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newsIN MEMORIAM: **Dr. Audrey L. Rentz, 1941-2010**

Tribute submitted by Dr. Robert DeBard, Associate Professor, Bowling Green State University, to the *Journal of Student Affairs Research and Practice*

Audrey L. Rentz, Ph.D., a longtime faculty member at Bowling Green State University, passed away on November 25, 2010, in Bowling Green, Ohio. Dr. Rentz joined the Bowling Green State University faculty as an assistant professor in 1974 and retired as professor emeritus in 1996 from the Department of Higher Education and Student Affairs.

Dr. Rentz was a member of several professional associations, including NASPA-Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education, ACPA - College Student Educators International, and the National Association of Women Deans, Administrators, and Counselors

(NAWDAC). In ACPA, she served on the editorial board of the *Journal of College Student Development* from 1991 to 1997. She also served as an ACPA Commission XII (Professional Preparation) directorate member from 1978 to 1983; liaison to the Standing Committee on Women, 1985-1986; a member of the research committee, 1984-1985; newsletter editor, 1980-1982; and a member of the ACPA Media Board of Directors, 1975-1978. Her work on Commission I (Administration and Development of Student Personnel Services) included chairing Task Force VI from 1974 to 1976 and serving on the conference program committee in 1972.

Dr. Rentz was also an active member of NAWDAC and its branches in Ohio and Michigan. She chaired its research committee from 1985 to 1987 as well as its manuscript review committee from 1981 to 1983. On three separate occasions from 1983 through 1986 she was a member of the national convention program selection committee. She also served as president of the Michigan Division of the Women's Equity Action League.

At her core, Dr. Rentz was a teacher, mentor, and strong advocate for women and women's issues.



Dr. Audrey L. Rentz

Among her honors were the 1980 ACPA Commission III Award for Outstanding Research, the 1989 Ohio College Personnel Association Philip A. Tripp Distinguished Service Award, and the 1991 Manuscript of the Year Award presented by ACUHO-I and the Journal of College and University Student Housing.

Before coming to BGSU, Dr. Rentz served as the Dean of Women at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and University and Dean of Women at

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



Dr. Maureen Wilson

Excellent People past, present & future

The end of another academic year at BGSU has come and gone, and there has not been a dull moment! Topping our news is the recent hire of two new assistant professors, Dr. Christina Lunceford and Dr. Nicholas Bowman. Lunceford earned a Ph.D. from Michigan State University and has been working at California State University Fullerton. Bowman earned a Ph.D. from the University of Michigan and has been serving at the University of Notre Dame. After serving as our senior vice president for academic affairs and provost at BGSU, Dr. Kenneth Borland will join the HESA faculty full-time. We will do full profiles of each of them in our next HESA newsletter.

We welcome them as we bid a fond farewell to retiring faculty members Dr. Bob DeBard and Dr. Carolyn Palmer. I am grateful for their many years of service to HESA and look forward to their continued relationship with us. Both are featured in stories in this newsletter. Furthermore, we also say goodbye to two dear friends, esteemed colleagues, part-time faculty members, and longstanding supporters of HESA: Dr. Ed Whipple and Dr. Bill Knight. After 17 years as vice president of student affairs at BGSU, Dr. Whipple has taken a position as the first senior fellow at NASPA, where he will invest his energies and expertise in assisting this national organization in exploring opportunities for collaborations between academic and student affairs and examining significant policy issues facing the profession. Dr. Knight, who has been serving as the associate vice provost for planning and accountability at this institution has assumed a new position at Ball State University as the executive director of institutional effectiveness.

We also mourn the passing of Dr. Audrey Rentz, professor emeritus of HESA. She is memorialized in the *Journal of Student Affairs Research and Practice*, which is reprinted in this issue of the newsletter.

On July 1, Dr. Mary Ellen Mazey became the 11th president of BGSU. She was provost and vice president for academic affairs at Auburn University. She succeeds President Carol Cartwright who is retired. A major agenda item for Dr. Mazey will be negotiating the first contract with the BGSU faculty union.

Our incoming HIED and CSP cohorts are both very strong. At this writing, there will be seven full-time and two part-time HIED students. They are moving to BG from Florida, New York, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin and Ohio. CSP students are coming, once again, from coast-to-coast. We are excited to welcome all of them to campus. Thanks to all of you who referred terrific candidates to us. We had over 225 applications for 36 CSP internships, and the pool was exceptionally competitive.

Throughout this newsletter, you'll find reports of great things our alumni are doing at BGSU and around the country. Our reputation has been built and sustained by our outstanding alumni and we need your continued support. My first year as chair has been marked by an unusual degree of change at BGSU. I am grateful for all of the kind words from so many of you as I have transitioned into this role and appreciate your ongoing support of HESA at BGSU.

– Dr. Maureen E. Wilson, Associate Professor and Chair

Alma College. Her interest in women's issues helped drive her curricular development, resulting in the creation of doctoral seminars on "Women in Higher Education" and "Women's Issues and Human Sexuality."

