

PERSPECTIVES

A publication by the Dean's Office for the faculty and staff of the College of Fine and Applied Arts.

Obstacles or Challenges? Problems or Opportunities?

Dr. Glenda Treadaway, Interim Dean

As all of you know this has been an interesting year for the departments in the College of Fine and Applied Arts. High expectations surrounded the announcement by the Chancellor concerning the reorganization of the college.

I know that many were disappointed by the announcement that no reorganization would occur. The new general education curriculum has created the need for most of our check sheets to be updated as well as courses had to be submitted if you wanted to be included in the new general education come Fall 2009. The new assessment requirements have created even more work for an already overworked faculty. The list could go on, but I will stop there. I think you get the picture.

It is easy to become caught up in all of these tasks and to forget what it is that attracted us into careers in higher education in the first place. I would like to challenge you to look at these tasks as challenges instead of obstacles and opportunities rather than problems.

The college task force, appointed to come up with some ideas about how the departments in the college can be advanced, has the challenge of coming up with ideas that are suitable for a growing and diverse college. However, this is an opportunity for many of the programs within the college to educate the university about what the departments actually do and accomplish, and to increase the visibility (and hopefully funding) of many of the programs within the college. It also has created the opportunity for all of us to think outside of the box and work with our colleagues within the college to create exciting new or revised programs.

The new general education curriculum poses the challenge of how can we maintain high quality academic programs while meeting the goal of providing students with a more liberal general education. However, this too is an opportunity for departments who have been closed out of the general education curriculum for decades to become involved in the general education provided to our students. It also provides an opportunity for all departments to work together and get to know their colleagues from the various colleges across the university.

The new assessment requirements have posed the challenges of how to measure student learning outcomes as well as how departments create their new university assessment plans while continuing to do all that they already do in terms of assessment whether related to accreditation or single class student performance. However, this has provided us an opportunity to pause and think about what it is we hope students learn from their time within our program. We can assess whether we are providing the course work needed to help students obtain the knowledge and skills necessary in our society and the workplace of today's world.

None of this is meant to negate or downplay the large amount of work that all of this has placed in the hands of faculty at a time when the rewards

may not be forthcoming because of the economy. However, hopefully it will help us pause for a moment and think about the great opportunities that we have to further our academic programs and the education we are providing our students.

Please know that I appreciate all of the hard work that faculty have been doing and continue to do this year. I know that we will succeed in meeting the challenges and will create numerous opportunities for faculty and students. We have highly educated and motivated faculty. This is a great opportunity for us to show the rest of the university what we do in this college and the great educational programs we provide our students. Thanks for your hard work and for meeting the challenges of today so that we can make the most of our opportunities!



The annual College of Fine and Applied Arts Scholarship Reception will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 2, at the Broyhill Inn. The reception recognizes student scholarship recipients and donors. Department chairs and each department's College Scholarship Committee representative or designee are asked to attend.

Appalachian's Board of Trustees approve establishing a new college on campus

Appalachian State University's Board of Trustees has approved the establishment of a College of Health Sciences and Allied Professions as well as creation of a new dean's position to lead the administrative unit.

The new administrative unit would house Appalachian's Department of Health, Leisure and Exercise Science, the Department of Nursing and the foods and nutrition degree programs, all currently housed in the College of Fine and Applied Arts. The programs remaining in the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences will move to the College of Education.

Also moving to the new college would be the Department of Social Work currently housed in the College of Arts and Sciences and the health management degree program housed in the Walker College of Business. The communication disorders degree programs currently based in the Reich College of Education may also become part of the new structure.

"This new structure will allow Appalachian to combine several related programs into one college," said trustee George G. Beasley who chairs the board's Academic Affairs Committee.

The faculty positions in these departments will report to the new dean by fall 2011 according to Provost Stan Aeschleman.

The university received \$4.2 million in the recent legislative budget to plan for a building to house the new college. Aeschleman said a building planning committee will be appointed to help with the process. "Best case scenario, we would have the college in its physical presence in 2012," he said.

