The UNF National Alumni Association would like to welcome alumni, students, faculty and staff in celebrating

**UNF Homecoming 1997**

"Ozzie's Silver Celebration"

Commemorating the 25th Anniversary of the University of North Florida

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**1972 - 1997**

University of North Florida

*Happy 25th, Ospreys!*

From the UNF Women's Center Celebrating 10 years of service 1987-1997

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**The Volunteer Center would like to congratulate UNF faculty, staff, and students for 25 years of giving more than their time.**
Dear Alumni, Students, Faculty, Staff, Parents and Friends:

Welcome to "Ozzie's Silver Celebration" and the University of North Florida's 1997 Homecoming festivities.

The University of North Florida opened its doors in 1972 to 2,027 students. Today we are serving over 11,000 students and have graduated 30,941 students. Over 69,000 students have enrolled in three or more hours. UNF is now one of the country's fastest growing higher educational institutions. Homecoming '97 provides an opportunity to celebrate this quarter century of exciting growth and demonstrate our "Osprey Pride" in the national recognition UNF is receiving as one of the best higher educational institutions in America.

"Ozzie's Silver Celebration" will be an event-filled weekend of fun for you, your friends and family. Among the highlights of our 25th anniversary homecoming celebration are a campus parade, athletic events, good food, opportunities to renew old friendships, a homecoming dance and a fireworks display. I am certain that you will enjoy being a part of history in the making as we continue to build new traditions at UNF.

Congratulations to the Student Homecoming Committee for its hard work in coordinating this 25th Anniversary Homecoming. We also owe a great deal of gratitude to all of our colleagues throughout the University and in the National Alumni Association who have devoted so much time and effort to make this a particularly special homecoming celebration. I know you will enjoy "Ozzie's Silver Celebration."

Sincerely,

Adam W. Herbert
President

Dear University Community and Friends:

It is my distinct pleasure to welcome you to the University of North Florida's 1997 Homecoming, "Ozzie's Silver Celebration".

For 25 years the University of North Florida has had a tradition of pride, demonstrated by the growth in student participation and diversity. In 1984, UNF admitted the first freshmen forever changing the face of a small commuter school. With a growing freshmen population came more progress in the way of campus housing. Today, the University boasts some of the most enthusiastic and diverse students ever seen. UNF currently has over 100 clubs and organizations on its campus from social fraternities and sororities to recreational sports, academic clubs and organizations. These 25 years have not only been endowed by growth in student population but also by student participation and student services.

Throughout Homecoming, I encourage each of you to get involved in the festivities. UNF has something to offer each of you during this most exciting time. For alumni this is an excellent opportunity to come and see how much the University has grown over the years. For students, faculty, staff and family, it is your time to be part of history while building a life-long tradition.

I look forward to seeing each and every one of you as we begin our 25th year together, and cannot wait to see what the next 25 years hold for the finest University in Florida.

Go Ospreys!

Josh Kuethe
Student Body President
Years of Excellence

1969
1,000-acre campus site was chosen midway between downtown Jacksonville and the beaches. Land was acquired from the city and area landowners. Thomas G. Carpenter is chosen by the Board of Regents to become the first president of UNF.

1971
650 guests attend UNF groundbreaking including Florida Governor Reubin Askew; BOR Chancellor Robert Manza, Commissioner of Education Floyd Christian and local Regent J.J. Daniel.

1972
UNF opens for the first semester. 2,027 students attend classes.
UNF consists of only four major buildings and three colleges. Arts and Sciences, Education, and Business Administration.

1973
First graduation, 35 students receive degrees. 3,169 students register for the Fall Term. The UNF Nature Trails open.

1974
Southern Association of Colleges & Schools grants full academic accreditation to UNF.

1976
UNF Alumni Association established.

1980
New Library opens.

1981
The library is renamed the Thomas G. Carpenter Library, dedicated on August 15.

1982
5,500 students are enrolled in UNF. Curtis L. McCray becomes UNF's second president.

1983
Intercollegiate athletic program begins.

1984
For the first time freshmen and sophomores are admitted to UNF.

1985
Osprey Village, first on-campus housing, opens.

1986
Women's Tennis Team wins the NAIA National Championship. Library's on-line catalog (LJIS).

1987
The Aquatic Center and Olympic size pool opens.

1988
The College of Health established.

1989
Adam W. Herbert becomes UNF's third president.
UNF is reaccredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Osprey Hall, $3.7 million, 250-bed residence hall, opens. Founder's Hall dedicated. College of Computer and Information Sciences established.

1991
Golf Team wins NAIA National Championship. J.J. Daniel Hall dedicated.

1992
9,268 students are enrolled during the Fall Term. College of Education Building named for Frederic H. Schultz.

1993
The UNF Arena opens.
The groundbreaking for College of Health building. Golf Team wins second NAIA National Championship.

