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Alumni Advisory Council – An Update



William C. Deeds

As we enter the second full year of the operation of the Alumni Advisory Council activities, I will be assuming the duties of the Chair. Dr. Kelly Burke was the inaugural chair. Under her very able leadership we held the first meeting of the council in October 2007. We learned about the current priorities of the Psychology Department and discussed how the knowledge and skills provided by the department match up with the knowledge and skills needed in the workplace. Based on this discussion, we identified the major agenda item for our September 2008 meeting: “Discussion on identifying ways to provide greater focus on undergraduate students who are not planning to attend graduate school or other professional training.” Under Dr. Burke’s leadership at the first meeting, this was identified as a potential area of concern. I personally want to thank her for laying the groundwork for this process. We hope to be able to report on the Council’s activities in this area in the near future.

If you are interested in the current membership of the Council, you can go to the department home page (www.k-state.edu/psych/home/index.htm#), click on Alumni, and then Alumni Advisory Council. The site also contains the Council’s By-Laws. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Council, please send a letter of interest and a résumé/vita or short bio to Dr. Jerry Frieman, Department of

Psychology, Kansas State University, Bluemont Hall, Manhattan KS 66506 or contact him by e-mail at frieman@ksu.edu. Students with either an undergraduate and/or a graduate degree from the department are encouraged to apply. Members are elected by the Council at its annual meeting. For general information you can contact Dr. Ron Downey 785-532-5475 or downey@ksu.edu.

The Council hopes to be able to help the department in a variety of ways. The list of council members’ responsibilities is provided below:

1. Attend Council meetings;
2. Be informed about the mission, programs, and activities of the Department;
3. Help the Department establish mutually beneficial partnerships with individuals, corporations and foundations;
4. Actively participate in the Department’s fundraising efforts, including making personal commitments to the Department’s annual fund and/or campaign priorities;
5. Advise the department head in an ongoing assessment of the current and future environment of the diverse academic offerings of the Department with an emphasis on how the Department can respond with its mission of preparing students to be informed, productive and responsible citizens; discovering and disseminating new



The Alumni Advisory Council meets September 19, 2008.

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- knowledge; supporting the instructional needs of the entire university; and enriching the quality of people's lives;
6. Review agenda and supporting materials prior to Council meetings;
 7. Follow Kansas State University's policies on fundraising, confidentiality, and conflict of interest;
 8. Represent the Department to the Kansas State University community; and
 9. Advise programs in the Department on occupational and career trends.

If you are like me, my professional life is closely tied to my experiences while a student at Kansas State University and

what successes I have had are due, in no small part, to those experiences. Serving on the Advisory Council is one way of paying something back to the Psychology Department and the University. If you are not at this time able to consider membership on the Council, please think about supporting the Council's efforts by making a financial contribution to the Psychology Department. Checks should be made out to the KSU Foundation with the Psychology Department noted in the memo line and sent to the attention of Dr. Jerry Frieman, chair of the department.

—William C. Deeds, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the College, Morningside College, KSU Ph.D., 1979

Meet the New Professors (in their own words)



Kimberly Kirkpatrick (kirkpatr@ksu.edu) grew up in Western Iowa near the town of Onawa. "We were very near the Nebraska border and used to blame all sorts of things on the Nebraskans. I went to a small rural school in Moorehead, IA with a mere 17 classmates. Despite its small size, the quality of education was very good and I managed to gain acceptance into college at Iowa

State University, where I was determined to study Engineering. However, my plans were derailed while taking an Introductory Psychology course by Ron Peters, who was a world-class lecturer with a background in Physiological Psychology. After that, I changed my major and decided that I was going to pursue my PhD in Behavioral Neuroscience. Upon graduation from Iowa State, I accepted an offer to join the graduate program at the University of Iowa, where I received my PhD with Ed Wasserman. The Iowa-Iowa State rivalry is one of the strongest in college athletics and it was some time before I developed any sense of affection for U of I, but over time I did come to love studying and working there and really enjoyed living in Iowa City. Today, I cheer for both universities, except when they play each other. Then, I'll be seen wearing Cyclone colors. While I was at Iowa, I met my husband Stuart Miller. We left Iowa together and moved to Rhode Island so that I could pursue a post-doctoral fellowship in Russ Church's laboratory at Brown University. Sam, our 11-year old son, was born during our second year in Providence. Stuart spent most of his time working in a sleep laboratory, which meant that we didn't see much of each other. My job would relocate us again when I took a position as a Lecturer in Psychology at the University of York, York England. We spent 8 wonderful years living and working in York and traveling around Europe. During this time, I built up a prosperous research program and was pleased to supervise three students through their PhD degrees, all of

whom are doing very well. However, home kept calling to us and last year, while on sabbatical at Duke University, I applied to the opening here at Kansas State and was pleased to accept the offer of an Associate Professorship in the Behavioral Neuroscience group.