Searches underway for dean, chairs

The search committee for the Dean of the College of Fine and Applied Arts has drafted the position description and are in the process of advertising the position description, according to Marianne Adams, chair of the Department of Theatre and Dance and chair of the search committee. Dr. Glenda Treadaway has served as intern dean since the 2007-08 academic year.

The Departments of Art and Technology also are seeking new chairs. The Art chair position description has been advertised, and the committee will begin reviewing applicants on Jan. 5. The search committee for the Department of Technology chair has not yet completed the position description for its chair.

RN to BSN program achieves accreditation

Appalachian State University's Registered Nurse (RN) to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program has been granted initial accreditation by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) for a full five-year term with no concerns and no conditions.

The CCNE is an autonomous accrediting agency, contributing to the improvement of the public's health. CCNE ensures the quality and integrity of baccalaureate and graduate education programs preparing effective nurses. CCNE serves the public interest by assessing and identifying programs that engage in effective educational practices. As a voluntary, self-regulatory process, CCNE

accreditation supports and encourages continuing self-assessment by nursing education programs and supports continuing growth and improvement of collegiate professional education.

CCNE accreditation is a nongovernmental peer review process that operates in accordance with nationally recognized standards established for the practice of accreditation in the United States. "We are very pleased to announce our initial full accreditation status through the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)," said Dr. Wanda Stutts, chair of Appalachian's Department of Nursing. "Achieving accreditation through CCNE demonstrates a faculty

College name to stay

With the impending move of several departments and programs from the College of Fine and Applied Arts, it was time to reevaluate the remaining departments in the College of Fine and Applied Arts and the college's name.

The Departments of Art, Communication, Military Science & Leadership, Technology and Theatre and Dance form the new College of Fine and Applied Arts. The College name and departmental composition went under evaluation by a committee of College and university representatives, headed by Tony Carey, Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs.

The committee solicited input from their constituents and spent more than six hours as a committee discussing how best to reflect the new makeup of the College of Fine and Applied Arts. The decision was made to keep the College's current name.

"We sifted through a couple of dozen proposed alternative names and actually winnowed those down to just one new name. But, at that point, a vote was taken to choose between endorsing the new proposed name or just keeping the existing name for now," said Carey. "The committee decided that, all things considered, there was no legitimate, overriding urgency to justify proceeding to recommend a new name at that moment, and that staying with the current name served us at least as well and probably better."

commitment to academic excellence, scholarship, and service to our community within the mission of Appalachian State University."

For more information about CCNE accreditation, visit www.aacn.nche.edu/Accreditation/index.htm. To learn more about the Department of Nursing at Appalachian State University, visit www.nursing.appstate.edu.

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Vicky Grube (ART) has been named the Higher Education Art Educator of the Year for 2008-09 by the North Carolina Art Education Association (NCAEA). NCAEA and National Art Education Association members in higher education were eligible. The award is based on significant contribution to an individual's division in the visual arts. The North Carolina Art Education Association is a professional, non-profit educational association dedicated to the promotion of visual arts education in the state of North Carolina.

Lisa Mitchell (ART) has been awarded the Kappa Delta Pi Teacher of Honor designation. Kappa Delta Pi (KDP) is an international honor society in education and administers the Teacher of Honor distinction. Mitchell is one of 11 teachers from across the country to win this year's Teacher of Honor award. Both award winners and the schools in which they teach are recognized for this accomplishment. To earn the Teacher of Honor, an educator must have more than three years of classroom teaching experience. Applicants submit evidence of professional development, leadership, community service and meaningful contribution to the education profession. They must also demonstrate a commitment to integrity and high standards in the classroom. The award recognizes teachers of all levels, from early childhood instructors to university faculty members.

