Causes for Celebration
(as of 10/31/2013)

• Elizabeth Roumell Erichsen, Assistant Professor in Education, has been selected as the recipient of the Commission of Professors of Adult Education (CPAE) 2013 Early Career Award. This award honors individuals who are in the early stages of their academic career, and who have made significant contributions in scholarship and service to the field. Each year, beginning in 2000 CPAE honors one individual at the assistant professor level or equivalent who demonstrates excellence in research and publication and potential capacity for leadership in the field. This award will be presented at the November national meeting.

• At the recent NDSU Extension Service/Research Extension Center Fall conference several HDE Extension faculty were recognized for their work: Abby Gold, Assistant Professor in Health Nutrition and Exercise Sciences for her 5 Years of Service; Sean Brotherson, Associate Professor in Human Development and Family Science for his 15 years of Service; Dean Aakre, Specialist, Center for 4-H Youth Development for his 30 years of service; Julie Garden-Robinson, Professor in Health, Nutrition and Exercise Sciences, and partners, for the Distinguished Team Award for the “Be Sun Savvy: Reduce your Risk for Skin Cancer” program, and to Julie Garden-Robinson, Stacy Wang, Extension Associate in Health Nutrition and Exercise Sciences and colleagues, for their Program Excellence Award for “Teens Serving Food Safely.”

• Sharon Query, Assistant Professor of Practice, Human Development and Family Science and Center for 4-H (PI); Molly Secor-Turner, Assistant Professor, Nursing (Co-PI) and Brandy Randall, Associate Professor, Human Development and Family Science (Co-PI) have been awarded a grant from the North Dakota Department of Transportation, “Increasing Seat Belt Usage among Pre-Driver Youth in North Dakota” for $12,974. Sharon Query has also been awarded a contract from the North Dakota Department of Human Services, “Parents LEAD” for $59,994.

• Kyle Hackney, Assistant Professor, Health, Nutrition, and Exercise Science, in collaborative with Dan Ewert and Ben Braaten from Electrical Engineering, has been awarded funding by the ND NASA EPSCoR for his proposal titled, “Collaborative Research between UND and NDSU: A Mobile Health System (mHealth) for Monitoring the Physiological Response of an Astronaut Performing Tasks in the NDX-2 Planetary Space Suit”. The overall goal is to use the wireless mHealth system to monitor physiological performance metrics during Astronaut extravehicular activity. One of the major goals of the ND NASA EPSCoR seed grant funding is to establish and nurture NASA related research in North Dakota that will enhance our competitiveness for external grants.

• Brad Strand, Professor, Health, Nutrition, and Exercise Science, along with April Iverson and Gabe Strubel (West Fargo Public Schools and HNES graduate students) had an article titled “Teaching expertise in physical education: From novice to expert” published in the Idaho Journal of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance.
• Adam Gehlhar (NDSU Social Science Education and Educational Leadership graduate) and Stacy Duffield, Associate Professor, School of Education, had an article accepted for publication in the *Middle School Journal*. “Deconstruction Geography: A STEM Approach” describes the engineering design process used by the West Fargo STEM Center to create connected curriculum, and features a unit on geography that allows middle level students to learn about the world through technological artifacts in an exploratory, challenging, relevant, and integrated manner.

• Anita Welch, Assistant Professor, School of Education, recently received word that she is the recipient of the Council of State Employees (COSE) STAR Award for this quarter. The STAR Award is given to those who stand out among their peers and exhibit exceptional service to state government. The recipient is chosen from all of the nominees submitted by their fellow state employees for that quarter and is presented with a certificate and gift from COSE.


• Several Counselor Education faculty members and doctoral students attended the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision (ACES) national conference in Denver, CO on October 17-20, 2013. Brenda Hall, Professor, Amber Bach-Gorman, and Chasity Odden-Heide, doctoral students, and Jill Nelson, Associate Professor, School of Education, had a poster session based on a seminar project called, “The Development of a Site Supervisor Training Curriculum: A Multi-Layered Approach.” Bob Nielsen, Professor, School of Education, and Irene Harper had a poster session called, “Dynamics of Stress for Counselor Educators and Supervisors.” Jill Nelson and James Korcuska, Associate Professors, presented the preliminary results of their research study during our presentation, “Supervision of Post-master's Degree Counselors: A Qualitative Study of Clinical Supervisors.” Amber Bach-Gorman presented a roundtable session called, “Enhancing Your Counseling Practice Through Animal Assisted Therapy.” This work was based on her clinical experience and the extensive literature review she completed in preparation for her dissertation on this topic. Faculty and students in attendance were: Bob Nielsen, James Korcuska, Brenda Hall, and Jill Nelson and doctoral students: Irene Harper, Amber Bach-Gorman, Chasity Odden-Heide, Natalie Leer Reiter, and Jessica Brown. Several doctoral program alumnae were also in attendance.

