How Do Mentors Lead?

Laying Down Roots and Taking Wing in Florida
A Letter from the Executive Director

Dear Friends,

To lead is to empower others to succeed. As alumni and friends of Fairmont State, you have tremendous opportunities to facilitate achievement in others. Whether you stay in West Virginia or seek your fortune elsewhere, you can impact FSU.

You can make available to students who pass through the doors of the “College on the Hill” the tools they need for lifelong success—the skills, abilities, experience and self-worth that result from receiving a quality education.

This edition of maroon&white is dedicated to the leadership of alumni who are stepping up and giving of themselves in a myriad of ways. As you read their stories, I hope you will be encouraged and inspired by their leadership. I hope you will consider the many occasions for you to lead.

You can inspire life-changing achievement in Fairmont students by:

• Mentoring students and graduates through recruiting internship opportunities
• Contributing to a capital building project on campus to make sure that students have the most advanced and up-to-date facilities and equipment
• Creating scholarships or endowments to honor someone who helped you attain success

You can lead through your full participation in your alma mater by:

• Hosting an alumni event
• Organizing an alumni chapter in your area
• Serving on a volunteer, leadership board

You can support Fairmont State within the community by:

• Sharing fond memories of your Fairmont State experience with potential students (Alumni are our best recruiters!)
• Participating in community education courses
• Attending athletic, fine arts and other campus events (Whether you enthusiastically cheer on your Fighting Falcons team or attend a Masquers production, your very presence bolsters these programs.)

Leadership—and success—happen when we are engaged and challenged. We invite you to let your imagination SOAR as you consider all the possible ways you can lead at FSU.

In the spirit of success,

K. Jean Ahwesh
Executive Director, Fairmont State Foundation, Inc.

P.S. Please contact our office at (304) 367-4009 or toll free at (866) 372-2586 to discuss how you can become involved.
“Where in the world is maroon&white?”

We want to see the unusual places you take maroon&white. Send us a photo of yourself, a friend or family member holding a copy of maroon&white. Tell us where you are, including the location, date and names of who is in the picture with you. Get married, scuba dive or take a roller coaster ride with maroon&white. The possibilities are endless.

Please send your digital photos electronically to: maroonandwhite@fairmontstate.edu.

Kathleen (Sirk) Griebel ’05, Baghdad, Iraq
Kathleen (Sirk) Griebel ’05 catches up on news from home with maroon&white at Aw Faw Palace, Camp Victory, near Baghdad, Iraq. Katie was deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom with the National Guard and returned from a one-year tour of duty to her job in September 2007 at Fairmont State University. She also celebrates a recent marriage to Errol S. Griebel of Heath, OH. Look to see them cheering on the Falcons together this fall.

John ‘60 and Carole Warner ‘60, Assisi, Italy
John Warner ’60 and Carole Bilotta Warner ’60 display their copy of maroon&white outside the Cathedral of Saint Francis of Assisi in Assisi, Italy. The Warners, along with 250 other families, helped found St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Raleigh, North Carolina, 25 years ago. This parish now has a membership of 4,700 families. Carole is a member of Gamma Chi Chi Alumnae and a proud supporter of its scholarship fund.

Janice Denison ’67, Kaposszekcső, Hungary
Janice Denison ’67 visited Kaposszekcső, Hungary, in September with the West Virginia United Methodist Volunteers in Mission, and took along her maroon&white. During their 13-day trip, they worked on church buildings and visited with local children.

Donna Brand, Prague, Czech Republic
Presidents’ Leadership Council member Donna Brand, outside St. Nicholas Church on Lesser Town in Prague, Czech Republic. Donna spent a week in Prague with husband, Eric, and friends, Dick and Judy Stepins of Loma Linda, CA.
IN NOVEMBER, Dale Eichhorn ’74, a 35 year teaching and education administration veteran, was named the principal of Shadowlawn Elementary School, which will be opening in the fall of 2008.

As the principal, Eichhorn will choose the school colors and mascot. It should be no surprise, to anyone who knows Eichhorn, that Shadowlawn will sport maroon and white, and that the mascot will be the Falcon. Eichhorn has been building Falcon pride in Florida for over three decades.
Following his graduation from Fairmont State, Eichhorn was offered a physical education position in Florida. He accepted the offer to be near his sister, already living in Florida. In 1978, Eichhorn became the youngest administrator in Clay County, Florida, when he accepted the position of assistant principal at Middleburn Elementary School. In 1985, he accepted the position of principal.

