Dr. Christopher Silver, Dean

As we enter the Spring 2008 semester, congratulations are in order to another talented class of BCN students that graduated in December. Even as we here at the University of Florida face the challenges of maintaining quality programs under less than ideal fiscal circumstances, it is especially gratifying that the job educating the next generations of construction industry personnel is done with such care and with such quality.

I give most of the credit for this to the talented and dedicated Rinker School faculty, individuals who model so effectively the ideals of higher education. BCN faculty not only spend considerable time preparing for and engaging in classroom instruction, but also must maintain an active research agenda and provide service to the university community, professional organizations and civic groups.

The university faculty role, especially at an institution like the University of Florida, places enormous and continuous demands upon faculty. One of my goals as Dean is to seek out and secure various types of support so faculty have the resources to carry out these multiple functions effectively. This includes support for graduate assistants who aid faculty with teaching and research. But I also want to find ways to provide appropriate awards to faculty for a job well done, for excellence in teaching, research and service, and to enable our College to compete successfully for the very best faculty and staff. That involves not only having funds for new hires but also to retain those that other institutions and other opportunities may seek to plunder (at our loss). As a national leader in building construction education, the faculty of the Rinker School are a target for other aspiring programs.

Through the continued financial support provided through our alumni and friends, spearheaded by our dedicated BCN Advisory Council Executive Committee, we will be able to recruit and retain our top flight faculty. We all derive great satisfaction from rewarding students through scholarships and other forms of financial assistance. But sometimes we forget that our faculty warrant similar recognition for their teaching, research and service and for the dedication they demonstrate every day in helping to make the Rinker School a national leader. Faculty are the bedrock of the world class institution we have created here at UF, within the College of Design, Construction and Planning. As part of the M.E. Rinker, Sr. School of Building Construction extended family, you know that more than anyone.

Dr. Abdol Chini, Director

Three years ago, the first regional Gator BCN club was formed in Tampa Bay area to foster a spirit of loyalty, unity and cooperation among graduates and friends of the Rinker School. Today, there are eight active regional clubs in Tampa, Jacksonville, Orlando, Gainesville/Ocala, Ft Lauderdale/Miami, Palm Beach, Fort Myers/Naples, and Atlanta. In addition to their regular meetings and social activities, these clubs have held several banquets and golf tournaments to celebrate the Rinker School’s 70th anniversary and raise funds for an endowed professorship. The banquets in Tampa, Ft. Lauderdale/Miami, Gainesville, West Palm Beach, Orlando; and golf tournaments in Tampa and Bonita Springs raised close to $400,000 for the 70th anniversary endowed professorship. This fund is eligible for a 50% match from Florida’s Trust Fund for Major Gifts and will provide a steady and reliable income source to bring outstanding construction professionals into the classroom to share their knowledge with our students. I would like to give my special thanks to the Board of Directors of the regional Gator BCN clubs for their hard work and efforts, and to the companies who sponsored these events for their generous support.

In addition to teaching undergraduate and graduate classes, the Rinker School faculty are actively involved in research/scholarly activities and providing service to the construction industry. The Rinker School will host two conferences in Gainesville this spring, the 14th Rinker International Conference on “Evolution of and Directions in Construction Safety and Health,” 9-11 March 2008 and “BIM4Builders,” an industry conference on applications of Building Information Modeling in Construction on 11-13 May 2008. The Rinker School offers on-site two day LEED courses in all major cities in Florida to meet the demand of the construction industry for LEED Accredited Professional staff. Other continuing education courses that will be offered this summer in Orlando and Miami are: “Taking Charge of the Construction Process” and “Managing the Construction Claim Process.”

The College of DCP Design-Build Team comprised of four BCN students and two Architecture students captured the Region II ASC/AGC student competition title in Jacksonville last fall. They are preparing for the national competition in Las Vegas in March with the goal of bringing the national title to the Southeast Region. Congratulations to the team members and their faculty coach Dr. Doug Lucas.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to our loyal alumni for their support. With shrinking state budgets, your support has been more important than in past years.
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Charles R. Perry Construction Yard - Craft Awareness

Since the Charles Perry Construction Yard was completed late in the spring semester, it has been put to good use. We were able to host several trade demonstrations including brick laying, block laying, form building, and wall framing. In each of these, the students had the opportunity to try it themselves. This greatly enhances their appreciation for the craft workers.

In addition to the Perry Yard the loading dock at the yard was removed and a ramp constructed. We have been able to buy a caterpillar skid-steer forklift/loader which has proved useful for getting material, especially sand and gravel and cement for concrete into the yard.

BCN Homecoming BBQ

On November 3, 2008, BCN held its Homecoming BBQ on the front lawn of the Rinker Hall. The event kicked off with the induction of Mr. William R. “Rick” Derrer, President of James A. Cummings, Inc., into the Construction Hall of Fame. Fellow alumni, business associates, previous Hall of Fame inductees and Mr. Derrer’s family appeared for the induction. Following the ceremony, everyone was treated to a BBQ luncheon before the game between the Florida Gators and the Vanderbilt Commodores. Earlier that day the BCN Advisory Council met to review the BCN curriculum.

Rick Derrer was the second inductee for the 2007 Construction Hall of Fame Award. The first inductee was Dr. William G. Lassiter, who was inducted September 28. He is currently Director of W.G. Lassiter Properties, Inc., a major real estate development company in Palm Beach. Both gentlemen’s bronze plaques are displayed on the Hall of Fame wall in front of the Rinker School Hall.

The Rinker School would like to thank Angle & Schmid for their sponsorship of the BBQ.

Bob Angle of Angle & Schmid accepts the appreciation plaque from Dr. Issa and Dr. Chini

Mr. William R. Derrer accepts his 2007 Construction Hall of Fame Award
The Rinker School held its fall Career Fair on October 22, 2007 at the O’Connell Center. The career fair was a success with over 100 companies and over 400 students in attendance. Many pre-BCN students attended the fair looking for internships as well as students from other schools within the College and other building construction programs in Florida.

The fall fair was unique as two companies sponsored the fair, showing their support for the BCN program. M.E. Wilson Co., Inc., a leading corporate risk management and insurance service provider, and ASAP Rentals, a rental, equipment and sales supplier, each sponsored the fair. The two companies were able to network with attending career fair companies and gain exposure within the industry.

Clancy & Theys Construction Co. has attended the University of Florida’s Career Fair the last several years and has found the event to be beneficial for them as a company as well as for the University of Florida students. “Since the event is well attended by the students from the M.E. Rinker, Sr. School of Building Construction, it is a great opportunity for companies like ours to meet with tomorrow’s leaders in the construction industry and it is a great chance for these leaders to meet us. Our time at the career fair has been very successful. We have had several candidates go through our internship program and we have really enjoyed the mentoring process. We also have had many of those students come on board full-time once their studies were complete. The construction job market is pretty tight for sharp, qualified candidates,” cited Pete Pace, VP/CEO Florida Division of Clancy & Theys, “and we are finding these candidates at my alma mater!” Jeremiah Hogan of Suffolk Construction adds, “The quality and integrity of the Students from the Rinker School is the reason Suffolk is a consistent participant of the BCN career fair.”

