. An ancient sage once said that it is often easier to fight for principles than to live up to them. What I admire most about Governor Askew is that he has shown time and time again that he can not only make the good fight, he will live up to the principles for which he has fought. Twenty years from now our students will look back on this course as a defining moment in becoming fully formed educated persons and citizens. The faculty of the Department of Political Science and Public Administration was honored to know Governor Askew as a colleague.

It's somewhat ironic that at a time of life when many are slowing down Askew seems to be doing the opposite. Plans of retirement, at least in the traditional sense, are not on his list. "I've asked myself what would I do if I did retire. I'm doing what I love now. I have constructed a life fairly free of the kind of stress that I experienced for almost 30 years. I won't retire as long as I feel like I'm contributing something." Given all the challenges facing state and federal government officials, Askew says, it is important for the youth of today to be involved and to see a sense of purpose in public service as a career. "There will always be a need for really bright competent people to improve themselves educationally so they can improve themselves economically and feel like they're making a contribution."
Maya Angelou Next Presidential Lecturer

Internationally known poet and author Maya Angelou will be on the UNF campus in September to deliver the second Presidential Lecture. She will speak on Sept. 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the UNF Arena. Admission is free but because of limited seating tickets will be needed. The Presidential Lecture Series has been established to bring speakers of global significance to the University to provide intellectually stimulating presentations and to generate provocative discussions of the major social, political, economic, ethical and philosophical issues of our times.

Angelou is best known as a poet and the author of a series of autobiographical novels. Born Marguerita Johnson in St. Louis in 1928, she was the daughter of Bailey and Vivien Baxter Johnson. Her parents soon divorced and she was sent to live with her grandmother in rural Arkansas, where she spent most of her early childhood.

In 1940, she moved to San Francisco with her mother. While attending high school, she became pregnant and gave birth to a son in 1945, just after receiving her diploma.

To support her child and herself, she worked several odd jobs. One of those jobs was as a dancer in a cabaret for which she changed her name to Maya Angelou. Her experience there led to an acting and singing career and she joined a cast performing Porgy and Bess throughout Europe.

When she was 30, Angelou moved to New York and joined the Harlem Writers Guild where she met James Baldwin. She became involved in the civil rights movement, serving as the northern coordinator for Martin Luther King Jr.'s Southern Christian Leadership Conference from 1959 to 1960.

She later moved to Egypt, where she edited an English-language newspaper and then to Ghana, working as a writer and editor.

In 1970, she published I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings. It was an account of her childhood up to the birth of her son and was nominated for the National Book Award. Father Together in My Name (1974) described her search for identity and her struggle for survival as a young, unwed mother. In the Heart of a Woman (1981), she described her emergence as a writer and a political activist. Based on her experience in Ghana, All God's Children Need Traveling Shoes (1986), Angelou examined the relationship between Africa and black culture in America.

Angelou has written several plays for screen, stage and television as well as several volumes of poetry. In January of 1993, Angelou became the first woman and the first African-American to read her work at a presidential inauguration. Her poem for the inauguration of President Bill Clinton was titled “On the Pulse of Morning.” It celebrates the diversity of the American and world communities and calls on them to work together to create a better future.

Her most recent work, Even the Stars Look Lonesome, will be published in hardcover by Random House in September.

Angelou's appearance at UNF is part of the University's 25th anniversary celebration. For information about tickets, call the UNF Ticket Box Office, 620-2878.

Sidney Green Named Men's Basketball Coach

NBA veteran Sidney Green has been named head coach of the UNF men's basketball program marking the first time a minority has been named to a head coaching position at the University.

Green, the former head coach at Southampton College of Long Island (N.Y.) University, began his new position at UNF on Aug. 8. Green coached Southampton for two seasons, compiling a 29-27 overall record. He led the Running Colonials to their best season in more than 20 years in 1995-96 with 16 wins, 13 losses, after inheriting a team that was 6-21. He led Southampton to the NYCAA playoffs twice in two years — the school’s first postseason appearance in 15 years.

A former high school New York City Player of the Year and two-time All American at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas, Green was a first-round selection in the 1983 NBA Draft of the Chicago Bulls where he played alongside Michael Jordan for two years. A power forward/center, Green was voted the team captain of the Orlando Magic in the team's second season prior to his trade to the San Antonio Spurs. He also played for the Detroit Pistons under Chuck Daly and finished his 10-year NBA career with the Charlotte Hornets.

“I am very excited about the opportunity to build a tradition at the University of North Florida with the men's basketball program,” said Green. “I feel this opportunity will not only be a success for the men's basketball program but for the whole Athletic Department, the University and the community.”

While at Southampton College, Green emphasized academic success as well as athletic success by implementing the school's first mandatory study hall for student-athletes, resulting in the highest basketball team GPA in school history last year and six of the 11 players were named to the school's honor roll.

"We are extremely delighted to welcome Sidney Green into the UNF family. He brings to the University excellent basketball experience as a coach and as an outstanding player at the high school, collegiate and NBA levels," said UNF President Adam W. Herbert. "We have been particularly impressed by his personal integrity, outstanding teaching skills, emphasis on academic achievement, commitment to community service and concern for his players."

Green currently resides in Winter Springs, with his wife, Deidra, and two children. He succeeds Rich Zvosec, who began the men's basketball program and compiled a 54-84 record in five years at the helm of the Ospreys. Zvosec was named head coach at Millersville University of Pennsylvania in June.
Dr. Dennis Holt demonstrates computer monitors to be used in the elementary-education distance learning classes.

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By Ingrid Roebuck
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Nutrition Number One Issue For New Miss Florida

By Tom Cain
Staff Writer

The University of North Florida received a wonderful 25th anniversary gift when Christy Neuman was crowned Miss Florida June 28 at the Bob Carr Performing Arts Centre in Orlando.

Next stop for Neuman, the reigning Miss UNF, is Atlantic City and the Miss America Pageant in September. "It was an honor to represent UNF and its students," Neuman said of the Miss Florida Pageant.

A lot of adjectives, like poised, courteous, intelligent and drop-dead gorgeous, come to mind when you meet the new Miss Florida. Ironically, it's an adjective you'd never associate with Neuman that altered her life completely four years ago.

In 1991, when she was 13, Neuman was the No. 1 rhythmic gymnast in the country according to the United States Gymnastics Federation rankings. Rhythmic gymnastics are gymnastics performed with long ribbons, balls, hoops and clubs.

The No. 1 ranking was the culmination of years spent practicing eight hours a day, six days a week. Neuman was an athlete at the top of her game, competing in and winning meets all over the world.

For Neuman, a junior at UNF, there was a steep price to pay for success. The athletic accomplishments had a dark side. "It wasn't any fun being told you were fat every day," Neuman said solemnly. It takes a while for what she's said to sink in. It's hard to imagine she's ever had a weight problem.

She was called fat by her coach who wanted Neuman to drop 10 pounds from 105 to 95. At the time, Neuman was 5 feet 4 inches tall so she was hardly rotund.

Trying to lose the pounds was a constant battle. "We were weighed four times a day at practice," Neuman said. "If you gained a half pound, you had to stay in the gym until you lost it."

The 1992 Olympic trials in Baltimore were Neuman's last competitive event.

Three months later her parents had a talk with their daughter. They told her it was time to quit rhythmic gymnastics. The struggle to lose, even to maintain, weight had become too all consuming for a 15-year-old girl.

"I would've never thought of doing a pageant — never," said Neuman, her dark eyes open wide. Never came early for Neuman. In 1994 several friends talked her into entering the Miss Englewood High School pageant. "I did it for fun," Neuman said. "To my surprise, I won." And she's been winning ever since. As Miss Englewood, she qualified for and won the Miss Senior High pageant. Next came Miss Jacksonville followed by Miss Azalea in Palatka. In 1996 Neuman was the second runner-up to Miss Florida.

She doesn't compete for points and rankings anymore, but the picture-perfect posture and graceful movements of the athlete, honed through years of practice, still serve Neuman well. For the talent portion of pageants, Neuman performs a rhythmic gymnastics routine set to music.

There is another experience from her days as a world-class athlete she draws upon. "I want to own and operate a nutritional counseling center," Neuman said of her career goals. "I'll counsel anyone — dancers, cheerleaders — anyone who has the demand to be thin." Neuman is majoring in health and specializing in nutrition and dietetics.

Four years ago Christy Neuman was angry and hurt when her parents told her she could no longer participate in a sport she loved. To her credit, Neuman bounced back from that disappointment. Now, heads turn when she walks into a room. And no one ever calls her fat.
Nurse Receives Lifesaving Award

A UNF alum has received a lifesaving award after performing CPR to save the life of a 72-year-old Oregon man.

Mary Lesperance, a director of patient care for St. Luke's Hospital, recently received the J. Reid Baggett Humanitarian Award in connection with her 1996 rescue on a beach in Hawaii.

Lesperance and her husband, Rich, were vacationing in Hawaii in October of last year when the incident occurred at a secluded beach on the island of Kauai. The couple had just finished snorkeling when Lesperance heard a man and a woman scream for help. "They were asking if anyone knew CPR and I just started running," Lesperance said.

She got to the area and helped drag Don Oltman from the water. Oltman had no pulse or respiration signs and was blue. With the help of another man, Lesperance began performing cardiopulmonary resuscitation and revived Oltman.

In addition to the Baggett award, Lesperance also received a commendation from the Kauai Police Department as well as a gift from Oltman.

The Baggett Humanitarian Award was established in 1994 to honor St. Luke's Hospital staffs who take lifesaving or life-risking action.

Lesperance graduated from UNF in 1992 with a bachelor's degree in nursing, having completed the RN to BSN program. "The UNF program is excellent and has really helped my professional growth and development."

Husband and Wife Team Tap Into Stock Market Interest

Glenn and Betsy Caton never anticipated the level of interest in the stock market when they placed a small ad in a Jacksonville Beach newspaper seeking members for an investment club.

They were hoping that a couple dozen interested investors would show up for the meeting at the Jacksonville Beach Public Library. However, 180 people showed up eager to join a stock market club. Instead of setting up one club, the Catons, along with their friend Marsha Holton, ended up starting six clubs in the beaches area.

The level of interest has prompted the Catons to change their hobby into a side business. They have amassed more than 600 names of prospective members and are busy setting up the clubs throughout northeast Florida. In return for handling the paperwork and administrative tasks for each club, the Catons collect a small monthly fee.

Although both Glenn and Betsy are UNF alums, neither pursued a business degree. Glenn graduated in 1985 with a bachelor's degree in communications and was the theater manager on campus for a year. Glenn is now a self-employed technology consultant. Betsy graduated in 1986 with a master's degree in counseling and is now a guidance counselor at Hyde Grove Elementary School. Last year, Betsy was honored with the Lucille Crysell Award, given annually to the outstanding school counselor in Duval County.

Their interest in stock market games can be traced to Betsy's mother who was a long-time member of a club organized by the late Meriel Milam of Jacksonville. Milam died in 1996 at age 98 with more than a dozen clubs still operating in the metro area. At her mother's urging, Betsy and Glenn picked up where Milam left off. The two were club members before Milam's death but now get involved in organizing them.

Each club requires between 25 and 30 members who are willing to make a two-year commitment. Each month, members invest between $25 and $50 which is then invested in a stock they have thoroughly researched. The stock is selected by majority vote. The club never sells stock thus avoiding any capital gains taxes. At the end of two years, the accumulated 24 stocks are transferred to the ownership of the individual members who are then free to trade or keep the shares.

Betsy admits she knew very little about the stock market when she first started. "But over time, it all starts to make sense," she says. She can now read an annual report and interpret information in Standard & Poor's and Value Line summaries. "The clubs aren't for everybody, we don't take a lot of chances and are usually fairly conservative," she explains.

Like any investor, the Catons have experienced successes and failures in their clubs. The best stock picks have been in the technology area such as Cisco Systems and Microsoft. The biggest loser was Southeast Bank Corp. in which the club lost its investment.

"It's like handicapping greyhounds, sometimes no matter how much research you do, they come in losers," Glenn says. Glenn emphasizes that the only role the Riverside couple play with the new clubs is to provide administrative help. They will keep the books for each club and send out meeting notices. They will not, however, provide stock advice. It's up to club members to do their own research. All stock transactions are done between the club and a stockbroker of their choice.

"Our goal," Betsy says, "is to let novices get their feet wet in the stock market and allow them to feel more comfortable doing investing on their own."
Florida Teacher of the Year

Grace Williams helps a student as he works at one of her classroom centers, where the children perform a variety of activities.

Grace Williams Returns to Her Roots

By Ingrid Roebeck
Staff Writer

As Grace Williams moves around her fourth-grade class at North Shore Elementary she takes on the role of parent and teacher to help her students learn as they gaze at computer screens or punch in numbers on a calculator. She gently touches a shoulder or arm and is careful to make eye-to-eye contact with each of her students. Often she kneels down so as not to intimidate. She mixes words of praise and encouragement, often sprinkling in some discipline as needed. It's such caring characteristics and an enthusiasm for technology that have brought the limelight to Williams, recently named the Burdines Florida Teacher of the Year.

Raised in Meridian, Miss., the 30-year-old Williams went to Catholic schools in her early years and later moved to Jacksonville for her senior year of high school, to the very neighborhood where she is teaching now. She graduated from Andrew Jackson High School but moved back to Meridian and attended a junior college there. A product of divorced parents, Williams says, her father remained in Mississippi while her mother moved to Florida. "I got homesick," she says. Williams' mother continues to live in the neighborhood.

Originally Williams' career goal was to become a lawyer and move away from the lower-income neighborhood where her mother and others struggled to make ends meet. In fact, "education was my sixth major," she says. A semester as a missionary was the deciding factor. "I changed my major again and I made the deans' list from then on." She graduated from UNF in 1990.

Now in her sixth year of teaching, Williams was chosen as Duval County's Teacher of the Year earlier this year and then went on to win the state finals in May. Upon accepting the award, Williams told Gov. Lawton Chiles that she is ready to face the new challenge and to help public education in Florida in any way she can. "It's just been wonderful," Williams says.

Williams was nominated by her peers and competed against 120,000 teachers for the state title. The award is sponsored by Burdines and is coordinated by the state Department of Education. She will now spend a year off from teaching and travel the state as a representative at schools and offering her advice to teachers and the public. The winner of the national award will be announced in April 1998 at the White House.

In her class at North Shore, Williams says, sometimes the kids will slip and call her Mom. "I tell them that's OK, I may be the closest thing they have to a Mom," she
Williams poses with members of her fourth-grade class outside North Shore Elementary School.

says. Each of the children have their own set of obstacles to overcome before they get to school each day. In order to teach them, "you have to create a bond with them on a personal level, and build up a trust."

Williams says there's no doubt that teaching has changed since she was a student in Mississippi. "Teaching has evolved. The world has evolved. The knowledge we have of the world is different than it was in the '50s or '60s. Back then we couldn't fathom walking on the moon. Technology has made that evolution occur much quicker. Whether I'm teaching these kids or kids at another school, I'm usually still dealing with a child who watches a lot of TV. There's MTV and Gameboy, Nintendo. They are used to so much more and do so much more than we imagined when we were children."

That's why she has determined that the best way to teach them is to get on their level, utilizing the use of technology and a variety of activities. "Teaching used to be simpler. Teaching has changed because it had to. We used to lecture and everything was very teacher directed. Now a teacher has become more of a facilitator... We wear more hats now."

Her classroom is designed with centers where children do different activities at each center, at least two of which are equipped with computers. "We do centers every day and I integrate it with the technology. This helps them learn easier." The software also allows the customization of lesson plans. When a child logs on or signs in on a computer, the software picks up where the student left off at the last lesson and also designs the questions on the level of the student, allowing each to learn at his/her own pace.

She also does something very simple: "I read to them... Many of them don't get that at home." And she uses fact-based books not with a child who watches a lot of TV. There's MTV and Gameboy, Nintendo. They are used to so much more and do so much more than we imagined when we were children."

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some might recall from elementary school.

Williams and her husband, Richard, have a 1-year-old daughter, Bethany Grace. She said she realizes the next year will be a tough one on her family but she's up for the challenge. "I think God makes you prepared," she says. Williams admitted she never thought she would win even the county award. "I kept telling myself that surely I couldn't teach these people anything, some of them having been my own teachers... Then the more I heard myself talk about it the more I realized I did have something to say."

In addition to Grace Williams, winner of the Florida Burdines Teacher of the Year award, the College of Education and Human Services had a number of other alumni who were winners and finalists in the competition:

St. Johns County winner Harold Stansel teaches mentally handicapped students at St. Augustine High School. He graduated from UNF in 1974 with a bachelor's degree and in 1977 with a master's of education. This is the second time Stansel has been chosen for the award, having been the county's winner in 1982 while teaching at R.B. Hunt Elementary School.

Baker County winner Thelma Joseph is an adult vocational teacher at the Southside Educational Center. She has gained the course work necessary for her professional certificate through taking classes at UNF and plans to begin graduate classes in the fall. She has been teaching for 11 years.

Alumni who were chosen as finalists include:

Duval County — Susan Levine ('75), Marlene McCandless ('85);
St. Johns County — Suzanne Brush ('92), Fay Mesuita ('87, '92);
Nassau County — Susan Bradley ('93), Jimi Buck ('83);
Clay County — Todd Cambron ('89);
Baker County — John Tinsler ('90), Glenda Scallan ('78)
MBA Grad Manages $130 Million Portfolio

By Dan Dundon
Staff Writer

Sharon Frahler likes to recall a special project she undertook while a MBA student at UNF which underscores the quality of training she received. Having lived in Venezuela and having studied in Madrid where she received a master's degree in Spanish, Frahler wanted a career in international finance. She designed an independent study project in which she projected the Mexican peso exchange rate.

In 1986, the peso was under heavy inflationary pressure. After concluding her research, Frahler predicted the rate would increase from 450 Mexican pesos for each American dollar to 1,200 pesos per dollar, plus or minus 10 percent.

"Everyone said my projections would be inaccurate. But, by June 1987, the value of the peso dropped to within 10 percent of my estimate," she recalls.

That experience was one of many at UNF which was a confidence builder for Frahler. She started at UNF in 1983 coming to Jacksonville after her husband Don was transferred here with the Navy. A year after she started her MBA studies, Don was transferred to Charleston but she remained with her two young daughters to finish her degree.

Frahler discovered she loved the world of finance. When she had lived in Washington, she worked in the Mexican Embassy's Finance Office and became intrigued with international business. However, she said she lacked the confidence and the business training to pursue a career in that area.

At UNF she achieved both. "I wanted to understand the business world and UNF showed me that a woman can compete with the men. UNF helped me establish more self confidence as I went along."

After graduating in 1986, Frahler joined her husband who had since been transferred to Washington, D.C. She was a financial analyst for the American Chemical Society for three years. When her husband was transferred to Norfolk, Va., she became manager of budgets and financial analysis at Sentara Health Plan, an HMO which had been purchased out of bankruptcy. She discovered the challenges of changing the direction of a bankrupt company. Within one year, the HMO was profitable.

Another move, again to Washington, D.C., forced her to begin the job search anew. She accepted a position with the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), a regional office of the World Health Organization (WHO). The PAHO has led the eradication of smallpox and polio from the Americas and continues to fight infectious diseases. It also promotes clean drinking water and adequate sanitation as well as fighting the spread of AIDS and helping with emergency preparedness.

The first five years at PAHO, Frahler was responsible for overseeing medical treatment and claims for the organization's 2,200 personnel and retirees in 39 countries. Her achievements in the management of the insurance plan garnered the recognition of senior management and the PAHO President's Award for Excellence. This recognition led to her next assignment.

In September 1996 she accepted the position of treasurer for PAHO with the challenge of modernizing the management functions and improving the funding of the $250 million budget and the performance of the $130 million portfolio.

Frahler's job is extremely rewarding. Each week she approves the transfer of funds to banks throughout the world reimbursing the charges for the transfer of vaccines from Europe, Southeast Asia, the United States and Canada to the Caribbean, Central and South America. "The work is extremely gratifying. I think of it as a mission, rather than just a job," she says.

Frahler's success doesn't mean she has ended her search for education. She is currently studying at the University of Virginia for the CPA exam. Ironically, one of her daughters, Joni, is a fourth-year student also at the University of Virginia. Her younger daughter, Kristen, is a freshman in high school and her husband continues to serve in the Navy in Washington, D.C. having recently completed a two year tour as a senior naval officer in Saudi Arabia.
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The 25th anniversary was the theme of this year's homecoming celebration Feb. 28 through March 2.

Events included a parade in which the International Student Association won the first place award with their giant champagne bottle.

Homecoming photos by Lisa Kievit

Dr. Gerson Yessin, on the piano, chairman of UNF's Music Department, accompanied renowned tenor Bill Brown (left) in a memorable 25th Anniversary Concert at the UNF theater in May.

Mayor John Delaney welcomes UNF President Adam W. Herbert to City Hall for a special ceremony marking UNF's 25th anniversary.
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The First Day in the Life of a University

It was Oct. 2, 1972. The headlines of the Florida Times Union were grim: "Waves of U. S. Bombers Hit Targets Near Saigon," "Florida POW Garley Arrives Here for Medical Tests."

And the University of North Florida was about to embark on its maiden voyage. With four buildings, a library, 111 faculty members and a promising crew of students, the university set out to leave its mark on Florida's higher education system.

Florida International University, built on the campus of North Florida College, also opened in the fall of 1972. With four buildings, a library, 111 faculty members and a promising crew of students, the university set out to leave its mark on Florida's higher education system. Betty Flinchum, Janice Nowak, Robert Deason and Gerrie Yuen were all there for opening day, decked out, as some recalled, in polyester bell bottoms and sideburns. Nearly half of the original 15,100 students were older than 21. Many of the students had to tread on makeshift plywood sidewalks.

Campus for their first day of classes. The day, or banners to welcome students to their sphere, faculty recalled, was not one of revelry. The first day of classes at UNF, President Richard Carpenter projected the school would have 4,800 students by 1990. This fall, the school is expected to open its doors to about 12,000 students.

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some faculty members complained, library director Andrew Farkas rallied behind his staff. In 103 degree heat working conditions, he explained, his staff could wear whatever they wanted.

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This fall, another state university is going through similar opening day jitters. Florida Gulf Coast University is gearing up to become the 10th state university in Florida.

With more than 4,000 teachers already applying for professorships and an anticipated first enrollment of 2,500, Florida Gulf Coast seems to be charting a similar course to that of UNF.

And if the school's first day is half as successful as UNFs, there is a solid future on the horizon.

UNF Day Planned at Jaguar Game

The University of North Florida and the Jacksonville Jaguars will celebrate two significant milestones at a special game on Oct. 5.

The Jaguar game against the Cincinnati Bengals will be billed as "UNF Day" to mark the University's year-long 25th anniversary celebration. Coincidentally, it will also mark the 25th home game for the Jaguars.

Renowned UNF tenor Bill Brown will sing the National Anthem while the UNF Dance Attack will perform at halftime.

The National Alumni Association will sponsor a tailgate party near the stadium. Call the Office of Alumni Services at 620-4723 to make reservations or for more information.

Birthday Party Planned for Oct. 2

Alumni and friends of the University are invited to campus on Oct. 2 to celebrate UNF's 25th birthday.

The party coincides with the exact date in 1972 on which UNF opened its doors to students.

The celebration is from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the plaza in front of the UNF Arena. If there is inclement weather, the celebration will be moved inside the Arena.

A festive party is planned including food, beverages and music. The program will begin at noon with Tom Healy serving as master of ceremonies.

Events include the unveiling of a time capsule filled with UNF memorabilia, recognition of charter faculty and staff, reading of a special poem by Dr. William Slaughter and cutting of the 25th anniversary cake by Dr. Adam Herbert.

The birthday will be one of a variety of community and University events which will occur as the yearlong 25th anniversary celebration wraps up.

25th Anniversary Events Calendar

**SEPTEMBER**

6 Museum of Science and History, talk on Jacksonville history to coincide with MOSH Jacksonville museum exhibit, Drs. Dan Schaefer, Carolyn Williams and James Crooks, 11 a.m., free to MOSH members, $5 for others.

11 Maya Angelou, Presidential Lecture Series, 7:30 p.m., UNF Arena

30 Special ceremony to dedicate the College of Health building as J. Brooks Brown Hall from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., College of Health.

**OCTOBER**

2 Birthday celebration for faculty, staff, students, alumni and friends, including recognition ceremony for founding faculty and staff, 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., UNF Arena Plaza

5 UNF Day at Jaguar Game, noon, Alltell Stadium.

9 Great American Jazz Series, Diane Schuur with UNF Jazz Ensemble, 8 p.m., UNF Theater; Tickets $20, $9.

9 Tom Peters and Lessons in Leadership Series, Division of Continuing Education, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Prime Osborn Convention Center.

18 "Symphony in Black" concert of music by black composers with members of the Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra featuring James Weldon Johnson's "God's Trombones," conductor Lenard Bowie; 8 p.m., UNF Theater; Tickets $10, $5.

21 UNF Concert Choir; 8 p.m., UNF Theatre, free.

**NOVEMBER**

4 Election Day Jazz Extravaganza Concert, 8 p.m., UNF Theatre, free.

8 Second annual College of Education Conference "25 Years of School Success" (Site & time TBA).

25 International Student Association Dinner Dance, 7 p.m., Boathouse.

**DECEMBER**

4 Great American Jazz Series, Maria Schneider with UNF Jazz Ensemble, 8 p.m., UNF Theater; Tickets $15, $7.
The Boathouse is perhaps the most well-known and enduring landmark on the University of North Florida campus. The original Boathouse (photo No. 1), which didn’t have a deck, was destroyed by fire in December 1978. Insurance representatives declared the building a total loss (photos No. 2 and 3) and estimated damages at $90,000.

The second Boathouse (photo No. 4) had a deck so students and staff could sit outside and enjoy the natural beauty of the UNF campus. That deck was substantially enlarged when the Boathouse was renovated and expanded in 1994 to its current shape (photo No. 5).

Photos courtesy of UNF Archives
1974

RUSSELL E. GROOMS JR. (BBA) is the 1998 chairman of the State RPAC Committee for the Florida Association of Realtors. He was the 1996 chairman of the 62,000 member Florida Association of Realtors Legislative Committee. He is vice president of Watson Realty Corporation and a trustee for the Northeastern 13 counties for the Realtors Political Action Committee (RPAC). He resides in Jacksonville, Fla.

ELIZABETH STEIN NICHOLS (BBA) is a full-time home-school mother. She is a part-time personal assistant with Watson Realty in Neptune Beach, Fla. The family resides in Atlantic Beach, Fla.

1975

GILBERT W. LEE SR. (MME) is the plant controller at S & G Packaging (formerly Stone Container) in Yulee, Fla. He resides in Fernandina Beach, Fla.

ALICE WRIGHT (BBA) has been appointed as a contract manager with Barnett Banks, Inc. She joined Barnett in 1987 as an accounting manager and was named purchasing agent in 1996.

1977

CLEMENTS L. HARPER (BME) is the public relations coordinator for the Northeast Florida Safety Council. He oversees all communications and public relations functions. He is engaged to Carmen Miskowiec. He resides in Neptune Beach, Fla.

JAMES H. FURMAN (BME) was named as chairman of the aviation section at the annual meeting of the American Trial Lawyers Association (ATLA) in Boston. The ATLA Aviation Section is interested in promoting professionalism in the area of air crash litigation, educational programs and promoting standards that will better serve the flying public.

1978

DEWEY "CYCLONE" BRETT (MED) who retired from the Duval County School System, is now spending his leisure time by volunteering at the Fire Department and reading to mountain elementary kids in Beech Mountain, N.C.

1979

LEWIS "JON" MCEWEN (BA, MED '91) Maj., was promoted to Lt. Col. in the U.S. Army Reserve and given a mobilization assignment as a plans officer in the Pentagon. In addition, he was honored by the U.S. Railroad Retirement Board for 20 years of service as a senior contact representative with that agency helping the members of the railroad community in north and central Florida. He resides in Jacksonville, Fla.

1980

WILLIAM "JERRY" AUSTIN (BBA) is a project manager at Logistics Services International and has served as an overseas program manager in Pohang, South Korea. He implemented an advanced flight and maintenance training program training 200 South Korean navy personnel. He now manages computer-based training development for U.S. Army Apache Attack Helicopter pilots and copilot gunners. He resides in Jacksonville, Fla.

1981

BARBARA HART SALMON (BBA) was a team player with the Elmwood Silver Slammers basketball team at the National Senior Olympics held in May 1997.

NANCY J. PATRICK (MED) completed her doctorate in school psychology from Pennsylvania State University. She has worked in the public school system and private practice since May 1992. She and her husband, Bill, have three children, Craig, Scott and Blair. The family resides in Harrisburg, Pa.
DEBORAH M. KAYE (BA) was appointed to director of Enrollment Services and Admissions at UNF. She was the director of Student Services in the College of Education and Human Services since 1988.

CARL GRAYLING STOUTAMIRE (BS) and LAURIE CARLA JOHNS (MS '87) were married on April 5, 1997. He is self-employed as a real estate investor. She has a private dental practice in Orange Park. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

1986

LINDA MOORE LIMON (BA) is co-owner of The Tavern & Grill at Sawgrass. She and her husband reside in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.

TIMOTHY MCDANIEL (BA) and Nicole Hull were married in March 1997. He is employed by Service Corp. International. The couple reside in Orange Park, Fla.

BRIAN SWANSON (BA) has been appointed credit specialist with Barnett Banks, Inc.

1987

CATHERINE BEHNKEN (BA) and Rick McIntosh were married in February 1997. She is employed by Kmart Corp. as a divisional sales manager. He is employed by Home Window Company as an advertising and sales manager. The couple reside in Rochester Hills, Mich.

1988

HELENE KAMPS (BA) and Mark Stewart were married in April 1997. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

ARThUR B. LEARY (BA) is a loan officer and collections supervisor at First Federal Savings & Loan. His family resides in Palatka, Fla.

RUSSELL "MARK" UNKEFER (BA) married Paige Preston on July 26, 1996. He is employed by AT&T American Transtech in the ITS department. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

DawnA Worley (BA, MBA '93) and Markum Miller were married in March 1997. She is employed by Homeside Lending as an accounting manager. He is employed by Chip's Tree Service as sole proprietor. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

1989

ROBERT GLASBRENNER (BA) and Julie Thompson were married in May 1997. He is employed by Barnett Banks as a U.S. banking officer. She is employed by Unisource as a sales representative. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

GREGORY HOOD (BA) and MICHelle THOMPSON (BA '90) were married in March 1997. He is employed by J.B. Hunt Inc. as manager. She is employed by First Union National Bank as a trust officer. The couple resides in Orange Park, Fla.

MIKE SOBOL (BA) and Kimm White were married in March 1997. He is employed by East Coast Transportation as president of customer satisfaction. She is employed by Baptist Medical Center as a nurse manager. The couple reside in Jacksonville Beach, Fla.

PATRICIA WEBB (MBA) has been named vice president of human resources at Boston Medical Center. She is responsible for formulating and implementing Boston Medical Center's human resources philosophy and policies.

1990

DENISE AHEARN (MED) was a 1997 EVE education award recipient. She is a learning resource consultant at Hope Haven Children's Clinic. She resides in Jacksonville, Fla.

MICHELLE ERIN RIVERS (BA, BBA '95) married Franklin James Mikell III in December 1996. She is employed by Rayonier, Inc. as a staff accountant. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

1991

STEVE M. AVERA (BA) has been employed at Merrill Lynch for five years as a mutual funds administrator. He resides in Jacksonville, Fla.

JIM COTTON (BA) and Lynda Blankinship were married in March 1997. He is employed by American Heritage Life as assistant manager in the new business department. She is employed by C.T.I. as administrative assistant to the vice president of operations. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

JOE E. ELIAS (BA) and Kelly C. Harden were married in February 1997. She is employed by Pine Castle Christian Academy as an elementary school teacher. He is employed as a dentist. The couple reside in Orlando, Fla.
ROBERT FULFORD JR. (BBA) and Christie Schwanenberg were married in April 1997. He is employed by Wachovia BankCard Services as assistant vice president of acquisitions. The couple reside in Marietta, Ga.

PATRICIA MICHELE GREEN (BBA) and H.N. “Chuck” Putman Jr. were married on April 26, 1997. She is employed by Atlantic East Pet Center as the hospital administrator. He is the artistic director at Zimmie Hair Designers in Ponte Vedra Beach. The couple reside in Neptune Beach, Fla.

MARY KELLEY (BBA) has been appointed to credit analyst at Barnett Banks, Inc. She was a teller and most recently an administrative assistant. She also was involved in the choreography of the opening and closing ceremonies for the Atlanta Olympic Games.

LARRY W. NORMANN (ms) has been promoted to vice president of commercial real estate lending for SunTrust Bank, Gulf Coast of Sarasota, Fla. He and his wife, Kelly, reside in Venice, Fla.

MARY ANN WILBURN (ms/’93) and GREGORY MILLER (ms/’93) were married in May 1997. She is employed by University Medical Center as the administrative director of primary care. He is employed by University Medical Center as director of managerial accounting. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

STACEY BAILEY (ms) and Bill Yeomans were married in March 1997. She is employed by Schott Chiropractic in insurance. He is employed by American Window Fashions. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

DARREN HARPER (ms) and Brenda Schmees were married in March 1997. He is employed by Timuquana Country Club as a tennis director. She is employed by Equicredit Corp. of America as a loan processor. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

KIMBERLY HOFFMAN (ms) and Michael Fortunato were married in March 1997. She is employed by the Duval County School Board as a second grade teacher. He is self-employed. The couple reside in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.

ANAN HOWELL (ms) and Kathy Blair were married on May 30, 1997. He is employed by Blue Cross and Blue Shield as a senior examiner. She is employed by Kat Man Du as an executive manager. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

WENDY MARIE IGNOTOWICZ (ms) and Jamie O’Brien were married in March 1997. She is employed by the Duval County School Board as a pre-K teacher. He is employed by Data Technical Research. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

ANGELA DEE MCHARGUE (ms) and Weston Lockman were married in June 1995. She graduated with a master's in physical therapy from the University of Maryland at Baltimore in May 1997. She is employed by Nova Care working in a facility in Lake Alfred, Fla. He is a senior at the University of Tampa. The couple resides in Plant City, Fla.

GINGER F. MENDEZ (ms) and Dino E. Gerardo were married in March 1997. She is employed by Universal Studios as a marketing representative for corporate strategic alliances. He is employed by Orlando Software Group as a software engineer. The couple reside in Orlando, Fla.

CHRISTINE MOTLEY (ms) and Lance Rocks were married in May 1997. She is employed by Interim Health Care as a home health nurse. He is employed by the U.S. Coast Guard. The couple reside in Yorktown, Va.

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DIANE MULKEY (BS) and Ron Mulkey are the parents of a baby boy, Reece Patrick, born on 5/11/97. The family resides in Charlotte, N.C.

KELLY PARKES (BS) and Michael Wilson were married on March 22, 1997. She is employed by Arnold Palmer Hospital. He is employed by the Orange County National Golf Center. The couple reside in Orlando, Fla.

RICHARD STOBE JR. (BS) and Jodi Bonno were married in May 1997. He is employed by Buttner Hammock Ranes & Co. as an accountant. She is employed by AT&T Solutions Customer Care as a benefits analyst. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

ROBERT T. WHITE JR. (MBA) has moved his law practice to the New York City firm of Dewey Ballantine. His practice is focused on intellectual property issues, both corporate and litigation. He resides in Forest Hills, N.Y.

1993

CHERYL ANN AVERY (BS) married Keith McKinnney on May 25, 1996. She is a donor recruiter responsible for the facilitation of mobile blood drives in a seven county area with the Stewart Regional Blood Center. He is a department chair and plastics instructor at Texas State Technical College at Marshall. The couple reside in Marshall, Texas.

CYNTHIA BECKLEY (BS) and Thomas R. Bomar II were married in March 1997. Both are employed by the Duval County School Board as teachers. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

JENNIFER MARTINGAK KEISTER (BS) is employed as a senior account manager of public relations at The Zimmerman Agency. She resides in Tallahassee, Fla.

MARC ALAN KIMBALL (BS) has been appointed to the New York State College of Optometry's faculty. He started a new business, Sideline Sports Cards & Collectibles. He married Elizabeth Yates, an operations manager at Barnett Bank, Inc. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

MARCI LYN KRUEGER (BS) and GEORGE FENTRICE SMITH (MBA '97) were married March 8, 1997. She is employed by The Hamilton Collection as marketing project manager. He is employed by Jax Navy Federal Credit Union as an account representative. The couple resides in Green Cove Springs, Fla.

GEORGE W. KRUGER (BS) is the chief financial officer of Columbia Hospital - Paris, in Paris, Ky. He married Amanda Herrin and have two children, Justin, and Katelyn. The family resides in Georgetown, Ky.

PERFECO S. MENOR (BS) and SEVERINA ELOPRE (BS '94) were married in April 1997. He is employed by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida as an analyst. She is employed by Vestcor as assistant controller. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

DANIELLE MOSES (BA) and David Stidfole were married in March 1997. She is employed by Integon Insurance as a claim representative. He is employed by Forney Computer Resources in sales. The couple reside in Neptune Beach, Fla.

GINNY PRESTIN (MBA) and Doug Schlosser were married in June 1997. She is employed by First Union Bank. He is employed by BellSouth. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

MICHAEL SILVER (BS) and Michelle Zibisky were married in May 1997. He is employed by United Parcel Service as a computer technician. She is employed by Baptist Medical Center as a registered nurse in the emergency department. The couple reside in Orange Park, Fla.

HUGH CARTER TAPPAN (MBA, MBA '93) and Elizabeth Tanner Whaley were married in February 1997. He is employed by Hughston Sports Medicine Hospital as vice president of operations. She is a family practice physician. The couple reside in Columbus, Ohio.
DANNY WITT (BBA) and Devon M. Hoener are to be married on October 25, 1997. He is director of tennis at Queen's Harbour Yacht and Country Club. She is employed by Ameritape.

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TAREK A. AHMED (BBA) is a substitute teacher with the Duval County School Board. He resides in Jacksonville, Fla. CATHERINE AQUINO (BBA) and TODD HOLLOWAY (BBA '95) were married in April 1997. She is a case manager with Communities in Schools of Jacksonville. He is employed by Ponte Vedra Inn and Club for the Outpost Adventure as a facilitator. The couple resides in Atlantic Beach, Fla.

