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The Dean Speaks

Dr. Richard L. Sowell, PhD, RN, FAAN

The 2009-2010 academic year is shaping up to be a challenge for many of the universities in the University System of Georgia. Universities, including Kennesaw State University (KSU), are facing cuts in their budgets as a result of the financial recession gripping Georgia and the country. Anyone reading newspapers or listening to broadcast media already knows that the decreases in State tax revenue have made it necessary to cut budgets in all state-supported departments and programs. This

is particularly challenging for the University System since, while budgets are being cut and faculty and staff are preparing for furloughs, the number of students seeking to enter college is growing. Kennesaw State University is experiencing a high demand for its educational programs as its student population continues to grow. This would seem to be a recipe for a disaster.

However, closer look at the situation at KSU provides a brighter picture. Our growing enrollment, the dedication of faculty and staff, and the effective strategic planning by the University's leadership are keeping KSU a university that is "on the move."

Likewise, the WellStar College of Health and Human Services is facing the challenges of budget cuts and increasing student enrollment with a positive sense of the future. While none of us wants to deal with budget cuts or faculty and staff furloughs, the current financial environment provides new opportunities to re-evaluate our programs and business procedures in order to ensure that our operations are the most efficient they can be. We are setting priorities that will move us forward and ensure we offer programs of excellence. While this is a time of challenge, when every undertaking needs to be justified, it is equally a time of opportunity and renewal. The positive side of the current budget challenge is that the WellStar College and KSU will emerge stronger with clear priorities that will facilitate our growth well into the future.

Let me take a few minutes and focus on the many positive things that are taking place in the WellStar College. One of the greatest symbols of our vision of a positive future is the new Health Sciences building. In this issue of EXCELLENCE, I am pleased to share with you pictures of the new building, images that highlight the extraordinary progress being made in bringing our building to completion. It is an exhilarating experience to observe the progress of the new Health Sciences building! Looking at the construction, it is hard to grasp the mere size of the building as well as to realize the significant impact of the building on the future of educational programs in the WellStar College.

Faculty members from all of our departments have played an active role in the external and internal design of the building and should be very proud of their efforts.

The building is designed primarily to support the WellStar College's teaching mission, and a great effort has been taken to make the new building student friendly. I will share one scenario that demonstrates the faculty's commitment to students. In choosing a chair for the large classrooms, there was a variety of opinions among faculty members as to which one would be the most appropriate and comfortable for the students. To insure we got the best input, one of the faculty furniture committee members took different chairs to her class that evening and had students decide which one of the chairs they wanted in the classrooms. This type of scenario has repeated itself numerous times as the Health Sciences building has been designed and is being furnished. This building speaks to a positive trajectory of the WellStar College well beyond current financial challenges. The Health Sciences building will be a visible symbol of the "excellence" found in the faculty, students, and programs of the WellStar College. We are anticipating moving into our new home during the fall 2010 semester.

Yet another positive symbol is that the WellStar School of Nursing is implementing its first doctoral program in fall 2009. The Doctor in Nursing Science (DNS) is a significant step for the College as we move to increase graduate and doctoral education. The new DNS will have a firm foundation in nursing education and research, with a focus on health disparities. The graduates of this program are expected to be well positioned to respond to the needs of Georgia and our nation.

...effective strategic planning by the University's leadership...keeping KSU a university that is "on the move."

● The Countdown • The Dean Speaks

The Countdown Continues

In April, Dr. David Bennett, Associate Dean in the WellStar College of Health and Human Services, who has led the new Health Sciences building's planning since its beginning stages, emailed the College's faculty and staff: "Trevor Pitt, the construction manager for Whiting Turner, has forwarded a webcam link to me, and you can access it at any time for a current view of the construction of the new Health Sciences building."

The ability to see the progress and the unmistakable daily changes on the construction site added to the excitement of getting closer to the completion of the new Health Sciences building, the future home of the WellStar College of Health & Human Services.

From the pouring of the concrete to a rapid advancement of the infrastructure and the floors going up, the building was taking a more definite shape every day, minute by minute. Topping out celebration for the construction crew was held on July 7. This event signified that the frame work for all levels of the building, including the roof-top, was completed. In the meantime, the inside of the building evolved as well, as the College's departments prepared for their new home.

