

PERSPECTIVES

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Website created about college reorganization, consultants' report available

In a memo to the campus dated March 28, 2007, I indicated that I had invited Dr. Elise Jorgens, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs at the College of Charleston and two of her colleagues (Dr. Christopher Starr, Chair, Department of Computer Science; and Dr. Valerie Morris, Dean of the School of Arts) to campus on April 12 and 13 to evaluate our current collegial structure in the programmatic areas related to technology and applied science and those associated with the arts.

In that announcement, I extended an invitation to anyone in the campus community who wished to meet with one of the consultants.

The consultants' report has been submitted, and is posted at www.collegereorg.appstate.edu under the "Resources" tab to the left, along with a number of other documents related to collegial reorganization, including position papers from several units on campus and a report on collegial reorganization at East Carolina University.

Stan Aeschleman
Provost

Challenges, opportunities highlight new academic year

Hello from the College of Fine and Applied Arts! I am excited about this year! We have many challenges facing us this year, but we also have many opportunities. Please let me know how I can assist you in reaching your goals for this year. Here are a few goals of mine that I want to share with you.



Goals which should be met annually:

- 1) To maintain and improve when needed the operating procedures of college office.
- 2) To act fair and equitable in all promotion and tenure decisions.
- 3) To act fair and equitable in distribution of all budgets.
- 4) To encourage faculty to pursue research opportunities and funding.
- 5) To assist with the recruiting and retention of high quality faculty and staff.
- 6) To assist with the continual assessment and improvement in the quality of our academic programs.

Specific Goals for the 2007-2008 Academic year:

- 1) Assist with the successful reorganization and naming of college.
- 2) Assist with the hiring of four new chairs (Art, Nursing, Technology and Theatre and Dance).
- 3) Encourage faculty to increase the external funding of programs and/or research within the college from both private and public foundations.
- 4) To create, reinvigorate or maintain successful alumni and professional advisory boards for all of the departments in the college.
- 5) To encourage faculty in the college to be involved with general education curriculum.
- 6) To close the deal on the naming of the college.

I look forward to working for and with you this year to improve our college and its programs. Again, let me know if I can assist you as we move forward together!

Best Regards,
Glenda

Technical Support News

Your technical support team would like to welcome you back! We have been working hard all summer to get all the lab computers updated with the latest software and hardware. Please take some time to familiarize yourself with the new lab setups.

If you have any technical issues we can help you with please submit us a RightNow request through the <http://rightnow.appstate.edu> Web site. Please, do not ask your secretaries to do this for you. It will slow down the process of us getting you back up and running. En-

courage your students to submit service requests if they see any problems on campus.

Did you know you can get your personal computers fixed on campus for free? The Walk-In Center in the Old Belk Library 1st floor can help.

Need quick phone support? Call our helpdesk at 262.6266.

For some quick tips and technical guides check out the College of Fine and Applied Arts Technical Support Web Site at <http://www.faa.appstate.edu/support/>.

When was the last time you looked at your departmental Web site? We might be broadcasting outdated information. You can link to your departmental Web site from the Fine and Applied Arts home page at <http://www.faa.appstate.edu>.

Have a wonderful and productive semester!

Tony Grant 262.7932 and Douglas Brantz 262.6549

Dean's office says goodbye to longtime employee, welcomes new faces

After more than 35 years of service to the university, Sybil Carroll, program assistant in the dean's office, retired July 31. She wanted to share this message with the university:

To My ASU Family:

Thank you so much for the wonderful memories you have given me over the past 35 years. I will truly miss all of my co-workers (campus wide), friends and the many students I have had the privilege of assisting.

Sybill Carroll

In addition, Sherry Parrish, who worked part-time in student records, left in July to pursue her nursing degree.

The College welcomes our two new employees. Beth Brittain has been hired as the new program assistant. She comes to Fine and Applied Arts from the College of Education. We also welcome Linsey Ward to student records. Linsey worked in a temporary position in the admissions office.

What else is happening in F&AA?

Make www.faa.appstate.edu a daily stop during your day to see what else is happening with the College and fellow departments. Click on "News" to read the latest.

Fundraising Corner

Greg Langdon, Development Director, College of Fine and Applied Arts

"If I had a million dollars..."

