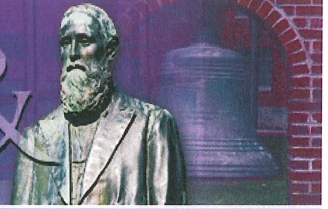


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## Message from Janet L. Gooch, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, Dean

As we approach the finish line, my main objective is to wish everyone a successful completion to the semester and a holiday season that is filled with enjoyment. December is a wonderful time to reflect on what you've accomplished during the fall semester and to think about goals for the spring. In my opinion, there is beauty and comfort in the University-cycle. Each semester is a "new beginning" and it is about this time of the semester that we affirm: we will make it through.

The current issue of the SHSE newsletter is filled with examples of the amazing activities happening in our school. For this issue, I specifically solicited items from

Dr. Bev Perrachione in Education highlighting the involvement of Education students at the Schuyler County R-1 Elementary School's Fall Family Fun Night and from Ms. Pam Melvin in Nursing on the student learning activities that are happening in the Nursing Simulation Center. These are two very fine examples of the service and diverse learning experiences that our programs provide, one of the "pillars" of the School of Health Sciences and Education incorporated into the mission statement that was recently generated and reviewed by the school.

Feedback on the mission statement is currently in review and the committee will meet again on December 7 to decide on a "final" version. Your review of the draft statement and your thoughtful feedback were appreciated.

In addition, I thank those of you who made time to meet or observe via video, the forums of the candidates for the Provost position and for the feedback you provided to the search committee. Again, I express my gratitude to Dr. Jennifer Hurst for serving as the SHSE representative and co-chair of the search committee.

This time of year is hectic and fervid at best but I encourage you to make time for two important upcoming events. The first event is the third conversation in the "Why a Public Liberal Arts and Sciences Institution in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century?" series presented by Dr. Steve Smith, Professor of Business Administration, on Monday, December 5. The second event is the retirement reception for Ms. Sarah Delaware, Associate Professor of Nursing, scheduled for Thursday, December 8, from 4:00 - 5:00 p.m., in the SUB Georgian Room. Sarah has been a part of the Nursing program and the Truman community for 30+ years. Sarah, you will be sorely missed!

## DECEMBER 2011



## NEWSLETTER

### The SHSE Administrative Team

*Paula Cochran, Chair of CMDS*

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*Mona Davis, Assistant to the Dean*

*Janet L. Gooch, Dean*

*Chris Lantz, Chair of HES*

*Stephanie Powelson, Chair of Nursing*

*Paul Yoder, Chair of Education*

## Communication Disorders



The Communication Disorders Department and Speech and Hearing Clinic launched its 50th Anniversary Celebration with a public open house Saturday, November 12. During the ribbon cutting ceremony, representatives from the Scottish Rite Masons and RiteCare Valley of Columbia presented a generous \$10,000 gift to the Communication Disorders Department.

CMDS graduate students will present their research at a poster session in the SUB Alumni Room on Friday, December 9, from 9:00 - 10:30 a.m., and at Truman's 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Research Forum in Communication Disorders on Wednesday, December 14.

## Education

The Master of Arts in Counseling program recently received full accreditation through the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education for the training of K-8, 8-12, and K-12 school counselors.

Graduate Counseling program students Ms. Sarah Hartz and Ms. Bethany Rye presented "Dangerous Teen Fads" and Dr. Christopher Maglio presented "Professional School Counselors, Psychologists, and the Independent Psychological Evaluation: Working Together to Assess Students" at the annual meeting of the Missouri School Counselors Association in Osage Beach.

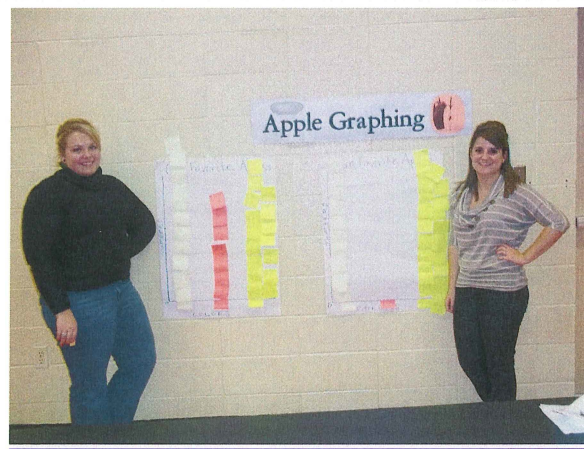
As the graduate Counseling program is completing the first cohort, students are currently completing internships in seven school districts in St. Louis as well as in the Kirksville R-III district and seven other districts throughout Northeast Missouri.