The building's furniture committee made selections to furnish and equip not only the faculty and staff offices and meeting rooms, but more importantly spaces that will serve our students. Carpeting, furniture, seating, and equipment, were meticulously chosen - room by room, classroom by classroom, space by space. Decisions were made about literally every square foot of the building's four floors.

Starting at the top, the fourth floor will house WellStar College's administration; Health, Physical Education & Sport Science department's offices; the Global Center; College's board room, seminar rooms, as well as a Computer Testing center, Distance Learning center and student computer learning labs and student group rooms.



In the background, the Kennesaw Mountain overlooks the building's construction site.

The third floor will provide space for Nursing and Social Work & Human Services departments' faculty and staff; Nursing Microbiology labs; Anatomy & Physiology labs; Computer Testing and Learning labs; and a Graduate Student Lounge and Nursing Doctoral Student Support area.

The second floor will feature three large Nursing Skills labs and a Human Patient Simulation center that replicates a hospital setting and patient care. Nursing students will come close to reality as they study and work in a hospital-like setting, with high-tech mannequins acting as patients. The nursing faculty will be able to monitor the scene from observation rooms adjacent to the simulation rooms. This floor will also house two

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Further, the WellStar College was grateful to the Provost and the KSU President for allocating five new faculty positions to the College this year. These new positions recognize that enrollment in the College's programs continue to increase, and that these new programs will require new faculty members to fully meet the opportunities in our future. Our graduation rates support that the WellStar College's programs are adding value to the educational effort of the University and State.

As you review this issue of EXCELLENCE, I am sure that you will agree with my assessment of the status of the WellStar College. The College is accomplishing an impressive array of

achievements from new programs to study abroad experiences, global partnerships, and faculty scholarship.

This academic year may be one of temporary financial challenges that require the WellStar College to do its part to support the strategic allocation of resources by the University. However, our future could not be brighter, and our planning efforts are focused on moving forward deliberately to insure continued growth in size and significance of our College as we maintain our tradition of "excellence" in undergraduate, graduate and doctoral education. We invite you to explore ways to be a part of our future!

● The Countdown • Inside This Issue

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Westerly view of the Health Sciences Building construction site.

Physical Assessment labs; a Pediatric lab; rooms for quiet simulation of heart and lung sounds; tiered classrooms; Nursing Practice Skills labs; as well as a Graduate Skills lab.

The first floor will house an Advisement center, an auditorium seating 236 persons and two classrooms seating 120 persons, and will provide other individual classrooms as well as a large tiered classroom. In addition, high-tech Bio Mechanics and Chemistry labs; Neuromuscular Bone Density lab; Exercise Science Cardiac Rehab Learning lab; and Clinical Research lab will enhance learning experience.



An auditorium takes its shape...

The building will be blanketed for wireless internet access, and students will have spaces available for powering laptops. Rooms for student group work will also be located throughout the entire building.

The main entrance will set the stage to the building's unrivaled character. It will be a great entry way for students and visitors to step into an atrium of polished limestone floors and soaring three-story glass walls bringing in natural light. As you can tell, the WCHHS is just a little excited about its new home!

Watch for updates in the next issue of EXCELLENCE.

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● Excellence Awards

Donna Chambers, Assistant Professor of Nursing, Honored with Nursing Excellence Award at The AJC and ajcjobs Celebrating Nursing Luncheon

With the publication of its monthly Pulse magazine, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution has a 17-year history of telling stories about nurses, the unsung heroes of health care. It was The AJC and ajcjobs that decided in 2006 that they wanted to go one step further and honor 10 nurses from across the state with an awards banquet and a special section in the Sunday newspaper during National Nurses Week.

The award recipients were chosen from nominations of colleagues, former patients, and family members of patients who felt that the nurses had gone above and beyond the call of duty during the previous year and according to the stories told about what made the nurses so very special.

An independent panel of judges, leaders in health care, went through more than 230 nominations and picked 10 nurses who made a difference in someone's life. Dr. Richard Sowell, Dean of the WellStar College of Health & Human Services, served on the panel, along with Dr. Myra Carmon, from Georgia State University; Linda Easterly, from Barrow Regional Medical Center; and Carol Rittenhouse, from the Georgia Division of American Red Cross.