In the first Dean's Newsletter from spring 2007, I wrote how private giving provides the lifeblood for academic programs within our University. This was especially true for Appalachian and our College in the 2006-07 academic year. Thanks in part to a transformational gift from Ron and Katherine Harper of Charlotte, the College recorded more than \$2.0 million dollars in private gifts, gifts-in-kind and pledge commitments in 2006-07. Thank you to all of the F&AA faculty and staff who made this record fundraising year possible for us and our students! The challenge continues for 2007-08...

Working together with your Chair and the Dean, we can make a positive difference for your programs and students by securing private gifts and gifts-in-kind.

Before you meet with your Chair to discuss your fundraising needs, I recommend that you follow this three-step process:

1. Write a "Case for Support" statement (the who, what, when, where and why of the concept) outlining your project. This is normally one page in length.
2. Develop a workable timeline for your funding needs (next semester, next year, in the next five years, etc...) allowing enough time for us, together, to "sow the fields."
3. Research and then create a prospect list of who (individuals and corporate foundations) can help fund your projects.

Once you have completed these three steps, present them to your Chair for review. Upon approval of the Chair, we and your Chair (or their designate) can then plan an appropriate strategy to secure private funding for your particular project. This action plan worked well in 2006-07 and I expect it will continue to prove successful this year and into the future.

Be on the look-out for some other "transformational" gifts that together we should finalize for our College this 2007-08 academic year! I look forward to working with many more of you in the future to help secure funding for your important projects.

College welcomes five new interim chairs for 2007-08

The College of Fine and Applied Arts welcomes five new interim chairpersons:

Art: Dr. Marilyn Smith, professor of graphic design, is serving as interim chairperson for the Department of Art. Dr. James Toub will serve as interim assistant chair. Laura Ives, who served seven years as department chair, has accepted the dean of faculty position at Chester College of New England in Chester, N.H.

Communication: Dr. Janice Pope has been appointed interim chair of the Department of Communication. She has been the assistant chair of the department since August 2006. Carl Tyrie is the department's assistant chair. Pope steps into the position held by Dr. Glenda Treadaway, who has been named interim dean of the College of Fine and Applied Arts.

Nursing: Dr. Wanda Stutts has been named interim chair of the Department of Nursing. Stutts is an associate professor in the department. The university will begin a national search for a new chair next academic year. Dr. Karen Reesman, who has served as chair for the past two years and who created the nursing program at Appalachian, is returning to the faculty in the department.

Technology: Dr. Marie Hoepfl has been named interim chair of the Department of Technology. Hoepfl has served as assistant chair of the department since 2006. She also has served as the graduate program director since 2003 and was coordinator of the technology education program from 1997 to 2005. Hoepfl replaces Dr. Sid Connor who has accepted a position as special assistant to the provost.

Theater and Dance: Marianne Adams has been named interim chair of the Department of Theatre and Dance. Adams is a professor in the department and coordinates the dance program. She replaces Dr. Ray Miller who is stepping down as chair to focus on teaching, writing, directing and choreography.

Welcome new faculty!

The College of Fine & Applied Arts is pleased to welcome new faculty.

Communication:

Ed Brewer has joined the faculty as the new organizational communication faculty member. Ed comes to the Department of Communication from Murray State University, where he was a tenured professor of Organizational Communication. Ed's wife has been hired by the English Department to teach in the area of Technical Communication.

Sylvie Camet is an international exchange faculty from the University of Anger in France. Sylvie is teaching in-

roduction to mass media courses while in the Department of Communication while Appalachian State University faculty member Paul Gates teaches at the University of Anger this year.

Becke Sirmon is returning to fill a one-year appointment to the health communication position. Becke's background includes 10 years in health education with Saint Mary's Health Care System in Athens, Georgia.

Scott Welsh is the new director of the foundations course. He comes to ASU from Wabash College where he was an assistant visiting professor.

New faculty continued

Kris Willis will be the forensics director this year.

Mariam Willis has a one-year lecturer appointment as the assistant forensics coach.

Chris Yang has joined us as the new advertising faculty. From 2004-2006, Chris worked with Kong Abstract Company in New York as a media buyer and market researcher.

Randy Jackson will teach broadcast performance techniques and public speaking as an adjunct faculty member. He is the owner of the Hazardous Weather Preparedness Institute and chief meteorologist for FM Talk 101.1 WZTK. A veteran television and radio meteorologist, he also does sideline reporting and color analysis for the Appalachian Sports Network.

Matt McDill will serve as an adjunct faculty member teaching intercultural communication and public speaking. He is a teacher and administrator at Highland Christian Fellowship in Boone.

