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Dean's Corner

2010—I like the ring of that because it is the start of a new decade but also because my appointment at ASU began in 1995—15 years ago. Fifteen was always a special number for me. If it was available, I selected it for my softball, basketball or volleyball uniform and actually wore #15 for softball until I was 35 years of age. Fifteen is also important to the college because that is the number of national accreditations we hold (or are pending) for programs in our college. Fifteen totals the number of departments, off-campus sites and grants/special programs in our college. I am sure there are many more things that add up to 15 but the point is that we are excited about a new year and a new decade in the College of Nursing and Health Professions.

We have lost some very valuable individuals over the last few months that were important to the college at one time or another. Mike Medlock, the Chair of our Board of Trustees, battled his illness for multiple years. He was so interested in what was happening in the college and was very proud of our new building—which he was able to tour before he returned to Houston for treatment. On the day of our dedication of the Reynolds Center, he was sending text messages and e-mails so we knew he was thinking about us. What a tremendous loss for our university and community. In addition, Dr. Don Wright, who was an associate in Academic Affairs when I came and Dr. Rick McDaniel, biology and academic affairs (both retired) passed away in the fall. Our college had the opportunity to work with both of them on many occasions doing multiple projects. Both certainly worked in the best interest of the university and we extend our sympathy to their families. Most recently, Dr. Calvin Smith (retired History professor) died. Calvin was a higher education accreditor as well who periodically visited universities with nursing programs. Even though it was not an area of expertise for him, he would query me so that his evaluation of those programs was fair and accurate and I certainly commended him for that. It is always sad to lose our friends but they have left us with many fond memories and an infrastructure from which we continue to work, build and grow.

Work will begin this spring on the renovation of vacated spaces in CNHP. If you will recall, nurse anesthesia, communication disorders and our AT nursing lab moved to the new building. Those spaces will be cleaned up and reconfigured primarily for the relocation of Medical Imaging and Radiation Sciences. Once they move into that renovated space, their space (ground floor Smith Hall) will be remodeled so that we can add a PT lab with a connector to the CNHP building. Other work in 2010 includes finding funds to “spruce up” our CNHP building with new flooring, bathroom fixtures and the like. The interior of the building is really beginning to show its age so a “makeover” is just what we need.

I would invite any of our alums and friends to visit our new Donald W. Reynolds Center for Health Sciences. Let us know you are coming and we would love to show you around. We are very proud of that space and feel certain you will see many positive outcomes from the work performed there. Happy 2010!

Sincerely,



Susan Hanrahan, Dean
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Health Professions
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Healthy Ager Project by Dr. Shawn Drake, PT

The Healthy Ager project is an interdisciplinary service-learning project for health professions' students of Arkansas State University. This project is entering its sixth year and will be expanding its interdisciplinary approach with the addition of social work, communication disorders and clinical lab science students. The purpose of the Healthy Ager project is to:

- ▶ measure student attitudes towards working with the elderly,
- ▶ facilitate an interdisciplinary approach (nursing, PT, clinical lab science, social work, and communication disorders) for students working with the Healthy Ager in a college setting; and
- ▶ improve the overall wellness status of the Healthy Ager and student.

Nursing students and Physical Therapy students are paired with an older adult volunteer, who is the “Healthy Ager” over a period of 9 weeks. The Nursing and Physical Therapy students work as a team on addressing social, spiritual, physical, occupational, intellectual, emotional and environmental aspects of wellness for their client. Students' and Healthy Agers' both strive for better wellness by increasing awareness and knowledge about developing positive lifestyle behaviors.

The Center on Aging- Northeast is actively involved in promoting and recruiting volunteers for this program. We expect to have 15 participants in the program this year. The Center on Aging- Northeast provides a valuable community resource for our students. This year, each Healthy Ager will be assessed by a student from Social Work and Communication Disorders as well as by nursing and physical therapy
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College News

Dr. Susan Hanrahan:

- appointed by Governor Beebe to the Arkansas Tobacco Settlement Commission. Her term expires October 1, 2013.
- appointed by Mayor Harold Perrin to the Comprehensive Planning Advisory Commission. This group has been organized to guide Jonesboro through an ambitious 20-year planning process.

Becky Keith (PT), Stacey Sloas (PT), Jenafer Wray (Nrs), Valerie Long (MIRS & CLS), Bill Payne (CLS), and Dick Freer (SW) were student-nominated for the *You Made a Difference Award* as university advisors. **Valerie Long** was selected as the advisor recipient among a pool of 50 nominees. Congrats, Valerie!

