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Celebrating the Contributions of an OSU Legend



No one ever thought the day would actually come—but unfortunately it is here. Dr. Robert Rodgers is officially retiring after a long and distinguished career at Ohio State. Dr. Rodgers received his B.S. degree in Industrial Engineering/Psychology from Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas. He came to OSU to pursue his graduate degree, and in 1965 he graduated from OSU with a M.A. in Counseling Psychology/Higher Education, and then began work as a Residence Hall Director from 1967 until 1971. He graduated with his Ph.D. from OSU in Higher Education/Philosophy in 1971. Dr. Bob served as the Associate Vice President of Student Services from 1971-1974 while serving as an adjunct Assistant Professor of Education & Psychology. In 1974 he became an Assistant Professor of Education and Psychology and in 1980 was promoted to Associate Professor. He also led the beloved SPA Program and served as the Director from 1971 to 1989. He is a member of ACPA, NASPA, the American Association for Counseling & Development, the Association for Psychological Type, the Association for Moral Education, the American Association for Higher Education and the Ohio College Personnel Association. He received the Earl Anderson Award for Higher Education, the Teaching Award from NASPA Region IV and is a member of Phi Kappa Phi, Tau Beta Pi, Ohio Delta Kappa & received the Annuit Coeptis Award of ACPA. In his 35+ years of association with OSU, he has touched many lives through his personal, reflective approach to teaching and deep passion for student learning and development. His legacy will continue through the students he has mentored and the impact he has made on the OSU culture. We will miss him greatly.

Join OSU in recognizing the service and dedication of Dr. Bob Rodgers on Thursday, December 8 from Noon-2pm in the Stecker Lounge of the Ohio Union. The program will begin at 12:30pm.

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NEWS FROM THE COORDINATOR OF SPA...

I was quite delighted to join The Ohio State University community in July. During the past few months I've quickly grown to realize the level of dedication our faculty, staff, administration, students and alumni have toward the SPA Program, and it's quite impressive. The history and traditions associated with this collaboration between the School of Educational Policy and Leadership and Student Affairs have created a deep source of pride for individuals involved in every capacity. I am humbled by being selected for the role of SPA Coordinator and am energized by our Program's great potential in this time of widespread change. For example, faculty and staff from the Colleges of Education and Human Ecology are discussing the possibility of merging to support common goals. There are six new faculty members in the School of Educational Policy and Leadership, two of us (Tatiana and I) devoted to Higher Education and Student Affairs. Dr. Robert (Bob) Rodgers plans to retire at the end of Autumn quarter after many years of devotion and service to the Program—while we are sad to see him leave, we want to celebrate the impact he's had on so many lives by building on the quality foundation he worked to establish. At all levels the institution is undergoing transformation, bringing opportunities for reflection, scholarly debate, new partnerships, and personal, structural, curricular and programmatic growth. I'm anticipating an exciting year filled with possibilities!

We hope you'll be a part of these exciting times by staying in touch, getting involved in events whenever possible, and supporting the Program in any way you are interested and able.

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ACPA/NASPA

Join the Higher Education and Student Affairs and the SPA Program at both ACPA & NASPA. We will be celebrating Dr. Bob Rodgers & his contributions to the program and field at the ACPA Reception in Indianapolis. Alumni will be contacting you with more information! Mark your calendars for March 18-22, 2006 for ACPA in Indianapolis & March 11-15, 2006 in Washington, D.C. for these annual conferences and receptions! See you in March!

SERVICE-LEARNING INITIATIVE UPDATE

By Heather Bandeen & Davida Haywood



This fall, the Service-learning Initiative has continued to provide opportunities for undergraduate students across campus to engage in a thoughtful, critical analysis of leadership, community involvement, and gain an understanding of the theories of Service-learning. The undergraduate course in the School of Educational Policy & Leadership, Leadership in Community Service, is coordinated and instructed by Davida Haywood, a second year Higher Education doctoral student, and Heather Bandeen, a first year Educational Administration doctoral student. Additionally, Valentine Mukuria and D'Andra Mull, both second year Higher Education doctoral students, have been involved with the course as teaching assistants and facilitators of small group reflection.

As in years past, the Service-learning Initiative maintains on-going partnerships with several service organizations throughout the city of Columbus. We are currently working in collaboration with eight sites:

Life Care Alliance, the After School Academic Program (ASAP) & Food Pantry at the Broad Street Church, The Boys and Girls Club at Second Avenue, Medary & Como Elementary Schools, Neighborhood Services Incorporated (NSI), and the YWCA, formerly Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN). The students created formal class presentations providing in-depth explorations of the social issues that make these agencies so crucial to the community. One thrilling event of the fall quarter was the opening of the new YWCA building that will now replace the former facility of Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN). The students at this site had amazing opportunities to learn about the complex process of transitioning to this remarkable facility that will now accommodate individuals who are temporarily without housing in Columbus.

In the upcoming winter quarter we are looking forward to the involvement of four new teaching assistants: Beth Halpern, Brian McGowan, Megan McGough, and Maria Bootwala. The Service-Learning Initiative remains an invaluable opportunity for all involved and we are excited to continue these efforts!