Albert and Alberta were also on hand to bring the Gator Nation spirit to the students and career fair representatives. The next career fair will be in the spring, on February 12. For more information on sponsoring or attending the spring fair, please contact the job placement office at (352) 273-1187.
The Orlando BCN Alumni Club 70th Anniversary Banquet

The Central Florida Gator BCN Club hosted a wonderful 70th Anniversary celebration on November 17, 2007 at the J.W. Marriott Grande Lakes Resort in Orlando, Florida. Not only was the evening a fantastic fundraiser for the School, but the event also provided a great opportunity for Central Florida construction professionals and associates to get together and socialize.

The Keynote Speaker for the event was Alex Martins, who is the current Chief Operating Officer for the Orlando Magic basketball team. The presiding mayor of Orlando, Mayor Buddy Dyer, also made a cameo appearance via a pre-recorded videotaped message. Other speakers during the evening included Dean Christopher Silver and Dr. Abdol Chini.

John Sofarelli, President of J. Raymond Construction, emceed the live auction. Items included in the live auction were: an Orlando Magic Basketball signed by Carlos Arroyo, a Gator Helmet signed by Danny Wuerffel, an Emmitt Smith signed football, two annual Universal Studios passes, and 2008 Tickets to the UF/LSU football game on the 50-Yard line West Stands.

There was also a raffle during the evening, which included the following items: an Orlando Magic Picture in a frame signed by Hedo Turkoglu, an Orlando Magic Hat signed by Keyon Dooling (guard), an Orlando Magic Jersey from Carlos Arroyo, a Highlands Golf Foursome Ticket package, an Eagle Creek Golf Foursome, an XG9 Odyssey Putter, and a Gator Golf Bag.

The entire event was a tremendous success and was greatly enjoyed by each and every one of the 375 guests who attended the celebration. The Orlando Gator BCN Club raised $120,000 towards the 70th Anniversary Endowed Professorship.

The Rinker School wishes to thank the Orlando Club’s Board of Directors, and the companies that sponsored this event. Special thanks to John Sofarelli, Sean DeMartino, Larry Oleck, Jr., Cindy Garris, and Betsy Brkich for their outstanding job in organizing this successful event.

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The First Annual **Southwest Florida Gator BCN Club** Golf Tournament took place Friday October 5, 2007 at The Colony Golf and Country Club, Bonita Springs, Florida. The staff at The Colony Golf and Country Club was outstanding and helped with all aspects of the tournament. The golf course was in great shape and the food was excellent. Lunch was provided prior to the 1:00 pm shotgun start. The tournament was the 4-man scramble format. There was a scoreboard party with cocktails and food after the tournament which featured over 40 raffle prizes featuring gift certificates to local restaurants, rounds of golf to local courses, hotel stays, tools and even a football signed by Billy Latsko who is a graduate of the Rinker School of Building Construction. Dr. Chini made the trip down from Gainesville and joined us for this party.

The field of golfers consisted of 24 foursomes. The team of Frank Murati, Doug Withers, John Gooding and Mike Richardson took first-place honors. There were prizes given out for closest to the pin on all par 3’s as well as a men’s and women’s long drive contest. All par 3’s featured a $10,000 cash prize for a hole in one, no winners however.

Everyone had a great time at the tournament thanks to all of the SW Florida Gator BCN Club Members as well as The Colony Golf and Country Club. This was a first class event that allowed nearly 100 local people that work in the field of construction to socialize and network while at the same time playing a beautiful golf course and enjoying excellent food.

The event raised $21,800 for the Rinker School 70th Anniversary Endowed Professorship. The Rinker School would like to thank all of the sponsors that donated to the golf tournament. Special thanks to Chris Hanlon, Mike Richardson and John Gooding for their effort in organizing the event.

Below are the major sponsors:
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**The Gainesville / Ocala Gator BCN Club** recently celebrated their two-year anniversary as a regional club and elected new officers to lead them in the coming year. They also held a board meeting to plan for their upcoming events. The first of their planned events will be the Second Annual Sporting Clays Shoot to be held in late February. The club would like to encourage all BCN alumni and friends to join their current members in any and all events. For more information, please contact Ryan Murphy at rm@ppicm.com or (352) 331-1141.

**The Tampa Bay Gator BCN Club** held their fall meeting in Sarasota at R.J. Gators Florida Sea Grille and had a great participation from members in the greater Bradenton/Sarasota area including Ernie Dubose, a BCN alumnus and Gator football letterman. The Beck Group from Tampa sponsored the meeting at R.J. Gators and presented a program on their DProfiler software which they have developed and marketed to others in the area of Building Information Modeling.

The club will be holding it’s winter meeting in Tampa in mid-February and the exact time and location will be sent to all members. The Third Annual BCN Gator Golf Scramble will be held in May 19, 2008. Details for this event will be presented at the winter meeting.

**The Northeast/Jacksonville BCN Club** has established its club board members for the 2008 year and has coordinated dates for its future social events. The club will hold three BCN alumni socials on February 21, May 15, and August 18, 2008. They will also hold a BCN 70th Anniversary Banquet on October 18, 2008. The club would like to thank Dr. Chini, Jason Burt of WG Mills, Tim Good of Haskell, Steve Auld of Auld & White, Arnold Tritt of Tritt & Faison, Paul Hardaker of Gerdau Ameristeel, Josh Edwards of Floridaagler, Tom Hanley of Elkins, Van Hogan of Ed Waters and Sons, and Ray Varas of the University of North Florida for helping with the strategic planning.

If anyone is interested in volunteering to help with any of these events, please contact Erik Sharpe of Brasfield & Gorrie at esharpe@brasfieldgorrie.com. The Rinker School would like to thank Erik Sharpe for his leadership in founding the NE Florida BCN Club and his outstanding effort in organizing the 70th Anniversary Banquet in October 2008.

**The Atlanta Gator BCN Club** had their first meeting on October 25, 2007 at Gordon Biersche, a local microbrewery, to get the club started. There has been interest in participation in the Atlanta Club from over 100 alumni. The club is planning on meeting in late January to set goals for the year and establish their organizational structure. Please refer to the BCN website for more details on future events. For further information on volunteering...
South Florida Gator BCN Club held a dinner social and LEED seminar on October 9, 2007. Dr. Charles Kibert was the featured speaker and gave everyone an excellent synopsis of what LEED is and a perspective on how strongly the LEED movement is progressing. The event was very well attended with over 75 BCN alumni present. Hughes Catering, a private facility in Wilton Manors, was rented out and catered for the event. Everyone had a great time catching up with fellow BCN alumni and learning more about LEED. The costs for the event were underwritten by Stiles Corporation, Cummings Construction and Reilly Roche. The travel costs for Dr. Kibert were underwritten by Baker Concrete. Dr. Kibert volunteered his time to speak. We are all looking forward to the next South Florida social event which is targeted for February at a Miami-Dade county location. Sponsors are welcome.

or participating in this club, please contact: Wayne Wadsworth at wwadsworth@holder.com.