At Middleburn, he learned that a fellow classmate and graduate of FSC, Kathryn “Taffy” (Bartlett) Magnifico ’72, was a staff member teaching second grade. Their bonds of Falcon loyalty helped create a strong friendship, which took a new turn when Eichhorn decided to make a trip back to FSU in 2005 to recruit education majors for the Clay County schools.

“I knew that West Virginia and surrounding states had been faced with a surplus of teachers, and that young professionals could not find jobs,” said Eichhorn.

“I knew that I could help place them. I also knew that Kathryn and I had already begun our Florida Falcon family, and we could help others make the transition, too.”

During Dale’s first visit in 2005, he attended a recruiting fair and extended offers of employment to two graduates; Troy Ravenscroft ’06 and Juli (Woy) Ravenscroft ’06. They accepted Eichhorn’s offer, were married in July 2006 and began their respective roles as fifth- and second-grade teachers in the fall of 2006. The following year, Eichhorn visited again and recruited three additional staff members: Lindsey Edwards ’06, Josh Hager ’07, and Autumn Anderson ’06.

A first-generation college student, Eichhorn’s parents insisted he attend college.

“I witnessed the hard work and long hours my father, a construction worker, spent braving the elements to provide for his family, and I knew that my parents wanted more for me,” said Eichhorn.

Eichhorn believes that Fairmont State was the best choice for him, providing him with a strong foundation for success in his career. He took his talents to Florida, but he never forgot Fairmont State. Five education majors are fulfilling their dreams to teach because Eichhorn stepped forward to be a leader and a mentor. Dale Eichhorn and his protégés took root at Fairmont State. Now Dale

Kathryn “Taffy” (Bartlett) Magnifico ’72 has a class of second graders with all the right answers. Magnifico is originally from Grafton.

“I wanted to make a difference as a teacher and a coach and he [Eichhorn] gave me the opportunity to do both.” — Troy Ravenscroft ’05

Troy Ravenscroft ’05 assists one of his fifth-grade students. Ravenscroft is a former Falcon football player and now a coach at Middleburn.
is giving his young colleagues a chance to stretch their wings, as he did, in the Florida school system.

If you would like to recruit qualified Fairmont State University graduates for your business or corporation, please contact Sally Fry, director of career services, at (304) 367-4214.

If you are interested in recruiting high school students from your area for attendance at Fairmont State, please contact Chris Sharps, admissions counselor, at (304) 367-4066 or via e-mail at csharps@fairmontstate.edu

Josh Hager ’07 enjoys reading and interacting with his class of 15 kindergarten students. Hager is originally from Shinnston.

When I meet with FSU students, I remind them how hard they have worked for their degree, and how I want them to put it to good use. When they find out that we have a whole Falcon community in Clay County, it usually eases their minds and makes their transition much easier.” — Dale Eichhorn ’74

Tell Your Fairmont State Story...

Help Your Alma Mater Grow

FSU is seeking and training alumni to be part of our alumni recruiting program.

Introduce potential students in your area to the great experiences you had at Fairmont State.

Call Chris Sharps at (304) 367-4066 or e-mail csharps@fairmontstate.edu

Autumn Anderson ’06 currently teaches second grade and is pursuing an online master’s degree from Fairmont State University. Anderson played Falcon basketball.

Dale Eichhorn

Fast Facts

Eichhorn’s high school history teacher, Harry Hadley, was also his teaching advisor at Fairmont State College.

Eichhorn frequents Colasessano’s during his visits to Fairmont.

He has been married to his wife, Susan, for 31 years, and they have two daughters.

Eichhorn’s college roommate was Roy Woy, father of Juli (Woy) Ravenscroft.
A special commemorative program including this cookie recipe, courtesy of Carol Mainella and Aladdin Food Management Services, Inc., was a huge hit with groundbreaking attendees.

**Old-fashioned Snickerdoodle Cookies**

- 1 stick unsalted butter
- ½ tsp. vanilla
- 1 c. sugar
- 1 ¼ c. all-purpose flour, plus 2 tsp.
- ¼ tsp. baking soda
- 2 tbsp. sugar
- ¼ tsp. cream of tartar
- 1 tsp. ground cinnamon
- 1 egg

1. In a medium mixing bowl, beat the butter for 30 seconds. Add the 1 cup of sugar, baking soda and cream of tartar. Beat until butter mixture is light and fluffy.

2. Then, beat in egg and vanilla. Add flour slowly. You may need to stir in the last ¼ cup and 2 teaspoons of flour. Chill in refrigerator for a half an hour.

3. Preheat the oven to 375 degrees.

4. Mix 2 tablespoons of sugar and cinnamon. Roll cookie batter into 1-inch balls. Coat in sugar and cinnamon mixture. Place on ungreased cookie sheet and bake in the oven for 10 minutes or until edges are golden. Transfer to a wire rack. Cool 10 minutes.

“The region has a rich history and tradition of community barn raising,” said Judy Byers, director of The Frank and Jane Gabor West Virginia Folklife Center at Fairmont State.

“This campaign is the perfect metaphor for accomplishing a capital building project through community involvement; many hands and gifts coming together to make light work of the restoration of this historic barn.”

To become a Barn Raising Campaign contributor, contact the Fairmont State Foundation, Inc., director of major gifts at (304) 367-4014 or toll free at (866) 372-2586. You can also make your gift today by simply checking the Barn Raising Campaign box on the included pre-paid envelope.
**April**

**First Alumni Bash**

Sunday, April 13
Duvall-Rosier Field
(Falcon Center in the event of rain)
12-4 p.m.
$5 admission, kids are free
Join us for fellowship, fun, food, door prizes and much more. Great demonstrations from local vendors, including the FSU culinary arts and child development programs. Fun Zone events for the kids.

**May**

**First FSU Day at PNC Park**

Pittsburgh, PA
Sunday, May 11
Pirates vs. Braves
Game time: 1:35 p.m.
Family 4-pack - $35
Individual tickets - $10
Pre-register by Friday, April 11.
Visit our FSU tailgate beginning at 10 a.m. for free popcorn, soda and to pick up your reserved tickets to the baseball game.

**June**

**Presidents’ Leadership Council Alumni Event**

Suburb of Philadelphia, PA
Thursday, June 5
6 p.m.
Hosted by Jim ‘80 and Debbie ‘81 Ashton

**Baltimore Gathering**

Ellicott City, MD
Sunday, June 1
2:30 p.m.
$10 adults, 12 and under free
Hosted by Joe ‘58 and Ellen Jenkins

**31st Annual Crab Feast**

Saturday, August 16
Fort Hunt Park Picnic Area A - 8822 Linton Ln., Alexandria, VA
1-6 p.m.
$40 for adults
Children 12 and under eat free
Come and join fellow alumni and friends for an afternoon featuring a children’s jump house, famous Fairmont cuisine including pepperoni rolls and of course, crabs!

**Make Plans Now for Homecoming 2008!**

**Mark Your Calendar for the 2008 Homecoming Game**

October 25, 2008—FSU vs. West Virginia Wesleyan

Bring the family for a full weekend of activities. Look for full details online at www.fairmontstate.edu beginning in July.
ALUMNI HIRED FOR FSU LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

The new director of alumni affairs and the new athletic director are both Marion County natives and Fairmont State graduates. They are sharing their Fairmont State stories, celebrating the accomplishments of the past and making plans for a bright and successful future. Both started in their new positions in August 2007.

Devanna Corley ’97 has immersed herself in the alumni affairs of Fairmont State—and couldn’t be happier. She refers to the position as her dream job and has taken to the work as though she were born to do it. In her new role as the director of alumni affairs, Corley works with Fairmont State graduates to get them involved in the institution by promoting alumni events, supporting chapter development, reuniting classmates and building the bonds of camaraderie and fellowship shared by all Falcons.

“My vision for the Office of Alumni Affairs is one of proactive planning and involvement,” said Corley.

“I want to share my excitement, passion and loyalty for this school and this community with every alumnus.”

Corley believes that improving participation in Fairmont State events on and off campus will energize the institution and the alumni community.

“Alumni have so much to give back to the institution. They share their experiences, give of their time and make financial contributions that allow Fairmont to maintain its vibrancy,” said Corley.

“I want to ensure that every alumnus has the chance to engage and participate fully in the life of FSU.”

James “Rusty” Elliott ’79 is in a situation very similar to Corley. Elliott’s goal as athletic director is to build program capacity. He will focus on promoting Fairmont State’s NCAA Division II platform of academic and athletic balance, coupled with community involvement. Like Corley, he is committed to increasing alumni and community engagement in the programs and activities of the athletic department.

“I want these kids to get a good education and be successful leaders after they graduate. But I’m a former coach, so I also really want to win. Investment in scholarships now will achieve both goals.”
— James “Rusty” Elliott ’79

“I stack Fairmont State’s athletes and coaches against any in the country,” said Elliott.