R. SCOTT BRINTON (BBA) 1st Lt., completed a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea while serving with the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit. He was appointed a prod­

SANDRA PARKMAN (BBA) and Michael Canicatti are engaged to be married in May 1998. She is employed by UNF as a graduate student assistant. He is employed by National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) as an electrical engineer.

SHARON ROBERSON (BBA) and Richard Morrison were married in May 1997. She is employed by the Mental Health Resource Center as a case manager. He is serving in the U.S. Navy. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

JENNIFER RODRIGUEZ (BBA) and Mark Fontaine were married in April 1997. She is employed by Barnett Technologies. He is employed by Tom Bush BMW in sales. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

DAVID R. SCALL (BBA) Lt. j.g., departed on a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea with Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron 3. He will be serving as part of the USS John F. Kennedy battle group, and will be involved in search and rescues, anti-submarine warfare exercises, and reconnaissance operations. He joined the Navy in August 1983.

JULIE SMITH (BBA) and Jeffrey R. Sowell were married in April 1997. She is employed by Cardiac Systems of Florida as a technical support representative. He is employed by Proctor and Gamble as a sales representative. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

MARLANA K. WARRINGTON (BBA) and Michael A. Tolbert were married in April 1997. She is employed by Barnett Bank as an assistant manager. He is employed by Blazer Financial Services as a branch manager. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

1995

LORI CLARK (BBA) and Scott Martin were married in May 1997. She is employed by Duval County School Board in special education. He is employed by North Florida Sales. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

CHRISTINE CLIFFORD (BBA) and Stephen Lawrence Moore were married on May 18, 1996 in County Kerry, Ireland. She is employed as a project analyst/auditor at Blue Cross/Blue Shield. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

TARIK COX (BBA) has been promoted with the Detroit Lions, Inc. to game operations coordinator. He served as an intern in the marketing department of the Lions last football season. He resides in Detroit, Mich.

WILLIAM PRESTON EVRIO (BBA) and Stephanie Jada Yoachum were married in May 1997. He is employed by Harbeson, Beckerleg and Fletcher, CPA. She is employed by George G. Smith and Associates, Inc. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

DOUG FORT (BBA) and Paula Davis were married in April 1997. He is employed by Becton Dickinson as a medical sales representative. She is employed by Johnson and Johnson/LifeScan as a medical sales representative. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

CYNTHIA L. HAMILTON (BBA) and David P. Knecht were married in May 1997. She is employed by Freed, Lester and Berman as a legal secretary. He is employed by Greene Classic Limousines as director of maintenance. The couple reside in Marietta, Ga.

KRISTINA HERRINGTON (BBA) and Scott Littaro were married in March 1997. She is employed by Staffing Solutions as a personnel coordinator. He is employed by PCA Health Plans as a benefits consultant. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

JASON KIRKLAND (BBA) and Erica Wright were married in May 1997. He is attending the St. Augustine Criminal Justice Academy. She is attending Florida Community College at Jacksonville's registered nurse program. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

ASHLEY NICHOLS (BBA) and Mark Murray were married in November 1996. She is employed by the Jacksonville Housing Partnership which provides free home repairs to elderly clients in Duval County. Mark is a helicopter pilot in the U.S. Navy. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

LYNN POFF (BBA) and Ed Jones were married in March 1997. She is employed by Wolfson Children's Hospital as a registered nurse. He is employed by Nemour's Children's Clinic as a research assistant. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

JEFFREY REVELS (BBA) and Nicole Brown were married in March 1997. He is employed by Merrill Lynch. She is employed by Sam's Club as a receiving manager. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

LYNN TAYLOR (BBA) and William Green Jr. were married in December 1996. She is employed as a 2nd grade teacher with the Baker County School Board. The couple reside in Taylor, Fla.

KAREN WOLFE (BBA) and Mark Campbell were married in April 1997. She is employed by Allstate as a claims adjuster. He is an assistant state attorney in Tallahassee. The couple reside in Tallahassee, Fla.
1996

KEVIN ADAMS (ba) and Nicole Martin were married in April 1997. They reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

MELISSA ANN ALLIGOOD (bs) and M.E. “Marty” Terhueneggen III were married on February 22, 1997. She is employed as a corporate liaison by One Stop Consortium of North East Florida. He is employed by the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office.

LISA BASS (ba) and John Aimone Jr. were married in March 1997. She is employed by the Duval County School Board as a kindergarten teacher. He is employed by Morale, Welfare and Recreation as a youth activities director at the Mayport Naval Station. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

JOYCE BAUER (ba) and Rick Snell were married in May 1997. She is employed by Corbel. He is employed by Hendricks Avenue Baptist Church. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

MICHAEL J. CHAREST (ms) is president of XCRS Technology Group Inc. The company offers programming services, network installation and management, and web page development. He resides in Atlantic Beach, Fla.

MELISSA FLYNN (bs) and JAMES MICHAEL MILLER JR. (bs) were married in January 1997. He is employed as a dock supervisor at Watkins Motor Lines. The couple reside in Austell, Ga.

TADD GORMAN (bs) and Kristie Banks were married on March 22, 1997. He is serving in the U.S. Navy as an ensign. The couple reside in Orlando, Fla.

GLEN GREENBERG (ba) and Kelly Boswell were married in April 1997. He is employed by Sanofi Pharmaceuticals as a sales representative. She is self-employed as a clinical psychologist. The couple reside in Neptune Beach, Fla.

KARON GUFFEY (ma) and John W. Ivey were married in March 1997. She is employed by the Child Guidance Center as a children’s therapist. He is employed by the River City Brewing Co. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

ANGELA HILLIARD (ma) and Jason Kerr were married in April 1997. She is employed by Wellspring Resources. He is employed by Jacksonville Fire and Rescue. The couple reside in Atlantic Beach, Fla.

RICKY HOWELL (bss) and AMY SOPKOWIAK (bss) were married in April 1997. Both are employed by St. Luke’s Hospital as registered nurses. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

RUTA JUREVICIUTE (bs) and Todd Coffin were married on March 23, 1997. She is employed by Blue Cross and Blue Shield. He is employed by Sergeant’s Marine Canvas. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

CRAIG MILTON LARRAMORE (bss) and Jessica Leigh Rowe were married in March 1997. He is employed by Columbia Medical Memorial Center as an admitting and verification clerk. She is employed by St. John’s River Psychiatric Hospital as a mental health technician. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

LORI LYNDA LEE (bss) and John N. Garner Jr. were married in March 1997. She is employed by the Duval County School Board as a special education teacher. He is employed by Pools by John Garner as vice president of sales and service. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

SUSAN MCCLENDON (bss) and Larry Weaver Jr. were married in May 1997. She is employed by Barnett Bank. He is employed by Baptist Bookstore. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

BRENT MECHLING (bs) was appointed to manager of corporate training and development at Barnett Banks, Inc. She joined the bank in 1991 as a management associate.

JOHN DAVID MEYER (bs) is the manager for Golf/Tennis/Fitness/Pool at the Marsh Landing Country Club. He resides in Jacksonville, Fla.

KOREN PICKETT (bs) and Colman Brodsky were married in April 1997. She is employed by Mayo Clinic Jacksonville. He is employed by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

CHRISTEN L. SANCHEZ (bs) and Eugenia C. Velmin were married in May 1997. He is employed by the Principal Financial Group as a financial consultant. She is employed by General Motors Acceptance Corp. as a credit administrator. The couple reside in Atlantic Beach, Fla.

TARA JEANETTE SEHRHOLD (bs) and Andrew Jay Beson were married in April 1997. She is employed by Coastal Industries, Inc. He is employed by Cigna Financial Advisers. The couple reside in Neptune Beach, Fla.

ASHLEY STRICKLAND (bs) and Todd Metz were married in April 1997. She is employed by Prudential. He is employed by Simplex Products. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

BRETT A. STUTZMAN (bs) is a project leader in Transmillennium Services on the Year 2000 project at Cap Gemini America Inc. He resides in New Rochelle, N.Y.