Physical Therapy

Becky Keith presented *The Beck PRIDE Center for America's Wounded Veterans* at the ASAHF conference in October 2009, San Antonio, TX.

Ashley Mott presented *This is Not What I Expected: Reflections from the Clinic* at the ASAHF conference in San Antonio, TX, October 2009.

Lisa Kenyon's Sport Specific Fitness Testing and Intervention for an Adolescent with Cerebral Palsy: A Case Report, has been accepted for publication in Pediatric Physical Therapy. Also, she will present at the Diane Cherry lecture, *Suggestions for Integrating Entry Level Program Survey Information and Content Recommendations into Educational Practice*, at the Physical Therapy Association's Combined Sections Meeting in Feb 2010 in San Diego.

Nursing

Dr. Sue McLarry and Debra Walden were speakers at the 2nd Annual Northeastern Arkansas Nursing Conference on Nov. 13th at ASU. It was hosted by our School of Nursing.

Dr. Phyllis Skorga presented *Partnering to Apply and Evaluate CMS Quality Indicators in Nursing Education* at the ASAHF conference in San Antonio, TX, October 2009.

Dr. Angela Schmidt presented *Outcome Trends in Interdisciplinary Rehabilitation* at the ASAHF conference in San Antonio, TX, October 2009.

In Caputi, L. (2010). *Teaching Nursing:*

The Art and Science, Volume 1. (2nd ed.). Glen Elyn, IL: College of Dupage Press. Authored by **Elizabeth N. Stokes, EdD, RN, CNE** Chapter 14: Faculty-Student Relations. Chapter 16: Teaching the Generations: Coping with the Differences In Caputi, L. (2010). *Teaching Nursing: The Art and Science, Volume 3.* (2nd ed.). Glen Elyn, IL: College of Dupage Press. Also authored by **Dr. Stokes**, Chapter 17: The Nuts-and-Bolts of NLNAC Accreditation Chapter 24; Faculty-to-Faculty Mentoring.

Nonie Wiggins completed her SCCT degree in May 2009.

Dr. Rebecca Matthews:

- presented *Community Education to Prevent SIDS in Childcare Settings* at the ASAHF conference in San Antonio, TX in Oct 2009.

- article, *Babies Sleep Safest on Their Backs*, was published in the Fall 2009 African American Perspectives.

- peer-reviewed article, *Do Peer-Led Parent Groups Make Young Mothers Better Parents?*, was published in the Southern Online Journal of Nursing Research, Vol 9, #4.

Debra Walden achieved national certification in Inpatient Obstetric Nursing - Sept 17, 2009.

Communication Disorders

Dr. Sherri Lovelace, Tisha Pierce, Merrill Catt, and Arianne Pait presented a technical session entitled "Show me what you know: Integrating class and clinic" at the annual convention of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association in New Orleans in November, 2009.

The ASU NSSLHA chapter was officially inducted into Operation Smile for student programs in December. Operation Smile's official mission is "to mobilize a world of generous hearts to heal children's smiles and transform lives across the globe."

Radiologic Sciences

Cheryl DuBose has been asked to serve on the MRI Registry item writing committee. Cheryl is 1 of 7 in the country selected for this position. Congrats, Cheryl!

Donna Caldwell has been elected President of the Arkansas Society of Radiologic Technologist for the 2nd time in 10 years.

Clinical Lab Sciences

Special thanks to **John Landis** who served

as Acting Program Director for the CLS programs in 2009. John is retired from Ferris State University but continues to support CLS education in his consultant /educator role with Oakland University, University of Cincinnati, Siemens and Baker College of Owosso. This, of course, only happens when he is not playing golf. John did a large amount of work in a short period of time including accreditation reports that were due at the end of this calendar year. We are most grateful for his work and expertise as well as his friendship. Bill Payne, CLS faculty member, will serve as director while the search for a chair continues. Ray Winters has provided administrative oversight for the department since Dr. Williams retirement. He will continue to serve in that role until a permanent chair is named.

Social Work

Dr. George Jacinto's article, *The Self-Forgiveness Process of Caregivers after the Death of Carereceivers Diagnosed with Alzheimer's Disease*, was published in the Journal of Social Service Research.

- His article, *Domestic Violence Survivors: Spirituality and Social Support*, was published in the Journal of Spirituality and Religion in Social Work.

Karen Fullen was appointed by Governor Beebe to the State Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board.

Dr. Guitele Rahill's two journal articles were published in The Journal of Social Work Practice in Addictions, Vol. 9, Issue 3, *What is a Relapse? A Contemporary Exploration of Treatment of Alcoholism* and *The Practice and Use of Lay Injectionists among Marginalized Immigrants in the United States: A Call for Research*.

