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Medical Education Program Gets Boost

FAU, UM, BRCH propose partnership

Florida Atlantic University's medical education program took a giant step forward at a June 30 press conference announcing a collaborative planning process to establish a unique educational partnership with the University of Miami School of Medicine and Boca Raton Community Hospital (BRCH). Over the next four months, the parties will explore establishing BRCH as a community teaching hospital for the University of Miami, which is about to enroll its first class of medical students at FAU's Boca Raton campus.

In the fall, 16 students will begin attending the UM Medical School at FAU in an initiative prompted by the state's commitment to expand medical education without the expense of creating new medical schools. Establishing BRCH as a teaching hospital would allow the UM students to begin clinical training their first week. Additionally, the parties have begun planning to expand the current two-year UM/FAU medical school program to a full four-year program with clinical work taking place at BRCH.

"The affiliation among the UM School of Medicine, FAU and Boca Raton Community Hospital would give our students invaluable patient care experience from the very beginning," said John G. Clarkson, M.D., senior vice president for medical affairs and dean of the University of Miami School of Medicine, which is the oldest medical school in the state.

"We need to come north," UM President Donna Shalala said. "This is where the students are. This is where the population is coming. This gives us a chance to expand much faster."

The agreement to enter a planning process advances the goals of increasing the quality of medical care and providing continuing education for community physicians. The universities and the hospital will explore the possibility of establishing joint clinical programs in areas including aging, cancer, cardiology, cardiac surgery and the neurosciences. UM and FAU faculty members at the Charles E. Schmidt Biomedical Science Center will instruct the new medical school

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New VP Named on Treasure Coast

Gerri McPherson to take the reins



Gerri McPherson (center) with some of her staff on the Treasure Coast campus

Gerri McPherson, a lifelong educator and a charter member of the FAU Board of Trustees, has been named the new vice president of the Treasure Coast campus. She succeeds Dr. Jerry Lafferty, who retired June 30 after heading the campus for four years (see page 4). The vice president is responsible for all operations on the campus, including increasing access to higher education on the Treasure Coast.

McPherson comes to the University after serving as area assistant superintendent for St. Lucie County Schools. She began her career in education more than

30 years ago and has been a teacher, assistant principal and principal. A native of the Treasure Coast, McPherson has been principal of three schools in the Port St. Lucie area over the course of the past 15 years.

"Gerri possesses the credentials, the experience, and, as an FAU alumna, the passion to successfully hold this key position," said President Brogan.

"Education, in every aspect, is my life, and I am very excited to be coming home to FAU," said McPherson. She earned a specialist's degree in administration and supervision from the College of Education in 1989.

McPherson has received numerous honors, including the State of Florida Region III Outstanding Elementary School Principal Award in 1995 and the Outstanding High School Principal Recognition Award in 2003.

She served as a charter member of the FAU Board of Trustees for three years, chairing the planning and development committee. She also was a member of the academic and student affairs committee.

McPherson was selected for the Treasure Coast vice presidency after a two-month national search, which attracted more than 50 applicants.

College of Nursing Awarded Full Accreditation

The Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing has been granted accreditation for the maximum term of 10 years by the Commission of Collegiate Nursing Education of the American Association of Colleges. The notification comes with no recommendations for improvements in the standards and key elements for accreditation. The college's next accreditation review will be in June 2014.

"We are delighted to learn of our full accreditation with no recommendations," said Dean of Nursing Anne Boykin. "This decision affirms what we know to be true, that we do indeed have a renowned program of excellence in nursing education. This is true because of the commitment and dedication of faculty and staff and because of the excellent students we attract."

A new, accelerated, second-degree baccalaureate program in nursing was introduced last May on the Boca Raton campus with the admission of 22 students holding degrees in fields other than nursing. The program is designed to allow students to complete their degrees in one calendar year.

The professional phase of the basic baccalaureate in nursing program began in January on the Treasure Coast campus. Registered nurses can complete the baccalaureate degree in nursing in one year online or in a traditional class setting. The online program is open to individuals who are already nurses and are seeking the baccalaureate degree.

Enrollment in the College's master's degree program has increased by at least 150%, and the new Doctor of Nursing Science program began in January 2002.

Summer Commencement to Feature Three Ceremonies

More than 900 students of 1524 eligible to march will participate in summer commencement ceremonies on Friday, Aug. 6.



Danser Named New Police Chief

Acting Police Chief Dolores "Dee" Danser has been appointed to the permanent position of FAU police chief. She has been with the FAU Police Department for 14 years and is now in command of more than 40 sworn officers and 50 non-sworn employees on FAU's seven campuses.

"I am honored the University administration and President Brogan have given me this opportunity," said Danser. "Having been with FAU for so long, I have seen the Police Department and the University change in many ways. There is a good foundation here to work with and I look forward to utilizing the talents within the Department to better serve the community."