OSU undergraduate Craig Kolk plays football with kids at Como Elementary, Fall 2005.

HESA Students Around Columbus



Bryan Bowen, Lisa Weiss, Daniel Newhart, (all MA Class of 2006) at the GLBT Student Services Welcome Week Social.



1st and 2nd Year M.A. Assistant Hall Directors taking a break from Training in the Arena District.

HESA Students in Lancaster, England: Summer '05



HESA Students with Allen Delong (PhD '03), Visiting Professor



M.A. '06 class: Maria Bootwala, Rebecca Lane, Jared Schwartz, Trinity Jeter, Peter Paquette, 2nd Row: Kristin Hunger, Renata Opczynski, Adam Andolina



OSU Lancaster Interns by Loch Ness

OSU Lancaster Interns Scotland-Haggis Tour



SPA Students Taking Action with Hurricane Katrina Clean-Up

By Daniel Newhart



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Recently, four SPA students, Collier Lumpkin, Mary Kate Meincke, Cristen Porter, and Daniel Newhart led a group of undergraduate students to Slidell, Louisiana for an "Alternative Fall Break" trip. This event was sponsored by the Ohio Union and Habitat for Humanity. Due to the previous work that these two organizations had done in Slidell, Ohio State students were able to go to Louisiana and help with Hurricane Relief. Collier was able to organize this initiative in four weeks, and the event was a success due to her efforts.

Students on this trip were able to help with construction and clean-up efforts, and were also able to see some of the devastated areas in Slidell, as well as New Orleans. They saw the damaged areas around Lake Ponchartrain as well as East New Orleans. Reflections on the activity focused around the devastation and how it made the students feel. Some students began to think about the issues of race, education, housing, and transportation disparity in these areas. Students were asking questions such as "What about those people who could not afford hurricane or flood insurance? What about those on fixed incomes?"

Also, students were concerned with the way that these areas were going to be rebuilt. Would they be rebuilt in the same way? Or would the rebuilding process look at things like the educational system, housing opportunities, and health care for those doing the rebuilding?

The SPA students were able to use their knowledge from the program to help lead students in meaningful reflection about the trip. After reflection, one student stated: "I had never thought about these issues. For me, I was here to help, but now I'm beginning to see the bigger picture."



Daniel Newhart (MA '06) with OSU Undergraduate Students.

Cristen Porter (MA '06) on the left in red with OSU Undergraduate students.



Noteworthy Accomplishments of Students:



Brad Van Den Elzen (Ph.D. Candidate) was recently awarded a research scholarship from the Sonkin-Bergman-Wasserman Families' Scholarship for International Understanding and Peace from The Ohio State University Office of International Education.

Lisa Weiss, (MA, '06) presented "Student Leadership Makes a Difference: Using student leaders to engage their peers to make a difference in K-12 public schools" at the "Read. Write. Act." National Conference presented by the Student Coalition for Action in Literacy Education in October at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

Mike Brockfield, (MA, '06), Sarah Shilling (MA, '06), and Kathy Titus-Becker (Ph.D. Candidate) presented "Exploring and Choosing the "Right" Graduate Program at the 2005 "Careers in Student Affairs Conference" sponsored by the Ohio College Personnel Association at OSU-Newark in October.

Davida Haywood (MA, '04, Ph.D. student) presented "Black, Female and Greek: Seven Women's Experiences at a Predominantly White Institution" in Little Rock, Arkansas at the 2nd National Summit on Black Greek Letter Organizations sponsored by the National Association of Student Affairs Professionals (NASAP).

Larry Mrozek (Ph.D. student) presented a poster session at ASHE this November in Philadelphia on the paper he wrote entitled, "Campus Climate for Diversity Survey" co-authored by **Barbara Wharton (Ph.D. candidate QREME)**. They both presented the same paper at the Mid-Western Educational Research Association conference in Columbus, Ohio in October 2005.

Updates from Alumni & Friends:

Karen Parrish Baker (Ph.D. '04) a tenure-track position as an Associate Professor of adult and Higher Education at Morehead State University.

Dr. Edward Dadez (MA, '82) presented "Passion to be a Student Development Educator" at the ACPA Next Generation Conference keynote address and "Campus Facilities Designs and Construction for Small Colleges and Universities" at the ACPA National Convention in April 2005. **Edward** was recently given additional responsibilities at Saint Leo University in Florida, and is now the Vice President of Continuing Education and Student Services.

Keri (Lindemann) Disch (MA '01) was married on March 12, 2005 to Sean Disch in Milwaukee, WI. Keri & Sean live in Chicago where Keri is the Associate Director of Graduate Admissions and Financial Aid at the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University.

Sarah (Neri) DiRamio (MA '03) and **Adele Thomasson (MA '04)** were awarded the OSU College of Nursing 2005 Dean's Strategic Award in June 2005.



Tess & Harrison
Hawkins-Wilding

Susan (MA '02) and Shane (Ph.D. student) Hawkins-Wilding are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Tess Alexandra, at 8:24 PM on June 24, 2005. She was born at Wooster Community Hospital, weighing 7 lbs. 10 oz. and she was 19 1/2 inches. Tess joins her 2-year old big brother, Harrison.