Lisa N. Mitchell (ART) has given several presentations in the past few months. She presented "Supporting Beginning Teachers from Multiple Directions Teacher Induction in North Carolina: Relationships to Retention" Sept. 18-19 at the North Carolina Association of Colleges and Teacher Educators 2008 North Carolina Teacher Education Forum (26th Annual Forum) in Raleigh. She also presented the "Relationships to Retention" paper Oct. 9 at the CREATE National Evaluation Institute in Wilmington. At the North Carolina Art Education Association (NCAEA) Staff Development Weekend in Asheville

Nov. 6-9 she presented the awards program as the NCAEA Awards Coordinator and as the Art in Elementary Education Roundtable chair. She also gave presentations at the development weekend about "Cultural Connections in the Classroom" and "Web2.0 Tips and Tricks."

Lynn Duryea (ART) received the Merit Award for her steel and terracotta sculpture, "TRINE 2002," (pictured at right) at the Lenoir Sculpture Competition sponsored by the Caldwell Arts Council. Robert Ebendorf was the juror. She also received a Regional Artist Project Grant from the Watauga County Arts Council to help fund expenses for two exhibits at the National Conference on Council in the Ceramic Arts in Phoenix in April.



Lynn Duryea's "TRINE 2002"

Second Power of Design event Dec. 1

by Josh Jarman, Public Relations Intern, College of Fine and Applied Arts

Appalachian State University will host "Activism through Design" as the second annual Power of Design event at 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 1, in Valborg Theatre.

The Power of Design brings together students, faculty and members of the professional community in all design disciplines such as interior design, graphic design, industrial design, architectural design, theater design and photography.

The Power of Design "Activism through Design" will feature Bryan Bell of Design Corps and collaborators of his new book "Expanding Architecture: Design as Activism."

Bell has degrees from Princeton and Yale and has taught at Auburn Rural Studio and founded his own non-profit agency. Bell has also started an internship program with the AmeriCorps national service program for young designers interested in the social application of architecture.

This year the event will open with Bell as the featured speaker. A panel discussion will be held with Katie Wakeford of Design Corps, Seth Hendler of Asheville City Parks and Recreation Department, and Barbara Wilson, co-founder of the Austin Community Design and Development Center.

"It's a great opportunity for our students to learn from practicing leaders in design," said Timothy D. Dolan, Appalachian Design Council member. "Hopefully, the students will be inspired and come away from the event asking 'what if...?' Design is about asking many questions and searching for the answers."

Last year's event was titled "A celebration of Charles and Ray Eames and the Powers of 10." Charles and Ray Eames are among the most important American designers of this century. They are best known for their groundbreaking contributions to architecture, furniture design (e.g., the Eames chair), industrial design, manufacturing and the photographic arts. The event drew a mixture of approximately 300 students and design enthusiasts.

The event is open to all design professionals and the public.

For more information, contact Jeanne Mercer-Ballard at mercerja@appstate.edu.

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Jeana Eve Klein (ART) recently showed work in a solo exhibition at the Reece Museum on the campus of East Tennessee State University. (See "The Invasion" below.) In conjunction with the exhibition, she gave a gallery talk and spent time with fibers students as a visiting artist.

Jody Servon (ART) has two upcoming solo exhibitions of her artwork. The first, February through March at the ArtCenter/South Florida, Miami Beach, features drawings, sculptures, video, photographs, and paint applied directly to the gallery walls. The second, "Saved," which includes photographs of objects people have saved from loved ones who have passed away, will be on view at the Fine Art Museum at Western Carolina University from January to February. See one photo on display below.

Janice Pope (COM) was elected to the board of directors for Bridges Academic Leadership for Women Program in Chapel Hill. She also will serve as one of the graduation speakers. BRIDGES is an intensive professional development program for women in higher education who seek to gain or strengthen their academic leadership capabilities. It is designed to help women identify, understand, and move into leadership roles in the academy.