"My general area of research is Animal Cognition, but my main focus is on time perception. I am currently conducting research on the role of timing in choice situations and exploring the links between impulsive choice, impulsive responding and timing. I am approaching these issues by using multiple levels of analysis, including quantitative behavioral analysis, mathematical modeling, behavioral pharmacology, and brain lesion techniques. As a sideline, I will be setting up a small avian visual cognition laboratory for studying visual perception in pigeons. I recently supervised a project that examined motion perception and the role of temporal and spatial cues in motion tracking by the pigeon. I am very excited to be at Kansas State and am looking forward to supervising graduate and undergraduate students and hopefully developing some new research avenues through collaborative links with other members of the department."



Brenda McDaniel (bmcDani@ksu.edu) recently joined the department's Personality/Social area. She earned her B.A. in Psychology from the University of Arkansas. After graduation, she worked for two years in a variety of laboratories ranging from brain surgery in rats and language acquisition in toddlers to childhood false memories and journaling as a means for coping with traumatic life events. From all these experiences, she decided to attend graduate school and study personality and health. During her third year of graduate school at Oklahoma State University, she met her soon-to-be husband (Allen Eason) in APA's

Preparing Future Faculty in Psychology. This program selects graduate students in various areas of psychology for a two-year fellowship with in-depth training on becoming a faculty member.

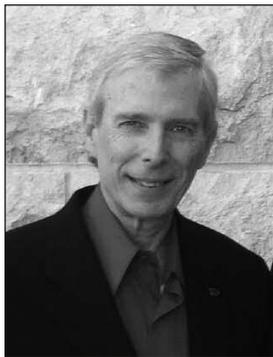
Come to find out, Allen and Brenda actually worked at the same adolescent treatment facility in Arkansas for the same 9-month period. Somehow, with different shifts, they never met. Their graduate programs at Oklahoma State University were in neighboring buildings on campus (Allen in Counseling Psychology and Brenda in Lifespan Developmental). However, it still took another 3 years from the start of graduate school for them to meet in the Preparing Future Faculty in Psychology program. To make up for lost time, Allen proposed a year and half later.

During Allen's internship and Brenda's post-doc, they had their first child - a black Labradoodle (part Labrador retriever and part Poodle). After chewing up some high priced electronic cords, Dude grew up into a wonderful young boy (11 months old). Feeling that Dude needed a partner in life, Brenda and Allen rescued a beautiful white Labradoodle from a breeding farm. Spirit (1 year 9 months) has adjusted nicely to the McEason home. However, in terms of partners, she seems to prefer Dude's brother Moe when he visits (owned by Allen's sister). But Brenda and Allen are still hopeful to eventually hear the pitter-patter of little paws!

Brenda's research interests involve *personality* and *health*. One line of research involves exploring the relationship of

individual personality factors (e.g., shy, optimistic, brave, and perfectionistic) to health outcomes (e.g., depression, anxiety, blood pressure, and cortisol stress levels). For example, Brenda has explored the relationship between personality self-discrepancies (e.g., differences between one's view of self and how one would like to be) and depression, anxiety, and self-esteem. Her second line of research involves examining the interaction of moral development, emotions (e.g., empathy, guilt, and shame), and family dynamics upon antisocial behavior, anger rumination, forgiveness, and other outcomes. Within both of these lines of research, Brenda is interested in adolescent development (broadly defined: about 10 - 20 years of age). She collects data in the community and in her laboratory on campus. If you have access to community samples (e.g., Boys and Girls Club, public schools, private schools, Big Brothers Big Sister, etc.), Brenda would love to hear from you. Brenda is able to give back to any organization that builds a partnership (e.g., monetary donations, supplies, focus groups on topics of interest for youth, etc.). Brenda also gathers physiological health recordings and observational data (e.g., facial-emotion coding, parent-youth conflict interaction) in her laboratory. She is currently collecting data on adolescents' views of themselves in relation to their views of moral role models and how those views relate to adjustment. She loves to collaborate and is always looking for interested colleagues and students. If interested, you can contact Brenda at bmcdani@ksu.edu.

Department Head's Column



For each of the last two years I found myself looking forward to writing this column so that I could tell you about new and exciting changes in our department. This year is no exception.

Two outstanding people joined our faculty in August, Dr. Kimberly Kirkpatrick in Animal Learning/Behavioral neuroscience and Dr. Brenda McDaniel in personality-health psychology. Profiles of both

of them appear above.

On the other hand, Dr. Ron Downey began a phased retirement on July 1. Dr. Downey will no longer be teaching and advising undergraduate students, but he will continue to be active assisting our new Alumni Advisory Council and department fund raising, as well as continuing to mentor the graduate students who were working with him. We will miss Ron's active participation in the department.

As a result of the addition of eight new faculty in 4 years, over half of the faculty have been here 4 years or less. I am please to announce that one of those new faculty, Dr. Mary Cain, was recently awarded tenure and promoted to Associate Professor. I am also please to announce that Dr. Clive Fullagar

was promoted to Full Professor this past year.

This is also an opportunity to tell you about some of the awards our faculty and students have earned. Dr. Don Saucier was selected for the Office of Student Life's 2008 Putting Students First Award, a well-deserved honor. During the years that he has been a member of our department, Dr. Saucier's undergraduate and graduate students have been very successful. This year Russ Webster, one of his graduate students, won two awards at the 2008 annual meeting of the Society for Personality and Social Psychology: the SPSP Diversity Fund Travel Award and the SPSP Graduate Student Poster Award. Russ also won the Diversity Fund Travel Award for the annual conference of the Midwestern Psychological Association, May 1-3, 2008.