• Anita Welch, Larry Napoleon, Elizabeth Roumell, and Brent Hill, Assistant Professors in the School of Education, hosted a workshop at the International Conference on Education and Educational Psychology 2013, in Antayla, Turkey. The workshop was titled “Virtual Teaching Dispositions Scale (VTDS): A Multi-dimensional Instrument to Assess Professional Teaching Dispositions in Virtual Classrooms.” Anita and Larry hosted the workshop in person, while Elizabeth and Brent presented their sections virtually.
Several of the HDE Extension specialists received awards at the recent Galaxy Conference in Pittsburgh, PA: Lori Schaermer, interim family economics specialist and University of Minnesota faculty/staff, received the Epsilon Sigma Phi Distinguished Team Award for "Recovery After Disaster: The Family Financial Toolkit". Julie Garden-Robinson, Professor in Health, Nutrition, and Exercise Sciences and food and nutrition specialist, received the National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Food Safety Award; Sharon Query, Assistant Professor in Human Development and Family Science and 4-H Youth Development Specialist; Dena Kemmet, Extension Agent/Mercer County; Sara Carlson, 4-H Graduate Assistant, Ellen Crawford, Information Specialist; and Deb Tanner, Graphic designer, received the National Association of Extension 4-H Agents Communicator Award for Educational Package and Regional Educational Piece (Boundaries program).

On October 8th, Mary Larson, Assistant Professor, Health, Nutrition, and Exercise Sciences, presented breakout sessions at the Annual North Dakota Worksite Wellness conference entitled "Hitting the Target: Using the 4 Es to Develop a Comprehensive Wellness Program."

Jenny Linker, Assistant Professor, Health, Nutrition, and Exercise Sciences and Kristen M. Hetland, Assistant Professor and Chair of the Department of Health and Physical Education at Concordia College recently presented at the Physical and Health Education Canada 2013 National Conference "Fields of Plenty, Fields of Play" in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Their presentation, "SchoolsAlive!: How to Implement Let's Move! Active Schools at Your School" highlighted their work in the West Fargo Public School District and provided strategies for implementing school-wide physical activity.

Susan Johnson, MS who is a Couple and Family Therapy graduate, and Kristen Benson, Assistant Professor, Human Development and Family Science, had an article titled “It’s Always the Mother’s Fault: Secondary Stigma of Mothering a Transgender Child” accepted for publication in the Journal of GLBT Family Studies. Kristen, also, facilitated an open discussion session on Working with LGBTQ Youth and Children at the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy annual conference in Portland, OR.

Brad Strand, Professor, Health, Nutrition, and Exercise Sciences, with Vicki Worrell (Emporia State University) and Gale Weidow (Dakota State University) had an invited article titled "Why we (AAHPERD Leaders) do what we do" published in the Journal of Physical Education, Recreation and Dance.

Greg Sanders, Associate Dean, co-authored two articles published in June in the Romanian journal, Journal of Gerontological Social Work. The first article, “Friends, Family, And Community Social Services: Supports Or Barriers For Non-Custodial Parents In Grand-Families,” was published with Leah A. Pigatti as first author. The second article, “Older Foster Parents: Supports And Resources,” was published with William A. Metcalfe as first author. Drs. Pigatti and Metcalfe are graduates of the Ph.D. Program in Human Development: Gerontology Track and Dr. Sanders served as their adviser.
Members of the HNES faculty have collaborated and have had three articles published. Two are publications from graduate student research conducted at NDSU. The other publication used 12 years of National Health Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES) data to assess trends of sugar-sweetened beverage intake and biomarkers for chronic disease risk. Additionally, two posters were presented at the Food and Nutrition Conference and Exhibition at Houston, Texas. This conference is attended by approximately 6000 Registered Dietitians and supporting personnel. The abstracts for those presentations follow:

The citations for the publications and abstracts follow:


