

**April 2011
Newsletter**



Department of
Psychology



Colorado State University

FROM THE CHAIR:

After 13 years as chair of the Psychology Department I recently announced that I was stepping down from this position in order to return to the faculty. A search for a new chair has already begun with the plan being for the new chair's appointment to start on July 1, 2011. I have enjoyed my time as chair and in helping facilitate the growth and development of the department. During my tenure as chair over half the department faculty retired or left our department and we were able to hire 12 new faculty. I am proud of what we have accomplished together over these 13 years and I thank everyone for their hard work. I want to especially thank our alumni who have given generously over the last 13 years allowing us to dramatically increase both our graduate and undergraduate scholarships and awards. Best wishes.

FACULTY AND STAFF NEWS

Dr. Paul Bell testified before a Joint Committee of the Colorado Legislature on behalf of the Colorado Alzheimer's Coordinating Council, a legislatively appointed group assigned with drafting the Colorado State Plan on Alzheimer's Disease, on March 3rd.

Dr. Silvia Sara Canetto was an invited participant in the American Psychological Association Science Leadership conference on psychology as a STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) discipline (see February 2011 APA *Monitor* article entitled "*Promoting psychology as a STEM discipline*"). She was also appointed co-chair of the Task Force on Internationalizing the Psychology of Women, Society for the Psychology of Women, American Psychological Association and invited to join the editorial board of the international journal *Suicidology Online*.

Please join the department in congratulating Dr. Karla Gingerich who was named a TILT Teaching Fellow for the 2011-2012 academic year. Dr. Gingerich submitted a Provost's Course Redesign Competition proposal and it was funded. This proposal is meant to enhance the writing component in PSY 100. *Congratulations Karla!*

Dr. Kim Henry served on the Child Maltreatment Perpetration Study Panel at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta on February 8th and 9th. The panel will spend the coming year assessing the role of safe, stable and nurturing relationships in mitigating the deleterious long term effects of being maltreated as a child.

Dr. Kurt Kraiger received the CNS Faculty Excellence in Graduate Education and Mentoring Award.

Dr. Justin Lehmillers research on “friends with benefits” received international media attention, including coverage in *The Sunday Times* in London and several websites and blogs.

The following article was published in the weekly edition of @theForefront from the Colorado School of Public Health. (<http://attheforefront.ucdenver.edu/?p=1581>):

Dr. Lorann Stallones, professor of epidemiology and Colorado State University director of the Colorado School of Public Health, was named one of two 2011 Professor Laureates by the Colorado State University College of Natural Science. Dr. Stallones was named for her contributions to science in scholarship, research and outreach. Dr. Stallones will be honored at a spring lecture and reception where Dr. Stallones will deliver the spring laureate lecture on “Food Matters: Something for Everyone.”

Dr. Dick Suinn, emeritus professor of Psychology, was honored with three awards at the National Multicultural Conference and Summit in January. First he received the Henry Tomes Award for Distinguished Lifetime Contribution to the Advancement of Ethnic Minority Psychology. This award is given by the four national ethnic minority psychological associations based on advocacy across multiple minority communities. Next, he was a recipient of a Distinguished Elder Award at the Conference recognizing "pioneers who challenged existing paradigms within psychology". Finally, at the same Conference, Dr. Suinn received an APA Presidential Citation for his work for the "diversification of Psychology in research, teaching, practice, administration, APA governance and policy". He was also in Seattle to receive two national awards, each with an honorarium. One is from the National Multicultural Conference and Summit hosted by APA Divisions 17, 35, 44, 45 and the other is from the four independent ethnic minority associations (Association of Black Psychologists, Asian American Psychological Association, Latino/a Psychological Association, Society of Indian Psychologists).

The Colorado Family Education, Resources and Training (CFERT) project is the newest addition to the Psychology department and to the Institute for Applied Prevention. CFERT is an externally funded center supported by the Division of Behavioral Health, Colorado Dept. of Human Services, and is engaged statewide training and technical assistance in the development, implementation and evaluation of research/evidenced based parenting education programs. With limited resources in many agencies, CFERTs’ ability to build capacity, provide some financial support for parenting classes, and provide much needed evaluation support are critical to the success each agency’s efforts in program implementation.