Currently, **Susan** is the Associate Director of the Lilly House for the Exploration of Vocation (www.wooster.edu/lilly) at the College of Wooster, and **Shane** is the Housing Coordinator at The Ohio State University Agricultural Technical Institute (ATI) (www.housing.osu.edu/ati.asp) in Wooster, OH.

Luke LaCroix (MA '02), enrolled in the Masters of Science in Human Resource Management & Development at New York University. He currently serves as a Community Development Educator in the Department of Residential Education at NYU. He is also chairing the professional staff recruitment committee for the second year.

Ian Lee (MA '02) is now working as an advisor for Student Support Services at Bowling Green State University.

Nichole Mancone (MA '01) began a new position in July as the Assistant Dean of Student Affairs at the Boston Conservatory in Boston, MA where she will be responsible for Residence Life, Judicial Affairs, and Student Activities.

Laurie Neff (MA '84) began a new position as the Dean of Students at Randolph Macon College in Ashland, VA.

Catharine Patrone (MA '03) recently began a new position as the Assistant Director of the University Honors Program at Purdue University in West Lafayette, IN.

Vicki Pitstick (MA '96) began a new position as Program Manager at the University Honors and Scholars Center at The Ohio State University.

Marcie Schreibman (MA, '03) and husband welcomed daughter Nili Jay Schreibman on June 19, 2005. Marcie is taking a break from the Office of Housing and Residence Life at George Mason University in Fairfax, VA to stay at home with daughter Nili.

Ben Williams (MA '00, Ph.D. Candidate) along with wife Marla and son Colin welcomed daughter Elyse Josephine Williams ("Ellie" for short) into their family on Tuesday, September 27th. Ellie weighed in at 7lbs 5 ounces. Congratulations Ben & Marla!

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accomplishments, comings
and goings by e-mailing
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**Class of 2005
M.A. Grads Update**

Sarah Brackmann
Georgia Institute of Technology
Student Involvement for Community
Service

Jessica Brinker
Duke University
Fraternity & Sorority Life

Erin Ciarimboli
Kenyon College
Academic Advising

Carey Clinton
Peace Corps
Eastern Europe-Bulgaria

Patty Cunningham
Doctoral student-Social Cultural
Foundations
Ohio State University

Katybeth Dreisbach
University of Richmond
Career Counseling

Michelle Garcia
Ohio State University
Office of International Education

Lauren Garrett
Maine Maritime Academy
Residential Coordinator

Kelly Gribbin
DePaul University
First Year Experience

Kerry Johnson Fraatz
Ohio State University
Academic Advising

Willow King
DePauw University
Residence Life

Kelly Kovicak
Loyola University-Chicago
Career Advisor-School of Business

Dana Kuchem
Ohio State University
Honors & Scholars

Nerice Lochansky
University of Richmond
Area Coordinator

Danny McBride
Catholic University
University Center, Student Programs
& Events

Lynne McCaul
Marietta College
Student Activities & Greek Life

Carl Moore
Kutztown University
Academic Advising

Melissa Ochal
Ohio State University
Office of International Education

Mike Orlando
Bowling Green State University
Residence Life

Kim Orndorff
Ohio State University
Office of International Education

Joe Orozco
Ohio State University
College of Pharmacy

Linda Park
University of Maryland
Academic Advising

Chris Peters
Ernst & Young, Columbus
Health Care Advisory Services

Ankita Rakhe
Trinity University (TX)
Diversity & Service Programming

Christina Solis
Trinity College (CT)
Area Coordinator

Sara Stonewater
Southeast Missouri State University
University Center

Morris Thomas
Maryland Institute College of Art
Residence Life

Brent Turner
University of Wisconsin-River Falls
Leadership Center

Maryann Wu
University of Southern California
Academic Advisor

Amber Zuber
Lafayette College (PA)
Community Outreach Center

Help us locate:

**Gina Ginn
Tony Jakubisin**

**Please send updates to
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2005-2006 College of Education Scholarship Recipients

Barbara Allen

Dan H. Eikenberry Scholarship

Jeffrey Bennett

Earl W. Anderson Memorial Scholarship

Jaime Deafenbaugh

Dan H. Eikenberry Scholarship

Jennifer Gilbride-Brown

E.E. Lewis Fellowship in Educational Administration

David Haywood

Dan H. Eikenberry Scholarship

Stacyanne Headley

Thomas C. Holy Fellowship

Trinity Jeter

Harry L. Thompson Scholarship

Anne Claxton Krabacher

Martin W. and Blanche D. Essex Scholarship for Graduate Education in Educational Administration

Tammy Maltzan

Flesher Fellowship

Wilbur Hopkins Memorial Scholarship

Christina (Cricket) Nardacci

Jack. A. Culbertson Scholarship

Katherine Titus-Becker

Ruth Weimer Mount Fellowship

Brad Van den Elzen

Porterfield-Dickens SPA Award

Jie Yao

E.E. Lewis Fellowship in Educational Administration

Congratulations to our scholarship recipients!!