Dr. Gauri Bhattacharya published a peer-reviewed research article, *The Indian Diaspora in Transnational Context: Social Relations and Cultural Identities of Immigrants to New York City in Transnational Migrants: The Indian Diaspora*.

- **Gauri's** *Experience of aging among immigrants from India to the United States: Social Work Practice in a global context* was published in peer reviewed international Journal of Gerontological Social Work, in July 2009, Vol. 52.

Drs. Gauri Bhattacharya and George Jacinto's abstract, *Achieving Racial/Ethnic Health Care Equality: A*

Public Policy Dialogue, will be presented at the Sixth International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry in Illinois in May 2010.

Dr. Patricia Guy-Walls, (2009) 'One World, One Disease: A Call for Reevaluation of the Youth Across Our Globe', *Journal of Social Work Practice in the Addictions*, 9: 4,423-424, December, 2009.

Dr. Patricia Guy-Walls, (2009) HIV/AIDS HITS HOME, *Perspectives Magazine*, 14-15 October, 2009.

Welcome to:

Annette Bednar (CLS). Ms. Bednar received her MSE in Biology from ASU and is serving as a temporary full-time faculty in the CLS program.

Rebecca Bridges (Dean's Office). Ms. Bridges will be filling the administrative specialist II position in the Dean's Office left vacant by Blair Young.

GRANTS/CONTRACTS:

Partnership in Public Child Welfare (Title IV-E); awarded \$461,490 for 09-10; **Dr. Dick Freer**, SW (Project Director) and **Karen Fullen**, Coordinator.

Dr. Angie Schmidt (Nrs) awarded from DHHS/HRSA for Nurse Anesthetist Traineeships, \$26,411.

Dr. Susan Hanrahan (Dean) awarded a subcontract from UAMS for Arkansas Geriatric Education Centers, \$69,863 (HRSA funded).

Dr. Susan Hanrahan (Dean), Arkansas Delta Healthcare Workforce Initiative, \$4,719,019 (pending), Dept of Labor.

Dr. Angie Schmidt (Nrs), Nurse Anesthetists Traineeships, \$ 719,000 (pending), HRSA

Dr. Sue McLarry (Nrs), MSN Traineeships, \$ 2,832,464 (pending), HRSA.

Dr. Sue McLarry (Nrs), New Careers in Nursing Scholarship Program, \$50,000 (pending), Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

Dr. Sue McLarry (Nrs), HRSA Nurse Education, Practice and Retention, \$582,200 (pending).

Student News

Seven accelerated nursing students gave flu shots to about 450 Poinsett County residents on Friday, October 30 in Marked Tree. The shots were also administered on Friday, November 6 in Trumann. Mass flu immunization clinics were held at ASU on October 29 and December 10 where numerous faculty and students participated.

The December 10th clinic provided approximately 3,000 immunizations.

Congratulations to:

The following students for receiving the Junior Auxiliary Award Scholarship:

Morgan Emery (Nrs)

Meg Bradley (Nrs)

Heather Isbell (Nrs)

Aaron Ballew (Nrs)

Emily Martin (Nrs)

Martello Cox (PT) who has been selected to receive the Isokinetics award.

Congratulations to the following Who's Who in American College and Universities Awardee's:

Brandon Aven-Nurse Anesthesia

Allyn Cohen -Clinical Laboratory Sciences

Ashley Dobbs – Social Work

Samantha Davis-Nursing

Lauren Hancock-Family Nurse Practitioner

Hannah McCone-Communication Disorders

Sarah Mouser-Nursing

Laura Mumphrey-Nursing

Alexa Nation-Radiologic Sciences

Eureka Reed-Social Work

Amber Woods-Nursing

Nikki Enger-Luster received the inaugural Bill and Helen Roehrig Memorial Award in Physical Therapy. The \$500 award was established by Dr. Susan Roehrig in honor of her parents and is presented to a graduate who exemplifies excellence in professional behaviors and an interest in working in geriatrics or adult neurologic physical therapy practice.



Left to right:
Berrong and Woodside

Miss Keshia Berrong, a senior majoring in Communication Disorders, was awarded the Mable Symons Woodside Scholarship for the Fall 2009 semester. This scholarship was established by Mr. John Woodside in tribute to his mother, who was a life-long advocate of higher education. Scholarship criteria mandate that recipients be students attending ASU who live in Missouri, since that is where Mr. Woodside's parents lived and worked. This scholarship is normally reserved for incoming freshmen, but Miss Berrong's exemplary academic status earned this recognition. Dr. Marianne Woodside, Mr. Woodside's daughter, is a professor at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. **Mindy Krebs** successfully defended her thesis project entitled "The Effects of Peer

Training Social Intervention on Social Interactions of children with Autism". Committee members are **Dr. Mike McDaniel**, **Dr. Sherri Lovelace**, **Dr. Rick Neeley** and Dr. Julie Lamb-Milligan from the Department of Educational Leadership and Special Education.