“They have the passion and drive to be champions, and I am committed to making sure they have the facilities and resources they need to achieve their goals on and off the field.”

Elliott will be working closely with key board leadership and athletic benefactors to increase private scholarship support.

“There is a saying in college sports that championships begin with scholarships,” said Elliott.

Would you like to host an alumni event in your area?
For more information or to register for an event, please contact Devanna Corley, director of alumni affairs, at (304) 367-4375 or e-mail dcorley2@fairmontstate.edu.

Director of Alumni Affairs Devanna Corley ’97, Athletic Director James “Rusty” Elliott ’79
DID YOU ANSWER THEIR CALL?

This fall, over 3,000 alumni and friends spoke with our Fairmont State student callers during our 2007 Fall Student Calling Campaign. Now, maroon&white calls upon them to answer some questions.

For a full report on the success of the 2007 Fall Student Calling Campaign, check out Behind the Numbers on page 15.

What did you learn from student calling?

I learned how to blend my creative side and my scientific side more effectively. I was amazed at the large role that statistics can play in the way that a campaign is structured, and coming from the artistic side of the world, I was forced to become a number cruncher very quickly. The beauty of the learning curve came in the synthesis, however, being able to be creative in your motivation strategies and scientific in your preparation.

Why do you think alumni and friends should answer the call in the spring?

How often do alumni of Fairmont State get the opportunity to speak with current students? Probably not very often, unless they have a relative attending. When Fairmont State appears on their caller I.D. in the spring, they are guaranteed the chance to speak with an eyewitness to the new and amazing things going on at their alma mater.

What surprised you most about calling?

The most surprising thing about the student calling campaign, to me, is the true impact that it makes on the University. Since every dollar that we raise goes toward student scholarships, we are raising money not only to continue providing scholarships that have been awarded in past years, but also creating new scholarship opportunities.

What did you like best about calling?

The atmosphere is my absolute favorite part about the student calling campaigns. Being surrounded by peers who have a passion for and take great pride in the University is really quite magical. Everyone is always so positive minded and forward thinking in regard to our goals and the task at hand, while at the same time being relaxed enough to listen to alumni share their fond (and many times amusing) memories of Fairmont State.

Will you answer their call this spring?

Help lead this spring with a gift through the student calling campaign, March 30 – April 17.

Jason A. Young, student calling supervisor, senior theatre major, Bridgeport.

Spencer Burns, junior sociology major, public administration minor, Sterling, VA.

“I was surprised that I really enjoyed work and loved coming in every day. I can’t wait for our spring calling session.”

Katelyn Glover, freshman pre-nursing major, Ravenswood.

“I really enjoyed talking with our alumni and the excitement when they said ‘yes’ to making a gift.”

Jessica Ferrell, sophomore elementary education major, special education minor, Proctor.

“I got the chance to talk to a lot of very interesting alumni from around the country who not only shared great stories about their time at Fairmont State, but who also gave me great advice about my future in education.”
For Fred Nichols ’59, Rich Newbrough ’59, Dave “Tuffy” Knight ’59 and Don Smith ’65, Fairmont has always been home. But for the last 45 years, these four Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE) fraternity brothers have lived and worked across the border, and built an athletic tradition of excellence at Wilfrid Laurier University in Ontario, Canada.

In 1963, Nichols visited and accepted a position with the university, as the dean of students. Shortly after arriving, he realized that the Laurier football team was in dire need of a good coach. He reached out to his former classmate and fraternity brother, Dave “Tuffy” Knight. Knight was named head football coach in 1965. TKE brother Rich Newbrough was hired as the assistant coach in 1968 and later became athletic director. Rounding out the Falcon four at Laurier was Don Smith, hired as the volleyball coach and now the school’s special events coordinator.

In the last decade, all four Fighting Falcons have been honored by Laurier. In 1996, the Student Union Building was officially named the Fred Nichols Campus Centre in honor of Nichols’ retirement. In 2000, Laurier inducted Smith into the school’s Golden Hawk Hall of Fame and created a leadership award that is presented annually to a student leader in the school’s recreation program. In 2007, the football field was named Knight-Newbrough Field.

In September 2007, Knight, who started out as a Fairmont State football player, was inducted into the Canadian Football Hall of Fame.

“When you leave the campus of Fairmont State University, you take it with you wherever you go, whether it’s in the next county in West Virginia or to Canada,” said Jean Ahwesh, executive director, Fairmont State Foundation, Inc.