*Jody Servon's
"Uncle Ebby
and Uncle
Reese's slot
machine"*



Department of Technology and Energy Center Coordinate State Energy Efficient Buildings Conference

In conjunction with the North Carolina Governor's Office, the State Energy Office, and the State Construction Office, Appalachian's Department of Technology and Energy Center coordinated a statewide conference on achieving higher efficiency in state buildings on Oct. 29 and 30. The conference, held at the Marriot Hotel in downtown Durham, had over 350 attendees representing state agencies, universities, architectural and engineering firms, and energy service professionals.

The highly successful conference featured plenary sessions on the first day and four breakout sessions the second day. The attendees were enthusiastic about the quality of the presentations and how much new information they gained.

Appalachian's conference organization team was composed of Jeff Tiller, Interim Chair of the Department of Technology, and Laurel Elam, a staff member of the Energy Center. Featured speakers included Scott Ralls, President of North Carolina's Community College System, Rob Nelson of the University of North Carolina General Administration, and Speros Fleggias, Deputy Secretary of Government Operations for the North Carolina Department of Administration. Tiller was a speaker at two of the breakout sessions. Other speakers included representatives of the State Construction Office and architects and engineers. Most were members of a statewide task force charged with developing procedures for planners and designers of new state buildings to follow in order to meet Senate Bill 668.

Jean DeHart (COM) has been elected to a three-year term on the Legislative Assembly of the National Communication Association (NCA). The Legislative Assembly is the governing body of NCA, a non-profit organization of researchers, educators, students, and practitioners, whose academic interests span all forms of human communication. NCA is the oldest and largest national

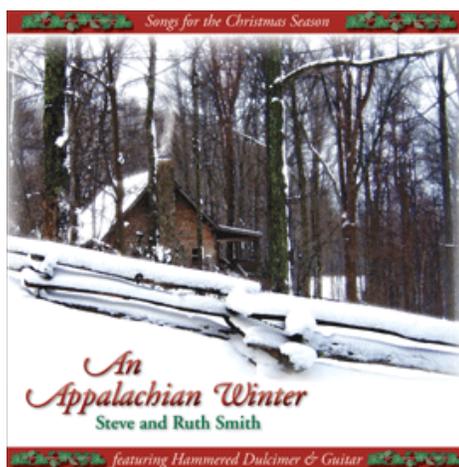
organization serving the academic discipline of Communication. Through its services, scholarly publications, resources, conferences and conventions, NCA works with its members to strengthen the profession and contribute to the greater good of the educational enterprise and society.

"The Invasion" by Jeanna Klein



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Steve Smith (COM) and his wife, Ruth, have produced, engineered and performed on their newest musical CD "An Appalachian Winter." The CD's description reads "The peaceful beauty of an Appalachian winter is captured here with gentle instrumental music featuring hammered dulcimer and guitar along with flute, pennywhistle, Celtic harp and percussion in a special collection of songs for the Christmas season." An Appalachian Winter is available at www.steveandruth.com, at over 50 retail outlets locally and regionally, as well as nationally at CD Baby, iTunes, Barnes & Noble, Borders, and over 30 various online retail sites. Some local outlets are listed on the website.



Smith also wrote a book chapter in the broadcasting section of "The Responsible Reporter: Journalism in the Information Age." The chapter was about interviewing and finding the right audio quote for a news story. The chapter dealt with how to identify, record, edit, and use a recorded piece of audio from the news maker's own words in order to create an interesting, compelling, yet accurate and in proper context, news story. The Responsible Reporter is a college level text for journalism courses.

Marty Root and Mary Dean Coleman-Kelly (FCS) are leading a "food fight" challenge between Appalachian and Western Carolina for students in their nutrition and health classes. The contest is to see which introductory

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Communication faculty coordinate political debate on campus

By Josh Jarman, Public Relations Intern, College of Fine and Applied Arts

Appalachian State University student members of the College Republicans and College Democrats debated on Oct. 28, in Belk Library. The focus of the debate centered on the presidential election and ways the parties have affected the issues.

The debate was sponsored by the Appalachian State Forensic Union and Debate Team which are led by Forensic Professors Kris and Mariam Willis. The Forensic Union and the Debate Team offers the University as well as the community opportunities for political discourse which provides students a model for future collaborations across disagreement.