Ben Corbett Smith will teach a section of public speaking as an adjunct member. He spent several years as a resident voice/dialect coach at the Barter Theatre in Abingdon, VA, and teaches in the Department of Theatre and Dance at Appalachian.

Family and Consumer Sciences:

Margaret Kihato of Kenya will serve as assistant professor of Foodservice Systems Management. She previously was the assistant professor of hospitality and tourism at Wiley College in Marshall, Texas.

Rita Sigmon is the new Clinical Instructor and CADE Dietetic Internship Director. Dr. Sigmon's background includes consulting, corporate management, and faculty positions in exercise sciences and undergraduate chair in nutritional sciences.

Health, Leisure and Exercise Science:

Joy James joins the Recreation Management faculty and comes to HLES from Slippery Rock University in Pennsylvania. *continued next page*

Faculty recognized with awards at commencement

The College of Fine & Applied Arts each year recognizes faculty members with three awards presented during the spring commencement exercises.

This year's award winners are Dr. J. Scott Townsend of the Health, Leisure, & Exercise Science Department, Outstanding Service Award; Ms. Jody Servon from the Department of Art, Outstanding Scholarship/Creative Activity Award; and Mr. Gordon Hensley of the Department of Theatre and Dance, Excellence in Teaching Award.

Each received \$500 and a medallion. For the full story, visit the news section of www.faa.appstate.edu.



Faculty members (left to right) Jody Servon, Gordon Hensley and J. Scott Townsend were recognized at the College of Fine and Applied Arts Commencement May 5.

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Eli Bentor (ART) gave a paper titled "G.I. Jones Views on Style - a Reexamination" at a panel titled "Art in South-eastern Nigeria: A Tribute to G. I. Jones" as part of the 14th Triennial Symposium on African Arts held at Gainesville, Fla., March 27-31.

Joyce Wise Dodd (COM) was voted the Student Government Association Faculty of the Year for the College of Fine and Applied Arts. Recipients are selected by the students.

Janice Pope (COM) will be an ACT Service Learning Fellow this fall. The ACT Faculty Fellows Program provides ASU faculty with the opportunity to learn how to effectively integrate service-learning into their courses. All Faculty Fellow participants receive an Introduction to Service-Learning Toolkit published by Campus Compact (\$35 value), \$500 for their participation in the Service-Learning Workshop Series and the opportunity to apply for a special \$250 start-up grant for a new service-learning class.

Steven R. McAnulty, David C. Nieman, Charles L. Dumke, (HLES) and **Lisa S. McAnulty (FCS)** had

"Ibuprofen Use During Extreme Exercise: Effects on Oxidative Stress and PGE2" published in *Medicine and Science in Sports and Exercise* (2007). 39(7):1075-1079.

Travis Triplett (HLES) was awarded an Off Campus Scholarly Assignment, and will spend the fall semester in Valencia, Spain conducting strength and conditioning research.

Jim Avant (HLES) will spend the fall semester directing the Appalachian House in Washington, D.C.. Dr. Avant has announced his retirement effective December 31, 2007.

Jeffrey Soukup (HLES) has assumed the new position of Instructor of Exercise Science and Director of the Cardiopulmonary Rehabilitation Program at the Watauga Hospital Wellness Center.

Al and Cathy Burleson (HLES) have announced their intentions to become Baptist missionaries and have entered a training program in Virginia. They leave for Port Elizabeth, South Africa in October.

Chuck Kimmel (HLES) is serving as the National Director of the National Athletic Training Association for the 2007-2008 academic year.

Alan Utter (HLES) planned and

New faculty continued

Ben Sibley joins the Physical Education Teacher Education faculty from Miami University of Ohio.

Kristian Jackson joins the Recreation Management faculty as a lecturer. He taught with the RM program last year, and has a decade of outdoor leadership experience with Outward Bound.

Military Science and Leadership:

Master Sergeant Karl Arbogast from Korea.

Major (R) George Beitzel from Fort Bragg, NC.

Sergeant Major (R) James Farley from Mountain City, TN.

Major Maury Williams from the North Carolina National Guard.

Technology:

J. Alex Poorman, assistant professor of interior design, comes from Raleigh and is a partner with Triangle Commercial Architecture and an adjunct professor at Meredith (tenure-track position).

T. Stefan Bruce, lecturer for interior design, coming from Ames, IA, formerly with Iowa State University.

hosted an American College of Sports Medicine Health and Fitness Instructor recertification workshop in HLES in June, 2007.