Danser joined FAU in 1990 as a patrol officer and moved up the ranks to patrol sergeant, administrative sergeant, operations and administrative lieutenant, assistant director and acting police chief. She has contributed to, developed and implemented many programs, including the Homeland Security Crisis Readiness Plan and the comprehensive card access and surveillance camera system.

Danser was recently presented the Breaking the Glass Ceiling Award for female police officers who have achieved high ranks within law enforcement. Prior to joining FAU, Danser worked in law enforcement in New Jersey at several agencies. She earned a bachelor of science degree from The College of New Jersey.

Because the gym is under going renovation, the ceremonies will take place in the University Center Auditorium. Three ceremonies will be held: a 9 a.m. ceremony for the Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts & Letters, the Charles E. Schmidt College of Science and the Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing; a 1 p.m. ceremony for the Colleges of Education, Engineering and Architecture, Urban & Public Affairs; and a 5 p.m. ceremony for the College of Business. President Brogan will officiate at each ceremony.

Social Work Students Log 75,000 Hours of Service

FAU social work students logged 75,000-plus hours at more than 100 community-based agencies over the past year. The 400 bachelor's and master's degree students provided assistance in a diverse array of settings, including the Veterans Affairs Medical Center, the Salvation Army, Women in Distress and many other hospitals and service centers from Indian River to Miami-Dade counties.

"With the minimum going rate of \$15 an hour for a social work professional, we are helping these agencies complete work they would otherwise not be able to afford, as well as giving our

students the work experience they need to obtain a job after earning a degree," says Director of Social Work Michelle Hawkins. Social work students are required to earn 400 internship hours within two semesters.

The School of Social Work has been accredited since 1983. The master's degree program was started four years ago and has seen a 600% increase in enrollment, growing from 20 to 140 students. For more information on the School of Social Work, call ext. 7-3234.

Lifetime Maximum Benefits Increased

For many years, the total lifetime maximum amount that the FAU Employees' PPO Plan would pay toward covered expenses for each enrolled person has been \$1 million. Given the escalating costs of health care, it has become far easier to incur \$1 million in reimbursable health care expenses.

Recognizing this fact, the 2004 Legislature included language in the 2004 General Appropriations Act that authorizes a change in the lifetime maximum benefit. The relevant text from the General Appropriations Act is as follows: "The total lifetime maximum benefits paid on behalf of a covered person participating in

the State Group Health Insurance Plan shall be increased to \$2 million, effective July 1, 2004."

The Legislature made this provision effective July 1, 2004, rather than the start of the 2005 plan year. The July 1 effective date increases the maximum lifetime benefit under the PPO Plan to \$2 million during the 2004 plan year and may benefit certain participants who will have incurred expenses in excess of \$1 million prior to Jan. 1, 2005.

FAU Cares About You, So Buckle Up!

The Florida Atlantic University Police Department is launching a special effort to increase awareness of the importance of wearing seatbelts both on and off campus.

Did you know that:

- In 2002, 42,850 people died in traffic accidents. Of that number, 19, 103 were not wearing seat belts.
- 4,200 lives could be saved each year if 90% of the U.S. population wore seat belts.
- Fatalities and accidents involving those not wearing seat belts cost the U.S. approximately \$20 billion per year. Of that cost, 74% of the tab is paid for by the public.
- One out of four Americans still doesn't wear a seat belt.

So whether you're heading out on your normal commute, driving across campus or driving long distance on a family vacation, make sure that everybody in your vehicle is buckled up. For more information on seatbelt safety or to get help installing a child's safety seat properly, call Officer Luis Santana at ext. 7-3500.

Substance Abuse Prevention Programs Set

The Substance Abuse Prevention Program in the Counseling Center on the Boca Raton campus will co-host with the Florida Alcohol and Drug Abuse Association the 2004 South Florida Annual Substance Abuse Prevention Symposium. The day-long program will be held Sept. 29. President Brogan will make the welcoming address and introduce keynote speaker James R. McDonough, director of Florida's Office of Drug Control.

The Counseling Center's Substance Abuse Prevention Program will also host the 5th Annual Youth Millennium Conference for Palm Beach County Schools on Oct. 29. For more information on both programs, visit www.fau.edu/student/aod.

Volunteer Center Introduces New Website

The Daniel B. Weppner Campus Volunteer Center has introduced its new website at www.fauvolunteer.org. Students can now register and view their volunteer hours online. In the near future, they will also be able to search for organizations in need of volunteers and view events posted by those organizations.

There is also a new form available on the website for students' use to report their hours. It is recommended that students fill out this form on the website and print it for signatures.

Non-profit organizations, including FAU departments and centers, can also register on the website and post events on the online calendar.