SHAWN T. SWEENY (bs) and Staci A. Calvin were married in March 1997. He is employed by Saddith Relocation Systems as a public relations specialist. She is employed by Isle of Faith United Methodist Church as an instructor. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

TERESA ANN TAYLOR (bs) and Paul Alan Adams were married in January 1997. She is employed by First Union National Bank as a customer service specialist. He is employed by Olivetti, North America, Inc. as a computer service technician II. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

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W. JUSTIN WALLACE (bs) 2nd Lt., graduated from The Basic School in May 1997. He began infantry officer courses in June 1997 at Quantico, Va. In September 1997 he will report to 29 Palms Calif. as an infantry platoon commander.

KIMBERLY YORK (bs) and Paul Diefenbruch III were married in April 1997. She is employed by Barnett Bank as a loan processing assistant. She is self-employed as an automobile appraiser. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.

1997

ALLISON ANITA GEIGER (med) and Bryan Lee Savelson were married in May 1997. She is employed by Genesis Rehabilitation Hospital as a cognitive rehabilitation therapist and is a member of the Junior League of Jacksonville. He is serving in the U.S. Navy as a logistics management specialist. The couple reside in Jacksonville, Fla.
From Tennis to Soccer
Leigh Ann Tabor Epitomizes the UNF Student-Athlete

By Douglas Monson
Sports Information Writer

Most student athletes would be happy to end their collegiate athletic career with a National Championship, five All-America honors, Scholar-Athlete of the Year and an individual National Championship at a major tournament. The University of North Florida's Leigh Ann Tabor is not such a student-athlete.

This fall, Tabor will participate in her second season on the UNF women's soccer program after competing four years (1991-94) on the women's tennis team at North Florida. But competing in soccer is nothing new to the Orange Park native. It was her goal growing up to play soccer in college, but during her junior and senior years at Orange Park High School the added pressure of college try-outs along with knee problems took the enjoyment out of the sport. She became burned-out, despite earning All-America honors in soccer as a senior.

Former UNF Head Tennis Coach Leo Vorwerk gave Leigh Ann the opportunity to "switch gears" and compete in intercollegiate tennis for the Lady Ospreys, a top national power. When she began playing tennis at the collegiate level, she wasn't at her full potential.

"I had to work harder than other girls because they had been playing all their life while I had only been playing three or four years," says Leigh Ann. "I would go from UNF team practice straight to private instruction so I could catch up." Add in the fact that Vorwerk, the coach who recruited her, took another position the summer before her freshman year, she now had to prove herself for UNF's new Head Coach Charley Jenks.

She started off strong and continued improving throughout her UNF career. During her freshman year, Tabor earned the No. 3 singles spot and was a member of the No. 2 doubles team. Before long she became the cornerstone for the success of UNF Tennis and was a key to the teams drive to the 1994 NCAA Division II National Championship.

"Leigh Ann is the epitome of a dedicated student-athlete," Jenks says. "We haven't had another athlete who would come out and perform at the same level every day. She is the ideal model of the outstanding student-athlete concept that we want at UNF."

Throughout her college career she always had a special fan or two at court side to cheer her on, her father Dr. Terry Tabor, a Health Science professor at UNF, was at all matches, both at home and on the road. Her father, a charter member of the UNF faculty, has always considered Leigh Ann special since she was the first baby born to a UNF faculty member after the school opened 25 years ago. In that time, he has watched both his daughter and the University grow and mature.

"The fact that she went from not being assured of a spot on the team to being an All-American for three years was the most impressive thing for me to see as a parent," her father explains.

By the time she completed her senior year, Tabor had compiled an impressive list of accolades and achievements including a combination of five NCAA and NAIA All-America honors, two Rolex Southern Intercollegiate Doubles Championships, a Rolex Doubles National Championship in 1992, and was a member of the 1994 NCAA Division II National Championship team.

However it isn't any of these accolades for which she is most proud, but rather it was being named UNF's Female Scholar-Athlete of the Year in 1994 and her UNF women's tennis record of 136 wins. "The wins mean a lot to me because of where I was in the beginning," explains Leigh Ann. "It was the result of a lot of long hours and hard work."

During the summer after her senior year, she learned that UNF was starting an intercollegiate women's soccer program and that she had eligibility remaining to allow her to play. While the original plan was for
Anniversary Year Marks Donations of $25 Million

The University of North Florida began its 25th year on January 1. At that same time we celebrated another exciting accomplishment: donor records indicated $25 million in contributions since our first gift was received in 1970.

Why has this young university enjoyed such tremendous success? As a relative newcomer, I have made a few observations.

First, alumni involvement is increasing. We have more alums volunteering for committees or sitting on UNF advisory boards than ever before. Second, partnerships with the business community continue to expand across many departments throughout the campus. Virtually every major company in the area has contacted UNF or vice versa to join in special projects or to recruit our students. Third, the rapid growth of UNF from 7,000 students in 1989 to about 12,000 this fall is a strong indicator that UNF has been discovered by the state and by the nation for its quality and value.

With UNF’s increased growth has come a reputation of outstanding faculty, students, and classroom instruction. If this were not the case then private support would be weak. But giving to UNF is on the rise. The bar graph below details the history of giving to your university. In the fiscal year ending June 30, UNF received a record $8,385,383 million — a 345 percent increase over the previous year. I have no doubt that donors to UNF realize that education is the key to improving the quality of life for our society, that every great city needs a great university, and that an investment in UNF is an investment in the people of Northeast Florida.

If you have ever contributed to UNF, your gift is represented in the chart below. I want to thank each donor, particularly those who helped make this past year so successful. Your generosity has made a real difference in higher education at UNF.

Gifts to UNF

Development Veteran Named Planned Giving Director

A veteran development officer with a record of achievement in directing programs in the YMCA, hospitals and a national health organization has been selected as the director of planned giving for the University of North Florida.

Paul E. Krouse, 61, of Delray Beach, assumed his new duties in Institutional Advancement on July 14. Krouse was the planned giving officer for the American Cancer Society of Southeast Florida, a position he held since January of last year.

Krouse said his appointment to the position will enable the University to offer a complete range of giving options to potential donors. “Planned giving has become one of the most attractive ways for individuals to make gifts to charity. It is a way for donors to make gifts and subsequently enjoy favorable tax benefits while playing an important role in building the University of North Florida.”

Krouse received his bachelor’s degree in education from Earlham College in Richmond, Ind. and undertook graduate studies at Northwestern University and George Williams College in Chicago.

In 1965, he started work at the YMCA of Chicago where he served in both administrative and financial development positions at four centers throughout the metropolitan area. As the director of development there he led a $3 million annual campaign.

From 1967 to 1972 he was a technical adviser for the new National YMCA in the Republic of Panama. He organized the board of directors and recruited and trained staff in Panama City.

After his Panama experience, he returned to the Chicago YMCA where he worked until 1978 when he became director of development at Christ Hospital in Oak Lawn, Ill., a position he held until 1983. He then became vice president of development at Highland Park Hospital in Highland Park, Ill. During his 10 years there, he directed a program which received more than $20 million in contributions.

Krouse moved to Florida in 1993 when he became the vice president of development at Bethesda Hospital Association in Boynton Beach. Before accepting the position with the American Cancer Society, Krouse did consulting work for two South Florida non-profits.

Krouse and his wife, Eleanor, have three grown children.
GIFTS & GIVERS

Ferrell Scholar Illustrates Success of Program

Nakisha Peterson never knew the Ferrells before they changed her life forever last year.

Peterson is one of the first recipients of the Ferrell Scholarships and her story is an example of how one man’s decision to remember his high school alma mater will change lives for years to come.

Peterson, 19, was an outstanding student athlete at Andrew Jackson High School. She graduated in 1996 and was the class valedictorian. In addition to her shining academic record, Peterson played varsity basketball and was on the track team in addition to working at a local fast food restaurant.