The 2008 Dunlap Fellowship in Industrial/Organizational Psychology was awarded to John Steele, while Andrew Wefald received the Ronald and Dorothy Downey I/O Psychology Dissertation award. The Peterson Prize for outstanding graduating senior was shared by Marisela Gutierrez and Breanna Calvin McSpadden. The E.J. Phares Prize for the outstanding undergraduate researcher was shared by Christopher Rodeheffer and Steven Pittenger.

Adam Larson and Brandon Dooley, students working with Dr. Les Loschky, won second place in their session for their presentation at the Great Plains Student Psychology

Convention, and Jane Grdinovac's presentation at the annual K-State Research Forum was featured in the K-State Collegian. Dr. Ron Downey was her mentor.

Finally, Dr. Matt Palmatier received a grant from the National Institute on Drug Abuse for \$396,000 over two years to study Nicotine Reinforcement: Tobacco Pharmacotherapies.

Our Alumni Advisory Council held its inaugural meeting in October 2007 and its second annual meeting this past September. We value their advise as we continue to improve both our undergraduate and graduate programs. A report of their activities appears earlier in this newsletter.

It is with sadness that I report that two distinguished former members of our department died in 2007: Dr. William Bevan and Dr. E Jerry Phares. To honor them we used the funds donated to our department in their memories to enlarge and remodel room 5102 (the classroom on the 5th floor) and to remodel room 449 (which served as a classroom/seminar room). Both are now comfortable technology classrooms. In addition, with funds given us from the College of Arts and Sciences and President Jon Wefald we installed a plasma screen in room 487 (our seminar room) so that people can plug in their laptop computers when they want to make presentations. These infrastructure improvements, along with the computer teaching laboratory classroom I described last year, have greatly improved the learning environment for our students. We were able to do these things because of the funds we received from the College of Arts and Sciences, the Office of the President, and from contributions to our department's developmental account from people like you. A formal dedication of rooms 449 and 5102 was held on October 11, 2008.

In addition to these infrastructure improvements, donations



Psych majors Mari Gutierrez, Alexandra Chandler, and Lindsay Cook celebrate their initiation to Phi Beta Kappa honor society, April 2008.

to our department help us support faculty development and student scholarships. We could not do these things without your financial support. Given the number of you who earned your degrees in psychology from Kansas State University, if each of you donated even a small amount every year, we would be able to fund even more student scholarships and do even more to enhance the educational experiences of all of our students.

I encourage you to take few minutes to look at our website, www.ksu.edu/psych, for news about our department and profiles of our faculty. We always look forward to hearing from you about what you are doing. Tell us, and we will share your news.

—Jerry Frieman (frieman@k-state.edu)

Faculty News

Mark Barnett and his students continue their program of research on social-emotional development in children. Recent studies have focused on teasing among children and their perceptions of peers with various undesirable characteristics (e.g., aggressiveness, obesity). In the past year, Mark contributed entries on "Moral Development" and "Prosocial Behavior" to the *Encyclopedia of Social Psychology* and the *Encyclopedia of Child Behavior and Development*, respectively. Mark's daughter and son-in-law, Megan and John Brennan, are attorneys in law firms in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Mark's son, Neil, recently completed his master's degree in Health Education at the University of Kansas.

Satoris (Tori) Culbertson married Jimmy Culbertson last summer. She begins her second year at KSU, while Jimmy is deployed to Iraq.

Ron Downey started a five-year phased retirement program in the Fall semester of 2008. He will continue to work with graduate students, help with the department's fund raising efforts, manage the Occupational Health Psychology graduate certificate program (online courses), manage leadership courses (online), and coordinate the Alumni Advisory Council's activities.

Clive Fullagar is Director of Graduate Studies and in this capacity has taken the leadership with several programmatic

changes to encourage interdisciplinary and cross-area research in the Psychology Department.

Stephen Kiefer continues as Director of the University Honors Program, as well as teaching part-time in the Psychology Department. His older son Zach will graduate from Tulane University in December with a degree in Business. Younger son Brian is a first-year student at the University of Oregon in Eugene OR.

Matt Palmatier recently received a major grant on "Nicotine Reinforcement: Tobacco Pharmacotherapies" funded by National Institute on Drug Abuse. By promoting smoking behavior, nicotine dependence increases the risk of chronic disease and mortality. His research, which employs an animal model of nicotine use, indicates that nicotine strengthens smoking behavior because nicotine is itself rewarding and because it also makes other aspects of smoking more rewarding, including environmental stimuli associated with the behavior. The experiments proposed will continue to test this model with the long term goal of establishing its usefulness in identifying the neurobiological basis of nicotine's actions and in the development of more effective smoking cessation aids.