University Mourns Death of 2 Employees

Marianne Farrell, Dan Weppner

The University community is mourning the recent deaths of two employees: Admissions and Registration Coordinator Marianne Farrell and retired education professor Daniel Weppner. Ms. Farrell was 53. Dr. Weppner was 72.

"The FAU community has lost two very special people," said President Brogan. "These fine people went too soon, and both merit our thanks and admiration for their wholehearted commitment to serving students. We extend our deepest sympathy to their families and our assurance that they will not be forgotten."



Ms. Farrell, who died of a heart-related condition after being in a two-week coma, was a 14-year member of FAU's Admissions staff. Twelve of those years were spent as the admissions specialist who dealt with international students, bridging the sometimes-troubled waters of evaluating out-of-country academic credentials and complying with INS regulations. At the time of her death, she had just been named coordinator of admissions and registration in the Office of the Registrar.

Ms. Farrell's family asks that donations be made in her memory to the American Heart Association or the Tri-County Humane Society in Boca Raton.



Dr. Weppner, who was a devout advocate of public schools and student volunteerism, taught at FAU for more than 20 years until the mid 1990s. Even after a heart attack forced him from the classroom, he stayed heavily involved in campus life right up until his death from diabetes-related illnesses.

Rebounding from the heart attack, he promptly founded FAU's Volunteer Center, which links student volunteers with non-profit community organizations. It later was named the Daniel B. Weppner Volunteer Center. He also worked tirelessly in the interests of needy children, heading the annual Holiday Angel Tree and summer camp meal projects.

In the late 1990s, Dr. Weppner received the President's Leadership Award from FAU and a statewide award from Gov. Lawton Chiles. Both were made in recognition of his dedication to volunteerism. The family asks that donations be made to the Daniel B. Weppner Volunteer Center at FAU.

Media Relations, Marketing Appointments Announced

Kristine M. McGrath has been promoted from assistant director of media relations to director of the department. In this role, she will work with departments, colleges and campuses to identify and coordinate media relations strategies to promote a public identity and image consistent with the University's mission and goals. McGrath may be reached at kmcgrath@fau.edu.



Randy Goin, Jr. has been named director of marketing and advertising for the University. In this position he will collaborate with departments and academic units to develop marketing strategies, coordinate media buying and develop a strategy for successful brand management. Goin has worked in marketing and communications in the private and public sectors for 13 years, most recently as director of University Relations for the Broward Campuses. He can be reached at rgoin@fau.edu.



Research and Graduate Studies on the Move



The Division of Research and Graduate Studies has moved from its previous location in the Research and Development Park to the second floor of the Administration Building (247). Telephone and fax numbers remain the same. For more information, call ext.7-0777.

Pohls Retire from Faculty

Together, they were at FAU for 65 years

Jim and Carole Pohl have retired to life in the cool and misty mountains of North Carolina after spending a combined total of 65 years on the FAU faculty.

Jim joined the Department of Mechanical Engineering when the department was founded 35 years ago. Five years later, Carole came on board in the College of Social Science. She established FAU's health administration program and was one of the early planners of the nursing program.

One of their four children, daughter Jessica, is a graduate of the College of Business, and their son Frank attended engineering classes here. "We're an FAU family, and we'll always be interested in what's happening at the University," says Carole. "We plan to keep in touch with our many FAU friends."

FAU AT BROWARD Dania Beach, Davie, Fort Lauderdale Campuses

'A Motley Crew' Collection to Be Aired

"A Motley Crew," a collection of animations created by MFA in Computer Arts students at the Florida Center for Electronic Communication, has been selected to be part of The Education Channel's 2004 Independents' Film Festival (IFF) showcase of independent film and video. The animations will be telecast on The Education Channel, Bright House Networks Channel 18 in Tampa and Hillsborough County during September.

FAU Women Wanted

It's time to break out the tools, the sunscreen and clothes that can get dirty and sign up as a member of the Third Annual FAU "Women Building a Legacy" 2004 Team now forming to help build homes in Pompano Beach with Habitat for Humanity. Volunteers at all skill levels are needed for this all-woman team for Saturday, Sept. 25 and Saturday, Oct. 2. Each team member will collect contributions for the event, so those who are unable to join the team are encouraged to support those who do.

"I participated last year, and it is very well organized and fulfilling," says Nancy Brady, Broward campuses student development and activities. "The future homeowner was on site with her family, working with us. Her joy just could not be expressed."

The Broward Student Government Volunteer Services Center is working to encourage student volunteers to participate. For more information, contact Nancy Brady at 6-1192 or nbrady@fau.edu.

FAU AT JUPITER John D. MacArthur Campus

Abacoa Project Hosts Environmental Summer Camp



Kids discover how much fun a greenway can be

The MacArthur campus hosted the Environmental Summer Camp at Abacoa in June and July. Students from area elementary and middle schools met in three-week sessions to explore upland, wetland and coastal ecosystems. Field trips included visits to scrub habitats, Abacoa greenways, the Kissimmee River and Blowing Rocks Preserve. The camps were coordinated by the Abacoa Project of FAU's Center for Urban & Environmental Solutions and the Center for Environmental Studies at Riverwoods Field Lab.