Guest Speakers

We would like to thank the following people for donating their time and sharing their knowledge and experience with our students:

BCN 3027 - Introduction to Construction Management
- Mr. Philip Rickman, AIA, President, The Rickman Partnership
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- Byron Light, Brick Southeast

BCN 3700 Contracts
- Ray Robinson, Attorney
- Art Higginbotham of Walt Disney Imagineering
- Robert Lash, Attorney
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BCN 4023 - Creating Affordable Housing
- Dr. Anne Williamson
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- Mr. Brian Tully, with Aercon of Florida

BCN 4423 - Temporary Structures
- CW Macomber, APA Engineered Wood Specialist
- Joerg Rudolph, Southeast Regional Manager, PERI Formwork

BCN 4612C - Advanced Estimating
- Calvin Helitzer of Gryphon Construction
- Rachael Johnson of RCC Associates
- David Brasch of Harmon Glass
- Greg Grooms of Pulte Homes

BCN 4712 - Leadership and Management in Construction
- Pete Pace of Clancy Theys Construction Co.
- Sid Jordan and John Omran of Clark Construction
- John McIntyre of McIntyre Elwell & Strammer
- Wayne Wadsworth of Holder Construction Company
- Ray Southern of Balfour Beatty Construction
- Tim Good of Haskell Co.
- Wayne McCall of Perry McCall
- Tim Moore of Stiles Corp.

BCN 5618 Comprehensive Estimating
- Calvin Heilitzer, Director of Preconstruction of Gryphon Construction

BCN 5715 Advanced Construction Labor Problems
- Steve Johns, Retired Contractor
- Russell Hamilton, Attorney, Morgan-Lewis Law Firm
- Billy Samples, Contractor, Mid State Electric
- Cheryl Harris, President, CRG Inc. (labor supply firm)
- Ed Prevatt, NCCER
- Jason Meneeley, Asst. Professor, Interior Design
- Wayne Rilko, Construction Training & Qualification Program (CTQP)
The BCN Advisory Council held its bi-annual meeting on November 2, 2007 in Gainesville. Steve Palmer, of Stiles Corporation, completed his service as Chair of the Committee and was succeeded by Sid Jordan, of Clark Construction. Chip Reid, of Current Builders, was elected as Vice Chair. Darrell Smith was presented with a plaque, honoring him as an Emeritus Member of the Committee, and was recognized for his years of service to EXCOM. The Council selected a new member to the Committee, Dale Hedrick of Hedrick Brothers Construction Co., Inc. The Rinker School would like to welcome Mr. Hedrick to the Advisory Council EXCOM and looks forward to his new membership.

The Committee discussed current efforts towards fundraising for the Endowed Professorship for Construction Services. Each council member will approach vendors, suppliers, and specialty contractors in the construction industry to solicit support for the Rinker School. The goal is to raise $1.2 million by December 2008. Other topics of discussion included outcomes from the employer and alumni surveys of the curriculum, BCN Club updates, and goals for the 2007-2008 academic year. The committee discussed strategies to increase demonstration projects, experimental works, and field trips, in response to alumni surveys regarding exposure to structural systems.

The members that were present for the November 2 meeting included: Steve Palmer, Robert Angle, John Bennett, Rick Derrer, Tim Good, Paul Hardaker, Sid Jordan, David Stayshich, Eric Sharpe, John McIntyre, Harley Miller, Bill Morthland, Charles Reid, Darrell Smith, John Sofarelli, Raymond Southern, Wayne Wadsworth, Breck Weingart, Louie Wise, III, Jim Kalemeris, President and majority owner, Mr. Sofarelli has been a resident of Florida since 1959 and is a fourth generation contractor with over twenty years of experience in the construction industry. John graduated with honors from the University of Florida in 1981 with a Bachelor of Science Degree from the School of Building Construction. At the University of Florida, he was an active member and Treasurer of Sigma Lambda Chi, the Construction School’s Honor Society and the student chapters of Associated General Contractors and Associated Builders and Contractors. John has also completed relevant master’s level course work at the Crummer Graduate School of Business, Rollins College, Winter Park, Florida.

After graduating in June of 1981, John joined Tribble and Stephens Company, a nationally ranked contracting firm based in Texas as a Construction Field Engineer. In five short years, John worked his way through the ranks to Vice President of the company. During his tenure with Tribble and Stephens, John successfully managed over two million square feet of retail, office and industrial work throughout the Gulf region. As Vice President, John was selected to open and operate a branch office in Boca Raton, Florida. John has construction experience in Texas, Maine, Maryland and Florida.

In late 1988 John formed J. Raymond & Associates, Inc. and currently serves as company president. John is responsible for supervision of all aspects of the business including marketing, estimating, production, quality control and policy. John also maintains a close relationship with all clients and personnel.

John continues to remain active at the Rinker School where he regularly participates in their Career Fairs as a Major Donor and is frequently a guest lecturer. John founded and has served as President of the Central Florida Gator BCN Alumni Club since its inception in 2005.
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All Major Donors can participate in a reception with the graduating students the evening before the Career Fair.

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For a booth including two (2) recruiters/company representatives. $300
Add one (1) additional recruiter/company representative free of charge.
For each additional recruiter/company representative.... add $200 each

**Gold Level**
For a booth including two recruiters/company representatives. $300
Add up to three additional recruiter/company representatives free of charge.
**Graduation Dinner**

On December 14, 2007, graduating students along with their friends and families joined the BCN faculty and staff at the Paramount Plaza Hotel for the fall graduation dinner. The evening began with a cocktail social hour, and then Dr. Chini’s opening remarks and introduction of Dean Christopher Silver. Dean Silver welcomed the graduates and congratulated everyone on their accomplishments and commended the Rinker School for its achievements within the College. This was followed by the faculty and staff introductions and a sit-down dinner.

Following dinner, Dr. Chini introduced David Wood, Vice President of Preconstruction for PPI and Missy Boyer from Charles Perry Construction. As sponsors for the graduation dinner, they presented a slide show of past and present projects and their support of the Rinker School. After the presentation, students were presented with the following awards: Cristina Aguirre and Matthew Enander were presented with the Academic Excellence awards for having the highest GPAs, the Outstanding Leadership Award went to Jason Levine. Cristina Aguirre was also presented with the Best Overall Capstone Project. Following the award presentations, graduating students were given the chance to introduce their guests, share their favorite memories of BCN and thank the faculty and staff for their assistance. Special thanks to Charles Perry Construction and PPI Construction Management for their sponsorship of the dinner.

**Welcome Reception**

On September 6, 2007 the Rinker School faculty and staff welcomed new students with a reception held in the Charles Perry Construction Yard. This was the first time the Perry Yard was used for this social event. The event gave incoming students a chance to meet faculty and staff, and learn about the roles each play in the School. Student clubs and competition teams set up information tables so that students could sign up to get involved and ask questions about the organizations. Clancy & Theys Construction Co. sponsored the reception and showed a presentation about their firm, familiarizing students about their company and the opportunities they offer.

**Graduate Student Social**

On December 8, 2007 a graduate student social to celebrate the end of the Fall 2007 semester was held at the Grog House. The event sponsored by Stiles Corporation was a great success as it was attended by over 70 graduate students. Thanks to Steve Palmer, Tim Moore, Doug Wallace, Ian Schwartz, and Frank Navia who represented the Stiles Corporation and talked about the opportunities for graduate students to work with their company.
Construction Management Team

After many long weeks of practice and several meetings with their sponsors, Balfour Beatty, the Commercial Management Team competed in the ASC/AGC regional competition. The competition was held in late October in Jacksonville, Florida. The team came to the competition very prepared with a winning attitude and a solid game plan. The team consisted of 6 of Rinker’s top students, with four novice members and two team veterans. Eight teams from the Southeast attended the competition, but the Gator team was more than ready for the challenge.