Her main contribution to the literature of the field is contained in two books that she edited. The first was co-edited with her close colleague and mentor Gerald L. Saddlemire, entitled *Student Affairs: A Profession's Heritage* (1983 and revised in 1986). A second edition was released in 1994 with Dr. Rentz as the sole editor after Dr. Saddlemire's death. This book provided an understanding of how the field of student affairs evolved and made a major contribution to understanding the feminization of the profession. Rentz and Saddlemire also collaborated on *Student Affairs Functions in Higher Education*, published in 1988, and Dr. Rentz edited the second edition entitled *Student Affairs Practice in Higher Education*. A third edition, *Rentz's Student Affairs Practice in Higher Education*, was edited by Dr. Rentz's faculty colleague Fiona J.D. MacKinnon in 2004. This text was written to serve two audiences: students enrolled in graduate preparation programs who need an overview of the functional areas served by student affairs and professionals in those functional areas wishing to keep abreast of the current trends and issues in the field. She published in both NASPA and ACPA journals as well as in other outlets.

At her core, Dr. Rentz was a teacher, mentor, and strong advocate for women and women's issues. She directed 23 theses for College Student Personnel students from 1976 to 1994 as well as three dissertations after BGSU added a Ph.D. program in 1991. Her talent as an editor and penchant for proper protocol were well known by all who earned

their writing chops from Audrey Rentz. "Audrey was a model of decorum both in and outside the classroom," said faculty colleague Dr. Robert DeBard, and "she believed the best way to teach a sense of professionalism to students was to demonstrate it in how she dressed, how she spoke, and how she wrote." Upon hearing news of her passing, tributes poured in from alumni and colleagues, many noting her outstanding skills as an educator and the mentoring she provided for students, giving them the reassurance and confidence to complete their degrees and launch their careers. She had high expectations for students and led by example. One advisee reported that Rentz helped her transform her life and become an empowered woman in the late 1970s. She serves now as a vice president for student affairs. Outside the university, Audrey had a particular interest in financial investing. An active member of the First Ladies Investment Club of Bowling Green, she presented educational workshops through the Northwest Buckeye Regional Council of Better Investing, Inc., and subsequently helped membership grow in the Shared Interest Investment Club of Bowling Green.

Dr. Audrey L. Rentz had a strong sense of pride and fierce determination to succeed, resulting in a legacy of accomplishment that set a standard for her students and colleagues. She will be missed, but her contributions to student affairs will not be forgotten.

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Remembrances

Notes and email messages from all over the country made their way to the HESA department after news of Audrey Rentz's passing. She left quite a legacy in the field but also in the lives of those she touched.

Here is just a small sampling of these sentiments:

- > "This is very sad to hear. I have very fond memories of Dr. Rentz and actually was telling one of her stories just the other day to a colleague."
- > "I'm sad to hear of her passing at such a relatively young age. Dr. Rentz was one of my favorite teachers during my days at BG."
- > "Audrey was my advisor and helped to transform my life as I launched a career in higher education administration and become an empowered woman in the late 70s."
- > "She was a lovely, lovely person and will be missed."
- > "Dr. Rentz was an outstanding teacher and gave me the reassurance and confidence to complete my degree."
- > "This makes me sad. I didn't know her well, but she was one of the first to see some sort of potential in my writing, putting one of my pieces in her anthologies, then having me write that philosophy chapter in the functions book."
- > "I had Dr. Rentz as a professor in 1988 for a history of higher education class and in 1989 for CSP capstone. She had a twinkle in her eye, and was highly professional, but approachable. She was a very classy lady."
- > "Dr. Rentz meant a great deal to me as a friend and an advisor."

NASPA/ACPA Consolidation Vote Update

In the previous newsletter, it was announced that the ACPA and NASPA Consolidation Steering Team released a *Proposal for the Consolidation of ACPA & NASPA*. The membership of both organizations voted on consolidation this past spring. A nod for consolidation required a two-thirds majority vote from each association, but only 62 percent of NASPA voters favored joining forces, compared to 81 percent of ACPA voters, so they will remain separate organizations.

Always a Learner

Social Justice Training Institute

By Dr. Dafina Lazarus Stewart, Associate Professor, BGSU

In December 2010, I participated in the Social Justice Training Institute (SJTI) in Long Beach, Calif., with support from the HESA Diversity Enhancement Fund and the University's speed grant program operated from the provost's office. SJTI is a four-day workshop, offered twice a year in December and June, in which participants engage in discussion with each other and the facilitators around issues of race and racism. Required readings are assigned for completion prior to and during the institute. Participants also engage in experiential learning activities on site. The goals and purposes of the SJTI are described in this quote:

"The Social Justice Training Institute (SJTI) provides a forum for the professional and personal development of social justice educators and practitioners to expand and refine their skills and competencies as diversity practitioners and trainers. SJTI is a developmental experience that will involve personal work. Past participants have found SJTI to be an intense experience as we work to understand the dynamics and effects of race and racism and as we engage in authentic dialogue across and within race groups. ... The focus of the institute is on doing our own personal work and developing skills to stay engaged in authentic dialogue."