ADVISING NEWS

As of mid-April, there are approximately 964 undergraduate students in the Psychology department. Of those, 63 students are declared on the Mind, Brain & Behavior concentration, and 4 have declared our new concentration in Industrial/Organizational Psychology. The three undergraduate advisors collectively see about 120 students a week during peak advising season (individual

appointments, change of major info sessions, and walk-in advising hours), to discuss summer and fall 2011 registration, career development, graduate school, and other topics.

In this academic year, we proudly moved to become the leaders in the College of Natural Science for numbers of undergraduate students participating in research labs. CNS boasts that over 200 students in the college are involved in research, and Psychology students make up at least $\frac{2}{3}$ of that number. This is more than a 100% increase since spring 2008.

Throughout the spring semester, the advising team has been working toward these goals:

- Better serving the students in our department who also participate in the KEY Academic or Service Living-Learning Communities. This university program works with low-SES and underrepresented first year students to provide them with unique, personalized support throughout their first year in college. We have changed our policy in Psychology to require that they participate in our First Year Seminar, which has been waived for them in the past. This change will allow them to learn about the curriculum and department/university policies that they were not learning before.
- Better support of students on academic probation. If a student's cumulative GPA drops to below a 2.0, they are put "on probation" and have 2 semesters to bring their GPAs back up. We have placed holds on 64 student accounts to require that they come in for one-on-one advising to determine what the issues were that got them on probation to begin with, and discuss how things may be different this semester so that they may make progress toward good academic standing.
- Introducing the idea of faculty-student mentoring (rather than "advising") to the department faculty, to ultimately build stronger mentorship connections between undergraduate students and faculty in the department. This initiative is strongly encouraged by the Provost's Office.

UNDERGRADUATE AND PSI CHI NEWS

The following scholarships were awarded to undergraduates for the 2011-12 academic year:

Gloria and Frank Grimaldi Memorial Scholarship – Christof Bentele

Dr. Frank Vattano Psychology Undergraduate Scholarship – Ada Mishler

Dr. A. Wayne Viney Psychology Undergraduate Scholarship – Cynthia Gardner

Always Remember Never Surrender – Jennifer Vazzano

Psi chi has elected new officers for the 2011-2012 year!

Psi Chi President: Kalyn McGinnis

Psi Chi Vice President: Jennifer Vazzano

PSA President: JD Patterson

PSA Vice President: Tara Klindedinst

Treasurer: Colleen Sinclair
Service Chair: Tracy Meisinger
Fundraising Chair: Marissa Reuther
CNS Rep and Historian: Jill Macleod

Considering becoming a Counseling Psychologist? Come to Psi Chi's last Professor talk of the semester with Dr. Karla Gingerich.
When: Thursday, April 21st at 5:00 p.m.
Where: BSB 103

ALUMNI NEWS

Dr. J G Benedict (B.S.), PHD from UCLA 1961, is now a Licensed Colorado Psychologist and is ABPP, NAP, FACP certified.

Dr. Laurie Chapin (Applied Social, 2010) defended her dissertation in May, 2010 titled "A multisystem, longitudinal study of resilience factors and positive educational outcomes for Mexican youth." Laurie accepted a position as a lecturer (which is like an assistant professor in the US) in the psychology department at Victoria University in Melbourne, Australia. Laurie will start teaching in March when the fall semester begins and plans to soon start working on research with colleagues related to at-risk youth immigrants and refugees. Her new email address is Laurie.Chapin@vu.edu.au

Dr. Helena Chui (Applied Social, 2010) began her post-doc at the Beckman Institute at the University of Illinois.

Dr. Joan Davis (B.S. 1976) will be completing her Psychiatry residency at the end of June and then will be doing a child and adolescent fellowship at the University of Washington in Seattle. Dr. Davis earned her medical degree from St. Christopher's College of Medicine in Senegal.