The Department of Communication Disorders awarded four scholarships to graduate students for the spring, 2010 semester. Miss **Brandi Messer** received the George Herndon Graduate Scholarship in Communication Disorders; Mrs. **Shelby Lovins** received the Jane H. LeBlanc Graduate Clinical Scholarship in Communication Disorders; and the two L.H. Sternheimer Family Endowment Fund scholarships were earned by Mrs. **Mary Hannah Pulliam** and Miss **Rachel Dunigan**. **Eric Williams** (SW student), *The Secret Life of Aging*, will present at the Baccalaureate Program Directors conference in Atlanta, Georgia in March 2010.

Alumni News

(Excerpt from ASU NEWS)

Six distinguished alumni from Arkansas State University's College of Nursing and Health Professions were honored Saturday, Oct. 24, as part of ASU's 2009 Homecoming weekend celebration.

The distinguished alums include Mary-Katherine Hardin, Master of Communication Disorders (MCD), Certificate of Clinical Competence-Speech Language Pathology (CCC-SLP), of the Department of Communication Disorders; Donna Parker, Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), and Dr. Patricia Guy-Walls representing Social Work; DeJuan J. Daniel, Master of Physical Therapy (MPT), of the Physical Therapy department; Brad Bauer, Radiology Specialist (Radiography), from the Department of Medical Imaging and Radiation Science; and Heather Bastel, Master of Science in Nursing (MSN), Registered Nurse (RN), Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN), Family Nurse Practitioner (BC-FNP), recognized by Nursing. Rose O'Neal (member of the 1st nursing class at ASU) was featured in the Jonesboro Sun as an Unsung Hero.

In Sympathy

*To the Family of Mike Medlock,
ASU Board of Trustees Chair
To Brenda Anderson (Nrs) on the death*

of her nephew.

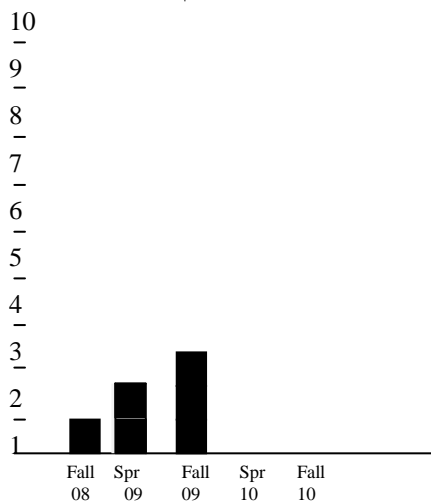
To the Family of Curtis Obal, former grad assistant

To the Family of Kelly Elliott, CLS student
To Cheryl DuBose (MIRS) on the death of her grandmother.

Pinning Ceremony

The ASU Radiation Therapy Program celebrated its 10th year with a 10 year Celebration/Pinning Ceremony on August 6, 2009 in Centennial Hall at the ASU Student Center. It was a celebration/reunion of past classes as well as a pinning ceremony for the current graduates. Dinner was sponsored by Dr.'s John Lynch and John Allgood. Alumni and clinical education centers were honored with plaques and certificates as well as any clinical instructors who had been a part of the program for 10 years. Current graduates were honored as well with their pins and awards. The program has 75 graduates who are employed in 15 states nationwide. Many alumni and clinical instructors were present to help celebrate this milestone in the program. It was a great time of celebration and fellowship.

CNHP CAPITAL CAMPAIGN 2008-2010 Fundraising Period \$10 M Goal



Grief Seminar

The ASU College of Nursing and Health Professions and HopeCircle are bringing Dr. Alan Wolfelt, noted grief counselor and speaker, back to Jonesboro to present two sessions on Grief, May 18th and 19th. He will hold a public session May 18th at the ASU Convocation Center from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on "Healing Your Grieving Heart When Someone You Love Has Died." He will present "Exploring the Spiritual

Aspects of Death, Grief and Mourning: A Workshop for Caregivers," a continuing education seminar for professionals on May 19th from 9-3. The all day session will be in the ASU Student Center Auditorium.