Dr. Ernest Ferrell, a prominent Jacksonville physician, and his wife, Deon, who graduated in 1996 and was the class valedictorian. When combined with state matching funds, the gift generated a total of $1.5 million for scholarships earmarked for students from Andrew Jackson High School who are interested in pursuing a career in health or medicine. Ferrell graduated from Andrew Jackson in 1961.

Before the announcement of the scholarship, Peterson said she considered being a teacher. After the announcement, Peterson decided medicine was a better way to eventually contribute to her neighborhood. “I met Dr. Ferrell several times and I decided...

Massive Table Finds New Home

An elegant table which once graced the board room of the Independent Life Insurance Co. will soon have a new home at the University of North Florida.

The table, which measures 24 feet long by 11 feet wide, is among the largest objects ever donated to the University. It and 20 chairs were donated by American General Life Insurance, the firm which purchased Independent Life last year.

Although it’s now in storage, the table eventually will grace the grand lobby of the new University Center which is under construction on the south edge of campus.

Marcelle Lovett, dean of the Division of Continuing Education, said the table and chairs will be used extensively in the University Center and will become a focal point for many UNF events and programs. “We are very grateful for American General’s generous donation of what may be one of the largest and most beautiful conference tables in Jacksonville. It’s wonderful to imagine the history surrounding this table and the significant decisions that were made at it.”

Lovett also expressed appreciation to Suddath Companies which donated the costs associated with moving the table.

J.F. Bryan, a former president of Independent Life, first suggested that the table be donated to UNF. Initially, Bryan suggested the table for the recently completed College of Business Administration Building. However, its size made the table difficult to accommodate in the new facility.

When the University Center was being designed, architect Mike Schneider of Reynolds, Smith and Hills Inc., and Lovett inspected the table and decided it would make a wonderful centerpiece for the 300-foot grand lobby of the University Center.

After discussions with John Coleman at American General, final details were worked out for the donation of the table which was built in 1975 at a cost of $35,000.

The size of the table presented special challenges to the moving crews from All South Rigging Co. and Suddath. It took a half dozen men more than four hours to disassemble the giant table on the 13th floor of the Independent Life Building and move it in sections. It came apart in four sections plus two base units. Even the sections were so big, the movers could not use building’s elevators — at least not in the conventional way. Each of the tall center sections was hung from the bottom of an elevator car and lowered to the street level. The entire process was videotaped to aid in the reassembly at a future date.

The move to the new University Center is expected to be much easier. The table will be exhibited in the grand lobby when the building opens in the Fall of 1998.
Many alumni call our office with questions regarding various services that are available on campus. In the past, because of its small size, the university has been able to provide many of these services free to alumni.

The university has experienced explosive growth in recent years and consequently there are a number of services the university can no longer provide free of charge for our alumni. In an effort to keep you abreast of some of these changes, we are providing the following list. Keep in mind, this list may not include all services that have changed.

- **UNF Computer Lab** — Once available to alumni with library check-out privileges, now the lack of computer work stations to service the existing student body limits the lab usage to students only.
- **Transcripts** — There is now a $5 charge per transcript. Recently graduated students receive two free transcripts upon graduating.
- **Catalogs** — Limited funding and increasing numbers of students require a charge for UNF undergraduate and graduate catalogs. Catalogs are available through the UNF Bookstore for $3 or $6 by mail. You may reach the UNF Bookstore by calling 904-620-2665.
- **Parking** — Visitors to the UNF campus must pay $1 to park. Limited parking and the need to build additional parking lots/structures have driven this fee. Currently, UNF only has 4,400 parking spaces to serve its 11,009 students.
- **Recreation Facilities** — UNF’s state-of-the-art recreation facilities, the Dottie Dorion Fitness Center, UNF Aquatic Center and UNF Arena, have been offered to alumni at no charge or at a very reduced rate. Again, because of the large numbers of students using these facilities it becomes necessary to prioritize their usage. Alumni are the only outside group allowed to use the fitness center and arena. Alumni can purchase discounted memberships to each of UNF’s recreation facilities, including the aquatic center and the intramural sports program. As you can see, UNF is experiencing dynamic growth and is facing some of the same pressures as other state universities. We will be working to minimize the charges that affect alumni as a result of growth. If you have comments and/or suggestions please feel free to contact our office at 904-620-GRAD or 800-UNF-GRAD or by e-mail via our web page at http://www.unf.edu/alumni.

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**Jacksonville Chapter Officers Elected**

The Jacksonville Chapter of the UNF National Alumni Association elected new officers at its June 11 meeting. The new officers for the 1997-98 year are: Whit Williams (MBA ’93), President; Jay Johnson (MBA ’90), Vice President; Keith Johnson (BBA ’91, MBA ’95), Secretary/Treasurer. Additionally, the following committee chairs have been appointed: Donna Matuszak (BA ’77), Programs and Services; Greg Tinny (BFA ’96), Marketing; Jay Johnson (MBA ’90), Membership.

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**UNF National Alumni Association Upcoming Events**

- **Wednesday, September 10** — Jacksonville Alumni Chapter meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- **Saturday, October 4** — UNF National Alumni Association Board of Directors meeting
- **Sunday, October 5** — UNF Day at the Jacksonville Jaguars Game
- **Wednesday, October 8** — Jacksonville Alumni Chapter meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- **Saturday, October 25** — Parents Day
- **Wednesday, November 12** — Jacksonville Alumni Chapter meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- **Wednesday, November 12** — Orlando Alumni and Superior Student Recruitment Reception
  - Guest Speaker, UNF President Adam W. Herbert
  - Washington, D.C. Alumni Reception
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UNF Alumni Night at the Jacksonville Suns Game

More than 75 alumni and their families gathered at Wolfson Park for Alumni Night at the Jacksonville Suns Game on July 9. Despite some inclement weather, everyone enjoyed a pregame picnic and some exciting Suns baseball. The Suns hit a home run in the bottom of the ninth inning to tie the game, and then won it in extra innings.

Top — Attending the recent Alumni Night at the Suns Game were Kevin Cooper, Pamela Cooper (BAE '95) and her husband, Michael (BBA '95). Left — Ron Natherson visits with Whit Williams (MBA '93), president of the Jacksonville NAA Chapter and Jeannie Sanchez. Below — Showing their Osprey spirit are Lori Grandstaff (BA '93), her husband, Michael and their two boys, Matthew and Max.

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The University’s College of Health Building will be dedicated in September in honor of J. Brooks Brown, a prominent retired Jacksonville physician who has been a leader in health care education and innovation.

The dedication will be Sept. 30 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the College of Health. The ceremony will start at 6 p.m. to formally dedicate the building as the J. Brooks Brown Hall. A special reception for College of Health alumni will be held immediately following the naming ceremony.

Brown practiced surgery in Jacksonville from 1953 to 1983, serving the Jacksonville community as a medical provider for more than 30 years. In 1964, he joined several other physicians to incorporate Memorial Hospital, which evolved over the next three decades to become a major acute care hospital in the area. Memorial Hospital was reorganized in 1982 into a holding company and the following year, Brown became chairman, president and chief executive officer.

The Jacksonville physician also has been actively involved in community affairs working with the Chamber of Commerce, HabJax, Mercy Ships and the BellSouth Regional Health Care Advisory Board. He is also a member of the UNF College of Health Advisory Board.

Brown is chairman and CEO of Genesis Health Inc., the residual holding company of the former Memorial Hospital, which operates a 113-bed tertiary rehabilitation hospital and five comprehensive outpatient centers in Northeast Florida. Last year, Genesis donated $1.4 million to the College of Health, which at the time was the largest single cash gift in the history of the University. It was matched with $1.05 million in state funds resulting in $2.45 million to be used in the establishment of the Genesis Distinguished Professorship, the Genesis Health Scholars and four College of Health research professorships.

The Florida Legislature enacted special legislation during the last session to authorize the naming of the building after Brown. Gov. Lawton Chiles signed the legislation in May.