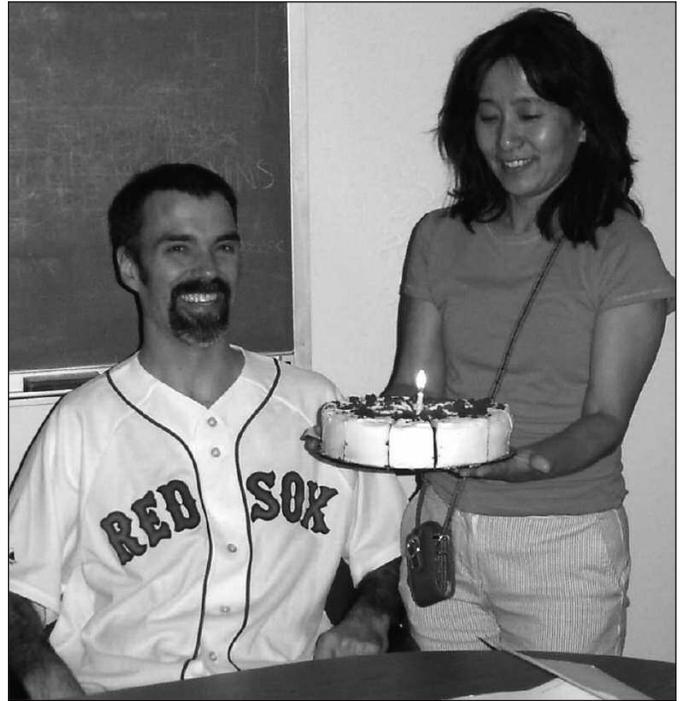
James Shanteau served in 2007-2008 as President of the University Distinguished Professors (UDP) group. This group,

appointed by the Provost, is made up of 25-30 distinguished faculty from across the University. During his term, the UDPs met with / advised President Jon Wefald, Provost Duane Nellis, Dean of Arts & Sciences Steve White, as well as many other high-level administrators from K-State.

This past September he gave the Keynote Address in Dublin, Ireland at the “Health4Life Conference: Judgement, Assessment & Decision Making in Health & Social Care.” The title of his talk was “The Gold Standard Illusion: The Elusive Search for Perfection in Health Care.” While there, he was the subject of a feature story in the “Irish Times,” as well as being interviewed on a nationally distributed radio show.

He continues to publish his research on expertise, with articles on health-care professionals appearing in the *Encyclopedia of Medical Decision Making*, *Computers, Informatics, Nursing* and a handbook dedicated to Ward Edwards. His research on expertise in Air Traffic Control appeared in *International Journal of Applied Aviation Studies* and the *Journal of Behavioral Decision Making*.

Finally some sad news: Doreen Shanteau, his wife of 43 years, died in May from kidney failure. She was a long-time supporter of the Psychology Department as well as being active in many civic organizations in Manhattan – she will be missed by all. See her obituary later in this newsletter.



Professor Lester Loschky receives a birthday cake from his wife Miki Loschky.

Dedications of the William Bevan and E Jerry Phares Memorial Classrooms

With funds received from the families of William Bevan and Jerry Phares, many of Jerry Phares’ friends and colleagues, and the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, we renovated two classrooms in Bluemont Hall: room 449 in memory of Dr. Phares and room 5102 in memory of Dr. Bevan. The formal dedication of these two rooms was held on October 11, 2008. Provost Duane Nellis and Dr. William Stamey, former Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, spoke at the dedication of the William Bevan Memorial Classroom. Dr. Stephen White, current Dean of the College of Art and Sciences, and Dr. James Lamiell, Professor of Psychology at Georgetown University and a student of Dr. Phares, related how Dr. Phares affected their careers.

William Bevan joined the faculty at KSU in 1959 as Professor and Head of the Department of Psychology (1959-62), after which he served as Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and Vice President for Academic Affairs. In 1965 he moved to Johns Hopkins University to become Vice President and Provost. From 1970-74, he served as the executive officer of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. In 1974 he was appointed the William Preston Few Professor of Psychology at Duke University and served as Provost of Duke University from 1979 to 1983, during which time he initiated the Talent Identification Program (TIP), to identify gifted children and provide resources to nurture their development. He also served as President of the American Psychological Association in 1982. On leave from Duke, he

became Vice President and Director of the Health Program at the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation in 1984 and remained at the foundation until his retirement in 1991. A cognitive psychologist, William Bevan spent his career researching how people perceive the world, as well as pursuing ways to translate those insights into improvements in teaching, learning, mental health care, and public policy. He was the author or co-author of 180 research papers and essays.

An obituary for Jerry Phares appears in this issue of *Psytalk*. William Bevan’s obituary appeared in last year’s *Psytalk*.

Faculty and students have commented about how much the remodeling has improved the teaching and learning environments in both classrooms.



Jerry Phares’ daughter and granddaughter Lisa and Andrea Richards unveil his photo in BH 449, the new Phares Memorial Classroom.

Psi Chi (Undergraduate Honorary Society in Psychology)

Psi Chi continued its usual activities during the 2007-08 school year, including a field trip to the Ellsworth Correctional Facility, pizza party, pub crawl, rat tightrope training, and spring banquet. A highlight of this year's banquet at Valentino's was the preparation by Mari Gutierrez of a video with old pictures of KSU Psychology faculty. The officers for 2007-08 were Mari Gutierrez (President), Lindsay Cook and Kelly Hesse (Vice-Presidents), James Fullagar (Secretary), and Karlie Mann (Treasurer). Officers for 2008-09 are Lindsay Cook (President), Jonathan Collum and Christopher Rodeheffer (Vice-Presidents), Matt Hopkins (Secretary), and Amanda Millet (Treasurer).