MAE alum Ms. Katie Allen was named Teacher of the Year at Hazelwood Central High School, where she has taught mathematics for the past six years.

Thirty-one students from four Education Department professional student organizations assisted at the Schuyler County R-1 Elementary School's Fall Family Fun Night Thursday, November 10: Student Missouri State Teacher Association (SMSTA), International Reading Association (IRA), Kappa Delta Pi (KDP), and National Education Association Student Program (NEA-SP). The volunteers set up and managed tables with various activities, such as charting favorite types of apples, cooking pumpkin pancakes, creating turkey hats, writing with quill pens, making acorn snacks, designing sand paintings, folding origami animals, and other fun fall-time activities. The Truman students assisted 200+ Schuyler students and parents in these activities. Sponsors of the organizations are: SMSTA, Ms. Sheila Berkowitz and Ms. Laura Nickelson; IRA, Dr. Donna Rhinesmith and Dr. Bev Perrachione; KDP and NEA-SP, Dr. Bev Perrachione.



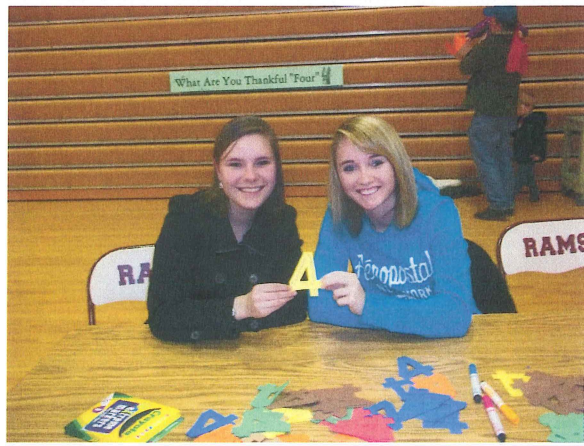
Ms. Amanda Rieman and Ms. Becky Simington model their turkey hats.



Ms. Courtney Haywood and Ms. Emily Adkinson with "favorite type of apple" graph.



Ms. Kristen Wagner and Ms. Samantha Patterson work with students creating yarn pictures.



Ms. Clare Fielding and Ms. Rachel Rigsby help students with a writing activity on thankfulness.

## *Health and Exercise Sciences*

Dr. Janice Clark Young, MCHES, was elected to the Division Board for Professional Preparation and Practice (DBPPP) of the National Commission for Health Education Credentialing (NCHEC) for a five-year term beginning January 2012. The mission of NCHEC is to enhance the professional practice of Health Education by promoting and sustaining a credentialed body of Health Education Specialists. To meet this mission, NCHEC certifies health education specialists, promotes professional development, and strengthens professional preparation and practice.

Several HES faculty members presented at the annual convention for the Missouri Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance, Saturday, November 12, at Lake Ozark. Dr. Michael Bird presented "Stretching for Fitness & Performance;" Ms. Roberta Donahue presented "Bystander Intervention;" Ms. Melody Jennings presented "Folk Dances for Secondary Students;" and Dr. Carol Cox and Dr. Janice Clark Young presented "Media Interview Advocacy Skills."

## *Nursing*

*A retirement reception for Ms. Sarah Delaware will be held Thursday, December 8, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m., in the SUB Georgian Room. Ms. Delaware has served Truman and the Department of Nursing since 1980. Thank you, congratulations, and best wishes, Sarah!*

Dr. Stephen Hadwiger, Ms. Mariquit Hadwiger and Ms. Melissa Holcomb attended the 41<sup>st</sup> Biennial Convention of Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing in Grapevine, Texas, October 29 – November 2. Melissa was Rho Omega STTI chapter delegate. Kit presented an oral presentation "Filipina Mothers' Perceptions about Childbirth with a Traditional Birth Attendant" and Stephen presented on "Filipino Professional Birth Attendants' Perceptions about Maternal Services and Childbirth at Home."