The competition involved a highly complex hospital renovation, including phased construction work, temporary entrances, moving of central power units, and much more all while keeping the hospital open for patients. The team’s sponsor played a crucial role in preparing the team for such a difficult job.

All of the team’s hard work paid off, and the team returned to the Rinker School with a second-place victory behind a very good Auburn team by the narrowest of margins. After speaking with the competition’s sponsors, Brasfield & Gorrie, the team learned that they were a hundredth of a point behind the winning team. The team excelled in all aspects of the competition especially preparation, estimating, scheduling, bid book preparation, as well as the actual presentation and team cohesiveness. Even though the Commercial Management Team is a fairly young team with four J2’s and two S1’s, Eric Weiss and Jordan Keen, the team veterans, did an excellent job leading the team to their 2nd place victory.

The team is happy to bring home a plaque as well as a $1000 check from Brasfield & Gorrie. The second-place finish is testimony to the team’s hard work and is considered as good as first. Congratulations to Cassidy Resnick, Adam Panzarella, Eric Weiss, Jordan Keen, Kevin Chupp and Scott Dennis; and a special thanks to the team sponsor, Balfour Beatty Construction, for their support, and the team faculty coach, Professor Cook. Go Gators!

Design-Build Team

On November 2, 2007, the College of DCP Design-Build Team captured the Region II ASC/AGC student competition title in Jacksonville, Florida. The team consisted of Jason Roberts, Jesse Belknap, Adrian Barrios, Thomas Manos from the Rinker School and Alex Yoon, and Will Choi from the School of Architecture and was coached by Dr. Doug Lucas. The team competed against teams from Georgia Southern University, Clemson University, Southern Polytechnic, University of North Florida and Auburn University. The College team will be competing for the national title in March of 2008 in Las Vegas, NV against the winners of the other regions.

The regional competition consisted of delivering a written and oral presentation for the design and construction of a new 75,000 sf nursing school and a ten year campus master plan for the University of St. Augustine. The teams were judged on creativity, constructability, and overall presentation of the proposal. The team is presently starting preparation for the national competition and looks forward to bringing a national title back to the Swamp. Special thanks to Haskell Company for sponsoring the UF Design-Build Team.

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(L to R) Alex Yoo, Will Choi, Dr. Lucas, Jason Roberts, Jesse Belknap, Adam Barrios, and Thomas Manos
Heavy Civil Team

The Rinker School and the University of Florida were represented for only the second time in the Heavy / Civil Section of the ASC/AGC Regional Competition in Jacksonville October 31 – November 2. The team was sponsored by Nelson Construction Co. of Palm Harbor and coached by Dr. Edward Minchin, who worked in Florida’s heavy / highway construction sector for 14 years before entering academia in 1996. Jeff Nelson, the company’s Vice President, spent much time with the team helping them get prepared for the competition. The team finished third out of eight schools in the event. Clemson University has participated in the Heavy / Civil competition for many years and used their experience advantage to finish first.

The competition was the first activity associated with the new Heavy / Highway track recently made available to Rinker School students and the team will return four of six “starters” next year, including the captain, Trey Swick.

Associated General Contractors

In an effort to promote a career in Pre-Construction Services, members of the Professional Construction Estimators Association – Orlando Chapter offered their perspective by discussing that career path with the J2’s in Professor Cook’s Construction Contracts class (BCN 3700). In addition, along with many other fine sponsors, the PCEA funded a hole at the First Annual AGC/SLX golf Tournament. For a first time event, the tournament was a huge success. Proceeds from the tournament will go to supporting semester activities of both student organizations. Scheduled around UF’s homecoming weekend, many players took advantage of the opportunity to get in a round of golf and still enjoy many of the UF homecoming events both campuswide and at the Rinker School. The Rinker School looks forward to having the PCEA – Orlando Chapter return to Rinker Hall on a regular basis and the future success of the AGC/SLX golf tournament.

Associated Builders and Contractors

The University of Florida’s Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) and the Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA) hosted their 1st annual joint Holiday Social on December 5. The event was held to support the U.S. Marine Corps Toys for Tots Drive, which provides Christmas presents for underprivileged children. All attendees were asked to bring an unwrapped toy to the event. The social was very successful with approximately 200 students attending. Due to this success, ABC and PRSSA are already looking to make this event happen again next year.

The event netted almost 300 toys and $600 in donations to our Gainesville Toys for Tots representatives. ABC and PRSSA would like to thank our armed forces.
Students came from not one but two continents this Fall to study at the Rinker School. Four students from Germany and six students from Australia met here in Gainesville to be Florida BCN Gators for a semester.

Matthias Pauli, Bengt Elling, Anja Grothues and Nils Grote came from Detmold, Germany’s University of Applied Sciences Lippe and Hoexter as part of the German/American Exchange Program at BCN. Lured by the weather as well as BCN’s excellent reputation, the students said that they were very excited to come to UF. According to Matthias, their fondest experience at UF was the people, the weather and the electric game day atmosphere of Gainesville. “They all cheer for the whole University, it’s like a family,” Matthias said when talking about UF students. “It is very different to see that when compared to our University which has three buildings.”

The students also enjoyed their classes, especially finance with Kevin Grosskopf. All of the students plan to work in either project management or object management back in Germany or across Europe.

Matthew Lucarelli, Nathan Hardy, Nick Ingleby, Dean Porter, Freddy Heydenrych and Brayden Kenny came from Curtin University of Technology in Perth, Australia and Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology in Melbourne, Australia. A rowdy bunch, the six friends absolutely loved their time at UF and even made one of the most die hard Gator fan trips – a road trip via RV to the LSU football game.

Their time at BCN was not all fun and games however; the students took classes such as estimating, scheduling and project management. According to the students, a major difference between their curriculum in Australia and the curriculum here was the residential vs. commercial focus. “There definitely is a major focus on commercial back home, rather than residential,” Matthias said. “Here there is a more residential focus. We were used to working with larger scale projects back home.”

Both groups of students found ample time to travel across Florida and the Southeast visiting cities such as New Orleans, Orlando, Miami, Jacksonville and even the Bahamas. The students will return home later in December. However, according to them their memories of UF and BCN will last a lifetime.
The Powell Center for Construction & Environment has initiated the reconstruction of the Cotton Club in southeast Gainesville, thanks to a $350,000 grant from the State of Florida and another $300,000 of fundraising. The project is led by Dr. Charles Kibert and Donna Isaacs of the Powell Center under the direction of the Board of Directors of the Cotton Club Museum and Cultural Center, a non-profit organization overseeing the process. Students and staff of the Powell Center directed the selection of the architect and general contractor for the project with design virtually completed and construction scheduled to start by January 2008. The Cotton Club is an important cultural asset of the African-American community in Gainesville, having started its life as a PX building at Camp Blanding which was transported to Gainesville just after World War II. It was renamed the Cotton Club in the early 1950s and became part of the Chitlin’ Circuit where luminaries like B.B. King and James Brown played jazz, the blues, and other popular music of the day. The Cotton Club’s restoration will result in a multi-use building, part museum, part music venue, and part community meeting place. Several other houses and buildings, including the former Perryman Grocery Store, are located on the site and will be part of what is estimated to be a $2 million restoration project.