Center for Environmental Studies Events

The following websites feature events and conferences sponsored by the Center for Environmental Studies:

- Florida Dry Prairie Conference at www.ces.fau.edu/fdpc
- Public Land Acquisition & Management Conference at www.ces.fau.edu/plam2004
- Everglades and Coral Reef Concurrent Task Force Meetings at www.ces.fau.edu/taskforce

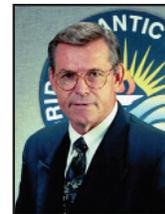
For more information about the CES, call Contract & Conference Manager Doreen DiCarlo at 6-8553.

FAU AT PORT ST. LUCIE Treasure Coast Campus

Jerry and Colleen Lafferty Retire

Dr. Jerry Lafferty, vice president of the Treasure Coast campus since 2000, and his wife, Colleen, a senior information specialist at the campus, retired on June 30.

"Over the course of the past 13 years, Jerry Lafferty has made major contributions to the growth and development of Florida Atlantic University," said President Brogan. "In addition to providing energetic leadership for the Treasure Coast campus since 2000, he guided the College of Education through nine years of rapid expansion. In both positions of leadership, he worked tirelessly to bring the educational opportunities offered by FAU to the people of South Florida."



Dr. Lafferty joined FAU in 1991 as dean of the College of Education. During his nine years in that position, he became known

statewide as an energetic innovator, advocating many successful initiatives such as the addition of ESOL requirements to FAU's elementary education program and the expansion of the College of Education's course offerings to the Jupiter and Port St. Lucie campuses. Under his direction, the college's enrollment and faculty numbers nearly doubled, and he oversaw two successful NCATE accreditations.

As vice president of the Treasure Coast campus, Dr. Lafferty managed the rapid development that followed the opening of the IRCC/FAU Joint-Use facilities. His support of expanded academic offerings on the campus and FAU's

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unique partnership with Indian River Community College resulted in steady enrollment growth.

Colleen Lafferty joined FAU in 1991, working in the Office of the Provost on the Boca Raton campus before relocating to Port



St. Lucie. She is responsible for the successful development of the Lifelong Learning Spring Concert and Lecture series on the Treasure Coast campus.

The Laffertys have retired to Vero Beach, where Colleen is working in real estate. Those interested in relocating or retiring in Vero Beach may reach her at (772) 633-5459.

Anthony Abbate, AIA, architecture, was invited to speak on the value of design at a cultural workshop sponsored by Culture Builds Florida and hosted by Secretary of State and former Orlando Mayor Glenda Hood. The workshop was held in Miami.

Dr. Leslie K. Bates, dean of Student Affairs, presented a paper at a national conference on Race and Ethnicity in American Higher Education in Miami. His presentation was titled "Successful Elements of Service and Enhancement: Assessing the Quality of Institutional Support for Culturally Diverse Students on Predominantly White and Predominantly Black Campuses." Dr. Bates' co-presenter was Jaclan Alexander of Florida Memorial College.

Dr. Phyllis Bebko, assistant vice president, Broward Operations, was the keynote speaker at the Library Instruction Roundtable at the American Library Association Convention in Orlando. Her topic was "From Angst to Zest: Empowering the Non-Traditional Student."

Dr. Alan A. Berger, Raddock Eminent Scholar of Holocaust Studies, director of Holocaust and Judaic Studies B.A., and the Center for the Study of Values and Violence after Auschwitz, presented a paper titled "Myth, Mysticism and Memory: The Holocaust in Thane Rosenbaum's *The Golems of Gotham*" at the American Literature Association Conference in San Francisco.

Dr. David Bjorklund, psychology, gave a series of lectures on developmental and evolutionary psychology over a five-week period at the University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand, as an Erskine Visiting Fellow. Dr. Bjorklund co-authored the following papers: with graduate student **Jennifer L. Yunger** and former graduate student **Priscilla R. Carver**, "Does Gender Identity Influence Children's Psychological Well-Being?" in *Developmental Psychology*; with Yunger, "An Assessment of Generalization of Imitation in two Enculturated Orangutans (*Pongo*

pygmaeus)" in the *Journal of Comparative Psychology*; with former graduate student **Jesse M. Bering**, "The Natural Emergence of Afterlife Reasoning as a Developmental Regularity" in *Developmental Psychology*; and with former graduate student **Martha J. Hubertz** and former undergraduate student **Andrea C. Reubens**, "Young Children's Arithmetic Strategies in Social Context: How Parents Contribute to Children's Strategy Development While Playing Games" in *International Journal of Behavioral Development*.