—Richard Harris (rjharris@k-state.edu)



2008 grad Mari Gutierrez celebrates with her parents and sister.

Master's in Industrial/Organizational Psychology (MIOP)

K-State's MIOP (Masters in Industrial and Organizational Psychology) program, administered primarily online in conjunction with the Division of Continuing Education, continues to be a success.

This summer the program welcomed 11 new students to Manhattan for the two-week on-campus requirement, during which they took intensive all-day courses from Drs. Clive Fullagar and Patrick Knight. These new students joined 11 returning students for two weeks of hard work, hot weather and good fun.

In addition, the program also has approximately 10 additional students who have completed their coursework and are now working on their applied practica projects with data from their respective employing organizations. These students are expected to complete the two-and-a-half year program in December, and – although they live across the country from California to Pennsylvania – most have expressed a strong interest in returning to campus for the commencement ceremony.

It is the belief of most of those involved with MIOP that the two-week on-campus component to the otherwise-distance program contributes greatly to this sense of congeniality and school spirit.

Recently, we have been notified by several current MIOP students and recent graduates that they have attained new jobs as a result of their MIOP experience. In one of these



Former MIOP administrator Joel Lundstrom with his wife Kristin and sons.

cases, a current MIOP student got a new job with a consulting agency at which another MIOP student works. The on-campus sessions give students, most of whom are in the human resources field, the opportunity for valuable networking opportunities such as this.

Those wishing to learn more about the MIOP program can visit the website <http://www.dce.ksu.edu/industrialpsych/> or can e-mail miopsych@ksu.edu.

—Maura J. Mills

Obituaries

E. Jerry Phares (1928-2007) died on October 26, 2007 after a short bout with lung cancer. Jerry was a member of our faculty from 1955 until his retirement in 1991 and served as head of our department from 1967 to 1989, presiding over our growth from a new graduate program to an established and highly respected one. The faculty he hired during this period mostly remained at KSU their entire careers, providing us with a stability almost unheard of in academia. Jerry was a student of Julian Rotter and was very well known and respected for his work on internal and external locus of control. He also was the author of several successful textbooks.

As current department head Jerry Frieman once said about Jerry Phares, "I compare him to a fine wine. He was full of wisdom and had a wonderful dry sense of humor." We miss him greatly. Jerry is survived by his wife of 52 years, Betty, daughter Lisa Richards, and grandchildren Andrea and Jared Richards.

Kirk L. Rogg (1965-2007) died on Sunday, November 25, 2007, after a courageous battle with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), often referred to as "Lou Gehrig's disease." Kirk received his B.S in 1987, M.S. in 1990, and Ph.D. in Industrial/Organizational Psychology in 1997, all from our department.

As a Senior Vice-President he directed the leadership assessment and development practice of Aon Talent Solutions

Consulting Group. Kirk worked with many Fortune 100 clients, including Dell, Motorola, Sprint, McDonald's, Ford Motor Company, Toyota Motor Corporation and the U.S. Department of Labor. He is the coauthor of *My Leadership Journey: Charting A Course to Leadership Wisdom*. Kirk also created The Nehemiah Project to serve as an incubator and growth accelerator for small non-profit organizations.

Kirk stayed in contact with K-State and served as a mentor, advisor, and friend to many others students and graduates in the I/O area. He is survived by his wife, Angela, and their three daughters.

Doreen S. Shanteau, (1943-2008), beloved wife of Professor James Shanteau for 43 years, passed away on May 16 at home in Manhattan after an extended illness. Doreen was Jim's loving wife, mother of Karen Davis of Columbia MO, David Shanteau of Tampa FL, and Jill Shanteau of Alexandria VA, and grandmother of James and Zach Davis and Alexandra Shanteau. As a registered nurse, Doreen worked for many years as staff nurse and later director of the Obstetric and Women's Health Department at Memorial (later Mercy) Hospital and later as an office nurse at Surgical Associates. She was an active volunteer in many community and church organizations. Doreen will be greatly missed by many people.

—Jerry Frieman

Graduate Association of Psychology Students (GAPS)

Kansas State University's Graduate Association of Psychology Students (GAPS) seeks to improve the climate and resources for graduate students in the Department of Psychology. During the 2007-08 academic year, GAPS was able to purchase four new computers for the graduate student computer labs, and transfer the older, workable computers to the undergraduate research computer lab. GAPS also led the charge in transitioning from a paper-based sign-up system for experiments to a completely online, paperless participant management system. In addition to hosting several successful, well-attended social events for faculty and students (Orientation Week BBQ, Halloween and holiday parties), GAPS members also participated in K-State's Telefund, raising money for K-State, the Psychology Department, and GAPS, as well as participated in the Graduate School Council's Ice Cream Socials, held both in the Fall and Spring semesters.