David Nieman (HLES) was a nominee for the prestigious UNC Board of Governors Oliver Max Gardner Award.

Stephanie West (HLES) was given the 2nd place award in the New Investigator Category by the Copper Institute in Dallas, Texas.

Travis Triplett and Jeff McBride (HLES) were named Fellows by the National Strength and Conditioning Association.

Wendy Miller (NUR) completed the degree requirements for the doctor of nursing practice degree from Rush University, College of Nursing. She received the College of Nursing Dean's Award at graduation in June.

In addition, Miller presented a poster, "An Evidence-based Practice Improve-

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ment Culture Initiative at Watauga Medical Center" at the Alaska Native Medical Center, Department of Nursing's, Fourth Evidence-based Practice Conference, "Mountains of Evidence for Practice: Learning Under the Midnight Sun," held June 25-26 in Anchorage, Alaska.

Phoebe A. Pollitt (NUR) received the Nurse Educators of Tomorrow (NET) award for the 2006-2007 academic year towards her Master of Science in nursing at East Carolina University. She received \$15,000, and the scholarship is renewable for another \$15,000 the second year. Dr. Pollitt also received a \$2,500 loan from the Mabel Cooper Hayden Memorial Fund at East Carolina. The fund provides loans to undergraduate or graduate nursing students who wish to pursue a career in public health nursing.

Sid Connor, John Craft, Kevin Howell, Milos Krsmanovic, Tom Reeves and Robin Williams (TEC) participated in the 39th Annual National Association of Industrial Technology (NAIT) Conference held in Cleveland, Ohio. Connor presented two reports to

the NAIT Accreditation Board. Craft and Reeves presented "PDF/X: The Link to a Dynamic Workflow." The informational presentation was based on a study conducted by Craft and Reeves to establish an effective model for print production files using customizable portable document format files. Howell's presentation titled "Creative Combinations: 3D Imaging and Variable Data Printing" demonstrated the use of Maya and XMPie as an innovative way to produce creative images. Krsmanovic presented a "Model for Automating Electronic Prepress Production" and "Computer and Internet Supported Cooperative Learning." Williams served on the NAIT Board of Accreditation--an official meeting of the NAIT Board of Accreditation to conduct hearings for industrial technology programs being considered for accreditation or reaccreditation.

Alan C. Utter (HLES) has received a \$77,891 grant from the National Wrestling Coaches Association to study the effects of a Web-based physical activity and dietary intervention program on childhood obesity in school-aged children.

Marie Hoepfl (TEC) co-edited the book "Assessment of Technology Education," recently published by Glencoe-McGraw Hill. The book is the 56th Yearbook of the Council on Technology Teacher Education. Hoepfl also authored a chapter within the book titled "Alternative Classroom Assessment Tools and Scoring Mechanisms."

Jeanne Mercer-Ballard (TEC) was selected as one of 20 participants worldwide to attend the Teacher's of Lighting Workshop sponsored by IESNA and Cooper. The workshop was a week-long session (8a.m. to 10 p.m. each day) in Peachtree City, GA, at Cooper's SOURCE in June. She received a grant to pay for all costs.

In addition, Mercer-Ballard is part of a group selected to present at the Art & Design for Social Justice Symposium at Florida State University September 16 and 17. They will present "Putting Design into Action: The Make a Difference Project." Mercer-Ballard serves as vice-chair of the Social Justice Committee for the Interior Design Educator's Council. She also has been appointed by faculty

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WASU's Dan Hill leads first Radio Farm System Institute

The first ever Kellar Radio Farm System Institute, coordinated by Dan Hill, general manager of WASU, concluded July 17 amid rave reviews from both radio industry veterans and the students.

The first of its kind, the program is a farm system for future radio broadcasters designed to attract, train and create opportunity for talented students who have a passion for the broadcast industry and possible ownership. Seventeen students qualified for the inaugural program and were taught by industry professionals who volunteered their time and expertise to teach sessions over the 10-day event.

Another unique aspect of the Kellar Radio Farm System is that each student who successfully completed the program now has the opportunity, anytime in the next 10 years, to apply to Appalachian and the Kellar Radio Farm System Institute for \$50,000 in seed money for investment in radio broadcast ownership. Former broadcaster Art Kellar gave \$500,000 to make it possible and to get the program underway. His vision was to see young broadcasters become entrepreneurs and get into ownership and benefit just as he did.