Kris first came up with the idea for this political debate, during the summer, considering the election would occur during the fall semester. Kris and Mariam took the lead in organizing the event by scheduling and recruiting potential debaters from the College Republicans and College Democrats.

"We have debaters whose interest is specifically organizing and facilitating forums for public discourse," said Mariam. "We schedule moderators for the public debates, and ideally, the moderator is the only professional participating in the event."

In early September, four non-debate team students were selected from both college political parties, to prepare for the debate. The students were informed that they could brainstorm the topics on which they wanted to debate and the four chosen were health care, the economy, energy and foreign policy.

The debate format allowed each speaker to give a five minute constructive speech on their chosen issue, which was followed by a two minute cross-examination. After this the speaker closed with a three minute rebuttal speech and then the topic was opened to questions from the audience. The speaker was the only one allowed to debate an issue during the five and three minute portion of the debate but panel members could help in answering questions.

"I think it was a good debate because it gave students the opportunity to discuss some of the major issues of the election in a structured format," said Ed Brewer, a professor in the communication department, who was the moderator for the debate. "They weren't there to bash on each other, they were there to discuss the issues."

"I was impressed by the discourse the students modeled, every instance of seeming antagonism lead to someone, on either side making effort to establish common ground," said Mariam. "I was proud that at points both sides agreed with the other, and then they both spiritedly disagreed."

The event hosted an audience of approximately 160 students and faculty members. Brewer commented that a good number of those present were possibly still undecided voters a week prior to the election. He concluded that there was a good chance that many may have been swayed by the issues discussed throughout the evening.

"It was college students arguing about political issues from a college student perspective," said Kris. "Just having students stand in a public place and debate their issue, that's awesome to me, its true civic discourse."

Kris and Mariam are both very active with the Forensic Union and Debate Team and are already planning future political debates. This debate's speakers were not from the Debate Team, but rather volunteers from their respective college political parties. Kris plans to incorporate a third party, for the next debate.



The Dean's Office team of (left to right) Ed Treadaway, Interim Dean Glenda Treadaway, Development Officer Greg Langdon and Chad Sheets (absent from photo) took the Colonel's Cup for the team with the lowest net score at the Ninth Annual Thomas W. Reese C-GAIT Golf Classic. Treadaway also had the longest drive for the women.

Photo by John Craft

Ninth Annual Thomas W. Reese C-GAIT Golf Classic held Oct. 2

Appalachian State University held its ninth annual Thomas W. Reese Center for Graphic Arts and Imaging Technology (C-GAIT) Golf Classic Oct. 2 at Lake Hickory Country Club in Conover.

This year's tournament was held in remembrance of longtime member of the printing industry and GAIT Executive-in-Residence, Peter B. Krusa, who passed away in August. A plaque commemorating his service to Appalachian State University and the printing industry was presented at the tournament. The plaque will be placed in the GAIT lobby in Katherine Harper Hall at the university.

The tournament benefits the GAIT program at Appalachian. Sponsors for the event were Fuji Film, NAPCO, and xpedx. Joyce Mahaffey, director of Printing and Publications, served as coordinator for the event.

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nutrition class can donate the most food to the Hunger and Health Coalition by the time of the Appalachian-Western Carolina football game on Nov. 22. The loser must display a school pennant from the winning school during class for the rest of the semester.

Eric Frauman (HLES) is a member of the founding journal advisory committee for the Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, and Leadership (JOREL). The Association of Outdoor Recreation and Education (AORE), the Wilderness Education Association (WEA), and the WKU Research Foun-

ation (WKURF) launched the journal Oct. 31 in San Diego at the 22nd Annual AORE Conference on Outdoor Recreation and Education. The journal's mission is to improve outdoor recreation, education, and leadership through the publication and dissemination of peer-reviewed manuscripts centered on professional practice, research, and theoretical discussions. Manuscript submissions are encouraged from authors inside and outside of academia to help improve research and practice with a goal of reducing the disparity between the two in the represented disciplines.