(J. Pettitt, personal communication, 10/7/2010)

Participants for SJTI are selected through an application process, so attendance is not guaranteed. I was delighted that I would be selected to experience SJTI.

It may seem curious that I would seek out such an experience, especially regarding issues of race. After all, I entered the field in 1995 working at Kenyon College as the multicultural



program coordinator in the Office of Multicultural Affairs. Since that time, I have taught classes, presented workshops and participated in numerous dialogues with student affairs professionals focused on issues of diversity, multiculturalism and social justice. However, as I wrote in my application for the Diversity Enhancement Fund:

I firmly believe what I teach: Multicultural competence is not simply an outcome to be attained and put aside, but requires lifelong development throughout the course of one's life and career. ... I feel it is vital at this point in my life and career that I continue to push my own learning and development, so that I can better challenge and support the learning and development of others. ... I have also long maintained that being a member of a minority group does not automatically make one an expert on the issues of

societal oppression and internalized oppression that are experienced by that group. I cannot assume (nor should others) that I have addressed all my own issues with race and racism, or that I have a full understanding of the variety of ways in which people across racial groups experience and process issues of race and racism within the U.S. and globally.

So off I went to SJTI, looking forward to the opportunity to be a learner again and engage with others on this issue as a peer, so that I could do some necessary self-work.

I had little idea that the experience would push me so hard, dredge up some very deep emotions that I thought I had dealt with long ago, and draw me so close to hope. I thought my primary growing edges about race and racism were about the experiences with racial oppression faced by South East Asians and indigenous people in the United States. As such, I focused much of my homework on these groups. Indeed, I gained valuable knowledge, expanded my understanding regarding the impact of colonialism and exotification, and was honored to be trusted with the stories of two colleagues who I valued greatly.

And yet, there was so much more. At the institute, I was confronted with the hard lesson that I had yet to do a great deal of personal work regarding multiracial people's experiences and the racist ideology that I had internalized about multiracialism and interracial partners. Truly, oppression touches us all, and infects our language and ability to even recognize oppressive acts that we commit. I will be forever grateful to colleagues who were willing to challenge me and put me in check. Their willingness to speak up opened my eyes to the oppression that I was perpetuating against others and gave me the space to begin to see how I needed to transform my thinking, so that my actions could then follow suit.

Another unexpected learning moment involved the wonderful opportunity to see and respect the very necessary and valuable role that people with privilege have to play in social justice work. This role is not only as supportive allies, but

2010 Graduates (CSP and HIED)

Listed below are the additional updates about the remainder of the 2010 CSP and HIED graduates who did not appear in the Fall 2010 issue.

as diversity change agents and leaders. I was fortunate to have a woman in my small group who was the director of the multicultural affairs office at a medium-sized, private university in the South, who identified as white, heterosexual, middle class, Christian and able-bodied. I listened with great respect as she shared her awareness that people are suspicious of her motives and competence, and yet, she was determined to do the personal work that she needed to do so that she could better serve the wide range of students from marginalized groups who came through her office.

Here's another example: This year's SJTI took place over Hanukkah. The first night a Jewish woman in the group invited anyone who wished to join her to celebrate in the saying of prayers and lighting candles, but she was without a menorah. Also present was a Christian woman, who having observed on her calendar that we would be doing this across an important religious celebration for another faith, brought a menorah and candles with her to Long Beach - just in case. I was deeply humbled and inspired by these two women's tangible actions to see and act on behalf of others.

I came back from SJTI renewed, reinvigorated, but also provoked to take more risks as a person with privilege to speak up and act out on behalf of those without privilege in both my personal and professional lives. This was a formative personal and professional development opportunity for me. I strongly encourage any and everyone to invest in yourself and apply to be a participant in SJTI.

Evelyn Ashley successfully presented her dissertation, "The Gendered Nature of Student Affairs: Issues of Gender Equity in Professional Student Affairs Associations," and is now the assistant dean of student life and director of student conduct and community standards at Southern Methodist University (SMU) in Dallas.

Erin Battistoni is an academic advisor for nursing at Owens Community College.

Amanda Bryant is a complex director at the University of Kansas.

Rebecca Christy is a health professions advisor and a career counselor at the University of Virginia.

Scott Couchman is the assistant director for international education at Roanoke College.

Paul Hofmann successfully presented his dissertation, "Examining Factors of Acculturative Stress on International Students as They Affect Utilization of Campus-Based Health and Counseling Services at Four-Year Public Universities in Ohio," and is the director for the Center of International Programs at BGSU.

Helena Iaquina moved to New Hampshire to work as an academic mentor at New England College.