Donna Chambers, Assistant Professor of Nursing at KSU, was one of the 10 nurses honored with Nursing Excellence Awards at The AJC and ajcjobs fourth annual Celebrating Nurses event on May 6, at the Cobb Energy Performing Arts Center in Atlanta.

In addition to teaching in the baccalaureate program at the WellStar School of Nursing, Donna works three days a week at the KSU Community Clinic at MUST Ministries in Marietta, where she spends countless hours advocating the needs of her patients. The Clinic provides much-needed health services to the homeless and medically under-served population in the community, offering accessible health care that includes health education and disease prevention.

The celebration kicked off with a welcome from Rose Retter, Recruitment Sales Manager of ajcjobs, and with lunch complementing the festivities. Jovita Moore, news anchor at WSB-TV, continued with the awards program, together with Vikki Locke, Morning Show co-host on Atlanta's B98.5 FM.

Families, friends and colleagues accompanied the nurses, and the celebration was, for many, a truly a family affair. Before nurses accepted their awards, a video was shown of each one talking about what they do and the beginnings of their nursing careers. Everyone could follow their stories on two oversized screens positioned at both ends of the event ballroom. The nurses' dedication to their patients and the enthusiasm for their work was very much evident; however, all were surprised about being awarded for what they thought was just another day in the office!

Donna Chambers shares her feelings: "The banquet was absolutely beautiful. During the ceremony, I was so touched by each honoree's unique story of how their contributions made such a great impact on many clients and their families. When I went home, I couldn't do or say anything for several hours. I can't really find the appropriate words for my actual feelings at that time. I felt 'choked up' in a way wanting to cry but I couldn't.



Accepting her award, Donna Chambers, center, with Rose Retter, Recruitment Sales Manager of ajcjobs, on left and Jovita Moore, news anchor at WSB-TV, Atlanta, on right.

● Excellence Awards

Donna Chambers (continued)



Celebrating with friends and family, Donna Chambers, center; with mom Shirley, 1st on left; Joanna Griffin, RN volunteer at the KSU MUST Clinic, 2nd on left; and Margarita Diaz, the Clinic's receptionist/office manager and interpreter, 1st on right.

I thought about how blessed I am to be able to work in a job that I truly enjoyed every single day, making a difference to so many clients. I thought about the numerous challenges that our clinic faces daily with limited resources, but we are still making a difference by being creative, working with the most wonderful staff, volunteers, students and agencies in the community, such as WellStar Kennestone Hospital's Judy Blokland, Director of Case Management. I remembered those individuals who made such an influence in my life, for example my family (mother & brother) who always encouraged me to strive toward my goal, never giving up no matter what adversity I faced. Recollecting the faculty (undergraduate and graduate), they were great mentors and role models demonstrating true excellence in the role of the nurse when providing care to clients. I also thought about how lucky I am to have such a supportive Dean, Dr. Richard Sowell; Director, Dr. Kathie Aduddell; Medical Director, Dr. Murphy; and the KSU faculty and staff I consulted with on many occasions to help me do my job."

Donna Chambers came with her mother, Shirley Chambers; with Dr. Kathie Aduddell, Professor of Nursing and Director of the Center for Community Healthcare, who nominated Donna for the award; and her colleagues from the Clinic and the WellStar School of Nursing. All enjoyed the event, the company of each other, as well as the moment when she accepted her award.



Dr. Richard Sowell, Dean of WellStar College of Health & Human Services, with Donna at the celebration on May 6.

Nursing Faculty Selected as Transcultural Scholar

Dr. Carol Sue Holtz, Professor of Nursing, has been selected by the Transcultural Nursing Scholars Selection Committee of the Transcultural Nursing Society as a Transcultural Scholar for her significant contributions in terms of leadership, education, scholarly publications, and public policy on local, regional,

national, and international levels. Dr. Holtz's induction into the Scholars will take place at the 35th Annual Transcultural Nursing Society Conference and an Awards Ceremony on October 15, 2009, in Seattle, Washington.

● International Connections

Visit to Thailand Paves the Way to Connecting People

In March, Dr. Richard Sowell, Dean of the WellStar College of Health & Human Services, and Dr. Alan Kirk, Director of the Master of Social Work Program, flew to Bangkok, Thailand, to meet with representatives of Special Olympics Thailand, an organization under the umbrella of Special Olympics of Southeast Asia, and to discuss possible initiatives as well as study abroad opportunities for our Master of Social Work and Human Services students.