Richard Doty's (B.S.) book, *The Great Pheromone Myth*, has received good reviews. Dr. Doty received the Award for the Best Review Article published by *Oral Diseases* in 2010.

Dr. Kate (Martin) Hinrichs (Counseling, 2009) is now a licensed psychologist and has accepted a position as the Psychologist for the Community Living Center (nursing home) at the Boston VA Medical Center in Brockton, MA. She will be the lead mental health clinician in the CLC and will supervise both psychology interns and postdocs in this role.

Rebekah Kennedy (2010) is in the first year of her Masters program in mental health and rehabilitation counseling at Montana State, she is working as a research assistant for Dr. Terry Blackwell in the department. She is also on staff at a local residential treatment facility.

Bo Kusick (B.S., 1985) according to an article published in the The Bismarck Tribune: has joined Results Unlimited advertising and marketing agency as the Minot sales manager. Bo received his Bachelor of Science degree in psychology from **Colorado State University** and his juris doctorate from the University of Nebraska. He most recently was an account executive with KMOT in Minot.

Victoria Monroe (B.S. 2001) was hired last month as a wildlife biologist for the Fairfax County Police Department. Victoria received a degree in psychology with an emphasis in animal behavior from CSU and also earned a master's degree in zoology. Read more at the Washington Examiner: <http://washingtonexaminer.com/education/2009/08/three-minute-interview-victoria-monroe#ixzz1JEfedPQt>

Julie Novitski (B.S. 2007) received her M.S. degree in Clinical Counseling Psychology from Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science (located in North Chicago, IL) in June of 2010, and is now officially a first-year doctoral student at the same university in Clinical Psychology with a concentration in Clinical Neuropsychology.

Dr. Gretchen Nurse (Applied Social, 2009) has accepted a tenure-track appointment in the John and Doris Norton School of Family and Consumer Sciences, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, at The University of Arizona in Tucson. She will be part of an interdisciplinary team working on the Consumers, Environment, and Sustainability Initiative.

Dr. Jesse E. Purdy (1978) is one of four scientists who will be showing cuttlefish related work with Nakajima at The Phipps Center for the Arts. Dr. Purdy graduated with an emphasis in experimental psychology with specialization in animal learning and animal behavior. He is a professor of psychology and has held the Brown Distinguished Research Professorship in the Department of Psychology at Southwestern University where he has been since 1978. The focus of his work is on basic animal learning processes in aquatic animals where he addresses questions related to basic learning processes in cephalopods, questions related to the evolution of learning, and the role of learning in defensive and anti-predatory behavior in fishes. His work has been highlighted on the Discovery Channel's World of Wonder and on a NOVA show entitled "Kings of Camouflage.

Kathryn Raymond, M.S. (Counseling, 2009), has been hired by Colorado Springs Police Department.

Dr. Doug Reynolds (Industrial/Organizational, 1989) was recently elected president elect for the Society for Industrial and Organizational Psychology. Since that time he worked for DDI (Development Dimensions International) a major consulting firm specializing in assessment and development products and services. Doug is the first PhD grad to be elected president of SIOP.

Dr. Patricia A. Romano (Applied Social, 2008) has accepted a second year of appointment as Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychology at St. Edward's University in Austin, Texas, where she is only 30 miles away from her two young grandchildren.

Garth Shanklin (MS, 1979) Chair of Casper College Psychology Department was selected as the faculty member of the year by the Wyoming Association of Community College Trustees

Andrew Stewart (B.S. 2009) and a former CSU Psi Chi president is working on his doctorate at the University of Connecticut with Felicia Pratto. He also successfully defended his Masters in February of 2011.

Dr. Bryan Stice (Counseling, 2007) has left his position at the OU counseling center to take on a new role at the Oklahoma City VA on their Suicide Prevention Team. He is also the chair of the Oklahoma Suicide Prevention Council, which is a legislated body that offers recommendations to the state government and implements/tracks suicide prevention efforts throughout the state.

Kathryn Tracy (2006) is attending graduate school at the University of Denver University College and has been awarded a scholarship from the Farmington, New Mexico Professional Development Conference.