“When you succeed and you motivate others to succeed, it improves and validates the value of the degree you received and the degree of everyone who will follow you. You may not set out to be a leader, but you become one through your actions.”

Leaders Nichols, Knight, Newbrough and Smith are acknowledged at the conclusion of every Golden Hawks home game with the playing of John Denver’s “Country Roads.” It is a slice of West Virginia in the great white north and a nod to the power and influence of a Fairmont State University education.
The Community Education Connection:  
I Graduated, Now What?

Did you know that Fairmont State University can help you answer all of the above questions and that you can maintain a lifelong learning partnership with your alma mater even after you graduate? The Community Education Program at Fairmont State University is a comprehensive program of non-credit classes that allows you to say yes to learning after you have completed your degree. Community Education programs offer individuals and families an affordable way to stay connected to learning and Fairmont State through personal development.

The range of classes includes the practical to the fun and fanciful. Participants from 6 months to 96 years will find something that inspires and delights them. Take a Microsoft class to learn a new program for work or fun; take a cooking and wine pairing class to enjoy a wonderful meal with friends; sign your sweetheart up for the motorcycle operator’s course for his or her 50th; take aerobics to stay in shape; or enroll your “bored” teen in photography classes.

For further information about the Community Education Program of Pierpont Community & Technical College and the courses available, visit www.fairmontstate.edu and click on the community education button in the drop down menu or call Ron Weist, director, at (304) 367-4913.

Alumni Notes

(Alumni notes are published on a space-available basis. Every attempt will be made to accommodate all notes received. Some notes may be held for publication in future editions.)

John ’68 and Anne ’68 Belota, celebrated their 38th wedding anniversary on June 7, 2007. They are joined in this photo with daughter, Tricia Ballard, and grandchildren while attending the FSU baseball game in Shepherdstown. John and Anne reside in Hagerstown, MD.

Jason Olen Bittinger ’99 and Amanda Kelly Knepper were united in marriage on June 16, 2007, at Rocky Gap State Park in Flintstone, MD.


Career

Hilda Lee ’45 was recently featured in a Charleston Daily Mail article for being the oldest teacher in West Virginia at the age of 82. She says that she will continue teaching for at least another 30 years, which will put her at 112 years old.

J.P. Miller ’98 recently held his annual West Virginia homecoming concert on March 8 at Lincoln High School in Shinnston. Miller has a gospel music ministry based in Sevierville, TN, and has served as a talk show host for The Inspiration Network’s “Inside Gospel,” aired worldwide.

Dr. Gerald Moran ’65 and his wife, Emily Wilson Moran ’64, recently retired after 42 years in the education field. Jerry retired as a college librarian from Geneva College in Beaver Falls, PA, and Emily as a first-grade teacher. They have three daughters, Gretchen, Laura and Geralyn, and one grandson, Brennan. They reside in Beaver Falls.

Violet (Riggs) Pastorial ’82 is currently serving as the State President of the General Federation of Women’s Clubs. During the International Board Meeting, she took this photo at the Fisher House in San Antonio, TX.

Larry Shideler ’82 has joined Criterium S.T.A. Engineers’ southwest Ohio office in Cincinnati, OH.

Deaths

Maj. Michael L. Green ’94 was killed on January 9, 2008, when a roadside bomb detonated near his vehicle in Afghanistan. Green attended Pascagoula High School in Mississippi through his junior year, and then moved to West Virginia where he graduated from Fairmont State. Green is survived by his parents, Hacy Green Sr. and Jane Green, twin sister, Michelle Green LeBatard, and brothers, Hacy Green Jr. and Scott Green. He was not married and did not have children.

Paul Hedrick ’50 of Smithville, OH, died April 14, 2006. After returning from service in WWII, Hedrick attended and graduated from Fairmont State with a bachelor of science degree in accounting and a bachelor of arts degree in education in business and math. While at Fairmont State, Hedrick was a three-time, All-Conference baseball pitcher. He went on to teach math in Farmington and business subjects at Norwich High School in Ohio. Paul is survived by his wife, Margaret Anne Shreve Hedrick.