Alana Malik successfully presented her dissertation, "Institutional Resource

Allocation, Student Engagement and Student Satisfaction at Ontario Universities," and currently serves as the assistant director for staffing and training at the University of Toledo.

Christy Rakness is an international services regulatory coordinator at the University of Toledo.

Carolyn Ramsdell is an academic advisor at Owens Community College.

Stacey Rose is a health educator at Springfield College.

Emily Sankey is a leadership program coordinator at Emory University.

Amanda Selby moved to Arizona to work as a student recruitment and retention specialist in nursing at University of Arizona.

David Stockton is the coordinator for campus programs at Marquette University.

Jessica Turos successfully presented her dissertation, "Employment Recruiters' Differentiation of Candidate Characteristics: Does Study Abroad Make a Difference?" and is now the assistant director of the BGSU Career Center.

Also, congratulations to the 2011 graduates whose names and job locations will be highlighted in the fall 2011 newsletter.



BGSU Alumni Meet Higher Education Legend

Dr. George Kuh, Chancellor's Professor Emeritus of Higher Education at Indiana University Bloomington, was the keynote speaker at the 6th Annual Summit on Transforming Learning, hosted by Rollins College in April. BGSU alumni and friends could not resist the opportunity to snap a quick picture with a legacy in the field. Joining Kuh (center) are BGSU colleagues (from left) Kevin Konecny (former BGSU student affairs employee and HIED student), Jeremy Foskitt (CSP '09), Micki Myers (CSP '01) and Katie Kanable (CSP '08).

Where are *They* Now?

ALUMNI NEWS: CSP

1980s

Congratulations to **David Barnes** (CSP '81) who was elected to serve as president-elect of the Association of College Unions International (ACUI). He is presently the director of University Unions at James Madison University.

Richard Stegman Jr. (CSP '81) is the innkeeper and proprietor of the Victorian Tudor Inn in Bellevue, Ohio.

Carol Gannon Gelsomini (CSP '81) recently started a new position as the senior nurse practitioner with Lockheed Martin directing the Health & Wellness Center in Colorado Springs.

Janet Cox (CSP '84) is the vice president and chief operations officer for the BACCHUS Network in Denver.

After 25 years of service as a financial aid administrator, **Sue McCray** (CSP '84) recently retired as associate director of financial aid at Cornell University.

1990s

Dr. Naijian Zhang (CSP '93) is full professor, acting chair and licensed psychologist in the Department of Counselor Education at West Chester University of Pennsylvania. He finished editing *Rentz's Student Affairs Practice in Higher Education*.

Tammy Steranko Spevak (CSP '98) is an academic advisor at Penn State Hazleton.

Danny Shaha (CSP '98) is the senior director of judicial affairs at Penn State University.

John Allred (CSP '99) welcomed Addison Allred into his family on Sept. 5, 2010, and then one month later, began working as the university registrar at Southern Utah University.

Congratulations to **Dr. Lori Patton Davis** (CSP '99), associate professor in the higher education program at the University of Denver, who was awarded the ASHEA Early Career-Promising Scholar Award in November 2010 for her research, scholarship and service in the arenas of identity, equity and racial injustice affecting diverse populations in postsecondary institutions.

Ramona Meraz Lewis (CSP '99) was married in July 2010 and completed her Ed.D. in December 2010 from Eastern Michigan University.

2000s

An instructor in the Department of Theology at the Ateneo de Manila University in the Philippines, **Michael Liberatore** (CSP '00) teaches on the topics of poverty, faith, liberation and justice. He was granted permanency (similar to tenure) in June 2010.

Bernie Savarese (CSP '02) recently completed his MBA from Ohio State's Fisher College of Business and accepted a position as associate director for undergraduate admissions and first-year experience at The Ohio State University.

Mandy Powell (CSP '03) was elected to the 2011-12 OCPA Executive Board as secretary and records chair.

Ali Graham (CSP '04) is the advisor and outreach specialist in the InnovatED program at Lorain Community College in Elyria, Ohio.

Congratulations to **Georgianna Martin** (CSP '04), who won the Albert Hood Promising Scholar Award from the University of Iowa. She was also selected as the 2011 Senior Fellow for the Obermann Graduate Institute, an interdisciplinary institute on civic engagement, social responsibility and public scholarship.

Kristyn Bochniak (CSP '05) and her husband welcomed Zoe Agnes Bochniak into their family on April 25, 2011.

Tlell Elviss (CSP '05) is the manager of the Safety and Learning Abroad program at the University of British Columbia.

Jamie Kuniyara Elwell (CSP '05) is the associate director of career development in the Department of Career and Student Life in the Weatherhead School of Management at Case Western Reserve University.

Jackie Breuer Briggs (CSP '06) and her husband, Pete, announce the arrival of their son, Archie. She is the director of recruitment at Minnesota State College-Southeast Technical in Wisconsin.

Jennifer Lambdin (CSP '06) is the director of student involvement at Ohio Northern University.