For more information about the Institute and the industry professionals involved, visit www.asucom.appstate.edu.



Dan Hill (front, center), general manager of WASU, created and led the first ever radio farm system in the nation at Appalachian in July.

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senate to the University's Renewable Energy Initiative Council.

The Western NC Renewable Energy Initiative, directed and managed by **Dennis Scanlin and Brent Summerville (TEC)** recently organized a workshop on Photovoltaics and National Electric Code. Over 85 people attended the workshop making it the largest audience ever in the Southeast for a workshop on Photovoltaics. The workshop was led by one of our nation's leading authorities on Photovoltaic Technology, John Wiles, from New Mexico. Many NC electricians were in attendance reflecting the increasing interest in this technology.

John Scarlata (TEC) currently has work exhibited in "SPOT," a juried exhibit of photography at the Gregg Museum of Art and Design at NC State

University. This work was selected by Joyce Tennyson. He also has work exhibited at Meredith College in Raleigh in the "North Carolina Photography Exhibit." Both exhibits run until late October.

Jeff Tiller, Dennis Scanlin, Brent Summerville (TEC) and numerous students completed a comprehensive energy assessment of Grandfather Mountain. The project identified and described current energy usage and identified numerous opportunities for reducing energy usage by utilizing contemporary energy efficiency measures and technology and also identified and described a variety of ways Grandfather Mountain could utilize renewable energy resources. The Grandfather Mountain Board of Directors is currently considering which options to implement in the

near term.

Jeff Tiller (TEC) participated in several meetings of the Duke Energy Collaborative on Energy Efficiency and Renewables, held in Greensboro over the past several months. Other members of the collaborative include Duke Energy officials, as well as representatives of Lowe's Home Improvement, Food Lion, UNC Chapel Hill, NC State, Duke Energy, NC State Energy Office, the Public Utilities Commission, the Public Staff of the Utilities Commission and a variety of other organizations. Tiller provided testimony, as well as considerable input, on the important role energy efficiency could provide in improving our energy efficiency cost effectively.

The efforts of Project Director **Jeff Tiller (TEC)**, professors Dennis Grady (Political Science) and **Dennis Scanlin (TEC)**, associate professor **Jeff Ramsdell (TEC)**, research staff members **Laurel Elam, Brent Summerville and Jason Hoyle**, and graduate and undergraduate students including Micah Shristi, Jacob Clarke, held working group meetings over the summer on Energy Supply, Buildings and Industry, and Transportation and Alternative Fuels to seek input into a new State Energy Plan. The final plan, which has to undergo public hearings and final approval by the North Carolina Energy Policy Council, will be published in early 2008.

Jeff Tiller (TEC) gave a two-hour presentation to the state meeting of the NC Mechanical Inspectors Association on the energy efficiency provisions of the NC Mechanical Code. The presentation focused on high efficiency window requirements, air sealing, duct sealing, duct insulation, controls and efficiency requirements for heating and cooling, moisture control, health and safety and other issues.

Ray Miller (T/D) received the distinguished alumni award in the spring at the University of Oregon. He also served as the commencement speaker for the university's College of Music and Dance. In June Miller presented a paper about Gene Kelly at the Dance and Scholars Conference in Paris.

Health, Leisure and Exercise Science receives graduate school's Dean's Award



The exercise science graduate degree program in Health, Leisure and Exercise Science received the 2007 Dean's Award for Excellence in Graduate Education.

The Dean's Award, presented annually by the Cratis D. Williams Graduate School, recognizes one graduate program for its superb performance.

"The exercise science graduate program was the first to win this award when it was created," said Dr. Edelma Huntley, dean of the Cratis D. Williams

Graduate School. "It is very fitting that the program has won again. It shows sustained excellence. They join a very small group having won this award twice since it began in 1992-93."

Programs are judged by regional, national and international involvement of outstanding graduate faculty in the program; awards won by the program; awards won by students in the program; student presentations at regional and national meetings; publications with graduate students as sole or first authors; successful general recruiting efforts and/or successful recruiting efforts to achieve a diverse student population; external funding for faculty or student research; support from the department or deans for student travel; and outcome information.

For more information about the master of science in exercise science degree or any HLES program, visit www.hles.appstate.edu.

GRANTS

(March, April, May, June)

Awarded:

Norman Clark (COM), faculty coordinator for the Public Service Research Program (PSRP) at ASU and Associate Professor in the Department of Communication, has been awarded a Learn & Serve America innovation grant to pursue community-based research in collaboration with the Blue Ridge Parkway.