## **Nursing Simulation Center**

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The Department of Nursing spent the spring and summer pitching, packing, and moving into the new Health Science Building and a brand new Nursing Simulation Center (NSC). We are now well into our first year providing quality education to our talented and enthusiastic nursing students in the new and much improved setting. By using this new technology and innovative ideas, faculty are developing additional learning experiences to enhance our students' ability to provide safe patient care and become competent practitioners.

The NSC is conveniently located in the center of the Nursing Department and has a ten bed capacity; an eight bed 'hospital unit' plus two breakout rooms. There is an additional second six bed lab in Pershing Building which is busy every Tuesday and Thursday with sophomore nursing students in the Assessment and Fundamentals course. The NSC provides a place where students learn, practice, and perfect their nursing skills in a safe setting.

The NSC has the look and feel of a hospital with its beds, carts, and crib, and is equipped with high tech medical equipment including a MedDispense®, cardiac monitor, defibrillator, bedside computer documentation, and state of the art infusion pumps. It is home to several mid-fidelity manikins including two adults, a child, an infant, and a newborn. The manikins can be controlled remotely by faculty to simulate a variety of clinical situations. The two breakout rooms in the main NSC lab are hardwired with cameras, microphones, and monitors to record student learning and enable faculty to play back and debrief students following the learning experience.

The NSC is being used in all clinical courses and faculty have been extremely busy developing and facilitating simulated learning experiences for students. A few of the recent simulations include a patient with heart failure, a critical care patient requiring tracheostomy care, a pediatric patient experiencing sickle cell crisis, an obstetrical patient, and a home health scenario. In addition, students are busy in the lab almost every evening and on Sundays working on clinical skills with the five NSC assistants (senior nursing students). The NSC is also a great place for students to hang out and study with their fellow classmates.

Ms. Pam Melvin is the Coordinator of the Nursing Simulation Center.

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L-R: Seniors Ms. M.E. Kanago, Ms. Sarah Lacy, Ms. Carlyn Wall, Ms. Pam Melvin (faculty), Ms. Katie Moore, and Ms. Whitney Henke pose for a picture with simulator “Ima Payne” (seated) following the home health simulation.



L-R: Dr. Teak Nelson (faculty) works with junior students Ms. Maggie Scharnhorst and Ms. Caitlyn Schaefer on pediatric assessment skills in the NSC.

### *Regional Professional Development Center*

Mr. Anthony Blades received a Distinguished Service Award in recognition of exceptional leadership and devoted service to persons who are blind and visually impaired in Missouri from the Missouri Association for Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind and Visually Impaired.

## Calendar

Saturday, December 3 – Board of Governors meeting

Monday, December 5 - Dr. Steven Smith presentation, “The Perennially Practical Liberal Arts”

Thursday, December 8 – Retirement reception for Ms. Sarah Delaware, Nursing,  
4:00 – 5:00 p.m., SUB Georgian Room

Friday, December 9 – the Provost notifies faculty of approved sabbaticals for AY 2012-2013

Friday, December 9 – Spring 2012 class schedule second proof due

Friday, December 9 – Last day of classes

Monday, December 12 – Fall final grade submission period begins, 8:00 a.m.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, December 12, 13, 15, 16 – Finals

Wednesday, December 14 – Reading Day

Wednesday, December 14 – 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Research Forum in Communication Disorders

Saturday, December 17 – Commencement

Saturday, December 17 – Interim Begins

Tuesday, December 20 – Fall final grades due in TruView, 12:00 noon

Wednesday, December 28 – December interim final grade submission period begins, 8:00 a.m.

*University offices will be closed December 22, 23, 26, and 27*

The SHSE will host Deborah Glaser, Ed.D., at the fourth annual language and literacy conference Friday, April 27, 2012, in the SUB. Dr. Glaser is a national trainer for Louisa Moats' Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling (LETRS) and Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS).

Check the master calendar for additional events:

<http://calendar.truman.edu/calendar.php?op=cal&month=4&year=2010&catview=0>