In the 2008-09 academic year, GAPS plans to help the psychology graduate program director, Dr. Clive Fullagar, in building a community of scholarship in the Psychology Department, in particular the graduate program. Among numerous recommendations, two major initiatives are already coming to fruition: first, a graduate student convocation at the end of the semester in which graduate students and

faculty convene to present and discuss research in an informal poster session. Second is the creation of M-BARC (Monday Brownbag And Research Colloquia Series). This is a series of brownbag sessions and colloquia that are aimed at highlighting research and theory in each of the four graduate areas of study. GAPS hopes that in stimulating communication between areas, we may have more fruitful collaboration between and among faculty and graduate students.

—Russ Webster (webster@k-state.edu)



Neuroscience faculty and grad students enjoy an evening out (front: Joe Coolan, Rose Coolan, Maggie Gill, Michael Hinkin. back: Stephen Kiefer, Sara Mietzner, Matt Palmatier, Gerry Deehan, Mary Cain, Don Saucier)

ALUMNI NEWS (compiled by Richard Harris)

The news below comes from numerous alumni from our undergraduate and graduate programs across several decades. It is always so interesting and gratifying to hear that majoring in psychology can prepare students for an extremely wide variety of careers. While some of our graduates are actively pursuing careers doing exactly what they prepared for at K-State, many others are using their psychology in ways they probably never dreamed of when they were here. Please continue to send us news and pictures for future newsletters. Here is this year's news, by order of graduation years. Note that news is alphabetized by last name within graduation year.

1971

Paul F. Detrick (B.A.) is a clinical psychologist and President of Florissant Psychological services, Inc. in St. Louis MO. He is also an Adjunct Faculty member at the St. Louis University Medical Center and the St. Louis County and Municipal Police Academy. He frequently consults for law enforcement agencies in the area of psychological assessment.

Gary Greenberg (Ph.D.) is now retired and Professor Emeritus at Wichita State, after teaching there for 40 years. Gary is now living in Chicago. He is a life member of APA and Secretary of the International Society of Comparative Psychology. He is also co-editing *The Gottlieb Handbook of Developmental Systems, Behavior, and Genetics: A Handbook in Commemoration of the Scientific Contributions of Gilbert Gottlieb*. He occasionally teaches courses at institutions in Chicago.

1975

Gerald L. (Gary) Peterson (Ph.D.) continues as Professor of Psychology at Saginaw Valley State University in central Michigan. He chaired the Psychology department for twelve years and is now content to teach and work with students on various research projects. He recently helped design a new class on the Scientific Foundations of Psychology, to foster critical thinking and prepare students for their Research Methods classes. He still enjoys performing psychic tricks in class and studying the psychology of magic and superstitious beliefs. Gary helps his wife Linda (a faculty secretary) present a concert of old songs and a ventriloquism show at local nursing homes (peterson@svsu.edu)



Alumni Council in deliberation September 19, 2008.

1977

Calvin Hoffman (B.S.) went from K-State into a graduate program in I/O psychology at U of Nebraska Omaha, where he earned master's (1981) and Ph.D. (1984) degrees. Since then he has worked in applied settings for around 18 years and academic settings for around 6 years. He currently is responsible for all the entry hiring and promotional selection processes for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. He also holds a part-time appointment at Alliant University and also does consulting in his spare time. Cal was recently elected a fellow of the Society of Industrial and Organizational Psychology (SIOP).

1978

Suzette Astley (Ph.D.) continues on the faculty at Cornell College in Mount Vernon IA. Sue lives in Lisbon IA.

1980

Gail (Burgess) Antenen (B.S.) lives in Ness City KS and teaches part-time. Gail serves on the Psychology Department Alumni Advisory Council.



Department Head Jerome Frieman and Alumni Council members Kenneth Sewell, Kelly Burke, and William Deeds.

1985

Laura M. Milner (Ph.D.) has moved from Alaska to Washington, where she is now Associate Dean in the College of Business at Central Washington University in Ellensburg, WA

1986

Carla Foth Christian (B.A.) is married with four teenagers in the house - two children and two step-children. She is the owner of Grand Prix Homes, a real estate investment and renovation company. Carla lives in Camas WA. (email: carla_foth_christian@yahoo.com)

Kenneth Sewell (B.S.) recently became Vice-President for Research at the University of North Texas, where Ken has taught since receiving his Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from the University of Kansas in 1991. Ken also serves on the K-State Psychology Department's Alumni Advisory Council.



Jerwen Jou (Ph.D., 1990) with wife Chian-hua and daughter and new granddaughter.

1992

Edmond Leboeuf (B.S., MPA '94) became an Approved Mediator for the State of Kansas in 2008. He volunteers Mediation services with Kansas Community Mediation Services, assisting with dispute resolution involving juvenile offenders. Scholastically, Ed is continuing with class work in KU's Certified Public Managers program, as well as Washburn University's Economics program. He is a Human Resource Professional with the Kansas Department of Transportation in Topeka. He completed a half-marathon in 2008 and continues to run in 10K and 5K races. Also, he became a Certified SCUBA diver off the coast of Key Largo, Florida, in January 2007. (e-mail: Edmond@ksdot.org)

1995

Carrick Williams (B.S.) earned his doctorate in Cognitive Psychology at Michigan State University in 2003. After post-doctoral work on the perception of reading at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst MA, Carrick now is Assistant Professor of Psychology at Mississippi State University in Starkville MS.