**Fluor Program for Construction Safety**

The promotion of safety education in the Rinker School continues to be a priority issue. A significant change is being made this year in the course sequencing. Construction safety is now being offered to the Junior II class. This change was made to ensure that students had a strong preparation in safety when they undertook their summer jobs prior to graduating. The safety class is also changing with a greater inclusion of information on environmental issues and with a greater use of the new Perry Yard to give hands-on presentations to the classes. The safety classes continue to get enhancements through the purchase of safety equipment and supplies. The funds for these safety materials have been made available through the generosity of Fluor Corporation.

Dr. Jimmie Hinze, along with Dr. Kevin Grosskopf, were successful in getting research funding from OSHA to conduct training on the Mitigation of Safety Risks Associated with Natural Disaster Reconstruction. This one-year project will be focused on training pertaining to the major risks associated with natural disaster remediation work and will address the special needs of workers with low-literacy skills in English.

Dr. Hinze is a founding member of the Construction Industry Institute (CII) Safety Community of Practice which was established to enlist the free flow of information among individuals interested in safety. To date, approximately 45 individuals have joined this group. Jack Flannery of ConocoPhillips is the Chair of this group and Dr. Hinze serves as the Administrator. This group meets on a monthly basis whether in person or via teleconference calls.

**2008 Witters Competition**

The 2008 Witters' Competition will focus on the design, construction, and planning for post-disaster housing reconstruction. While numerous possibilities exist for temporary solutions for post-disaster housing, it is the intent of this competition to stimulate ideas for a type of housing that not only satisfies the temporary needs for individual shelter, but allows for self-sustaining homes and communities with the potential for future growth and development.

The Witters Competition is a juried competition, held annually in the Spring Semester, to promote a collaborative approach among students and faculty within the design and construction professions. It is sponsored by an endowment created through the generosity of Col. Art and Bev Witters who wished to foster interdisciplinary communication and provide a financial award to the multi-disciplinary student team that generates the winning solution to a project problem.

The 2008 Witters Competition will provide preliminary design and team-building opportunities for the University of Florida’s anticipated participation in the United States Department of Energy’s Solar Decathlon competition. The Solar Decathlon is a biennial international collegiate competition sponsored by the Department of Energy in which student teams compete to design, build, and operate highly energy-efficient, completely off-grid houses that develop and incorporate innovative solar energy technologies.
Rinker Field Trip

The 2007 Rinker Materials field trip to the Miami area this past fall included a visit to a cement plant, a mining operation, and a construction site where concrete was the primary construction material. The trip is generously sponsored by Rinker Materials, and offers students a unique opportunity to see the concrete process from raw materials to construction.

The field trip began the afternoon of October 18, when students and faculty boarded a charter bus outside Rinker Hall. After an early breakfast at the hotel, the group was escorted to a cement plant, where students learned about cement manufacturing. The trip to the top of one of the kiln towers offered a spectacular overview of the plant facility and surrounding area.

Back on the bus, they headed for the FEC Quarry, where raw materials and aggregate are mined. The quarry is an impressive facility, with large-scale mining operations and a computerized ordering system that uses radio frequency identification (RFID) tags for insuring that the proper materials are loaded into the correct trucks. After lunch at the quarry, we headed for the beach. Well, almost. The next stop was a construction site on Miami Beach: a 50-floor condominium tower under construction (general contractor, Coscan Construction) that will use a total of about 65,000 cubic yards of concrete when completed. Our tour was comprehensive, bottom to top, which at that point was the 34th floor, where rebar placement for the next pour was underway. After the tour ended, it was time to board the bus and head back home to Gainesville, where we arrived the evening of October 19.

They learned a great deal on the trip, and students and faculty would like to thank everyone involved for making the opportunity possible, with special thanks to Rinker Materials for financially and logistically supporting the trip.

BCN Alumni in Higher Education

Starting in the Fall 2006, Orange & Blueprints has highlighted accomplishments made by our graduates in higher education. In this issue, we are highlighting Dr. Richard Smailes. If you are a BCN alumni and currently teach at a post secondary construction education program, please send us a short bio of yourself for publishing on this page.

Richard L. (Rick) Smailes is a Gator to the core. He received his BBC (’76) MBC (’77) and Ph.D. (2000) all in the Rinker School of Building Construction. Upon graduation in 1977, Dr. Smailes spent the first few years of his career as a cost/schedule engineer with the J.A. Jones Construction Company building a community in Saudi Arabia. Upon his return stateside, he continued to work for Jones as a project controls supervisor in their power plant construction division.

During most of the 1980’s Dr. Smailes served as Director of Consulting Services for Project Software and Development of Cambridge, MA, specializing in implementing large-scale cost/schedule control systems in the nuclear power plant construction field as well as aerospace/defense contractors involved with the Strategic Defense Initiative. He later became Vice-President of Operations of Project Management Services in Atlanta, a firm specializing in providing construction management and owners’ rep services to Fortune 500 companies.

In 1997, Dr. Smailes returned to UF-BCN to pursue his Ph.D. Shortly thereafter, Dr. Smailes joined the faculty at the Rinker School where he has taught Project Management, Roofing, Planning and Scheduling, and Capstone. His research is primarily in the field of ancient construction and archaeology. He has been an on-air contributor to the National Geographic Series ‘Naked Science,” is the faculty advisor for the Residential team, and was awarded the 2007 College of Design, Construction and Planning’s Teacher of the Year award.
On January 4, 2008, the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) awarded Rinker Hall with one of its highest honors for high performance buildings. ASHRAE recognized Rinker Hall for achieving energy performance through superior design, not elevated costs. Even with its sustainable features, Rinker Hall cost the same to build as a conventional building. One unique sustainable feature is the north-south building orientation. It was determined that the electrical lighting savings and productivity enhancements of the north-south orientation outweighed the thermal advantage of the conventional east-west orientation. Rinker Hall is featured in the ASHRAE quarterly magazine which is distributed to building owners, facility managers, architects, contractors and engineers, to help decision makers in the building community learn about the benefits of innovative technologies and energy-efficient design and operation. ASHRAE is doing this with case studies of exemplary buildings, developed through the support of leading practitioners in the sustainability movement.

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**Alumni Updates**

1951
Jim Kalemeris of Kalemeris Construction and his daughter Cece Valdez have hit a milestone this year with more than 1,000 buildings built since 1959, and were awarded Outstanding Builder of the Year by the AIA.

1962
Gene Hoaster is selling real estate on St. Simon’s Isle in Georgia. He recently celebrated the births of his two new grandchildren Reba and Jacob.

1966
William Rochat is the construction manager for Centex Destination Properties. He is working on an $185M condo project in Ko Olina, Oahu, Hawaii.

1968
David King joined his father and brother in developing mountain property in northwestern North Carolina. He is also an avid runner who has competed in iron man marathons across the U.S.

1971
David Smith, having worked his way up from estimator and project manager to president and owner of R.C. Stevens Construction; sold the company to his vice president in June of 2007.

1974
A. Miles Albertson is the Associate Director of the Facilities Planning and Construction Division at the University of Florida. He is also a past president and current director of the Construction Owners Association of America.

1976
Tim Ackert joined the City of Orlando as its Program Manager for the Venue Program. As a result, he and his wife have returned to Orlando where they were married 34 years ago.

1977
Earle Cooper recently completed the buy out of Hawkins Construction, Inc. which has been in business for over 32 years. He and his wife Dawn recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary and are heavily involved in fund raising.