Devi Wintrode (CSP '06) is the director of campus ministries at Grove City College in Pennsylvania.

Beth Juelich (CSP '07) welcomes to their family Giuliana Grace, who was born Feb. 3, 2011.

Kevin Lipine (CSP '08) will marry his partner Patrick Araujo in Boston on Sept. 17, 2011. Lipine is the assistant director for residence education at Babson College in Massachusetts.

Congratulations to **Cullen Jackson** (CSP '07) who received the 2010 GLACUHO Outstanding New Professional Award. He also has been admitted to the Moritz School of Law at The Ohio State University for 2012.

Still serving at Indiana University - Purdue University at Columbus (IUPUC), **Lindsay Hansen Jones** (CSP '07) recently took a position as admissions and advising coordinator in the IUPUC Division of Business.

Jennifer Lee (CSP '07) is the associate director of student activities for student organizations and involvement at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, Fla.

Sarah (Barnes) Orem (CSP '07) is an academic and career advisor in Education and Health and Human Services at James Madison University.

Michelle Buggs (CSP '08), assistant director of the Office of Intercultural Services at Texas Woman's University, was accepted as a part-time student in the Ed.D. program at the University of North Texas.

Jennie Lee (CSP '08) announces that her new last name is Williams after her marriage in July 2010. She is the program coordinator for the University Center for the Advancement of Teaching at The Ohio State University.

Erin House (CSP '08) was promoted to director of the Academic Service Center at Terra State Community College in Fremont, Ohio.

Greg Chick (CSP '09) is the assistant director of financial aid at Emerson College in Boston.

Beau Johnson (CSP '09) and his wife, Nicole, announce the birth of their daughter, Selah Jordan Johnson, who was born May 25, 2011.

Becca Kleinberg (CSP '09) recently accepted a position as the first-year programs coordinator in the Fulton Schools of Engineering at Arizona State University.

Steve Knepp (CSP '09) is a resident director at Binghamton University in upstate New York.

Lesha Shouse (CSP '09) recently accepted a position with the BGSU Career Center in the arena of career advising and employer relations.

Congratulations to CSP 2009 graduates **Tommy Balicky** and **Jayne Appley** who were married in Prout Chapel on May 28, 2011!

Scott Couchman (CSP '10) was promoted from the study abroad coordinator to the assistant director for international education at Roanoke College in Virginia.

ALUMNI NEWS: HIED

2000s

Dr. Stan Guidera (HIED '00), a BGSU faculty member in architecture and environmental design, was promoted to full professor in May 2011.

Congratulations to **Dr. Jodi Devine** (HIED '01), who was named the winner of the 2011 Michael R. Ferrari Award for her contributions to both the University Honors Program and the community. The top recognition for administrative staff at BGSU, the Ferrari Award is given to those who do an exceptional job and also promote harmony, have strong relationships with the University community and demonstrate dedication to the growth and betterment of BGSU and its students.

Dr. Pete Meagher's (HIED '09) dissertation, "A Phenomenological Study of the Experience of Respondents in Campus-Based Restorative Justice Programs," was selected as the Association for Student Conduct Administration Dissertation of the Year. He serves as the associate dean for students and campus life at Reed College in Portland, Ore.

Dr. Sally Click (HIED '09) received the 2010 Ruth Strang Research Award from the NASPA Center for Women. The award recognizes individuals for outstanding contributions to the body of literature concerning women in higher education. Co-authored with BGSU HESA faculty member, Dr. Mike Coomes, Click has published an article in the *Journal of Student Affairs Research and Practice* entitled, "Melvene Draheim Hardee: A Touchstone of the Profession" that was based on her dissertation.

Dr. Jessica Turos (CSP '04, HIED '10) was recently inducted into the BGSU circle of Omicron Delta Kappa. This honor society recognizes students and professionals for meritorious leadership and service.

AWARDS, HONORS AND RECOGNITION

HESA Banquet Recognizes Students and Supervisor

During the annual HESA end of the year banquet on April 29, the following individuals were recognized for their academic efforts and service to the Bowling Green and higher education communities:

- > CSP Student of the Year: **Mari Knuth-Bouracee** (CSP '11)
- > CSP Spirit Award: **Priscilla Ju** (CSP '10 Cohort)
- > Shelli Herman Award: **Matt Enriquez** (CSP '10 Cohort)
- > Frank Arnold Award: **Deborah Hendricks** (CSP '10 Cohort) and **Gregory Haines** (CSP '10 Cohort)
- > CSP Supervisor of the Year: **Andy Alt** (CSP '04), BGSU Office of the Dean of Students
- > HIED Faculty Award for Academic Excellence by a Student: **Kristen Lindsay** (HIED '06 Cohort)
- > Student Contribution to the HIED Doctoral Program: **Jacob Clemens** (HIED '09 Cohort)
- > Student Contribution to the BGSU Community: **Abby Priehs** (HIED '09 Cohort)
- > Student Contribution to the Profession: **Kerry Jones** (CSP '04, HIED '06 Cohort)

2010 HIED Alumnus of the Year

The annual HIED Alumnus of the Year Award is designated for one HIED graduate who has made outstanding contributions to her or his professional field through teaching, research, or service. **Dr. Bettina C. Shuford** (HIED '00) and former assistant vice president for student affairs at Bowling Green State University was appropriately awarded as this year's recipient. Shuford recently started a new position as associate vice chancellor for student affairs at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She is already deeply missed as a colleague at our institution; but once a Falcon, always a Falcon!