Dr. Max Uhlemann (Ph.D. 1974) in 1975 he took a position as an Assistant Professor of Psychology at the University of Western Ontario. In 1977 he was named Program Director at the Western Ontario Therapeutic Community Hostel, and maintained an adjunct position at the University. In 1979 he moved to the Department of Educational Psychology and Leadership Studies at the University of Victoria in Victoria, B. C. where he spent 27 years until his retirement in 2006. He served as the Editor of the primary Canadian academic journal for Counselling Psychology for 11 years, and received the Professional Contribution Award from the Canadian Counselling Association in 1996 and 2003. In 2004 he received the President's Award from the B. C. Association of Clinical Counsellors.

GRADUATE STUDENT NEWS

The Teaching Fellowship committee has chosen the recipients of the fellowship for 2011-2012:

Zach Steiner, I-O

Lindsey Harkabus, Applied Social

Chris Rowland, Cognitive

The following scholarships were awarded to graduate students for the 2011-12 academic year:

Carol L. Baird Memorial Scholarship - Kristen Konkel and Juliana DaRocha Rosa
Eugene Oetting Fellowship – Annette Shtivelband
Legacy of the Wishing Chair: Stout/Baird Memorial Scholarship – Nick Soderstrom
Will Szlemko Memorial Fellowship – Lindsey Harkabus
Dr. Laurie F. Michaels Counseling Scholarship – Arissa Fitch-Martin and Katie Scott
Industrial/Organizational Psychology Graduate Fellowship – Stefanie Putter
Suinn Award for Outstanding Graduate Fellowship – Janet Weidert

Internship matches for Counseling Graduate Students:

Isaac Hunter-- Oregon State University Counseling Center
Tiare MacDonald- Palo Alto VA- Behavioral Medicine
Andrea Montoya--University of Utah Neuropsychiatric
Kacey Oiness-- Oklahoma Health Consortium/ OU Athletics/ Sports Psychology
Holly Scanes-- Princeton House-Behavioral Health
Caitlin Shepherd--University of New Hampshire Counseling Center
Lauren Shirley--Massachusetts General Hospital/Harvard Medical School/Child Track

Dr. Sydney Felker (Counseling) accepted a post-doc with the University of Georgia.

Robert Gutzwiller has been accepted by the Office of Naval Research (ONR) into the 2011 Naval Research Enterprise Internship Program. NREIP selects only 64 graduate students from all disciplines each year, and they then get to do a 10 week paid summer internship in a Navy research lab.

Rob Jakubowski (Applied Social, Anticipated 2011) has accepted a position as Research Associate at RMC Research Corporation in Denver. Rob successfully defended his dissertation, MUSEUM SOUNDSCAPES AND THEIR IMPACT ON VISITOR OUTCOMES, on February 25, 2011.

Adam Zaleski, Ph.D. Applied Social 2011 has accepted an Assistant Professor position at Gulf State University in Fort Myer, FL

PRESENTATIONS

Benfield, J.A., Nurse, J.A., Troup, L., & Bell, P.A. (2011, March). *Is personal reflection affected by ambient soundscapes?*
Presented at the meeting of the George Wright Society, New Orleans, LA.

Nurse, G., Benfield, J., Marin, L., Troup, L., & Bell, P. (2011, March). *Influence of anthropogenic sounds on cultural park tours.*
Presented at the meeting of the George Wright Society, New Orleans, LA.