1979
Bill Burkhart is the Land Development Manager for Maronda Homes, Inc. of Jacksonville, Florida.

1981
Dave Senko lives in Houston, Texas with his wife of 24 years, Bette. He is the Director of Operations for the Global Services business unit of Fluor Enterprises, Inc. His three daughters are all attending the University of Oklahoma.

1982
Kerry Gates has been a computer consultant since 1996, first at KPMG and now at AT&T. His daughter Alix is a freshman at UF, majoring in music and biology and performing as a cellist in the UF orchestra.

1985
David Bockian is the Vice President of T.W. Frierson Contractor, managing Sales, Pre-Construction and Marketing. He was recently involved in the development of Freedom Pointe, a $75 million 250-unit retirement community in The Villages, Florida.

1987
Jon M. Wainwright is the Vice President of Development with Woolbright Development, the largest privately held shopping center developer in Florida, based in Boca Raton. He and his wife have returned to Orlando where they were married 34 years ago.

1995
Laurie (Grundy) Jaworski recently joined the St. Petersburg, Florida firm Benson Worley Architecture Studio Inc. as Construction Administrator. She lives in St. Petersburg with her husband and six-year-old daughter.
1986
Shawn A. Casey is the president of S.A. Casey Construction, Inc. and is the owner of two bars (Wing Shack and Wing Shack II) and a restaurant (Mary Frances Foods) in Orlando, Florida.

1987
Todd Andrew is building a new house in Winter Park, Florida to share with his wife and three children. His commercial construction company’s sales are up 80% this year.
Allison A Curtis is a LEED AP and got married this year.

1989
Bryan Capps has started his own construction law firm in Orlando, Florida called The Construction Law Firm. The firm recently celebrated their third anniversary.

1990
Allen Troshinsky is a Construction Executive with M.A. Mortenson Company. He and his family will soon be relocating to Louisville in preparation for the construction of the Cardinal’s new 22,000 seat basketball arena.

1991
Kashy Hubbell recently accepted a position with a company in Kauai, Hawaii building a resort.
Bill Icely is the president of Icely Inc, a commercial Developer and Design/Build Contractor based in Sarasota, Florida.

1993
Brett Atkinson is in South Florida, acting as a Vice President/Project Executive for Moss and Associates, overseeing several marquee commercial projects. In March his family expanded to include a new baby girl in addition to his two boys.

1994
Bill Nassal, along with his business partner and fellow BCN alumnus Matt Brown (The Nassal Company) have recently been awarded a large project with Universal Studios as part of their new expansion.

1995
Wendy (Bythway) Pontefract has been chosen as the lead HSE Manager for Fluor Corporation’s Tornado/HELB project at Oconee Nuclear Station in Seneca, North Carolina. She and her husband Richard have two sons: Matthew and Nathan.

1996
Carolina (Terrana) Womeldorph’s youngest son Lincoln has just celebrated his first birthday after being diagnosed with pediatric cancer. (Our thoughts and prayers for a long and healthy life for Lincoln go out to the family.)

1997
Brian Natwick is a real estate developer with Crescent Resources, LLC in Charlotte NC. He and his wife Holly have two children: Caroline, age 4 and Connor age 2.
Michelle Forte Young recently formed Forte Young, Inc., a full service commercial construction company based in Orlando. Her projects include both public and private sectors.

1998
Randall Dragon just completed a 36 story high-rise residential condo development in Charlotte, NC. He and his wife Yvonne also welcomed their first child this year.

1999
Alison Reynolds is currently a Project Manager with Turner Construction Company and recently completed the $47M Hall County Jail in Gainesville, GA.

2000
Kyle Abney was elected to the Florida Green Building Coalition’s Board of Directors and was a founding member of several green building organizations in the Treasure Coast area. In this past year he passed the state contractor’s exam and also got married.

2002
Antoine Faddoul had an art exhibition in New York at SUNY with three other artists.

2004
Jose Iturraspe is working with Pulte Homes. He has worked at six projects in two divisions on multiple types of residential structures. He is currently living in Sarasota, Florida.

2005
Jason Paiva is currently working as an assistant project manager in Saint Petersburg, Florida for Brasfield & Gorrie onsite at All Children’s Hospital’s central energy plant.

2006
Jay Fraser is working for Whiting-Turner.
Brett J. Gelsomino received his Master of Science in Real Estate degree in 2007 and secured his GC license incorporating Gelsomino Contracting. He is now working as the Investment Analyst for a multi-family developer in Central Florida.

Update Your Contact Information

If you have recently graduated or moved; please update your information with the UF Alumni Association.

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Class Reunion Announcement

If you graduated from the 1983 BCN class during the spring and fall, there will be a class reunion on Homecoming weekend, October 25th. A banquet/social event is scheduled for October 24th and a BBQ at the Rinker School will be held before the game on the 25th. For more information, please contact Jeff E. Charlotte at jeff.charlotte@jecharlotte.com or David Schmit at marathon@bellsouth.net. A letter will be mailed out to all 1983 spring and fall graduates, with further details on the reunion.

Attention Members of ΣΛΧ:

ΣΛΧ Society of Leaders in Construction

In the spirit of fostering a network between all members of ΣΛΧ, we are looking to update contact information from all members. We hope to use this information in an effort to inform alumni and current members of upcoming events throughout the year, such as the ΣΛΧ golf tournament, UF Homecoming tailgate, and community service projects, just to name a few.

To participate we ask all alumni and current members to provide their name, current email address and semester in which they graduated. Please send all information to Eric Weiss, President of ΣΛΧ (weiss55@ufl.edu) or Will Murphy (murphyw@ufl.edu).

Faculty Search Announcement

The University of Florida’s M.E. Rinker, Sr. School of Building Construction invites applications for the tenure-track Charles R. Perry Assistant Professor position beginning Fall 2008. The Rinker School currently has 22 full-time faculty members, and offers an ACCE-accredited Bachelor of Science degree, as well as Master’s and Ph.D. degree programs. There are approximately 260 upper-division undergraduates, 100 MS students, and 25 Ph.D. students currently enrolled in the School. The Rinker School is housed in a new 47,000 square foot state-of-the-art LEED Gold certified facility.

Applicants must have an earned doctorate in a construction-related field with expertise in construction materials and methods. It is anticipated that this individual will develop a research program to address the current and anticipated need for skilled crafts people in the construction industry. Preferred credentials include at least five years of construction industry experience, university-level teaching experience in construction materials and methods, and appropriate licensure and professional registration.

The successful candidate will take a lead role in the Charles R. Perry Program for Crafts Awareness housed in the Perry Yard. The Perry Yard is a new 2600 ft. facility for hands-on education of students on the work of specialty contractors, master crafts and trades people to prepare them to work effectively with the construction trades.

The salary and benefits package for the position are very competitive, and includes a performance-based new faculty development package with summer support. The Rinker School also has endowment funds targeted towards helping faculty entering new areas of research.

The University of Florida is designated as a Research University I institution. Successful faculty candidates are expected to develop funded research programs, publish in professional journals, supervise graduate student research, teach undergraduate and/or graduate courses, and provide service to the University, the community, and the profession.