Signing of the Memorandum of Understanding between the WellStar College and Special Olympics of Thailand, from L. to R.: Nui Ratchaniwan Bulakul, Director, Special Olympics of Thailand; Mr. Simon Koh, Senior Manager for Organizational Development, Special Olympics of Southeast Asia; Dr. Richard Sowell, Dean, WellStar College of Health & Human Services; Dr. Alan Kirk, Director, Master of Social Work Program, WCHHS.

Established in the United States by Eunice Kennedy Shriver, Special Olympics has expanded to countries throughout the world, offering programs that aim to give persons with intellectual disabilities continued opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, and share friendships with other athletes in the community.

For Drs. Sowell and Kirk, the visit to Thailand was about connecting people who can help as well as learn from each other!

While in Bangkok, the two met with Simon Koh, Senior Manager for Organizational Development - Special Olympics of Southeast Asia, to sign a memorandum of understanding and to lay down a grid for cooperation. The contract was signed after a welcoming dinner with Mr. Koh and three other members of the organization. Dr. Sowell said: "These agreements will pave the way for our faculty and students to take part in the Special Olympics initiatives."

But the true connection began with a visit to the Chachoengsao Panyanakul School for special needs children. Mr. Koh arranged for the bus trip to the rural Thailand school.



Dr. Sowell's favorite memory: children giving a special presentation honoring Dr. Sowell's and Dr. Kirk's visit.

Dr. Sowell recalled: "It was the last day of school, and the children were preparing to go home with their parents. We were the guests of honor for the special needs kids."

Some families traveled all day to meet with their children. The farewell festivities included awards as well as children showing off what they have made: crafts to be sold to help support the school.

Dr. Sowell added. "We toured the facilities and talked to teachers and parents. Everyone was welcoming and glad that we were there. We talked with the director about what the school needs in order to be more successful, as well as about what we can do here to prepare our students during orientation so that they are not overwhelmed working in a different culture and



Director of the Chachengsao Special Education School, Mr. Paitoon Srithong, center, and Simon Koh, Senior Manager, Special Olympics of SE Asia, on right, demonstrate the crafts children have made to support their school.

Visit to Thailand *(continued)*



Dr. Alan Kirk, Director of the Master Program of Social Work, on far right, is touring the school's kitchen busy preparing meals.

people who don't speak English." At the same time, the principal of the school complimented our students that we've sent so far. Dr. Sowell's favorite memory of that day was when one of the children gave a special presentation honoring their visit.

While Dr. Sowell is looking forward to continuing the relationship with the Chachoengsao Panyanukul School, Mr. Koh would also be willing to send our students to meet with other Special Olympics organizations, such as in Singapore and Malaysia. In addition, Mr. Koh invited Dr. Sowell and Dr. Kirk to work with faculty in Vietnam and to consider research opportunities there.

Mr. Koh's proposed initiatives would present KSU students and faculty with new vistas, expanding their knowledge while

KSU's Doctor of Nursing Science Degree Program Prepares for Leadership Careers in Nursing Education and Research

The WellStar School's of Nursing Doctor of Nursing Science (DNS) degree program, approved in February by the Board of Regents (BOR), has accepted five students and will begin in August, 2009. Dr. Tommie Nelms, Professor of Nursing and DNS Program Coordinator, commented: "We have already gone through an admission process and offered admission to six students and five have accepted. The program will take two years of coursework and a minimum of one year in dissertation to complete, if the student attends full time."

The program offers special concentrations in Leadership in Nursing Education and Leadership in Responses to Health Disparities. Students can expect quality, rigorous course work preparing them for leadership careers in nursing education and research.

Dr. Nelms explained: "Our graduates will be able to assume positions in academia and health care institutions, teaching, conducting research, and influencing and developing policies that address today's health care disparities."

The DNS differs from the DNP, Doctor of Nursing Practice degree. The American Association of Colleges in Nursing (AACN) classifies the DNS as a research degree in nursing, along with the PhD.

There is an innovative approach to the new DNS program, as well. The curriculum particularly benefits students who are already involved with their careers and busy lives. Dr. Nelms added: "This is a hybrid program. Students will complete their coursework 50 percent online and 50 percent in the classroom.