Beck PRIDE Center receives surprise donation from local Veterans of Foreign Wars chapter

(excerpt from Inside ASU)

In a surprise move, Arkansas State University's Beck PRIDE Center for America's Wounded Veterans was the recipient of a special donation during the open house at the center's new home in the Donald W. Reynolds Center for Health Sciences.

Beck PRIDE Center director Susan Tonymon was paying tribute to the Veterans of Foreign Wars for the organization's support and service to the center by presenting a certificate to veteran representative Sid Mize of the Jonesboro Chapter 1991. Mize turned the tables by presenting a check for \$2,000 to a surprised Tonymon.

Title IV-E Academic Partnership for Public Child Welfare

by Karen Fullen

Title IV-E staff: Dr. Richard Freer, PI; Karen Fullen, Program Coordinator; Trish Holt, Lynda Nash, and Mickey Wilson, Field Trainers; Sandy Tate, Administrative Assistant.

It is an exciting time for the field of Child Welfare in Arkansas. Governor Beebe has mandated an array of initiatives to improve the delivery of child welfare services across the state. The ASU Title IV-E Child Welfare program in the Department of Social Work plays a key role in implementing these initiatives in Northeast Arkansas.

Karen Fullen, program coordinator for the ASU Title IV-E program, has been very involved in the development of new training curricula and has participated in Arkansas child welfare policy development. She has recently developed training curricula for DCFS county supervisors and coordinated the delivery of several workshops to over 100 DCFS supervisors as mandated by Governor Beebe. Karen is assisting with policy development and training curricula for DCFS staff who work with youth transitioning from foster care to independence/adult living. Field Trainers - Lynda Nash, Mickey Wilson and Trish Holt, along with Karen Fullen, are providing weekly field training to almost one third of the DCFS work force in Northeast Arkansas.

As the new positions are filled, ASU's field trainers will provide workshops, one-on-one field training and mentoring, conferences, educational support groups, and case consultation. Trish Holt and Mickey Wilson will be participating in a national Training of Trainers in Atlanta in January. There they will learn skills and training methods that will enrich the educational presentations of the ASU IV-E group. During the spring of 2010, the ASU team will develop and provide advanced practice training to all of the field workers in Northeast Arkansas, also mandated by Governor Beebe.

The Title IV-E Interdisciplinary Team, led by PI Dr. Richard Freer, will sponsor a spring workshop on ASU's campus entitled, "New Frontiers: Working With Children Who Have Social and Emotional Disturbances". The conference will be held on February 23rd.

Local and State leaders in the field will present a series of workshops to educate students, faculty, foster parents, and other professionals in Northeast Arkansas. Other Child Welfare Interdisciplinary Committee members: Karen Fullen, Dr. Larry Salinger, as well as Dr. Barbara Turnage, worked to get the new Minor in Child Advocacy ready for fall, 2009 enrollment. Karen and Larry were invited to the National Child Protection Center at Winona State University, along with faculty from 20 other universities across the United States, to present on the Child Welfare Team at ASU and the development of the ASU Child Advocacy Minor.

ASU Title IV-E is providing four undergraduate stipends to social work seniors and is funding a comprehensive scholarship for one MSW student. This program sponsored six senior social work students as well as six DCFS field staff at the annual Arkansas Child Abuse and Neglect Conference in September, 2009.

World AIDS Day—2009

By Dr. Guitele Rahill, SW

The Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) and the related Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS) have had a devastating impact around the globe over the past decades. To mitigate this impact, the World Health Organization established World AIDS Day in 1988. World AIDS Day serves to focus global attention on the devastating impact of HIV/AIDS around the world, by providing governments, national AIDS programs, faith organizations,

community organizations, schools, and individuals with an opportunity to raise awareness and focus attention on the global AIDS epidemic.

The Department of Social Work hosted its second annual World Aids Conference on Dec. 1 with Dr. Guitele Rahill and Dr. Loretta Brewer serving as co-chairs. The conference was entitled "HIV Complicity: A Deadly Risk Factor." The overarching objective of the conference was to mitigate the spread of HIV in this generation by increasing knowledge and awareness of HIV among groups that are disproportionately impacted. Groups invited included local and regional high school and university students, communities of color, faith based communities, and gay male residents of this rural area.