Cheryl Lee (FCS) received a \$1,200 grant from the North Carolina Association of Family & Consumer Sciences for "Designing Newsletters to Recruit Family and Consumer Sciences Education Majors, Our Future NC FCS Teachers."

Paul Gaskill and Jamie Moul (HLES) received \$18,000 from the National Athletic Trainers Association for "Presidential Duties for National Athletic Trainers Association and Allied Athletic Training Needs of ASU."

David Nieman, Charles Dumke, Steve McAnulty and John Quindry (HLES) along with Dru Henson (biology) received \$141,000 from Immune Guard, LLC for "Immune Guard/CHIA as a Countermeasure to Immunosuppression and Infection Risk Induced by Prolonged Intense Physical Stress (Western States 100)."

David Nieman, Charles Dumke, Steve McAnulty, John Quindry, Alan Utter, Melanie Austin and Sarah Gross (HLES), Lisa McAnulty (FCS) and Dru Henson (biology) received \$131,703 from Cooper Concepts, Inc. for "Effects of n-3 Polyunsaturated Fatty Acid Supplements on Immune Function, Oxidative Stress, Inflammation, and Upper Respiratory Tract Infection in Endurance Athletes."

John Quindry (HLES) received a National Institute of health (NIH) grant for \$180K to study exercise factors that protect the heart from fatal heart attacks.

Alan Utter and David Nieman (HLES) received \$77,791 from the National Wrestling Coaches Association for "A Diet and Exercise Intervention Program to Prevent Childhood Obesity in

ROTC program at Appalachian receives Gen. Douglas MacArthur Award

Only the best receive the U.S. Army's Gen. Douglas MacArthur Award, and Appalachian State University's ROTC program is among that elite group. Appalachian's program was named the best battalion in the 5th ROTC Brigade for the number of lieutenants commissioned at during 2006-07.



Col. Ken Bishop, left, and Sgt. Maj. Earnest Washington present the U.S. Army's MacArthur Award to Lt. Col. Doug Jett, center, professor of military science at Appalachian State University. (Appalachian photo by University Photographer Mike Rominger)

The award is presented annually by the U. S. Army's Cadet Command and the Gen. Douglas MacArthur Foundation to outstanding battalions within the Army Reserve Officer Training Corps regions.

"It is quite an honor for Lt. Col. Jett and his cadre to receive this honor, because it not only speaks to the program's ability to produce lieutenants for the army, it speaks to the quality of lieutenant that he is producing and it also speaks to the quality of the program," said Col. Ken Bishop, commander of the U.S. Army Command 5th ROTC Brigade based at Fort Jackson, S.C.

The 5th Brigade includes programs in the Carolinas, Tennessee and Georgia. Appalachian commissioned 20 lieutenants into the United States Army last year. That is the first time since 1998 that the department commissioned that large of a number and was only the second time since 1990 that the battalion commissioned that many officers.

"Needless to say, in a time of war, we are very honored that 20 of the best and brightest students on campus volunteered to serve their country," said Lt. Col. Jett. "That is patriotism in the purest form. We wish them well and will pray for their safety."

the State of PA."

Jeff Ramsdell (TEC) received \$75,000 from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency P3 for "Biodiesel in the Loop: Outreach, Education, and Research."

Dennis Scanlin and Brent Summerville (TEC) received \$13,500 from Acciona Wind Energy USA, LLC for "Site Identification and Ranking Study - Wind Farm."

Dennis Scanlin, John Martin and Brian Raichle (TEC) received \$9,998 from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for "Testing Innovative Bioshelter Technologies: A Comparative

Analysis of Four Solar Greenhouses."

Submitted:

April Flanders (ART) submitted a grant application for \$3,378 from The Ernest and Ruby McSwain Charitable Foundation for "Print Dialogue Days."

Marie Hoepfl (TEC) submitted a grant application for \$165,302 from CUNY - The City University of NY for "External Evaluation for Physical Science Comes Alive!"

Brian Raichle and Roscoe Oswald (TEC) submitted a grant application for \$10,000 to Southern Sustainable Agri-

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Appalachian dedicates Katherine Harper Hall, recognizes \$1 million gift

Appalachian State University has named a portion of the building that houses the Department of Technology in honor of Katherine Harper of Charlotte.

Katherine Harper is co-founder of Harper Corporation of America and longtime supporter of flexography education. Mrs. Harper's husband, Ron, made a \$1 million gift to the university in her honor through the Appalachian State University Foundation.