Dr. Lakhdar Boukerrou, coordinator, Research Programs and Services at the Center for Environmental Studies, presented a paper titled "Center for Environmental Studies: Ecosystems Research and Education in Florida" at the First Workshop/Symposium on Coastal Ecosystems of the Gulf of Mexico: Toward the Integration of Research Groups in Vera Cruz, Mexico. The purpose of the symposium was to create working groups dealing with various ecosystems around the Gulf of Mexico. Dr. Boukerrou met with researchers from U.S. and Mexican academic institutions to discuss collaborative research and training ideas/opportunities.

Dr. Wm. Craig Byrdwell, chemistry, attended the 95th annual meeting and expo of the American Oil Chemists' Society (AOCS), where he presented his work titled "Dual Parallel Techniques in Liquid Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry for Lipid Analysis." He was elected to a two-year term as chairman of the Analytical Division of the AOCS. Dr. Byrdwell's recent publications include "Electrospray Ionization Mass Spectrometry of High Molecular Weight Triacylglycerol Oligomers" (Byrdwell, W.C., Neff, W.E.) and "Electrospray Ionization Mass Spectrometry of High Molecular Weight Triacylglycerol Oligomers," *Journal of the American Oil Chemists' Society*. Dr. Byrdwell also published the book chapter "APCI-MS in Lipid Analysis" in *Advances in Lipid Methodology—Five*, R.O. Adlof (Ed.), The Oily Press, Bridgwater, England.

Dr. Jane Caputi, Women's Studies, has published a new book, *Goddesses and Monsters: Women, Myth, Power and Popular Culture* (University of Wisconsin/Popular Press). She also received a scholarship to participate in a pedagogical workshop on "Transforming a Violent World: Sharing Resources, Tools and Visions" at Goshen College, Indiana, sponsored by the Plowshares Project.

Dr. John P. Crank, criminal justice and criminology, Treasure Coast campus, received the Book of the Year award from the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences for *Imagining Justice*, published in 2003 by Lexis/Nexis.

Larry Faerman, assistant director, Housing and Residential Life, presented "I Pay the Bills: Dealing with the Increasingly Involved Parent of the Millennial Generation" at the 56th annual conference for the Association of College and University Housing Officers - International in Montreal. Co-presenters were Scott Jensen of Boise State University and Eric Arneson of Western Illinois University.

Dr. Eduardo B. Fernandez, engineering, presented a paper titled "Security Models for Medical and Genetic Information" at the IADIS International e-Society Conference, Avila, Spain. The paper was co-written with **Dr. Maria Larrondo Petrie** and **Tami Sorgente**. At the IFIP WG 11.3 Conference on Data and Applications Security, in Sitges, Dr. Fernandez presented "A Pattern System for Access Control." He also presented two papers at the 2004 International Multi-Conference in Computer Science and Computer Engineering in Las Vegas: "A Methodology for Secure Software Design" and "Two Patterns for Web Services Security."

Dr. Luis Duno Gottberg, languages and linguistics, has had two articles published: "Piri Thomas" in *Latino and Latina Writers* and "Mob Outrages: Reflections on the Media Construction of the Masses in Venezuela (April 2000 - January 2003)" in the *Journal of Latin American Cultural Studies*. He also attended two conferences: "The Color of Crowds: Racial Politics and Media Representation in Venezuela," University of Bristol, UK, and "El relato de las ruinas. Cubagua y La Galera de Tiberio de Enrique Bernardo Núñez," the 57th Annual Kentucky Foreign Language Conference, University of Kentucky.

Dr. Janice Hayes and former graduate student **Susanne Luongo**, nursing, will present a paper titled "Connectedness as a Motivator for Nurse Retention at the Bedside" at the Sigma Theta Tau International Research Congress in Dublin. Dr. Hayes also will present a poster with nursing research faculty professor **Marian Turkel** and adjunct professor **Susan Bulfin** on community-based cardiovascular health promotion.

Dr. Jan W. Hokenson, languages and linguistics, has had her book *Japan, France, and East-West*

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Aesthetics: French Literature, 1867-2000 published by Fairleigh Dickinson University Press.

Dr. Paul Sergius Koku, marketing, has had his article titled "Is There a Difference in Tipping in Restaurant Versus Non-Restaurant Service Encounters, and do Ethnicity and Gender Matter?" accepted for publication in the *Journal of Services Marketing*.

Francis X. McAfee, associate director, the Florida Center for Electronic Communication, has been elected director of chapters and will serve as member of the executive committee of ACM SIGGRAPH. His term started July 1 and runs for three years. Fort Lauderdale's ACM SIGGRAPH Chapter is one of more than 50 chapters worldwide. ACM SIGGRAPH's annual convention draws thousands of scholars, professionals and computer graphic enthusiasts and students from around the world. SIGGRAPH 2004 will be held in Los Angeles in August.