Mayor Harold Perrin served as Master of Ceremonies. A letter was read from our state's First Lady Ginger Beebe. There were two main events scheduled. The local Latino community was invited to hear Mr. Francisco Sastre, PhD candidate at Florida International University, speak on "Viviendo positivo: Miedos, retos y vidas con VIH en los Latinos." The general audience heard Dr. Dexter Voisin, Associate Professor in the School of Social Service Administration at the University of Chicago present, *I am educated, young, and live in the south: So why should I be concerned about HIV?*

The conference included free and confidential HIV testing with the assistance of the Arkansas Department of Health and the Craighead County Health Department. Sixty-three individuals were tested including 11 males and 52 females (22 white, 23 African American, and 18 Hispanics/Latinos). A balloon release, coordinated by Dr. Patricia Guy-Walls, was held at 12:30 in conjunction with the Arkansas Minority Health Commission. A final component of the conference was a candlelight vigil held at 6 P.M. in Heritage Plaza with Ms. Latoya Carthon, a Social Work student, singing *His Eye is on the Sparrow*.

Among the conference sponsors were the Arkansas Minority Health Commission, Professional Disposables, Inc (PDI), Arkansas Department of Health, Craighead County Department of Health, Northeast AR Regional AIDS Network and the ASU Office of Diversity Initiatives and College of Nursing and Health Professions. Dr. Rahill is currently completing data collection on a HIV knowledge study with objectives to examine relationships between HIV knowledge,

sociodemographic characteristics (such as gender, race, ethnicity, class status, religiosity, and HIV stigma) in relation to 1) substance use/abuse and 2) sexual risk behaviors. Her goal is to collect and analyze 600 surveys, with an oversampling for African Americans. She has collected data on 120 students to date. Some of the preliminary outcomes will be reported in the fall newsletter.

Healthy Ager (*continued from page 1*) students. CLS will collect lab data for a diagnostic baseline. After the assessment, an interdisciplinary team will be formed for each Healthy Ager. The disciplines included in a team will be those determined to offer the most benefit for each Healthy Ager's particular needs. The interdisciplinary team and Healthy Ager will work together to set and work toward personal goals. Fitness and education programs have been the focus of the Healthy Ager project in previous years and have been quite successful. This year the activities in the fitness portion of the program will expand to include the Wii balance board, Wii golf/tennis tournaments, and brain games. We hope that by adding these activities to our program that we will further enhance the Healthy Ager project. If you have interest in participating in a future Healthy Ager class, contact Dr. Shawn Drake at sdrake@astate.edu

Beck PRIDE Center *by Susan Tonymon*

The Beck PRIDE Center for America's Wounded Veterans is pleased to announce its selection as a 2009 grant recipient by the prestigious Newman's Own Award/ Fisher House Organizations. The Center is one of 11 non-profit organizations across the United States recognized for providing innovative services to our nation's military families. In addition, The American Red Cross announced recently the grant of a Wii Fit system for use by the participants in the Center.

Center participants are now benefiting from the multifunctional, state of the art facilities located in the new Donald W. Reynolds Center for Health Sciences. The Center is conveniently located on the bottom floor, adjacent to the Speech and Hearing Clinic. More than 70 participating injured combat veterans are receiving one or more of a multitude of free services under one roof, like: physical therapy, speech/hearing care; attend weekly combat veterans' support groups, ASU Jonesboro's Arkansas Student Veterans organization meetings and

activities, and more. Plus, the center provides onsite access to veteran services providers like, VA Memphis Vet Center counselor, VA Vocational Rehabilitation, Disabled Veterans Service officers, Military Order of the Purple Heart and more. The Center staff offers assistance with access to resources for obtaining higher education, rehabilitation, socialization; referrals for mental health counseling the injured veteran and family members, social services, advocacy, financial services, employment and business services, veteran's benefits and much more.

This spring, the Combat Veterans Support group meets each Thursday, 11:00am – 1:00pm. It is facilitated by veteran-counselor Harvey Reed, LCSW with the Memphis VA's Vet-Center. Any student-veteran is welcome to drop by at "R&R Wednesday", 12:00pm – 1:00pm at the Beck PRIDE Center. This is an informal weekly gathering designed for student veterans to get acquainted with students, faculty and staff; enhance social skills, campus awareness; and to promote networking among the ASU community.

Student-Veteran Traci Wineland an ASU Radio/TV major recently produced a video documentary project called "Boots to Books" based on the Beck PRIDE Center and it is posted on the "YouTube" internet site. To view this very informative video, visit:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pWS4Uxa8K6Q>

CNHP to Sponsor Trip to China *by Ray Winters*

In May approximately 20 students and faculty from the College of Nursing and Health professions will make a 10-day trip to China. This trip will expose current and future health care providers to Chinese methods of delivering healthcare while allowing them to learn and appreciate Chinese culture.

Lead by Ray Winters, Chair of the Department of Medical Imaging and Radiation Sciences, the group will leave May 5 and return May 15. Students may obtain up to 3 hours college credit for the experience. Guiding the group will be John Pate, who works for ASU in China.