Other awards and recognitions that were received throughout the 2010-11 academic year are also listed:

Luke Ahrens (CSP '11) won the case study competition at the OCPA/OASPA conference.

Mike Baumhardt (CSP '10) and **Sherry Early** (HIED '10 Cohort) were elected to two-year terms as the national co-chairs

for NASPA's Knowledge Community for Student Leadership Programs.

In February 2011, **Denica Brooks** (CSP '11) was awarded the CASE-ASAP District 5 Advisor of the Year award for her work with BGSU's Student Alumni Connection.

Michael Brown (HIED '08 Cohort) received one of the Katzner and University Bookstore Funds for Graduate Student Research and Professional Development awards. He was selected to receive support for his doctoral dissertation research related to the nature of spiritual questions among undergraduate students.

Anna Costa (CSP '11) received the Pursuit of Excellence award from the Department of Residence life at BGSU.

First-year doctoral student **Sherry Early** (HIED '10 Cohort) had a review of the book *Student Engagement Techniques: A Handbook for College Faculty* published in the *Journal of the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning*.

Lisa Kirchner (HIED '05 Cohort) and **Mindi Wells** (HIED '05 Cohort), both part-time HIED students, presented at the 2011 College & University Professional Association for Human Resources (CUPA-HR) conference in May 2011 on "Building a Successful Leadership Program That Furthers the Institution's Strategic Plan and Vision." Wells was also selected to participate in the 2011 Ohio State Bar Association Foundation Fellows program, an honor extended to those lawyers and judges who adhere to the highest ideals of the legal profession and are dedicated to serving their communities.

Katherine Letourneau (CSP '11) was selected as the advisor of the year for 2010-11 at Heidelberg University.

Jeremy Wright (CSP '10 Cohort) received a scholarship from the standing committee for graduate students and new professionals at ACPA to attend the conference and learn about the committee.

Congratulations to **David Sleasman** (HIED '10 Cohort) for being elected as president and **Christina Wright** (HIED '10 Cohort) for being elected as treasurer of BGSU's Graduate Student Senate for the 2011-12 academic year.

Jeremy T. Zilmer (CSP '11) received the Graduate Assistant Award for the Division of Student Affairs at BGSU.



CSP Summer Interns May Be Working Near You

While the department just graduated 38 CSP students who are headed off into a world of career opportunities, there are several members of the first-year cohort who are presently working quite possibly at an institution near you, even as you read this newsletter. If that is the case, feel free to search for them on Facebook and treat them to dinner. What CSP-er doesn't appreciate a free meal?

Kristen Satterlee is an ACUHO-I summer conferences intern at Western State College of Colorado.

Rachel Drennen has accepted a NODA internship at George Mason University.

Jeremy Wright is an ACUHO-I intern for residence education at DePaul University.

Matt Enriquez is working at BGSU, serving as an orientation coordinator of programming and assessment.

Kahlin McKeown is taking over for Lauren Abrahamson (CSP '11) in the BGSU HESA office as the CSP intern.

Jay Kahn is an intern in the Alumni and Development Office at BGSU this summer.

PJ Ju received an ACUHO-I internship at Marymount College as a conference assistant.

Samantha Keltner is an ACUHO-I intern at Western Washington University.

Gregory Haines is NODA intern at Bradley University.

Liz Panopoulos is in Cheyenne, Wyoming working with the dean of campus living and learning at Laramie County Community College.

Jacob Raderer received an internship with educational initiatives for Phi Kappa Tau Fraternity.

Anna Lehnen is working in the Office of Campus Activities at BGSU.

Andrea Wensowitch secured a summer position in Charlotte, N.C., working in the Transfer Resource Center at Central Piedmont Community College.

Leslie Robinson is a new student orientation academic advisor for the honors program at BGSU.

Maggie Wetter has accepted a summer internship with BGSU's conference programs.

Lauren Luffy is a NODA intern at California State University-San Bernardino.

Kat Slaby is doing an ACUHO-I summer internship at the University of Alaska Anchorage.

FACULTY UPDATES

Special congratulations to **Drs. Dafina Lazarus Stewart, Maureen Wilson** and **Carney Strange** for their contributions to three recent new books in our field.



Dr. Maureen Wilson will serve as Scholar-in-Residence at ACUHO-I in New Orleans in July. While there, she will receive the Research and Publication Award for significant contributions to scholarship related to the housing profession.