Members of the Northern Ohio Alumni Chapter get together for lunch several times during the year. On October 23, 2007, the group met at the 100th Bomber Squadron near the Cleveland Hopkins Airport. Those in attendance were: Gene ’57 and Jean Minor, Al ’56 and Mary Lee ’57 Uveges, Renie and Marty ’55 Enold, Bob ’58 and Sandy Reiber, John ’58 and Lee Jacobs, Curt ’56 and Dora ’58 Killen, Bill ’57 and Nancy Reed, and Bill and Carol Baker. For more information on the Northern Ohio Alumni Chapter, contact Devanna Corley, director of alumni affairs, at (866) 372-2586.
The Column Society Gift of Influence

2007 Homecoming Sponsorships

The Fairmont State Foundation, Inc., Homecoming Sponsorship Program, a new marketing opportunity for the business community, allows corporations to link their names to events or activities on campus during the week of Homecoming. A sponsorship commitment frees FSU operating resources, so that more funds may be directed toward student scholarships and programming support. When a business makes a sponsorship commitment, it ensures that operating funds are used exclusively for the mission of Fairmont State Foundation, Inc., financially supporting Fairmont State University and its students.

The sponsorship program links students, parents and community members with local businesses. “Hit the Jackpot at FSU!” Homecoming 2007 was the best-attended Homecoming celebration in over a decade. A new institutional, interdepartmental planning committee and these special sponsorship opportunities created a vibrant, multidimensional community celebration. Twelve area businesses took the lead as inaugural participants in the new program.

Sponsorship opportunities exist in a range from $1,000 to $25,000. To take full advantage of the marketing opportunities associated with Homecoming, businesses may opt for a multi-year commitment. This allows for maximum brand exposure throughout the year, and cements the image of a business’s corporate commitment to higher education in the minds of the public.

“Homecoming is about bringing people together, community and fellowship,” said Devanna Corley, director of alumni affairs. “The joy and camaraderie associated with the event and the many generations of people present make it the perfect venue to advertise and market a business. Homecoming has something for everyone.”

If you or your business would like to become a Homecoming sponsorship partner in 2008 or beyond, please contact Devanna Corley, director of alumni affairs, at (304) 367-4375 or toll free at (866) 372-2586.

-- Betsy B. Spellman
Director of Client Services
Steptoe & Johnson PLLC

FAIRFAST FACTS

Over $0,000 in net proceeds from the Homecoming Sponsorship Program were added to the Fairmont State Funds for Excellence, a general scholarship fund.

Twenty Homecoming sponsorship opportunities are available in 2008.

Sponsorships may be written off as a business expense.
BEHIND THE NUMBERS

Over $77,000 was pledged during the 2007 Fall Student Calling Campaign.

Thank you!

“Do what you can, with what you have, where you are.”
—Theodore Roosevelt

Our Spring Student Calling Campaign runs from March 30–April 17, 2008. Please “answer the call,” and speak with a Fairmont State student about how you can make a difference.

Frequently Asked Question:
Can my telephone gift be designated?

Answer: Any gift made to the Fairmont State Foundation, Inc., can be designated to the scholarship, department, organization, endowment or athletic team of your choice. You can make a difference in your favorite Fairmont State program through a designated gift.

725 alumni and friends “answered the call” and made a donation during student calling this fall.

$77,000 was pledged during the 2007 Fall Student Calling Campaign.

Over $77,000 was pledged during the 2007 Fall Student Calling Campaign.

Thank you!

Calling Campaign Highlights

309 alumni became first-time donors during this session.

New donors are the key to the future of Fairmont State University.

104 credit card gifts were made this fall.

Each credit card gift saves the institution postage and mailing costs, increasing the impact of the gift.

3,023...alumni records were updated.

290...alumni and friends requested a “may give” packet.

The average gift from a “may give” packet is over $250.

11,859...phone numbers were dialed by students.

Thank You!

All information is current as of January 1, 2008.
A Fairmont family received the home of their dreams from ABC’s “Extreme Makeover: Home Edition.” Richard and Angie Turner married in 2003, blending her three children and his daughter and teen-age cousin. Angie Turner is a student at FSU. On December 7, FSU hosted the “wrap” party and presented the family with gifts, including a tuition waiver for the spring 2008 semester for Angie Turner; a free pass for the family to all FSU athletic events; and a family membership to FSU’s Falcon Center fitness center. The Fairmont State Bookstore, which is operated by Barnes & Noble, donated a full textbook scholarship to Angie as well. The Turner’s will appear on ABC’s “Extreme Makeover: Home Edition” this March.

Are you receiving your child’s mail at your home?
Please help us deliver mail to the right address. We’d like to send maroon & white and alumni event invitations directly to your graduate’s current residence. Call toll free at (866) 372-2586 to provide an address update.