Pate is a native Arkansan who has lived in China for 6 years. Both Pate and Winters will lecture, guide and challenge the students and faculty to immerse themselves in Chinese culture and medical practices.

The 10-day trip will begin in Beijing where students will begin with an orientation to Chinese culture, including some practical tips for travelers new to China. While in Beijing, they will tour Beijing University Medical School, attend a presentation at the Chinese World Health Organization, shop at the famous "Silk Alley" market, tour the Great Wall, Forbidden City, and more. The group will then board a sleeper train for an over-night trip to Xi'an (pronounced "she awn"). There they will tour the ancient capital of three dynasties, including its historic, intact, city wall and bell tower, attend a traditional Chinese dinner show and see the Terra Cotta Warriors. After two days, the group will fly to Shanghai where they will tour the Yueyang Hospital, center of traditional Chinese medicine. While in Shanghai, they will have the unique opportunity to tour the World Expo being hosted this year by the country of China. Shanghai is preparing to show its best side to the world during this and will feature state-of-the-art venues from around the world, giving students a global cultural experience all in one city. Other plans for Shanghai include touring a Chinese nursing home and the national museum of Chinese culture. Woven through all the itinerary are experiences at Chinese hotels (all 4 star!) and Chinese cuisine.

Future plans are for this to be an annual event. The cost is very reasonable and would be hard to beat for the value of this trip. Current students are eligible to apply for travel assistance monies through the Office of International Programs. Alumni of any CHNP program are welcome to go, as well as their spouses, friends and family.

If you think you might want to go, want more information or to be placed on a waiting list, contact Ray Winters at 870-972-3329 or at rwinters@astate.edu. Dates for 2011 have not been set as yet, but hope to be available soon. These will be published in the next issue of [Stateside News](#).

We believe this opportunity provides a unique opportunity for our students that they wouldn't get at other universities. It will also provide a unique opportunity for alumni to learn the differences and similarities in health care delivery in one of the world's fastest growing economies.

CI Seminar

By: Lyn Hubbard

The seminar will be held at the Fowler Center, with registration beginning at 8:30 a.m. in the Grand Hall. The morning speaker will be Susan Greenwood, Vice-

president of risk management, quality and safety at St. Bernard's Regional Medical Center. Her topic will include the new HIPAA regulations, as well as case studies on HIPAA violations. Lunch will be provided at the center, followed by break-out sessions for each discipline, beginning at 1:30. CE and CPE credit will be awarded and those wishing to register should contact Kathleen Lorange by phone, email, or fax: Klorance@astate.edu, (870) 972-3073, (870) 972-2004 (fax). Registration deadline is Friday, March 5th. Students who attend do not need to register.

Annual Social Work Conference

by Dr. Gauri Bhattacharya

The Department of Social Work, College of Nursing and Health Professions will celebrate our Annual Social Work Conference 2010 on **Friday, April 2, 2010** at the **Centennial Hall, Students Union**.

The topic of this year's conference is **Narrative Therapy from a Strengths Perspective**.

Our keynote speaker, Dennis Saleebey, DSW, is a Professor Emeritus of Social Welfare at the School of Social Welfare, University of Kansas. Dr. Saleebey is an internationally renowned pioneer of the strengths perspective. He has written widely and presented nationally and internationally to multidisciplinary groups of health care professionals and human service providers. He sums up the strengths perspective as "about the revolutionary possibility of hope."

This conference will take place on April 2 from **8:00a.m. until 12 Noon**. Registration is free, but necessary for this once-in-a-lifetime conference with Dr. Saleebey. To register, please e-mail Elizabeth O'Neil your name and affiliation at elizabeth.buffington@smail.astate.edu before March 8, 2010.

The use of narratives to collect and interpret qualitative research data is well established. All professionals from multidisciplinary programs recognize the importance of carefully listening to and meaningfully interpreting individual narratives. The application of a professional collaborative client-centered narrative inquiry as a therapeutic tool remains limited, yet evolving.

For additional information, contact Dr. Gauri Bhattacharya at gbhattacharya@astate.edu

1st Annual Recruitment Fair

by Ashley Mott

The ASU Department of Physical Therapy

hosted its 1st Annual Recruitment Fair on December 18, 2009 at the Cooper Alumni Center. The graduating MPT students, as well as the other MPT students and PTA students were invited to attend this event. Fifteen facilities affiliated with the ASU Physical Therapy Department came to the Cooper Alumni Center to set up booths and talk to the students about potential job opportunities.