Dr. Dafina Lazarus Stewart published two articles in 2011, including "The Role of Student Affairs in Promoting Religious and Secular Pluralism and Interfaith Cooperation" with Michael Kocet in the *Journal of College and Character* and "The Multifaith Campus: Transforming Colleges and Universities for Spiritual Engagement" with Michael Kocet and Sharon Lobdell in *About Campus*.

Dr. Carolyn Palmer was selected as the Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education Educator of the Year. This award recognizes individuals and/or organizations in Ohio's educational institutions at any level whose teaching has advanced gerontological education and training for students and practitioners.

Dr. Bob DeBard received the esteemed BGSU Master Teacher Award from the Student Alumni Connection and the BGSU Alumni Association as a cap to his illustrious career.

Dr. Ed Whipple, the vice president of student affairs and a member of the HESA faculty, was recognized by BGSU's Graduate Student Senate for his dedication to and advocacy for graduate students.

Dr. Dafina Lazarus Stewart completed her term as chair for ACPA's Commission for Spirituality, Faith, Religion and Meaning, received the Heather Ahuero Award for LGBT Advocacy (along with **Jill Carr** (CSP '76) and **Dr. Jane Rosser** (HIED '03), two other HESA alumni and staff/faculty), and was awarded the Student Organization Advisor of the Year at the Gregory T. DeCrane Applauding Excellence Awards Ceremony for her work with Honoring Urging Empowering (HUE).

Dr. Carolyn Palmer and **Dr. Bob DeBard** were co-recipients of the BGSU Graduate Student Senate Outstanding Contributor to Graduate Education Award in April 2011.

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Higher Education and Student Affairs at Bowling Green State University has its own Facebook page. Already nearly 800 followers strong, the site offers opportunities to connect and reconnect with colleagues in the field.

You can learn about updates from BGSU's HESA program, take part in discussions and read about friends' and colleagues' promotions, milestones and comments.

The site also has a fairly extensive photo gallery of events, and historical images to peruse or add to the collection. It's worth taking the time to look at the photos, to see whom you recognize and to reminisce about your time in the program.

The site can be found by searching "Higher Education and Student Affairs at Bowling Green State University" or by visiting the website at <http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Higher-Education-and-Student-Affairs-at-Bowling-Green-State-University/143949359999>.

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Stay in touch! If your personal or professional life has changed or if we haven't been in touch for a while, pick up the phone or email us to let us know what you're doing or where you have moved. Contact HESA by email at hesa@bgsu.edu or by phone at 419-372-7382.

Spread the Word!

Are you aware of a professional colleague or a promising student who might be a good fit for one of our programs? Many of our current students find their way to BGSU through alumni like you. Please recommend our programs to potential students.

For more information, visit our website at <http://www.bgsu.edu/colleges/edhd/hesa/index.html> or email the HESA Office (hesa@bgsu.edu) to request application materials (which are also available on-line). The deadline for the 2012-13 year is Jan. 1 for the CSP program and Jan. 15 for the doctoral program.

A Tale of Two Retirements

A Tribute to Dr. Carolyn Palmer

"I've been Palmerized!" When my partner gets this message, he knows to prepare for a rush of excitement, a new project or an over-enthused partner looking to take on the world. Days when I get Palmerized are always good, even if they weren't going well up to that point.

I didn't know the meaning of the Carolyn Palmer descriptor the first time I met her at the Ohio College Student Personnel Careers in Student Affairs conference in 2005. Of course, I also didn't know how my life was going to be changed by this petite powerhouse Ph.D. Within minutes of meeting Carolyn, she had me under her wing and was introducing me to other faculty members attending the conference. That's when I realized that there was no comparison to her, and I needed to continue my education with Carolyn. It wasn't just her focus on adult learners, a topic of great interest to me as I had always been a nontraditional student. It was also her passion for students of all ages and her 'living out loud' personality.

In the 18 months between that conference and my enrollment in the CSP program at BGSU, I heard from Carolyn several times. She never contacted me with a self-serving agenda, but she was simply checking in to see how things were going and if I needed anything. During my time as a CSP student I would get emails from her with ideas for projects, invitations to present, articles of interest, or volunteer opportunities that were sure to advance my academic and professional careers. I still get those emails and I take comfort in knowing that she's always looking out for me. Carolyn is a lifelong learner and has taught me to be the same. I am certain that her retirement won't stop her from learning or from teaching for that matter. She recently commented to me, "Every day we are teachers, and every day we are learners."

Students over 50, nontraditional students, residence life, statistics, homemade salsa from homegrown tomatoes, the world's best deviled eggs, and laughter and enthusiasm for life that can be heard across campus are the images and ideas for which Carolyn is best known. All fantastic things for sure, but more personally, I know Carolyn for being passionate, caring, engaged, involved, and an advocate for all of her current and former students.