1996

David Schrag (M.S.) is now an adjunct faculty member at Lafayette College. He lives with his wife Tina Huang, a chemistry professor at Lafayette, and their three children in Easton PA. He is also finishing writing his dissertation in Anthropology from the University of Minnesota.

1997

Ashley (Anderes) Phelps (B.S.) earned an M.A. from Wichita State University in Criminal Justice and a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from Capella University. She is currently employed at the Colorado Mental Health Institute at Pueblo as a Psychologist Candidate. There she works on the Maximum Security STAT unit and will be seeking licensure after obtaining her required supervised hours, probably around December 2008.

Aaron L. Wichman (B.A.) earned his doctorate in social psychology at Ohio State University in 2005. He currently is a Postdoctoral Teaching and Research Fellow at OSU.

1999

J. Andrew Karafa (Ph.D.) is now Department Head at Ferris State University in Big Rapids MI. His wife **Thuy Pham Karafa** (M.S., K-State) is an Adjunct Instructor in Psychology and Anthropology.

2000

Jeffrey S. Bartel (M.S., Ph.D., 2007) is now on the faculty in the Psychology Department at Washington and Jefferson College in Washington PA.

Christina L. Scott (Ph.D.) Continues as Assistant Professor of Psychology at St. Mary's College of California in Moraga CA. Christy recently returned to Manhattan and gave a colloquium in the Psychology Department on October 9, 2008.

2001

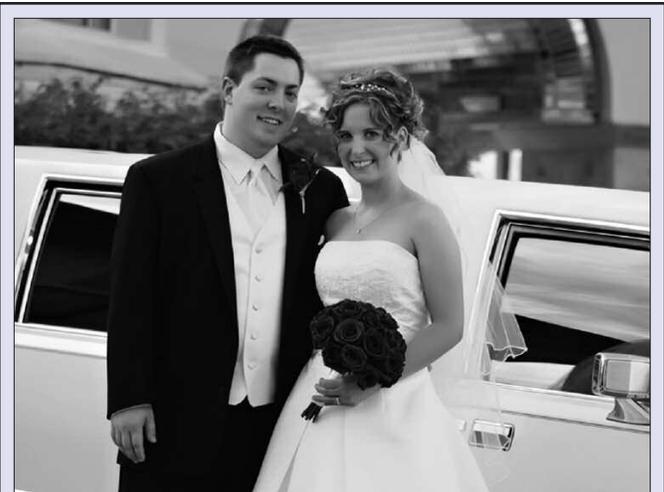
Carrie Lane (B.S.) earned her Ph.D. in Social Psychology from the University of Texas at Arlington and is now Assistant Professor of Psychology at Florida State University in Tallahassee FL. She is also the new faculty advisor for the FSU chapter of Psi Chi.

2002

Christopher Loersch (B.S.) earned his M.A. in Social Psychology at Ohio State University and is completing his Ph.D. there.

2003

Kelley (Kester) Ross (M.S.) married Jason Ross (Bachelor's in Civil Engineering, K-State, 2002) on September 15, 2007, in Wichita, KS. They now live in Lawrence KS and are working with students at KU for a non-profit Christian group, the Navigators. Before that, Kelley worked in San Antonio in the Disability Services for Students office at Trinity University for four years after graduating from K-State. (jasonandkelley@gmail.com).



Chris Barlett (B.S., 2004; M.S., 2007) and Natalie Brown (M.S., 2007) on their wedding day June 21, 2008.

2004

Brooke Balderson (B.S.) is co-owner of the Oz Winery in Wamego KS. The Wizard-of-Oz-themed winery opened in July 2007 and business is booming, selling over 1000 bottles a month.

Jennifer Bonds-Raacke (Ph.D.) recently became Associate Dean of the Esther G. Maynor Honors College at The University of North Carolina-Pembroke. In this new position she teaches honors classes and directs honors theses. She also continues teaching part-time in the Department of Psychology and Counseling, where her husband **John Raacke** (Ph.D., 2005) also teaches. John and Jenn live with their daughters Callie (5) and Brooke (2) in Laurinburg NC.

Sarah Bouker (B.S.) earned her Master's of Public Administration degree at K-State in 2006. Since then, she has been working for the Department of Homeland Security in Washington DC. During this time she also worked for awhile for the State Department on peace issues.

Gwen Lupfer-Johnson (Ph.D.) is Assistant Professor of Psychology at the University of Alaska-Anchorage in Anchorage AK.

E. Peter Muenks (B.S.) recently completed his M.A. in Clinical Psychology at Washburn University and is now working at Valeo Behavioral Health Care in Topeka.

2005

Chelsea Mueller Bartel (B.S.) married Jonathan Bartel in Wichita in October 2007. She recently completed her M.S. in Clinical Psychology at Washburn University and is now in the Ph.D. program in School Psychology at North Carolina State University in Raleigh NC. She lives in Morrisville NC.