Missing Alums

Below is a partial list of alums who we have either no address or bad addresses on. Please send current mailing address to: alumni@astate.edu or by mail to: PO Box 1990, State University, AR 72467-0990.

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME
Audra	Ables
Stacey	Adams
Kendra	Adams
Jodi	Ahrens
Terry	Alcorn
Patty	Alcorn
Lara	Alexander
Ronnie	Alford
Jennifer	Allen
Ashley	Allgood
Danny	Allgood
Richard	Armstrong
Erin	Arnold
Kelley	Arnold
Anna	Ashcraft
Patricia	Ashley
Julie	Austin-Witcher
Phyllis	Bailey
Randy	Baker
Loria	Baldwin
Amy	Barber
Karen	Barnes
Angie	Barnett
Dennise	Battershell
Rhonda	Battles
Jill	Baugh
Sarah	Beach
Carl	Bearden
Minnie	Bell
Terry	Bell
Tanya	Bell
Roshni	Bhakta
Nicole	Biberger
Anise	Black

Phillip	Bokker	Pattie	Davis	Gail	Grace
Jennifer	Bonney	Amanda	Davis	Carshina	Greer
Tammie	Borini	Kimberly	Davis	Suzanne	Griffith
Lynda	Bowen	Joe	Davis	Kathy	Grimes
Carolyn	Bowen	Paula	Davis	Tim	Gross
Ann	Bradford	Latasha	Dawson	Lynn	Guengerich
Michelle	Bradley	Deborah	Dean	Casey	Guest
Marylin	Bradley	Patsy	Deckard	Betty	Gunter
Kristie	Branscum	Marva	Deloney	Donna	Gwinn
Billie	Brazeal	Kristi	Delp	Roxanne	Hale
Deborah	Brewster	Judith	Dobies	Dorothy	Hall
Donna	Bridge	Laura	Dover	Shelley	Harmon
Ben	Britton	Cassie	Duncan	Paige	Harmon
Leanna	Brown	Cathy	Dyke	Jesse	Harris
Deborah	Brown	Sheri	Eades	Dana	Hawkins
Mary	Brown	Jennifer	Eason	Thomas	Hawkins
Deena	Bruce	Felisha	Echols	Ann	Hearn
Nicole	Bryson	Ginger	Edgar	Stephenny	Hebert
Chad	Burns	Elsie	Edmonson	Irene	Henley
John	Caban	Diana	Elia	James	Henley
Jennifer	Calas	Reta	Erwin	Hazelene	Henry
Peggy	Callahan	Jerry	Evans	Heather	Heringer
Andrea	Cambron	Shannon	Ezell	Tracy	Herndon
Phyllis	Camp	Stacy	Featherson	Karen	Hess
Charles	Casey	Melissa	Fikes	Tiffany	Hickman
David	Cauny	Brenda	Findley	Ann	Higginbotham
Casey	Charlebois	Amy	Fischer	C J	Highfill
Henrietta	Cherry	Carol	Fisher	Linda	Hill
Brooke	Chipman	Amanda	Fitzgerald	Juanita	Hinton
Hong	Church	Stacey	Flanery	Barbara	Hitt
Richard	Coleman	Monna	Floyd	Kerry	Hogland
Reginald	Conley	Brandy	Ford	Amy	Holland
Elizabeth	Cook	Beverly	Ford	Tami	Holloway
Mary	Cornish	Donna	Fox	Teresa	Holmes
Stacey	Couch	Tia	Franklin	Donald	Holt
Kimberly	Counce	Patricia	Free	Le Anne	Hooker
Tisha	Cox	Billinda	Freeman	Stephan	Hooper
Randall	Crabtree	Elizabeth	French	Cyntwynet	Hopkins
Becky	Crabtree	Tim	French	Rene	Hopple
Stephanie	Crite	Lateesha	Fritts	Debra	Houston
Ivory	Crockett	Felicia	Fulbright	Aaron	Howard
Linda	Crook	Maurice	Fuller	Blair	Hubbard
Linda	Crossno	Tamara	Funke	Jennifer	Hubbard-Davis
Lisa	Crouch	Kathie	Fussell	Mary	Hubbart
Rita	Cupp	Darla	Gearhart	Castanita	Hudson-Martin
Janet	Curry	Susan	Gibson	Brandi	Hurst
Sheila	Curtiss	Cathy	Gilbow	Monica	Huskey
Maricia	Daniels	Patty	Glidewell		
Connie	Danley	Rosanne	Gliemann		
Misty	Darr	Sally	Goodman		
Phyleece	Davis	Lori	Goodson		