Friday and Saturday on-ground classes are held on the KSU campus once per month, with the remainder of coursework done online.

Dr. Tommie Nelms was instrumental in the development and approval of the DNS Program by the Georgia Board of Regents. She was committed to its approval and worked with a number of other nursing faculty and Dr. Richard Sowell, Dean of the WellStar College, to design the program, as well as with Dr. Mary de Chesnay when she came on board as the Director of the WellStar School of Nursing.

The two-part accreditation process involved an initial needs assessment which, once approved by the BOR, was followed by the submission of a full program proposal. "It took a year and a half to develop and complete the proposal. But we knew what we wanted," Dr. Nelms said.

The idea for the doctoral program stemmed from the highly-successful masters in nursing programs, Advanced Care Management and Leadership Program and Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Program, the WellStar School of Nursing offers. BOR's approval for KSU to begin offering doctoral programs in certain disciplines has given the idea a go ahead. "It was a natural progression for both KSU and the WellStar School of Nursing," Dr. Nelms commented.

For DNS Program information, please contact Dr. Tommie Nelms, Professor of Nursing & Coordinator of DNS Program, tnelms1@kennesaw.edu, telephone: 678-797-2088.

● Breast Cancer Workshop – Cairo, Egypt

Sharing Knowledge - Breast Cancer Workshop in Cairo, Egypt

In early spring, from March 8 – 10, 2009, Dr. Genie Dorman, Professor of Nursing, and Dr. Gloria Taylor, Professor of Nursing, conducted a workshop on breast cancer in Cairo, Egypt.

The workshop was arranged by the WellStar College's International Academy for Women's Leadership and in collaboration with the Breast Cancer Foundation of Egypt. It was presented at the National Cancer Institute in Cairo. Practicing nurses from the Egyptian National Cancer Institute, students and faculty from Cairo University's Nursing School and others attended, eager to hear from KSU's nursing faculty about issues surrounding the disease.

The Seminar included topics such as incidence and prevalence on local and global levels; diagnosis and staging; treatment and complementary and alternative therapies; pain management and psychological implications of treatment and care; as well as group discussions and case studies.

"We presented care from our perspective, not measured as being better than their perspective. We shared our knowledge," Dr. Dorman explained.

During the workshop, emphasis was placed on early detection, clinical exams and the importance of self exams. Dr. Taylor commented: "The biggest problem that they face is that women tend to be diagnosed in later stages of the disease."

Dr. Taylor's favorite recollection of the workshop was of the attentiveness of the participants and their eagerness to learn. Dr. Taylor noted: "Some of these nurses were hospice nurses, and the content included a segment on end-of-life issues and a discussion related to case studies." She mentioned a human interest



In Cairo: Dr. Genie Dorman, left, and Dr. Gloria Taylor conducted a workshop on breast cancer issues, sharing and gaining information on a variety of health topics.

story, as well. A woman traveled from Alexandria, taking the 140-mile journey to Cairo, to take part in the seminar. The woman suffered with lymphoedema, damage to the lymphatic system surfacing during the treatment of breast cancer. "What was touching is that she freely shared her experiences as well as the implications to her body," Dr. Taylor remembered.

According to Dr. Dorman, the Egyptian workshop participants gained further knowledge and skills which they will be able to use to enhance their practice and improve patient care. The participants also expressed that they would like our faculty to return and continue the workshop and build on the topics covered...for example, bone marrow transplantation as a part of care. "We were just beginning; they would like to see more – an in-depth workshop on chemotherapy, for instance. The 18 hours were not enough to cover all topics as thoroughly as we would have liked," Dr. Taylor, said.

The seminar concluded by the participants receiving their completion certificates. The workshop evaluations indicated that the information presented during the workshops was very helpful.



Completion of the Breast Cancer workshop concluded with Egyptian participants receiving their certificates. "The outcome of our visit will influence what we teach in our classrooms," Dr. Taylor said.

