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IMPORTANT NEWS

The Fall 2011 SEI process in Datatel has not been fully developed. As such, FA11 SEIs may be delayed. We ask your patience as the kinks are worked out. We will keep you informed as we learn more.

From the Dean's Desk

This new academic year offers many exciting opportunities for the College of Education. In this first edition of the COE Connect, you will read about the new faculty members who joined us this fall. They bring a wealth of knowledge and vitality to our programs and complement the dedicated faculty currently in the College of Education. Our faculty members are passionate about preparing highly qualified educators, administrators, counselors, and psychologists who will make a difference in the communities they serve.

In March 2011, we hosted a successful reaccreditation visit with the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). The entire university came together to highlight our commitment to the belief that it takes a whole university to prepare quality educators,

administrators, and counselors. We received our official notification from the NCATE Unit Accrediting Board in late October.

Our doctoral program in Counselor Education and Supervision is entering its second year with a new cohort of potential Counselor Educators. Both first and second year cohorts have had opportunities to engage in professional development and research activities with the Counseling and Psychology faculty. We look forward to continuing to grow this program. The Counseling program is also gearing up for a reaccreditation visit from the Council for Accreditation of Counseling & Related Educational Programs (CACREP). We will keep you posted as we move forward!

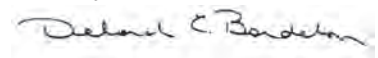
This academic year also brings opportunities for new program development and new program



delivery options. Keep an eye on our website as we highlight our endeavors.

I hope you enjoy our inaugural issue of COE Connect. We are very proud of our accomplishments and look forward to working together with our students, alumni, faculty, and community members to achieve even greater success!

Sincerely,



Welcome Back ... Linda Buyer



This fall saw the return of **Linda Buyer** to the Psychology faculty. Linda left the faculty in December of 2001, when she served as department chair until 2004. Linda was at Purdue University in Lafayette, IN, in AY2005-06. She returned to GSU as Associate Director of Institutional Research in 2006. In 2008, she was made Director of IR.

Linda is happy to be teaching again. She has a full load teaching PSYC310, PSYC422, PSYC440, and STAT468 .

Welcome Linda — We're glad to have you back!

Hello, Larry



Larry Maucieri, new assistant professor in the Division of Psychology and Counseling, received his Ph.D. in clinical psychology from Fordham University in the Bronx, NY. Part of his training included a yearlong clinical internship at Yale.

Prior degrees include an M.A. in Psychology from NYU and a B.A. in Music Theory and Economics from the University of Illinois.

After graduating from Fordham, Larry completed two years of specialty training at Northwestern

Memorial Hospital in neuropsychology. He then taught at the Adler School of Professional Psychology before coming to GSU in September.

Larry grew up in Addison, IL. In his free time, he loves musical activities: playing guitar, keyboards, and singing. He recently took up cycling and this summer completed a bike tour from Vienna to Budapest.

Since coming to GSU, Larry has felt overwhelmingly supported and accepted by his colleagues and administrators.

Rosanne Blooms at GSU

Rosanne Tadsen, new faculty in Psychology and Counseling, earned her B.A. at the University of Illinois at Urbana/Champaign and her M.A. from Roosevelt University in Chicago.

Rosanne grew up near Rochester, Illinois. Her father was a beef and grain farmer.

When not teaching, grand-mothering her four grandchildren is her favorite thing to do.

"Interacting with them as they grow and change is fascinating."

An organic gardener, Rosanne considers providing healthy food to people, especially her children and

grandchildren, her mission in life. She even sells produce to the South Suburban Food Coop in Park Forest, IL.

After teaching for 30 years in the public schools, Rosanne really misses her students.

She believes that helping prepare school counselors at GSU is a blessing.

Rosanne finds the people who work at GSU friendly and welcoming. "Many times I have asked directions of someone waiting for the elevator or walking in the hallway, and that person not only smiled and told me how to find the room, but also took me there."



Vickie Joins the Team



The new Program Coordinator of the Alternative Certification Program is **Vickie Person**. Vickie completed her B.A. at Ohio University in Athens, GA, and received both her master's and doctorate from Olivet Nazarene University in Bourbonnais.

Raised in Columbus, Ohio, Vickie loves to shop. In her leisure time, movies are a favorite pastime, but her passion is travel.