Dr. Ruth McCaffrey and **Dr. Ellis Youngkin**, nursing, co-authored the article "Sleep Disturbances in Menopausal Women," which will appear in *The Journal of Clinical Excellence*. **Dr. McCaffrey** and **Dr. Rozzano Locsin** have had an article titled "The Effects of Music on Elders Undergoing Hip and Knee Surgery" accepted for publication in *The International Journal of Older Persons*.

Dr. James E. McNulty, finance, had his article titled "Do Small Banks have an Advantage in Lending? An Examination of Risk-Adjusted Yields on Business Loans at Large and Small Banks" published in the *Journal of Financial Services Research*. The article was co-authored by **Dr. David A. Carter** of Oklahoma State University and **Dr. James A. Verbrugge** of the University of Georgia.

Dr. Kristen Murtaugh, vice president of the John D. MacArthur campus at Jupiter, has been accepted into Class XXIII of Leadership Florida, the state's top leadership training organization. The 2004-05 sessions will begin in September.

Dr. Caren Neile, communication, is managing editor of the new publication *Storytelling, Self, Society: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Storytelling Studies*. The peer-reviewed journal, which is the first in the field, is published by the Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts & Letters. **Dr. Neile** unveiled the journal at the National Storytelling Network annual conference in Bellingham, Washington.

Dr. Cyril Párkányi, chemistry, made a presentation at the 227th National Meeting and Exposition of the American Chemical Society in Anaheim, Calif. His talk was devoted to the analysis of the volatile constituents of black truffle from South France and was co-authored with **Dr. Gaston Vernin** of Marseille, France, and **Dr. Hervé Casabianca** of Vernaison, France. **Dr. Párkányi** also visited the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena, where he discussed problems of mutual interest with **Dr. John H. Richards**, and the laboratories of **Moravek Biochemicals** in Brea.

Dr. Maria Larrondo Petrie, engineering, presented two papers at the American Society of Engineering Education annual conference: "Towards an Engineering Education Capability Maturity Model" and "Students to Engineering Practice." The latter was co-written with **Dean of Engineering Karl Stevens** and **Dr. Sharon Schlossberg**. **Dr. Petrie** was an invited lecturer at the HERS/Bryn Mawr Summer Institute for Women in Higher Education Administration in Pennsylvania. She also was a funded participant at the NSF Women in Engineering Leadership Institute Summit held at the University of Connecticut - Storrs.

Dr. D.V. Reddy, civil and ocean engineering and director of the Center for Marine Structures and Geotechnique, has been awarded a grant by the National Science Foundation for a three-year project titled "US-Thailand Cooperative Research: Rice Husk Ash Modified Concrete in the Marine Environment." He also presented two papers at the Second Latin American and Caribbean Conference for Engineering and Technology: "Use of Fly Ash and Municipal Ash in Cost-Effective Structural Concrete for a Sustainable Environment" and "Centrally Prestressed Unreinforced Concrete Members in Compression and Bending."

Frank Schnidman, Center for Urban and Environmental Solutions (CUES) Senior Fellow, is a member of the team put together by the Florida International University Institute for Asian Studies that received a three-year grant from the Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership for teacher training. Teacher participants in the program will be selected social studies teachers from South Florida middle and secondary schools. The goal of the program is to help these teachers prepare curriculum materials to integrate information about Japan in

their courses. **Schnidman**, former president of the Japan Society of South Florida and currently a member of the board of trustees of the Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens in Delray Beach, will lecture on "Future Trends in U.S.-Japan Relations" and will manage a roundtable meeting. He also will coordinate a final event each year at the Morikami Museum.

Dr. Robert P. Watson, political science, is serving as a consultant for the Smithsonian Museum of American History's upcoming traveling exhibit on U.S. First Ladies. He also presented a program for Key West High School students on President Truman and civil rights. His books *Public Administration* (Longman Publishers, 2001) and *First Ladies of the United States* have been released in other languages, including Chinese by Beijing University Press and Xinhua Publishing, respectively. His books *Anticipating Madam President* and *The Presidential Companion* (University of South Carolina) have been nominated for best book awards by the American Historical Association and both the Best Book on the Presidency and Best Book on Women in Politics awards by the American Political Science Association.

Dr. David L. Wolgin, psychology, published a paper with **Dr. James J. Jakubow**, Harriet L. Wilkes Honors College, titled "Tolerance of amphetamine hypophagia: A real-time depiction of learning to suppress stereotyped movements in the rat" in the June edition of the journal *Behavioral Neuroscience*.

Michael Zager, Dorothy F. Schmidt Eminent Scholar in the Performing Arts, has been elected to the Board of Governors of the Florida Chapter of the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences for a two-year term. Founded in 1957 to cultivate an appreciation of recorded music, the Academy is responsible for the annual Grammy awards, which honor artistic achievement and overall excellence in the recording industry. **Zager** is one of 19 members of the Florida Board of Governors.