Applications must include a letter of interest, a resume, a 2 to 3 page statement of teaching and research interests explaining how the applicant will contribute to the program, and the names, addresses and telephone numbers of three references. The application package should be addressed to Paul Oppenheim, Search Committee Chair and emailed to Sarah Wichterman at swichter@ufl.edu. Questions can be directed to Paul Oppenheim at 352-273-1157. Review of applications will begin March 3, 2008, and will continue until a suitable applicant pool has been identified. The selection process will be conducted under provisions of Florida’s “Government in Sunshine” and public record laws. The University of Florida is an equal opportunity institution dedicated to building a broadly diverse and inclusive faculty and staff. We highly encourage applications from women, minorities, and persons with disabilities.

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Dr. Abdol Chini presented a paper at the First International Conference on Recent Advances in Concrete Technology (rac07), which was held, 19-21 September 2007 in the Washington, DC area at the Sheraton in Crystal City, Virginia. The paper was titled: “Detection of Microcracks in Concrete Cured at Elevated Temperature.” He also co-authored another paper titled, “Adiabatic Temperature Rise of Mass Concrete in Florida” that was presented by Arash Parham (MSBC, 2004) of Clark Foundations in Bethesda, Maryland. This paper received one of the conference outstanding paper awards. As the International Co-coordinator of the CIB Working Commission on Construction Materials Stewardship (W115), Dr. Chini attended the first annual meeting of W115 that was held in conjunction with Sustainable Building 2007 (SB07) conference in Lisbon, Portugal, 11-14 September 2007. He served as a member of the scientific committee for SB07, chaired a session on Design for Sustainability, and presented a paper titled, "General Issues of Construction Materials Recycling in the United States.”

Dr. Ian Flood was appointed coordinator of the Ph.D. program for the Rinker School. He will be responsible for developing a request to offer a doctoral degree in Construction Management, submitting the request to University officials and following its approval process, establishing the policy and procedures for the Ph.D. in Construction Management and developing a marketing strategy for recruiting high caliber Ph.D. students.

Sustainable Buildings 2007 (SB07)

Dr. Charles Kibert was invited to be a keynote speaker at Sustainable Buildings 2007 (SB07) held in Lisbon, September 2007 where he gave a presentation, “Beyond Green: Revisiting Ecological Design.” SB07 Portugal was one of several meetings held every three years as a prelude to the major international green building conference, Sustainable Building 2008 (SB08), which will be held in Melbourne, Australia in September 2008. Green building is exploding in importance around the world, including in the U.S. An international organization, the International Institute for a Sustainable Built Environment (iiSBE), is the organizer of these conferences and serves as a clearing house for research on green building issues (http://www.iisbe.org). SB07 was attended by 250 people from about 20 countries and helped build momentum.

Green Building Conference and Exhibition, Pretoria South Africa

The country of South Africa is launching a major green building initiative and as part of its Green Building Conference and Exhibition, held in Pretoria, South Africa, November 8-10, 2007, they invited Dr. Charles Kibert to be the keynote speaker. Dr. Kibert spoke on “The Global Climate Change Crisis: Imperatives and Responsibilities for the Construction Industry.” The conference was attended by 350 participants from industry and government and had a major exhibition of green building products available in South Africa. Dr. Kibert has made four trips to South Africa and was one of the speakers at the First South African Green Building Conference held in Capetown in 1998 as well as the first exhibition of green buildings in South Africa in 2000 when he opened the exhibition as the keynote speaker. During the most recent trip he visited the settlements of Soweto and Alexandria to assist the private sector in assessing the potential for initiating an effort to green the housing stock of these areas.

Dr. Edward Minchin has been named to the Regional Disputes Review Board (DRB) for the State of Florida. The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) website describes the DRB as “a panel of three experienced, respected, and impartial reviewers appointed by FDOT and the Florida Transportation Builders Association (FTBA). In case of a conflicting between FDOT and a contractor working on a transportation construction project in Florida, DRB members are provided with the contract documents and become familiar with the project procedures and the participants. Members are kept abreast of job progress and developments and meet with owner and contractor representatives during regular site visits to encourages the resolution of disputes at the job level.” The DRB process helps the parties head off problems before they escalate into major disputes. If the parties are not able to resolve their differences, the DRB conducts hearings and rules on entitlement, cause/effect, and quantum. DRB decisions are not binding, but the judgments of the panel are usually accepted by the parties. Dr. Minchin was appointed as Assistant Chair for a one-year term.

Dr. Esther Obonyo presented a paper at the International ASCE Workshop for Computing in Civil Engineering held in Pittsburgh, July 24 - 25, 2007. In August she took part in the Temperate Forest Foundation Teachers Tour in the Adirondacks, northern New York. She presented a paper as an invited speaker at the Collaborative Human Futures Workshop in Hong Kong in November. Dr Obonyo was awarded an Environmental Leadership Fellowship worth $15,000. She also secured a grant for $8000 from Jobsite123.
The Rinker School would like to welcome a new employee to the team. **Donald Allex** was hired as the School’s lab technician. He will teach, supervise and assist students in the safe and proper operation of machine tools and material testing equipment in the School’s labs. He will also run the testing lab for the Soils and Concrete class taught by Dr. Muszynski and maintain the Perry Construction Yard. Donnie is from Stuart, Florida. He attended the Mechanical Engineering program at Georgia Tech for four years. He plans on completing the last year’s worth of work for the Mechanical Engineering Degree at UF. To be better prepared for this job, Donnie attended a workshop in Orlando in December to become ACI certified as a Concrete Laboratory Testing Technician.

**New Additions**

The Rinker School would like to send a fond farewell to **Stacey Rosenberg**. Stacey has been with the School for four years and has become part of the BCN family. She was responsible for coordinating the Graduation Receptions, Welcome Receptions, Homecoming BBQs and the editing and publishing of the Orange and Blueprints. While juggling all these responsibilities she found time to answer the phones, assist the professors and students, and keep the office running. She and her fiance have relocated to Atlanta, Georgia. We will miss Stacey and all that she did for our office. BCN wishes her the best of luck in Atlanta and knows that she will always be a Gator at heart.

**Fond Farewell**

It is always a pleasure to celebrate when one of our own has a great success, but when it means that person is going to need to leave “home” to pursue that opportunity, our joy for our colleague can be tinged with regrets for our loss. **Marcia Bourdon** is that success story. She accepted the wonderful opportunity to serve as Assistant Vice President for Development at the Florida State University College of Medicine last November. We know that FSU will definitely be better off with a “Gator” in that responsible position. Marcia’s tireless and dedicated advocacy for the College and Rinker School is something all of us know and appreciate. She has worked diligently and successfully over the past years and her efforts will undoubtedly continue to bear fruit well into the future. We congratulate Marcia for a well deserved new opportunity and extend to her a heartfelt thanks for all that she has done in support of the Rinker School.

**Dr. Robert Ries** gave two presentations at the 28th annual meeting of the Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry (SETAC) - North America, held from Nov. 11-15 in Milwaukee, Wisc. The papers were: “Life Cycle Assessment as a Decision Tool: Case Studies in Green Building Design and Construction” and “Incorporating Spatial and Temporal Resolution in Impact Assessment of Tropospheric Ozone in the Life Cycle Assessment of Buildings.” At this meeting, Ries also was elected as Chair of SETAC’s North American Life Cycle Assessment Advisory Committee, of which he has been a member since 2001. He also was nominated to the Program Committee for the 29th annual meeting, to be held in Orlando in November 2008. SETAC is an international professional society in environmental science, technology, and management.

