

What's Going On Now?

College of Education and Human Services

March 24, 2009

Congratulations!

To our new Dean, **Mark Wasicsko**. Mark has now relocated to BEP 214. He can be reached at extension 5229.

Publications

Lane Clarke co-authored a paper titled "Walking in Their Shoes: Using Multiple Perspectives Texts as a Bridge to Critical Literacy." It was printed in the March issue of *The Reading Teacher*. IRA members can view the full text at

<http://www.reading.org/Library/Retrieve.cfm?D=10.1598/RT.62.6.7&F=RT-62-6-Clarke.html>. The abstract is available to the public at

<http://www.reading.org/Publish.aspx?page=/publications/journals/rt/v62/i6/abstracts/rt-62-6-clarke.html&mode=redirect>

Presentations

Michael Chirichello will present an all-day invited session for the National Association of Elementary School Principals in New Orleans titled "Teacher Supervision: From Control to Empowerment." He will also present another session, "Transforming Learning Communities: The Principal as Team Builder," at the same conference. In February, **Chirichello** presented a two-day workshop titled "The Principal as Educational Leader: Making a Difference!" for the Principals Leadership Academy in Oklahoma.

Suzanne Soled, Missy Jones, Jaesook Gilbert, and Sara Eisenhardt's paper "Retaining Talent Through Collaborative Mentoring" was presented at the annual conference of Academic Chairpersons in Orlando, Florida.

Paul Wirtz and MaryJo Nead presented a session titled "Scotland: Castles, Ghosts, and Scotch" to the Covington Rotary Club. **Wirtz** also co-presented "Building School Capacity Through Teacher Leadership: One State's Journey" at the AATCE and KACTE conferences.

Accomplishments

Janene Grodesky has been selected as one of 50 participants for the American Cancer Society/Center for Disease Control School Health Education – Higher Education Academy at the CDC in Atlanta for May 13-15, 2009. **Grodesky** has also been awarded the Health Matters for Students Kellogg Foundation mini-grant through November, 2009.

Thomas Palmer recently had an abstract and poster presentation accepted to the Canadian International Sports Medicine Symposium.

Student **Jessica Daniels** has been selected to attend the prestigious 2009 Collegiate Sports Medicine Foundation Student Leadership Workshop.

Community and Conference Participation

Jill Niemeyer attended the Consortium of Overseas Student Teaching (COST) annual conference and business meeting at the University of Alabama. The conference was attended by representatives from all fifteen participating U.S. universities, as well as by representatives from numerous international receiving sites. NKU will host the next annual conference April 13-16, 2010. COST arranges international student teaching experiences for teacher candidates attending colleges and universities in the United States. COST provides a world class cross cultural and international professional educational experience with an emphasis on intercultural understanding.

Thirteen members of the COEHS community shared their career knowledge and expertise at the R.A. Jones Middle School 8th grade Career Blitz evening. Participants included faculty members **Carol Ryan, Karen Tapp, Vicky Vanwinkle, Mark Wasicsko, Paul Wirtz, and Ed Workman**; staff member **Ruthie Altekruise**; and graduate students **Elizabeth Cobb, Jody Helton, Melissa Insko, Stephen Landry, Charles Leon, and Alicia Trenkamp**.

David Wilkerson announced that the Storefront Clinic has been renamed the Training and Development Center (TDC). The TDC is currently collaborating with the Northern Kentucky Regional Mental Health Court, NKU's Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice, and ten Northern Kentucky human service organizations to provide assessment and mental health treatment services to participants in the Mental Health Court program. To date, the TDC has served over 70 clients. Look for more information about the TDC in the spring issue of The Link. For more information about the NKY Regional Mental Health Court, visit the website <http://www.nkyrmhc.org/>

Happy Birthday!

Doug Feldmann (3/12), Leah Dugar (3/14), Shawn Faulkner (3/15), Lenore Kinne (3/16), Sara Runge-Pulte (3/23), Carole Ziegler (3/29)