1994
Osprey Landing, housing 150 students, opens in the Fall.

1995
More than 10,000 enroll during Fall registration.
New College of Health building opens. Dottie Dorian Fitness Center opens.

1996
New College of Business Administration building opens.
11,000 students enroll for Fall classes.

1997
UNF celebrates its 25th anniversary.
Student Government Association wishes UNF a Happy 25th Anniversary and Welcomes our Alumni to Homecoming 1997!

Special Thanks to the SGA Members of the Homecoming Committee:

Alma Laias  
Bill O’Patterson  
Jennifer Hendrickson  
Shannon Farling  
Genea Cone  
David Gamache

Happy 25th Anniversary Ozzie!

From your friends at Osprey Network

Osprey Radio, Osprey Television and Bird’s Eye View

Turn us on !!!

Radio: 646-2908  
Television: 928-3952  
Volunteers and donations encouraged

The Office of International Programs and The Office of International Student Affairs

Congratulates UNF for 25 Years of Excellence

Dedicated to Cultural Diversity and International Relations
1997 UNF Baseball Team

Middle Row (l-r): Assistant Coach Jim Blakely, Graduate Assistant Marc Lassiat, Duke Baxter, John O’Neil, Bryant Melson, Travis Rapp, Donnie Wood, Josh Norman, Tysen Duva, Will Minor, Graduate Assistant Chance Reynolds.
Back Row (l-r): Assistant Head Coach Doug Rogalski, Ryan Ward, Mike Southall, Brett McKee, Mac Mackiewitz, Matt Schneider, Ben Watkins, Matt Everett, Joe Pound, Jay Nunley, Graduate Assistant Rusty McKee, Head Coach Dusty Rhodes.

Student Homecoming Committee

Front Row (l-r): Shannon Farling, Pre-Law Society; Cleshawn Cooks, Osprey Network; Alma Laias, SGA; Kevin Johns, IRHA.
Middle Row (l-r): Mike Virzera, Osprey Network; Carrie Willis, Alpha Sigma Pi; Crystal Donovan, Presidential Envoys; Jennifer Hendrickson, SGA; David Gamache, ACSOP.
Back Row (l-r): Vicki Vigil, IRHA; Bill O’Patterson, SGA; Holly Hendryx, PRSSA.
Not Pictured: Deborah Buckner, Presidential Envoys; Jamie Carlo, Freshmen Class; Dallia Clark, Volunteer Center; Gena Cone, Mock Trial; Denise DuBose, Freshmen Class; Ron Harris, Presidential Envoys; Ashley Hayes, Freshmen Class; Ken Hill, Resident Advisors; and Brandi McCoy, Dance Attack.
OZZIE'S
Silver Celebration

UNF HOMECOMING '97
February 28 - March 2, 1997
**HOMECOMING '97 SCHEDULE**

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24**
School Spirit Day - Wear UNF colors
Third Annual Alumni Homecoming Golf Tournament
Hidden Hills Golf Club - 12:00 p.m.

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25**
Alumni, Student and Faculty Jazz Concert
Andrew Robinson Theatre - 8:00 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26**
Osprey Baseball - UNF vs. Ed Waters
Harmon Stadium - 7:00 p.m.

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27**
Pep Rally and Bonfire on the Green
Osprey Band - 9:00 p.m.

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28**
"A Time To Celebrate Alumni Reception
Osprey Cafeteria - Tamar Room
5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Alumni Awards Dinner and Dance
Andrew Robinson Banquet Room
Dinner - 6:30 p.m.; Dance - 8:00 p.m.

Women's Center presents "Serving in Silence"; a lecture by Colonel Margarethe Cammermeyer, Ph.D., R.N.
Andrew Robinson Theatre - 8:00 p.m.

The Department of History, Philosophy and Religious Studies and the UNF Philosophy Club presents
**SECOND ANNUAL PHILOSOPHY CONFERENCE**
February 28 - March 1
Guest speakers Dr. Michael Zimmerman, Tulane University and Dr. Joanne Waugh, University of South Florida

Individuals who require reasonable accommodation in order to participate must notify Jeanne Middleton at (904) 646-2513 or 800-863-4723 at least five working days prior to the event.
SATURDAY, MARCH 1
Fastbreak 5K Walk/Run
Arena Plaza - 9:00 a.m.
Ozzie's Spring Bash
Club Festival 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Face painting, caricature artist, live music, Adventure
Landing games, T-shirts and food
Arena Plaza 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Parents' Reception
College of Business Pavilion 10:00 a.m.
Tour newest campus building and see the latest tech­
nology in the College of Business Administration
Ozzie's 25th Anniversary Parade from
Student Life Building to the Arena 12:00 p.m.

The Grucci Firework Display is truly special. These
world renowned firework artists have done some
spectacular celebrations, including the interna­
tionally televised Statue of Liberty Centennial,
the last three Presidential Inaugurations, and the
Olympics. Now the First Family of Fireworks
entertainment is coming to UNF on Friday 28th at
10:00 p.m. DON'T MISS THIS ONE !!!