Erica Dieker (B.A.) completed her Master's in School Psychology at Emporia State University in 2007 and was a school psychology intern for the Manhattan-Ogden School district in 2008. She married Andrew Larson July 19, 2008 in Manhattan.

Alicia Edison (B.S.) recently completed her M.S. in Counseling at the University of North Texas and recently returned home to begin studies for her Ph.D. in Sociology at K-State.

Kristen Geri (B.A.) works with the H.I.S. (Helping International Students) organization at K-State, which helps international students. Her husband Chad recently began his final year of Veterinary Medical School at K-State and hopes to specialize as a veterinary cardiologist.

Lindsay Johnson (B.S.) recently completed her master's degree in Clinical Psychology at Washburn University and is now working as a Child Therapist at the Wyandot Center for Community Behavioral Healthcare in Kansas City KS.

2006

Darlene Gilbert (B.S.) is working on her Master's in Mental Health through an online program with Walden University. Currently she is living with her in-laws in Wenatchee WA while her husband is deployed to Iraq.



Christopher Vowels and his mother celebrate his Ph.D. graduation May 2008.

Kevin Pelzel (B.S.) recently received his M.S. in Clinical Psychology from Pepperdine University and is now back in the Midwest beginning law school at St. Louis University. He hopes to bring his psychology and law interests together with a specialty in family law.

Anne Pingnot (Ph.D.) recently completed a postdoctoral research position at the University of Stirling in Stirling, Scotland and is now as Assistant Professor of Nursing Research at California State University-Stanislaus, in Turlock CA.

Tuan Q. Tran (Ph.D.) is now working for Sprint/Nextel in Overland Park KS. There he is working on statistical and cognitive modeling of consumers' behaviors.

2007

Natalie Brown Barlett (M.S.) was married on June 21, 2008, to **Christopher Barlett** (B.S., 2004, M.S., 2007) in Manhattan. She continues work to complete her dissertation at K-State.

Kelli Burkdoll (B.S.) is now a grad student in Communication Sciences and Disorders at K-State. She was recently married to Patrick James Schutter.

Lisa Bruna (B.A.) is beginning studies for her doctorate in Counseling Psychology at Washington State University.

David Gill (Ph.D.) works for Verizon in the New York City area.

Mary McGivern (B.A.) is continuing at K-State in the Department of Modern Languages to earn her M.A. in French. She is now teaching elementary French classes.

Breanna (Calvin) McSpadden (B.S.) is living and working in the Kansas City area. In December 2007 she was married to Brian McSpadden

Jenna Newsum (B.S.) recently began law school at Washburn University in Topeka KS.

Kristin Noble (B.S.) recently began work on her Ed.S. degree in School Psychology at the University of Kansas in Lawrence KS.

Mitchell Ricketts (Ph.D.) continues in his job as Safety Coordinator through the Agricultural Experiment Station at K-State.

Kelley Watson (Ph.D.) works for Cooper Industries in Houston TX.



2008 grad Amanda Stanford receives her honor cords from Professor Jerry Frieman.

2008

Alexandra Chandler (B.S.) is working in Human Resources at Intrust Bank in Wichita KS

Kelsey Jo Dorshorst Feyes (B.S.) was married last July 11 to Andrew Feyes at St. Isidore's Catholic Church in Manhattan. They now live in Bowling Green OH where Andrew is working and Kelsey Jo recently began studies for her Master's degree in School Psychology at Bowling Green State University in Bowling Green, Ohio.

Shawn Finan (B.S.) recently began graduate studies in School Psychology at the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley CO.

James Fullagar (B.S.) is deferring graduate school for a year and is doing some traveling and working in New Zealand.

Jane Grdinovac (B.S.) recently began grad school in Industrial/Organizational Psychology at Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green KY.

Marisela Gutierrez (B.S.) is working on her M.S. in Clinical Psychology with a Neuroscience emphasis at the University of Texas at Tyler in Tyler TX.

Kelly Hesse (B.S.) recently began graduate school in Marriage and Family Therapy at Texas Tech University in Lubbock TX.

Kendal Kershner (B.S.) is beginning graduate study in Counseling Psychology at Clemson University in Clemson SC.

Beth Larrabee (B.S.) is currently working for a Master's degree in statistics at K-State and is teaching statistics courses.

Anne Martin (B.S.) is teaching elementary school in Atlanta GA with the Teach for America program.

Steven Pittenger (B.S.) is doing substitute teaching in the Kansas City area. He briefly began studies in Neuroscience at the University of Kansas Medical Center in Kansas City KS but decided that was not for him.

Amanda Stanford (B.A.) is working in marketing for Biologix Research Company in Kansas City. She is also planning her Spring 2009 wedding.

Christopher Vowels (Ph.D.) is a Research Psychologist working in applied research at Fort Knox, Kentucky. He and his wife Nicole and their daughter Victoria live in Elizabethtown KY.

Andrew Wefald (Ph.D.) currently is on the faculty in the Leadership Studies Department at K-State.

Valerie (Pilling) York (Ph.D.) is an Evaluator for the Kansas State University College of Education Office of Educational Innovation and Evaluation.



Newly remodeled William Bevan memorial classroom (BH 5102).

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