- Canetto, S. S.** (2010, October). *Narratives and images of gender and ethnicity in elementary-school science materials*. Presented at a meeting of The Little Shop of Physics, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO.
- Hosoi, S. A., Canetto, S. S., Fenske, J. M., Kennedy, R. I., & Goodrum, P. K.** (2011, January). *Challenges to European American and Asian female engineering students' persistence*. Poster presented at the National Multicultural Conference and Summit, Seattle, WA.
- Konkel, K. E., & Lehmler, J. J.** (2011, January). *The broader impacts of HIV awareness appeals: Implications for condom use attitudes*. Poster presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference, San Antonio, TX.
- Lehmler, J. J.** (2011, January). *Romantic relationship concealment: A longitudinal assessment*. Paper presented at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology Conference, San Antonio, TX.
- Rodene, K., Richards, T., Krafchick, J., Weiler, L., Haddock, S. & Zimmerman, T.** (2011, April). *Assessment of Long-Term Mentorship Relationships*. Poster presented at the Rocky Mountain Psychological Association, Salt Lake City, UT.
- Trott, C., Canetto, S. S., Thomas, J., Wynstra, C., & Stoops, T.** (2011, April). *Career plans of Atmospheric Sciences graduate students: Does gender matter?* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Rocky Mountain Psychological Association, Salt Lake City, UT.
- Trott, C., Dean, S., & Canetto, S. S.,** (2011, April). *Mentorship experiences of female Atmospheric Sciences graduate students: A pilot study*. Poster to be presented at the annual meeting of the Rocky Mountain Psychological Association, Salt Lake City, UT.

PUBLICATIONS

- Nurse, G. A., Benfield, J. A., & Bell, P. A.** (2011). *New implications for wildlife loss evaluation: The role of subjective predictors. Human Dimensions of Wildlife: An International Journal, 16(2), 87-99.*
- Byars-Winston, A., & **Canetto, S. S.** (2011) (SPECIAL ISSUE EDITORS). *Accomplishments and challenges for a diversity of women in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education and occupations. Journal of Women and Minorities in Science and Engineering, 17, 1-3.*

- Canetto, S. S., & Raymond, K.** (2010). *Older adults' beliefs about suicide risk and protective factors*. In J. R. Rogers (Ed.), *Suicide 2010*. Washington, DC: AAS.
- D'Amico, R., & **Canetto, S. S.** (2010). Similarities and differences in women's and men's publication and citation record among academic psychologists. *Journal of Women and Minorities in Science and Engineering*, *16*, 343-361.
- Dik, B. J.**, & Duffy, R. D. (under contract). *Make your job a calling: How the psychology of vocation can change your life at work*. West Conshohocken, PA: Templeton Press.
- Dik, B. J.**, & Hansen, J. C. (2011). Moderation of P-E Fit – job satisfaction relations. *Journal of Career Assessment*, *19*, 21-34.
- Dik, B. J.**, Duffy, R. D., & **Steger, M. F.** (in press). Enhancing social justice by promoting prosocial values in career development interventions. *Counseling and Values*.
- Dik, B. J.**, & Rottinghaus, P. J. (in press). Assessments of interests. In K. F. Geisinger (Ed.), *APA Handbook of Testing and Assessment in Psychology*. Washington, D.C.: APA.
- Duffy, R. D., **Dik, B. J.**, & **Steger, M. F.** (in press). Calling and work related outcomes: Career commitment as a mediator. *Journal of Vocational Behavior*.
- Duffy, R. D., Allen, B., & **Dik, B. J.** (in press). The presence of a calling and academic satisfaction: Examining potential mediators. *Journal of Vocational Behavior*.
- Hill, P. C., & **Dik, B. J.** (in press). Toward a science of workplace spirituality: Contributions from the psychology of religion and spirituality. In P. Hill & B. Dik (Eds.), *The psychology of religion and workplace spirituality*. Charlotte, NC: Information Age Publishing.
- Henry, K.L., Cavanagh, T.M., Oetting, E.R.** (in press). Perceived parental investment in school as a mediator of the relationship between socio-economic indicators and academic outcomes among rural-dwelling adolescents.
- Lehmiller, J. J., & Konkel, K. E.** (in press). Prejudice and discrimination in relational contexts. To be published in M. Paludi (Ed.), *The Psychology of Love*. Santa Barbara, CA: Praeger.
- Wilson, K.**, Hahn, L., Gonzalez, P., **Henry, K.L., & Cerbana, C.B.** (in press). *An Evaluation of Partners in Parenting: A Parent Education Curriculum Implemented by County Extension Agents in Colorado*. Journal of Extension.