Dr. Chi Zhang, biomedical sciences, received the Presley/Carl Zeiss Postdoctoral Fellow Slide Presentation Award from the American Association of Anatomists Advisory Committee for Young Anatomists. The award, given to postdoctoral fellows in recognition of excellence in research presentation, was presented during the Experimental Biology 2004 annual meeting in Washington, D.C.

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Of Events



AUGUST 6

Commencement: 9 a.m.,
1 p.m., 5 p.m., University
Center Auditorium

AUGUST 23

Fall Semester Begins

AUGUST 26

Rape Aggression Defense:
Seminar and training for
women only; 3-day course,
Police Department, Campus
Operations Bldg., 118, Boca
Raton campus,
6-10 p.m., (561) 297-3464

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CORRECTION

A story in the June issue of *Update* about the Regional Shift report contained a typo in the website address. The full report can be accessed at www.soflo.org. We apologize for the error.

FAU Takes Final Step for Division 1-A Football Status

FAU has taken the final step on the road to Division I-A status with submission of a formal letter of intent for reclassification of the football team from Division I-AA to Division I-A of the NCAA.

The Athletics Department's mandatory strategic plan for making the jump was presented to the Board of Trustees by President Brogan on June 28.

"This is an exciting day for FAU," President Brogan said. "We're looking forward to a heightened level of competition for our football team."

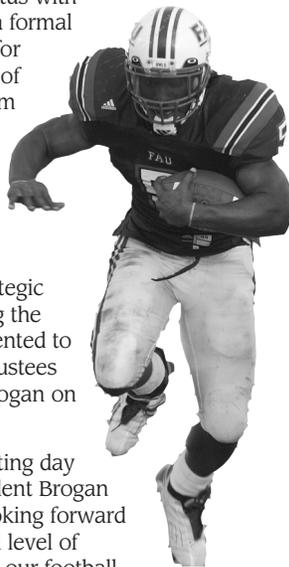
In addition to outlining the University's adherence to NCAA Division I philosophy, FAU plans to comply with the requirements of maintaining at least 200 full athletic scholarships and averaging at least 15,000 fans for each home football game. While the attendance requirement is currently under review by the NCAA, the Athletic Department is making efforts to surpass the 15,000 benchmark and to increase both revenues and awareness of the football program. The move to I-A status will allow the football team to join the 16 FAU sports currently competing at the highest collegiate level.

"When this program was started, it was done so with the intent to move up to Division I-A quickly," said Athletic Director Craig Angelos. "The fact that the groundwork has been put in place to allow this to happen at the beginning of the fourth full season of competition is a tremendous tribute to Head Coach Howard Schnellenberger and his staff."

The Owls finished the 2003 season with an 11-3 record and a no. 4 national ranking. The squad will return 18 starters to the line-up and will kick off the new season Sept. 4 against Hawaii in Honolulu. The team will also begin its affiliation with the Sun Belt Conference in 2004 and will compete for the league's title and possibly an SBC berth in 2005.

To thank employees who have supported the football team's drive for Division I-A status, the Department of Athletics is offering special discounted season football tickets, which may be purchased through payroll deduction. For more information, call 7-0410 or visit <http://fausports.collegesports.com/tickets/fau-tickets.html>.

The deadline for submitting news for publication in the September issue of *Update* is September 3. Please send submissions to Lynn Laurenti at laurenti@fau.



President Brogan and Harry S. Truman impersonator Neal Johnson relive a famous moment in U.S. political history at FAU's second annual Truman Legacy Symposium, held at the Little White House in Key West. The event, which attracted more than 400 participants, was organized by Dr. Robert Watson of the Department of Political Science.



Single-Game Tickets on Sale

Individual game tickets for the five FAU home football games will go on sale Tuesday, July 20, and can be purchased at 400 neighborhood outlets as well as on the Internet at www.fausports.com. Tickets in the "Crunch Zone" start at \$8 for youth 14 and under, and \$12 for adults. "Corner Club Seats" are \$15 and "Sideline Seats" are \$25. Special group rates for both the "Corner Club" and "Sideline Seats" may be obtained by calling 1-866-FAU-OWLS. For more ticket information and a complete schedule, visit www.fausports.com.

Calling Cards Available

The Owl Card Center has long-distance calling cards available for purchase in the following increments: up to 100 minutes - \$5, up to 200 minutes - \$10, up to 400 minutes - \$20 the calling cards are easy to use, and are especially convenient when traveling. The Owl Card Center is located in the Student Services Building (107). For more information, call 7-2700.



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President Brogan, UM President Shalala and BRCH President/CEO Gary Strack affix their autographs to a poster celebrating the three-way partnership.

students. Dr. Michael Friedland, FAU's newly named senior associate dean for biomedical science, will play a key liaison role in this initiative (see below).