Slipped Mickey and The Hormmoans
are a diverse group of musicians that
came together to create hip grooves.
Currently Slipped Mickey is hard at
work playing up to 250 shows a year as
well as working on their own original
CD project and video.

Homecoming Baseball Game
UNF vs. Central Michigan
Harmon Stadium - 1:00 p.m.
Tickets- $3.00; Concession open

Habitats of UNF - Guided Tour
UNF Nature Trails - 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.
Ranger on duty all morning

Homecoming Dance of the Decades
King and Queen Coronation, and
Announcement of Spirit Award
UNF Arena - 8:00 p.m.
The Mike Shackelford Band is a traditional rock and roll band playing music from the 50's to the 90's, as well as original compositions. Twenty years ago Mike started playing, and over the years has build up a legendary status as a regional player. The group has opened for such big names as Gary U.S. Bonds, The Coasters, Chicago, The Everly Brothers, Kenny Loggins, and other big names. Mike’s popularity has burgeoned over the years because Mike is a consummate singer/songwriter in the tradition of Bob Dylan and John Prine. The mighty Shackelford Band consists of Mike Shackelford on lead vocals and guitar, Jim Samaras on lead guitar and vocals, David Jax on drums, Andy King on bass, Kevin McCave on saxophone and Brian Homan on pedal steel. Together this band can cover just about any song with a full rich sound, and deliver Mike’s originals with spirited verve. Catch the Mike Shackelford Band and Slipped Mickey on Saturday night at the Homecoming Dance.

Happy 25th Anniversary Ozzie!
Best wishes from International Student Association

1st Row (l-r): Mohammed Abdelmutaal - Sudan, Bonita Turner - Bahamas, Naomi Sosa - Mexico, Gersuila Hoftijzer - Aruba, Alma Laias - Albania
2nd Row (l-r): Darran Wee - Malaysia, Christina Ferrer - Cuba, Latrice Nesmith - United States of America, Philip Djabanor - Ghana
3rd Row (l-r): Kwasi Kinted - Sierra Leone
Public Relations Student Society of America

Congratulates members involved in the 1997 Homecoming preparations

Alma Laias
Holly Hendryx
Michele Johnson
David Croke

Happy Birthday OZZIE!!!

Congratulations to the University of North Florida for

25 Years
of Academic Excellence

The Sigma Upsilon Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

Happy 25th Anniversary Ozzie!

UNF Shotokan Karate

Join us Fridays at 6:30 p.m.
UNF Arena Room 1062
I would like to give my greatest appreciation to everyone who helped make Homecoming '97 so special and, in particular, to those who contributed to this celebratory book.

My parents and my son, Danny, for loving and supporting me in everything I do
Jeanne Middleton for her encouragement, assistance, and belief in me to make a dream come true (I don't know what I was going to do without you, Jeanne)
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All my friends at SGA and PRSSA for generating student support through advertising
All student clubs and organizations, sororities and fraternities, and others who supported us by advertising in this brochure and those who designed the ads (Great job)

OZZIE'S PATRONS
Student Nutrition Club, Ozzie's Silver Patron ($25)
Philosophy Club, Ozzie's Bronze Patron ($15)
Delta Sigma Theta, Ozzie's Bronze Patron ($15)
Senator Alex Diaz, Ozzie's Copper Patron ($10)

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Educational Community Credit Union for donating favors for Homecoming Pep Rally
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Amy Lynn Calfee for designing the Ozzie Homecoming logo
Osprey Network for DJ services and for recording the Homecoming events
Osprey Band for performing at the Pep Rally and the Parade
Special thanks to Jeanne Middleton from the Student Homecoming Committee for being a great advisor and turning a challenging task into a great learning experience
All university students, faculty, alumni, employees, and community organizations who volunteered their talents and time to make Homecoming '97 a special event for everyone

THANK YOU !!!
The Mu Pledge Class of the KAPPA BETA Chapter of SIGMA CHI would like to extend their warmest regards to the Student Body, Faculty, and Administration on this most Auspicious of Occasions

Happy 25th UNF!!!
&
A "Groovy" HomeComing

Mu Pledge Class Spring '97
Mike Akers     Bert Havird     Ty Roberts
Stan Bishop    Chad Miller     Guy Rowlands
Ben Carrino    Eric Nelson     Steve Shore
Brian Granger  Steve Papas    Adam Willis

...the purpose of this Fraternity shall be to Cultivate and Maintain the High Ideals of Friendship, Justice, and Learning upon which SIGMA CHI was founded

The promises of the Lord can be trusted; they are as genuine as silver...

"Psalm 12:6"

We would like to thank the faculty, staff, and students of UNF for 25 years of success. We at Osprey Productions hope that the future holds the best for all those who have made UNF what it is today.

Congrats from the Baptist Student Union!!

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Building a tradition!