Equally as valuable were the impressions and knowledge the two Nursing professors brought back with them to share with their students here at KSU. Dr. Taylor concluded: "The outcome of our visit will influence what we teach in our classrooms. It will be a sharing opportunity to integrate first-hand knowledge of breast cancer in another country. Students can begin to understand where women from another part of the globe are coming from, how people respond and react to diagnosis of breast cancer. We can pass that knowledge to our students, take what we've learned in Egypt and share it with our students on graduate and undergraduate levels and consequently broaden their knowledge base."

● Announcements

Announcement from the WellStar College of Health & Human Services

On June 25, a Memorandum of Understanding was signed between KSU, the WellStar College of Health and Human Services and Ain Shams University, a prominent university in Cairo, Egypt.

Dr. Daniel Papp, President of Kennesaw State University, and Dr. Abdel Latif, representing the Ain Shams University, signed the memorandum during a Signing Event at the Jolley Lodge, on KSU campus.

Dr. Papp welcomed everyone, and Dr. Richard Sowell, Dean of WellStar College of Health & Human Services, expressed a statement of collaboration. Members of various KSU departments; Egyptian American graduates of Ain Shams University; Dr. Mostafa ElSayed, Regents Professor at GA Tech; and Dr. Kamal Mansour from Emory Medical School attended the signing.

KSU and ASU faculty, staff and students, Egyptians and Americans, will benefit from the collaboration. Nursing,



During the signing event at the Jolley Lodge, from L to R.: Dr. Richard Sowell, Dean of WellStar College of Health & Human Services; Dr. Daniel Papp, KSU President; and Dr. Abdel Latif, representing Ain Shams University.

Social Work, Business Administration and Studies Abroad are on the priority list. Based on mutual interest, expanding collaboration will include other programs, as well.

Announcement from the International Academy for Women's Leadership

Walaa Compton, Director of The International Academy for Women's Leadership and Health, was invited to submit workshop/speakers proposals to participate in the First International Conference "Women, Leadership and Social Justice: Sharing Experiences."

The overarching conference goal was to showcase the value of women in leadership and their effectiveness on promoting concepts of justice and true democracy. The conference took place at the Cairo International Conference Center, Heliopolis, in Cairo, Egypt, from March 14-16 2009, under the auspices of the First Lady of Egypt, H.E. Mrs. Suzanne Mubarak.

Building on a current relationship Ms. Compton has built with the National Council for Women in Egypt, she was

invited as a guest of the first International Conference. "It was an amazing experience and an eye opener about the tremendous support and efforts the Egyptian government has been investing in advancing and empowering women not only in the public sector but also the private sector," Walaa said.

"It was a great honor to be a part of a group of renowned international leaders and be able to network. Most importantly, it was an opportunity to learn first hand about the need to guide the Academy to become effective and focused on future activities. Two presentation proposals the Academy submitted were accepted, and I was accompanied by two KSU and SU faculty," Walaa concluded.

● The Amsterdam Connection

Study Abroad in Amsterdam, Netherlands - Sport as a Global Language

By Jana Mitchell

Drew Hashimura, a Sports Management Major, spent three months in Amsterdam, Netherlands, on a study abroad program, "Sport as a Global Language."

Dr. Jennifer Beck, Assistant Professor of Sport Management in the Health, Physical Education and Sports Science Department at KSU, and Professor Claudia Makumbe, from the Sports Management and Business at the Hogeschool van Amsterdam, in Amsterdam, Netherlands, made this study abroad program possible. Both collaborated on the development of the program between the two universities. "I was lucky and thankful to represent our Sport Management Program," Drew explained.

Getting there: Drew looked forward to the study abroad program not only because of the obvious – spending time in a European country – but also because of the potential the program offered. He knew what to expect during the journey – a long flight and high security at the Amsterdam airport! In Amsterdam, he rented a simple studio apartment with a bed, TV, refrigerator, bathroom, a shared kitchen, and it was connected! The apartment was set up by the student housing of the Hogeschool van Amsterdam, University of Applied Sciences (HvA), a five-minute walk from the school.

School: "I took a couple of courses at the Hogeschool, one of them a Cultural Communications course, learning about

different cultures. I enjoyed the small class with people from around the world...United States, Egypt, Hungary, Netherlands," Drew said.

Work: The major part of the study abroad program consisted of an internship through YBBP Amsterdam, a sport consultancy group. YBBP is a sport management agency in which knowledge, experience, and networks are combined with creativity and young talented professionals with a passion for sport. YBBP Amsterdam has joined forces with the Sport, Management & Business (SM&B) study of the Hogeschool van Amsterdam to create internship opportunities.