The gift will provide \$300,000 to purchase and upgrade flexographic-related equipment and \$100,000 will establish the Katherine Harper Scholarship Endowment to provide scholarships for Harper Corporation employees or their children who want to pursue a degree at Appalachian.

A total of \$400,000 will be used to purchase equipment and upgrade materials in all of the programs located in the Department of Technology, and \$200,000 will establish the Katherine Harper Endowment for the Department of Technology to fund emerging technological needs and priorities identified by the faculty and department leaders.

Photo caption: Some husbands give their wives flowers, jewelry or candy to express their affection. Ron Harper of Charlotte made a \$1 million gift in honor of his wife, Katherine Harper, to support scholarships, flexography education and technology needs in Appalachian State University's Department of Technology. The university has named the building that houses the department in her honor. (Appalachian photo by University Photographer Mike Rominger)



Department of Technology Converts Builders to Increased Efficiency

In a several years' effort, Centex Homes in Charlotte has adopted recommendations from the ASU Department of Technology and Energy Center in homes now being constructed in the Charlotte area.

The homes have improved windows, higher efficiency furnaces, better duct sealing and air sealing, a ventilation system, and a number of other efficiency features. The project team has also redesigned the duct system for each plan and is seeking to implement a "lean and mean" duct system that is smaller, but more effective than traditional approaches.

Several hundred homes are being built this year using the new guidelines that ASU developed in collaboration with Centex. ASU's research and development team includes ASU professor Jeff Tiller, adjunct professors Lee Ball and Joe Crocker, research staff Laurel Elam and Beth Ainsworth, and undergraduate student Jacob Clarke.

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culture Research and Education (SARE), USDA for "Affordable Bioshelters: Coordination and Outreach."

Brian Raichle, Yonatan Strauch and Roscoe Oswald (TEC) submitted a grant application for \$75,000 to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency P3 Awards: A National Student Design Competition for Sustainability Focusing on People for "Affordable Bioshelters Phase II Proposal: Demonstrating the Economic Viability of Innovative Solar Greenhouse Technologies."

Jerianne Taylor, Garner Dewey and Marie Hoepfl (TEC) with Max Dass (biology) and Linda McCalister (College of Education) submitted a grant application for \$897,101 to NSF ESI - ITEST for "TECH-Know Too! After-School and Summer Experiences Developing Technology Literacy."

The Grants Resource Center, a division of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities, publishes Deadlines on a monthly basis. This publication contains information about federal and private grant programs that have submission deadlines within the next 90 days. Summarized versions of the funding opportunities are organized alphabetically by sponsor into four broad categories: Arts/Humanities/International; Education/Human and Community Development; Health/Mental Health; and, Science/Engineering. Due to copyright restrictions, access to this publication is limited to computers on the ASU campus. For alternate access to this publication, contact Dr. Pollyanne Frantz at 262-7789 or frantzps@appstate.edu.

Commencement photos

Photos are available online from the Fine and Applied Arts spring 2007 commencement exercises at www.alumni.appstate.edu/photos/07SpGraduation/Fine_Applied/index.htm.



Forensic Team plans public forums, conversation cafes and advocacy program

The Forensic Team through the Department of Communication has developed a "service team" that is working to put on public forums, hold conversation cafes and develop advocacy related curriculum and activities for area schools.

The first public forum is a "Town Hall" scheduled for 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 10, in the Blue Ridge Ballroom of Plemmons Student Union in partnership with the Student Government Association. All the candidates for the upcoming October 6 local election have stated their intention to attend. The moderator will be Dr. Adam Newmark of the Political Science Department. Attendance slips will be available, and fliers are forthcoming.

A modified public forum model has been developed by the team to use students and their skills to facilitate topics that campus organizations and folks in the community feel are pertinent. Throughout the year, if there is a topic that your organization would like the community to know more about, please contact the Forensics Team.

The service team also will be leading Conversation Cafes in the spirit of Socrates Cafes developed by Christopher Phillips and launched across the nation by The Society for Philosophical Inquiry. The idea is to get students together in small groups of no more than 10 to practice community building speaking and listening. The topics organically surface at the beginning of the meeting and are then openly discussed as it appeals to each individual at that moment. Fundamentally, as stated the Society for Philosophical Inquiry, this is about philosophical sharing, about inspiring each participant to further discover her or his unique story, and to come to a keener sense of how she can best contribute to an evolving self and society. If you feel Conversation Cafes would compliment what you are doing in your classroom, please contact the service team.