"This unprecedented partnership with the University of Miami and potentially with Boca Raton Community Hospital is a testament to what can be accomplished when public-private partners work together," said President Brogan. "It is our sincere belief that partnering with the hospital and exploring the option of expanding our existing program with UM can bring medical education to even more of tomorrow's physicians."

Boca Raton Community Hospital executives see a number of advantages for patients in these possible alliances.

"As a community hospital, our mission of providing distinctive healthcare is constant but our patient care

delivery model is continually evolving," said Gary Strack, president and CEO of BRCH. "Broadening our perspective to incorporate university linkages is a way to give the community what it deserves – a teaching hospital that rivals the nation's best."

Officials say it will take several years to establish a four-year medical school at FAU, which would save the state the tens of millions of dollars required to build a medical school from scratch. That program expansion will require approval by the state Board of Governors. The Legislature will be asked to finance the venture.

Michael Friedland to Assist in Medical School Development

As FAU and the University of Miami School of Medicine begin their two-year medical school program, Dr. Michael Friedland will join FAU in the fall as senior associate dean for biomedical science to help lead this landmark endeavor. In this new role, he will work closely with UM and Boca Raton Community Hospital in a planning process that could lead to the development of a four-year medical education partnership.

Dr. Friedland comes to FAU from West Virginia University, where he served as dean of WVU's Health Sciences Center regional campus in the eastern panhandle of the state. He was responsible for the development of this program, working with regional community hospitals and community-based physicians to create a new community-based regional campus.

Dr. Friedland received his MD degree from SUNY-Downstate Medical Center in 1967 and trained

in internal medicine at Kings County Hospital. He is board certified in internal medicine and hematology. His first faculty position was at Brown University and involved developing the new medical school's internal medicine educational programs and resident recruitment. He has served as dean at the clinical campus in Binghamton, NY, a regional campus that trains 3rd and 4th year medical students from SUNY Upstate. Dr. Friedland has also held positions as dean of medicine and vice president for health affairs at Texas A&M University's Health Science Center and dean of medicine at the University of Missouri, Kansas City.

He is the author of numerous papers and several book chapters, and has served as chair of several visiting committees for the Liaison Committee on Medical Education, the body responsible for accreditation of medical schools in the U.S. and Canada.

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PERSPECTIVE

FAU, UM, BRCH a Powerful Medical Education Partnership

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In August, FAU's first 16 medical students will begin their studies in the Charles E. Schmidt College of Science. This will be a true landmark moment in the University's history, the end result of many years of careful planning and preparation in close collaboration with the University of Miami School of Medicine.

The original concept for this innovative public-private medical education program called for FAU's medical students to carry out two years of classroom study on the Boca Raton campus and then move on to UM for two years of clinical work. A proposed reshaping and expansion of that plan was announced in June at a news conference jointly hosted by FAU, UM and Boca Raton Community Hospital.

Under the new plan, BRCH would be designated a teaching hospital, which would permit the students to begin their clinical studies immediately and would facilitate expansion of the FAU-based program to a full four years. This is an exciting proposal that could lay the groundwork for the development of a three-way partnership with tremendous potential to deliver benefits to the public. In addition to educating new physicians, it would make the vast resources of a teaching hospital available to the people of this area.

As FAU approaches its 40th anniversary celebration, the stage is being set for changes that could hardly have been imagined by the University's founders. It is our privilege to continue to expand FAU's role in the life of South Florida by finding new and better ways to extend its reach.

FAU Co-hosts Latin American-Caribbean Engineering Conference

FAU co-hosted the Second Latin American and Caribbean Conference on Engineering and Technology, sponsored by the Latin American and Caribbean Consortium of Engineering Institutions (LACCEI), held in Miami in June. Twenty-two FAU College of Engineering faculty and eight students participated in the conference, which attracted 28 universities. Dean of Engineering Karl Stevens was one of 12 deans who presented in the Panel of Deans. Associate Dean of Engineering Maria Larrondo Petrie was co-organizing chair of the conference. She was selected to be the general chair of the 2006 conference, which will be held in Cartagena, Colombia.

The following FAU engineering faculty and students also presented papers at the conference: Drs. Mohammad Ilyas, Borko Furht, D.V. Reddy, Dan Meeroff, Jie Wu, Pete Scarlatos, Khaled Sobhan, Mike VanHilst, Joe Su, C. T. Tsai, H. Zhuang, Oge Marques, Dani Raviv, and Hari Kalva; and Thomas Fernandez, Joy Woodworth, Xiuqi Li and Mauricio Sadicoff. The Division of Sponsored Research and the College of Engineering funded FAU's participation. Twelve Latin American deans and program directors toured the FAU SeaTech research facilities.