In July 2010, her 10-year old daughter, Brooke, won two gold medals (Popular & Gospel) at the World Choir Olympics in Shaoxing, China. Way to go, Brooke!

Vickie has been very pleased by the willingness of the faculty and staff to help "the new kid on the block." She is grateful to be a member of such a great team.

SEA Sails to Victory

The GSU Student Education Association (SEA) saw the greatest percentage increase in membership recruitment out of all the Illinois chapters for the year. No other school even met membership from last year. GSU not only met the total, but exceeded it! GSU SEA officers attending an Advisory Board Conference in Bloomington were informed of this great accomplishment. As a result of their success, **Michelle Tennant**, president, and **Larry Joynt**, vice president of the GSU SEA chapter, earned an all expense paid trip to attend the NEA national conference in Houston, TX.

Sue Burke, sponsor for this organization sincerely thanks all the officers for their hard work and dedication in keeping this organization thriving on the GSU campus, providing services for our education students, and representing GSU at conferences.



Dr. Johnson Goes to Washington

August, 2011:

Psychology faculty members **Jean Johnson** and **Al Tuskenis** attended and presented at the APA National Convention in Washington, D.C. They made two presentations, (one poster and one symposium), concerning capstone courses in undergraduate psychology programs.

Dr. Johnson also serves as chair of the Society for the Teaching of Psychology National Capstone Project.

Hot off the presses:

The October 2011 issue of *Teaching for Psychology* (a peer reviewed journal for Division 2 of APA) includes the article *Development and Effects of a*

Writing and Thinking Course in Psychology by **Jean Johnson, Al Tuskenis, Glenna Howell, and Kim Jaroszewski.**

The article details how the course *Thinking and Writing in Psychology* was developed using the APA Learning goals and includes results from an analysis of the course's effectiveness. The course demonstrated a positive impact on the overall grade point average and thinking and writing skills of students in the course. Implementing and requiring a thinking and writing course relatively early in the undergraduate psychology major was strongly supported by this study.

A Fond Farewell



The end of the Spring 2011 semester, not only saw the end of classes, but the retirements of two of our long-standing and favorite COE members.

After many years of crunching numbers into student heads, Dr. Math, also known as **John Meyer**, said good-bye. We already miss you, John!

Cheryl Krieger, advisor for the Special Education program, as well as the MA in Education, also called it quits. Coming up through the secretarial ranks, Cheryl ended her career at GSU as one of the popular advisors in the COE.

Cheryl and John, don't be strangers. We wish you both good luck and good times in your retirement!

What We Did This Summer . . .



This summer, many of the COE Faculty had time to just kick back and relax.

Steven Russell took his relaxation to a whole new level. He spent a week at The Abbey of Gethsemani, a Trappist monastery near Bardstown, KY.

Not sure how much relaxing **Cyrus Ellis** did at his 30-year 8th grade reunion in Pasadena, Texas, but he sure had fun! However, **Byron Waller** enjoyed relaxing this summer playing golf in the Dominican Republic.



Nancy Miller relaxed in a tent on a camping trip in Michigan. **Pat Robey** didn't see too much rest, but she certainly had a seminal summer shopping for wedding dresses with her daughter, whom she claims "is the most beautiful girl in the world." And who could deny that?

Our own housekeeping guru, **Marlin Exton**, and his wife, **Vanyette** (also a GSU employee in CHHS) are members of the Lighthouse Church of All Nations choir, which won the regional "How Sweet the Sound" competition recently held at the United Center.



They traveled to LA in late October for the second phase of the competition and had a great time. Congratulations!

Ten Words of Summer

Fridays off, lazing in the backyard, eating ice cream! -Lynne Clayton

A mocha frappé with a friend after visiting my local farmers' market in search of fresh fruit. -Crystal Harris Blount, Ph.D.

Soccer, concerts, family picnic, iced tea, air-conditioned movies, reading, heat. -Pat Smith

Ice cream days, firefly nights, shimmering rainbows, bursting in air. -Ellen Silver-Horrell

Sun, BBQ, vacation, long evenings, swimming, corn-on-the-cob, fireworks, hot, flip-flops, relaxing. -Bonnie Gregg

Reading for fun, walking on the trail, more time for friends. -Sharon Neste

Summer nights for convertibles, campfires, moonlight swims, and a cacophony of katydids. -Connie Schrage

A time when fast paces slow, and family time speeds. -Jeannine Klomes



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