**Chuck Smeby** was appointed coordinator of the Fire and Emergency Services program. His role is to improve the quality of the program and increase its enrollment. This includes, course content, continuity among courses, marketing of the program and recruitment and retention of students, identification and nomination of qualified instructors and overall program updates and revisions through continuous assessment of an industry advisory council and student surveys.

**Dr. Kevin Grosskopf** was selected to receive the Teaching Excellence Award. This award is given to a faculty who provides the highest level of “Excellence in Teaching” during the graduating seniors studies in Rinker School. Dr. Grosskopf teaches courses in estimating and finance.

**Faculty News**

**Dr. Paul Oppenheim** presented a paper titled “Value-Engineering Using Linear Programming: Optimizing Indoor Air Quality” at the Construction and Management Engineering Conference in Reading, England during July 2007. The paper was written by Bilge Celik, Kevin Grosskopf, Paul Oppenheim, and Charles Kibert.

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Caught on Camera

Enthusiastic BCN students in class

The Rinker School at the Homecoming Parade

Student using pneumatic tool during a demonstration

Students in an HVAC Lab

Students using electric screw guns during a demonstration

Students assembling pvc piping in a lab
The Rinker School does have a limited budget and there are many activities and items for which we could certainly use your financial assistance. In return for your underwriting of these activities/items, we would provide appropriate publicity about your support. In the case of events, we would be pleased to have a company representative attend the event and say a few words on behalf of your firm. For the Newsletter, we would include a prominent credit on the front page of the Newsletter. The following is a list of events and their approximate cost to us for which your support would be very beneficial to the Rinker School and its students:

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### Future Event Sponsors

- Welcome Reception (Spring 2008) - The Weitz Company
- Graduation Dinner (Spring 2008) - Hawkins Construction
- LEED Team (Spring 2008) - Beck Group
- Grad Student Reception (Spring 2008) - Clark Construction
- BCN Newsletter (Fall 2008) - Charles Perry Const/PPI
- Welcome Reception (Fall 2008) - Robins & Morton
- Homecoming Bar-B-Que (Fall 2008) - Weitz Golf
- Graduation Dinner (Fall 2008) - Kitchen Art of S. Florida
- Welcome Reception (Spring 2009) - Hardin Construction
- LEED Team (Spring 2009) - Holder
- BCN Newsletter (Spring 2009) - Hawkins Construction
- Graduation Dinner (Spring 2009) - James A. Cummings
- Welcome Reception (Fall 2009) - Holder Construction
- Homecoming Bar-B-Que (Fall 2009) - Brasfield and Gorrie
- Welcome Reception (Spring 2010) - Bearfield and Gorrie
- LEED Team (Spring 2010) - James A. Cummings
- Homecoming BBQ (Fall 2010) - Hawkins Construction
- Homecoming BBQ (Fall 2011) - Current Builders

### Past Event Sponsors

- Commercial Team (1998 - present) - Balfour Beatty
- Design-Build Team (2002-present) - Haskell Company
- Heavy/Civil Team (2006-2007) - Nelson Construction

- NAHB Competition
  - 2003- London Bay Homes
  - 2004- Centex Homes
  - 2005- BCBE Construction
  - 2006- BCBE Construction
  - 2007- Mercedes Homes

- Graduation Dinner
  - Fall 1999- Beck Group
  - Fall 2000- Brasfield & Gorrie
  - Spring 2001- Hensel Phelps
  - Fall 2003- Current Builders
  - Spring 2004- Rinker Materials
  - Fall 2004- James A. Cummings
  - Spring 2006- Clark Construction Group
  - Fall 2006- WCI Communities
  - Spring 2007- Hunt Construction Group
  - Fall 2007- Charles Perry/ PPI

- Welcome Reception
  - Spring 2006- James A. Cummings
  - Fall 2006- Clancy & Theys
  - Spring 2007- Holder Construction
  - Fall 2007- Clancy & Theys

If you need additional information, please contact Dr. Abdol Chini (chini@ufl.edu).
School Announcements

**LEED**

In June 2007 the Rinker School launched an initiative to meet the demand of construction industry for training to become LEED Accredited Professional (LEED-AP) for the purpose of qualifying to manage the LEED building rating system of the U.S. Green Building Council. The team was organized by Dr. Charles Kibert and puts on a combination of scheduled an on-site courses for individuals and companies in Florida. The success rate for passing the LEED-AP exam is reputedly fairly low due in large part to the difficulty and closed book nature of the exam. Using a innovative combination of pre-course, during course, and post-course assignments, lectures, and testing, the Rinker School provides industry professionals with greatly improved prospects for success in taking the exam.

The two day course provides continuing education credit for contractors, architects, professional engineers, and landscape architects. Registration information can be found at http://www.treeo.ufl.edu/LEED Study materials and a support website for the LEED-AP exam can be found at the Powell Center for Construction and Environment website at http://www.cce.ufl.edu/LEED/index.asp. Companies considering an on-site course can contact Laurel Brown at 352-392-9570 ext. 231 or at lbrown@treeo.ufl.edu. The following is the schedule of on-site LEED courses in 2008:

- Jan. 24-25, 2008 Miami
- Feb. 13-14, 2008 Tampa
- Feb. 21-22, 2008 Orlando
- Mar. 20-21, 2008 Cocoa Beach
- Apr. 16-17, 2008, Fort Walton Beach
- May 15-16, 2008 Tallahassee
- June 19-20, 2008 Orlando

14th Rinker International Conference

The Rinker School with host the 14th Rinker International Conference this March in Gainesville with the theme “Evolution of and Directions in Construction Safety and Health.” This conference is being held under the auspices of the Working Commission on Safety and Health on Construction Sites (W99). The chair of the conference is Dr. Jimmie Hinze, who also serves as the International Coordinator for W99. The Working Commission on Safety and Health on Construction Sites was founded in 1995, and it has held a conference each year. Practitioners and researchers from developed, developing and underdeveloped nations with an interest in the successful implementation of programs and practices to address construction safety and health are invited to attend. Sponsors of the conference include Fluor Corporation, Bechtel Corporation, Southern Company, Bovis Lend Lease and ConocoPhillips. For more information, refer to the conference website at http://jamesmarini.com/cibconference.
Advisory Council

The M.E. Rinker, Sr. School of Building Construction is honored to have an active Advisory Council whose members, both individual and corporate, serve as an important source of advice and support for the School. Advisory Council is an opportunity for you and your company to form a strong liaison with the School. In this way, we can be assured that our program is current and meets the ever-changing needs of the construction industry. We hope you will consider becoming a member of the Advisory Council for the M.E. Rinker, Sr. School of Building Construction.

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Want to have your name in Rinker Hall, the new home of the M.E. Rinker, Sr. School of Building Construction? Buy a brick paver, support your School, and have your name etched in stone for the world to see! The 4” x 8” brick pavers are available to students, alumni and friends for $125.00. There is a 3-line limit, with a 16-character limit per line. Each space, period or other such punctuation is considered a character.

Please make checks payable to U.F. Foundation. Do NOT send cash. Be sure to note BCN Brick Campaign in the Memo Line. Please send checks to 304 Rinker Hall, PO Box 115703, Gainesville, Florida 32611

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