Finally, the team has a group of students who are interested in working on advocacy related curriculum and activities to take into area schools. Currently, a group is conducting interviews and research about communication and critical thinking (and the intersection of those) in our NC public school standard curriculum. In addition, the team is looking forward to taking fun activities to the Hardin Park after school program by the end of the semester. If this is an area of scholarship that you are interested in, and the team can help, please contact them.

For more information, contact Kris Willis at ext. 8371 or Mariam Willis at ext. 7527.

COMMUNICATION CONNECTION

Jodi (Wright) Hartley, Communication Director, College of Fine and Applied Arts

Welcome to new and returning faculty! The College of Fine and Applied Arts is fortunate to have a dedicated communication director located in the dean's office to help you with public relations, media relations, event planning, and design.

In this position, I work with faculty and staff to promote newsworthy events, projects and recognitions throughout the College, the University and local, regional and national media. Together, we gather the details of the news, put it in news format and provide or arrange for photography for the University's news bureau and public affairs office. They in turn may edit the news item and then distribute it to the appropriate media. Some faculty work directly with the news bureau and public affairs, and I encourage you to continue this important relationship while also keeping the dean's office aware of news from your area.

I am also available to assist you with design needs for your department and program. I can work with you to develop promotional brochures, postcards, invitations, flyers and other publication needs. I also can help you to connect with other design resources on campus such as Printing and Publications and Creative Services.

If you are having a major special event and need planning assistance, please contact me. I can help you with details of the event such as catering, promotion, materials, and referrals to other campus assistance. In addition, if you are looking at major revisions to your departmental website, I can work with you and our technical support team to assist in making changes and suggestions. When working on news items for your department, I also post it on the departmental website.

Finally, an area of great importance is photography. I can provide limited photography, but the university also has a full-time photographer, Mike Rominger, who is well equipped to take professional photos of your events, projects and other noteworthy items. I highly encourage you to contact him in advance of these events so that he can provide his services. Photos of your projects, events, classes, faculty and students are always in demand as we use them for the web and various publications.

I hope that you will have an enjoyable and successful semester here at Appalachian. Please feel free to contact me at ext. 7249 or via email at wrightjl@appstate.edu if I can be of assistance to you.

Fall Open House Sept. 15

Appalachian's annual Fall Open House for prospective students and their families will be held Saturday, Sept. 15, in Holmes Convocation Center.

The event begins at 9 a.m. with a family assembly, followed by an information fair from 9:30 to noon.

Fall Open House activities give prospective students and their families an opportunity to speak with representatives from the offices of admission and financial aid, as well as academic areas, athletics and various campus support areas.

Tours of the campus and residence halls will be provided by the Appalachian Student Ambassadors. Academic departments will also conduct departmental open houses.

For a complete schedule, visit www.openhouse.appstate.edu or call the Office of Admissions at (828) 262-2120.

Publish a book or article? Win an award? Make a presentation?

Submit your accomplishment to Appalachian Scene!

<http://www.scene.appstate.edu/>

Email your announcement to scene@appstate.edu.

DATES AND DEADLINES

For a complete listing of all campus events, visit www.appstate.edu.

Sept. 6	Convocation
Sept. 14	Last day to apply for graduation in fall, 2007
Sept. 20	Last day to drop a first-half semester course Last day to drop the "pass-fail" option on a first-half semester course
Oct. 10	First-half semester ends
Oct. 11-12	University Break
Oct. 15	Second-half semester begins Last day to register for a second-half semester course Last day to change a second-half semester course from credit to audit
Oct. 25	Last day to drop a full semester course Last day to drop the "pass-fail" option on a full semester course Last day to withdraw (discontinue all classes) from the fall semester without academic penalty (Students who wish to withdraw must contact the Registrar's Office by 5:00 PM on this date)
Nov. 13	Last day to drop a second-half semester course Last day to drop the pass-fail option on a second-half semester course
Nov. 21-23	State Holidays (Note: Wednesday, November 21 is a holiday only for students)
Dec. 4	Last day of formal class meeting pattern
Dec. 5	Reading day
Dec. 6-12	Final examination period (excluding Saturday, Dec. 8 & Sunday, Dec. 9)
Dec. 13	Faculty grading period
Dec. 14	Final grades due by 1:00 PM
Dec. 16	Commencement ceremonies

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