Dr. Ken Peacock, Dr. Lorin

Baumhover, Dr. Edelman Huntley, **David Nieman (HLES)**, **Paul Gaskill (HLES)** and a group of additional staff and faculty from Appalachian attended the dedication of the David Murdock Core Laboratory building at the North Carolina Research Campus in Kannapolis on Oct. 20. The Department of Health, Leisure and Exercise Science is establishing a Human Performance Laboratory at the NCRC, and will be located in the North Carolina State University research facility also shared by Dole Foods Laboratories.

Alan C. Utter (HLES) was invited to testify on Sept. 11 to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania House of Representatives-Health and Human Services Committee on the public hearing of House Resolution No. 501: Sports Nutrition and Sports Supplements for High-School Athletes.

Congratulations to **Andy Kilgore (MSL)** and the MSL team on the Mountaineer Battalion's first place win at the Victory Brigade Ranger Challenge Competition held at Fort Jackson, SC. Ranger Challenge is the varsity sport of Army ROTC. The team was comprised of ten ASU ROTC Cadets, and they competed against 16 other teams from across the region, including The Citadel, Wofford, Furman, University of South Carolina, University of Memphis, University of Tennessee at Knoxville, University of Tennessee at Martin, East Tennessee University, Vanderbilt, Clemson, Austin Peay, Carson-Newman, Presbyterian, and Middle Tennessee State.

Karen Reesman (NUR) has been elected to the Board of the International Council on Women's Health Issues (ICOWHI). ICOWHI is an international nonprofit association dedicated to the goal of promoting health, health care, and well-being of women throughout the world through participation, empowerment, advocacy, education and research. The board consists of a multidisciplinary network of women's health providers, planners, and advocates from all over the globe. To obtain a position on the board, candidates must first be nominated and

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approved by the council prior to the election. As a board member, Reesman will help organize ICOWHI's 2010 Congress. The Congress is held every two years and is conducted primarily to raise awareness of women's health care and to disseminate research. The 2008 Congress took place in July and was located in Gaborone, Botswana.

Phoebe Pollitt (NUR) will graduate in December from Eastern Carolina University (ECU) with a Master of Science in Nursing Education. She also will be inducted into the ECU chapter of the Golden Key Honor Society. In addition, the article "Mary Mills-Pioneer Nursing Ambassador to the World" written by Pollitt has been accepted by *Minority Nurse* magazine. It is scheduled for publication in the Summer 2009 issue.

Wendy Miller (NUR) conducted an in-service training in October for 40 nurses at Hugh Chatham Hospital in Elkin. She spoke about using evidenced based research in their practice.

Debbie Cody (NUR) gave a presentation in August at Wilkes Medical Center for nurses and other health care professionals titled "Dealing with Emotional Issues in the Acute Care Setting." She also presented "The Emotional Aspects of Diabetes" at a conference sponsored by the Watauga County Health Department in October for people with diabetes and their significant others.

Jeff Ramsdell (TEC) is one of two recipients of the Transforming North Carolina Faculty Research Award. The Transforming North Carolina Faculty Research Award recognizes research with a significant impact on the present and/or future of North Carolina. It is sponsored by the Appalachian Regional Development Institute and the Cratis D. Williams Graduate School. The honor includes a \$1,000 award for each project. Ramsdell was honored for his biofuels initiative. He and his team are testing biodiesel that is being produced by several companies in the region as well feedstock crops grown on and around the Caldwell County's landfill for potential biodiesel production.

Ramsdell also visited biofuels facili-

Nursing faculty member helps nursing educators meet compliance standards

Cynthia Davis, the newest faculty member in the Department of Nursing, is helping to roll out a unique program to assist nursing educators to meet compliance standards for the North Carolina State Board of Nursing.

Davis served on the five-member writing team for The Nurse Educator Institute (NEI), a 60-contact hour continuing education program delivered in an on-line format using the Adobe Captivate system. The program is appropriate for novice educators, seasoned educators or persons wanting to explore a nurse educator role.

NEI is unique from other programs because it was developed to meet not only the North Carolina State Board of Nursing standards, but also the competencies set for by the Southern Regional Education Board, the National League for Nursing and the National Institute of Medicine. The team incorporated all of the requirements and competencies so that it is applicable to any person who is currently teaching that needs to meet requirements, who already meets the requirements but needs to refresh, or someone who has never taught but has a baccalaureate degree and could complete the program to enter into clinical education.

After working on its development for nearly two years, the team is now introducing the program in the field.

"NEI is a great product," said Davis. "What we have heard as we present it to various groups is that someone could be living in another state and do these modules. Hundreds of people in North Carolina and outside of this state will benefit from it. Even people in other health fields can take this to show a foundation in education."

Each of the NEI's four online learning modules - socialization, teaching and learning, curriculum design, and improving performance -- and their respective lessons are connected conceptually, and focus on the core knowledge and skills required of faculty teaching in entry-level nursing education programs.

The program is owned and administered by the Northwest Area Health Education Center, an educational outreach and training program designed to enhance the health of the public in its 17-county region by improving the supply, distribution, and quality of health and human service personnel--especially in primary care--through diverse community/academic partnerships.

"The most important feedback we have received is that it is timely," said Davis. "Those that we have shown the program to are blown away that it crosswalks the broad set of competencies. They are impressed at the utility and broadness of the product, and it is cost effective and can be used by multiple groups in allied health programs."

A workbook accompanies the module lessons and is provided to the participants as hard copy and saved to flash drive. The program will receive a comprehensive review yearly and will be updated for the latest standards. For more information about NEI, visit www.nurseeducatorinstitute.org. For more information about Appalachian's Department of Nursing, visit www.nursing.appstate.edu.

ties in Austria with researches and faculty from UNC Charlotte. He will visit South Africa in December.

Garner Dewey (TEC) visited institutions of higher education in Costa Rica

with Stan Aeschlemann, Jesse Lutabingwa, and other Appalachian faculty. One outcome will be an effort to set up joint programs of study.

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Grants

August, September, October

Awarded:

Norman Clark (COM) received a \$4,000 grant from the Corporation for National Services (via sub from Princeton University) Learn & Serve America Program for "Building Breadth & Depth into Community Based Research: A Proposal for Innovative Public Policy CBR Projects."

Kristan Cockerill (TEC) received \$10,000 from the Environmental Protection Agency P3 Competition for "Appalachian State Fair Trade Ethanol: Fuel Production from Coffee Wastes."

Jeff Ramsdell (TEC) received a \$295,200 grant from the Department of Energy for "ASU Biofuels and Biomass Research Initiative."

John Scarlata (TEC) received \$1,750 for a student stipend for Richard J. Thomas.

Jeff Tiller and Ball Lee (TEC) received \$44,206 from the University of Kentucky Research Foundation for "Development of a Green Building Curriculum."

Alan Utter (HLES) received \$49,769 from Crayhon Research for "The Validity of Ultrasound Velocity to Detect Changes in the Hydration Status of Wrestlers During Acute Dehydration and Rehydration."

Jeff Ramsdell (TEC) with Mark Venable (biology) received \$10,000 from the Environmental Protection Agency P3 Award Program for "Appalachian State Closing the Carbon Loop."

Donald Corey (TEC) received \$6,000 from Irwin Industrial Tool Company for an "ASU Design Program and Participation Agreement."

Laurel Elam (TEC) received \$5,000 from Residential Energy Services Network for the "Residential Energy Services Network - New Orleans Conference."

David Morris (HLES) received \$3,470 from the Gatorade Sport Science Institute for "The Effects of Oral Lactate Ingestion on Blood pH and High - Intensity Exercise Performance During Cycling Ergometry."

David Nieman and Melanie Austin (HLES) received \$6,885 from Cosmed Ltd. for "Validation of Cosmed's Quark CPET (With Mixing Chamber) in Measuring Exercise Metabolism."

Banks Talley (TEC) received \$15,000 from BSH Home Appliances Corporation for "BSH Laundry Studies Agreement."

Submitted:

Yan-Kin Szeto (TD) submitted a grant proposal for \$6,000 to the National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipends for the "The Martial Arts Cinema of the Chinese Diaspora and Hollywood in Transnational Perspectives."

Stephanie West (HLES) submitted a proposal for \$18,150 to the American Association for Physical Activity and Recreation/ American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance for "An Objective Evaluation of the PlayOn! Curriculum."

Ben Sibley (HLES) submitted a proposal for \$30,000 to the National Association of Sport and Physical Education for "Fitness, Physical Activity, and Academics in Elementary Education."

Travis Triplett and Jeff Soukup (HLES) submitted a proposal for \$20,000 to Watauga Medical Center and Cannon Memorial Hospital for "Clinical Exercise Science."

Alan Utter (HLES) submitted a \$1 proposal to Novant Health Inc. for a Clinical Education Agreement.

David Morris (HLES) with student Rebecca Shafer submitted a \$3,470 proposal to Gatorade Sport Science Institute for "The Effects of Oral Lactate Ingestion on Blood pH and High - Intensity Exercise Performance During Cycling Ergometry."

Technology, Energy Center coordinate annual Energy Star Conference

On Oct. 27 and 28, the Department of Technology and Energy Center coordinated the 4th Annual North Carolina Energy Star conference in Raleigh. The conference featured five half-day short courses, a plenary session and four sessions with four tracks for the rest of the day.

Laurel Elam, Energy Center staffer who directs the conference, was pleased with the quality of the sessions.

"We had the best year ever of speakers presenting the state-of-the-art of high efficiency residences and commercial buildings," said Elam. "While attendance was down due to the problematic state of the construction industry, there was lots of support for the future of Energy Star-rated buildings."

The conference had over 200 attendees at the Embassy Suites in Cary.

Due to its success over the past several years, North Carolina received the "National Market Transformation Award" last year from RESNET, an association of energy service professionals who work with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to set standards for Energy Star homes. Sam Rashkin, EPA's National Director for the ENERGY STAR Homes Program, gave several presentations and once again voiced how impressed he was with the conference.

Jeff Tiller, Interim Chair of the Department of Technology, helped develop the concept of the first conference in 2004 and gave two presentations this year. Faculty member Joseph Crocker and Energy Center researcher Bruce Davis also gave presentations.

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Margot Olson (TEC) will be presenting the research work of a campus-wide collaborative working on accessible design at a conference in Berlin in February.

Congratulations to **Jeanne Mercer-Ballard (TEC)** on the birth of her second child, Jiada Katerina, Sept. 16.

Interim Dean Glenda
Treadaway,
and the dean's office staff,
invite you to our annual

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featuring luncheon entrees and desserts

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DATES AND DEADLINES

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Nov. 18	Last day to drop a second half course
Nov. 26	University Break (students only)
Nov. 27-28	State holidays
Dec. 2	College of Fine and Applied Arts Scholarship Reception
Dec. 9	Last day of formal class meeting pattern
Dec. 10	Reading Day
Dec. 11-17	Final examination period (excluding Saturday, Dec. 13 and Sunday, Dec. 14)
Dec. 12	College of Fine and Applied Arts Dean's Holiday Open House
Dec. 18	Faculty grading period
Dec. 19	Last day to submit final grades
Dec. 21	Commencement ceremonies
Jan. 8	Registration
Jan. 9	Advance drop/add
Jan. 12	First day of classes
Jan. 16	Last day to add a class
Jan. 19	State holiday
Jan. 26	UNC "Census" date: last day to drop a class without the course being used in the calculation of the "twenty-five percent surcharge" mandated by North Carolina statute.
Feb. 11	Last day to drop a first half semester class