She has made such a difference in so many students' education that several Adult Learner Focus (ALF) alumni began a scholarship in her name. The Palmer Scholarship is awarded each year to a first-year graduate student in the Higher Education Student Affairs department at BGSU for contributions to knowledge or field work with nontraditional students. Soon to become an endowed scholarship, Carolyn is very proud of this scholarship and her students. As an ALF alumna, I look forward to ALF reunion breakfasts where Carolyn brings us all together to catch up on life, work and new topics of academic interest.

I am confident that Carolyn will be looking out for students long after her official retirement, and we will all be fortunate to have her continue as a champion for nontraditional students. I'm looking forward to sharing in whatever comes next for Carolyn, and I'm sure I speak for many alumni when I say, "Thank you Carolyn for being a mentor, friend, teacher, fellow learner and most of all yourself." Six years of being Palmerized have challenged me to be a better person, and for that, I am extremely grateful.

*- Jeannette Passmore (CSP '09)
Student Success Mentor at Owens
Community College, Toledo, Ohio*



A Man of a Special ilk

It was the fall of 2002 and we were beginning our first semester in the HIED program. Dr. Bob DeBard would be teaching our Governance and Organization of Higher Education course that semester, followed by Budget Management in Higher Education the following term. Little did we know the extent to which we would grow to admire and appreciate Bob for his wisdom and wit, not to mention his seemingly limitless lexis! Surely, we were embarking upon a scintillating,¹ scholarly journey.

Prior to penning this tome, we were kibitzing² about how best to capture the essence of Bob, the one known for his ability to "manage by vibration,"³ the man who famously quipped: "Nobody told me what to do today. They didn't have

State to Honor Palmer

Dr. Carolyn Palmer will be honored at the Ohio College Personnel Association's (OCPA) Community College Commute-In Conference to be held October 21, 2011 in Columbus, Ohio.

to.”⁴ Indeed. Certainly, turgid prose⁵ would be off-putting, but we dared not approach this task tepidly⁶. Co-authoring a tribute would have its challenges, but in the end we felt a Janusian⁷ approach would double the perspective of two titular⁸ wonks⁹. To obfuscate¹⁰ would be insidious¹¹, so we set out to clearly articulate that which we most appreciated about Bob DeBard.

Brent strove to emphasize humor while Tony sought to accentuate praise. What a conundrum¹²! Each was committed to his own perspective, yet neither desired to be draconian¹³. Then we remembered the wise axioms of Dr. DeBard: “Reasonable people will disagree on these things,”¹⁴ and sometimes “the twain just doesn’t meet.”¹⁵ Somehow those truths did not solve our problem, but we pressed on knowing that “building a sense of progress is the key to effective leadership.”¹⁶

We set out to write something fresh, eschewing¹⁷ the temptation to recycle portions of previously written material or to camp out on a familiar topic. Bob had said it himself, after all: “We do get some Johnny and Janey one-notes in this class.”¹⁸ Far be it from us! Having imbibed¹⁹ this wisdom like a cold beer at a holiday party at Bob and Maxine’s fabulously decorated home, we pondered one final, penetrating query from our now-beloved sage: “When you don’t have to be at your best, how good are you?”²⁰

Though we could go on and on with a roasting tribute, our memories of past conversations with Bob and witty quips from him are not the only memories that we hold dear.

Bob, you were a great influence for both of us during our time at BGSU. Your pragmatic approach to advising helped us get through the program and our research. Your personality - least of which would be your humor and oratorical stylings - made class memorable when the material read for the session may not have held its own. Your directness, openness, and treatment of us as colleagues and not simply empty vessels in the classroom made it exciting to come together to see what might happen next. For each of us Bob, you are BGSU.

That’s why this is a sad time. Knowing that future generations of CSP and HIED graduates won’t share the same stories, or be able to share the laughs when we talk about DeBard DeBingo, or know why it’s funny to bring an Oxford Dictionary to class on the first day in Governance will always be a little heartbreaking. But retirement will no doubt be a happy time, a grand new adventure for you and Maxine. There will be more time together, more time to see the kids, and more time for golf, too. We can’t help but be happy for you, and maybe even a little bit jealous.

You have all our best wishes, Bob. Because of you, we know what we need to do, and you have our promise that we will always work to do our best. Take care, and Godspeed.

Class Session Footnotes: 1: 2/18/03; 2: 9/26/02; 3: 9/26/02; 4: 9/12/02; 5: 10/31/02; 6: 2/11/03; 7: 9/5/02; 8: 4/15/03; 9: 2/18/03; 10: 10/3/02; 11: 9/26/02; 12: 2/4/03; 13: 2/11/03; 14: 1/21/03; 15: 2/18/03; 16: 12/12/02; 17: no date recorded, but certain he used it; 18: 10/3/02; 19: 9/26/02; 20: 4/15/03.

- Dr. William A. “Tony” Lake (HIED ’05) and Dr. Brent A. Marsh (HIED ’06)

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