Best part: Drew commented on the internship: "This was absolutely the best part of the trip! We could come in with our business models and plans and use the company's network to develop the plans; we could sit with sports clubs representatives and talk about commercial marketing and about their operations and discuss

strategies to see if they are feasible. The power distance is non-existent; you are seen as an equal, having an equal value as a member of YBBP. We have a lot to learn from them. Biggest thing about it is that you don't have this type of opportunities here in the US. It is rare that a US college student would devise a plan for the Braves, for instance, and the plan would be taken into consideration."

The mentor: Drew singled out Ronald Buijs, CEO of YBBP Amsterdam and a professor at the HvA, who has made an



In front of the world famous floating flower market.



View along one of the many historic canals in Amsterdam.



The Peace Palace is one of the most photographed landmarks of The Haag.

● The Amsterdam Connection

enormous impression on him, and whom he considers a mentor. Buijs launched YBBP in 2007, after years as a General Manager of the Amsterdam Admirals (NFL Europe) and as a Senior Consultant at IMG. In the Netherlands, YBBP represents IMG, the world's largest sports marketing organization.

Drew talked about Ronald Buijs: "He sees the opportunities in that marketing in Europe is a copy and paste of what we do here in the US. By bringing in students who are being educated in sports marketing gives him the most up-to-date information on what is going on in the world of sports marketing. And vice versa...ideas were passed back and forth."

Networking: Drew continued: "I met lots of people. I'll be able to keep the network of commercial directors and do what they do, learn from them. You got to take the initiative; you got to take chances and risks and be able to create opportunities for yourself."

Tribute: "For that I also thank Dr. Beck and Professor Claudia Makumbe!," Drew emphasized.

Fun: Drew took in everything Amsterdam had to offer - cultural events, museums, architecture. He visited other cities, including Gouda, a village famous for its production of cheeses. He also took part in an international student conference in Haag and met people from more than 100 countries. "It was definitely electrifying, that's for sure," Drew commented about the conference.



Drew on the field at the Amsterdam ArenA, home of Ajax Amsterdam soccer club.

Food: He also mentioned the Amsterdam cuisine: "Not much fast food; you have to cook for yourself. Some of my favorite foods were cheese; filet American - nothing American about it - beef tartar; pickled herring; raw fish...stuff that most people would not want to eat here." "You've got to keep an open mind," he laughed.

The challenge: His answer to naming a challenge: "The biggest challenge is when you get there, you are on your own...don't have your hand held...there is not somebody to take you around anywhere...you are in a foreign country by yourself. From day one, you have to get acclimated to the culture and the daily life; nothing is convenient like here and everything is not cheap."

Language: "Everything is written in Dutch, and there is a language barrier, especially when you are on the trains, so you better know where you are going," Drew continued. Although, he added: "I studied very little Dutch before I went; now I end up catching myself saying Dutch words like 'dank u vel' (thank you), 'goede morgen' (good morning), 'goede namiddag' (good afternoon), 'goede nacht' (good night). I also became an even more intense fan of the Dutch culture and the Netherlands National Soccer Team and Ajax Amsterdam."

Back at home: To share his experiences and impressions with other Sport Management students, Drew Hashimura gave a lecture to Dr. Beck's class.

The final judgment: "Can't wait to get back! My wish is that more students become interested in this study abroad program," Drew concluded.



YBBP going away party, from left to right: Ronald Buijs; Jort Lieman; Atila Heim; Frans Sodekamp; YBBP student; Drew Hashimura; Jesper Hadgraaf; Steffan; HVA faculty member; David, Tessa - Drew's friends.



Amsterdam ArenA during an Ajax soccer practice.

Uganda Study Abroad Planned for Summer 2010

The Department of Social Work & Human Services is planning an 8-week Study Abroad program for summer 2010, in Uganda, Africa. The study abroad program will also include a weeklong, extensive pre-departure orientation, as well as four weeks completed on KSU campus.



Kampala Kids' League A-Leaguers in play. A-League is the adaptive sport league for kids with disabilities.

The Uganda portion of the study abroad will take place in Kampala, Uganda's capital city. The city is located on Lake Victoria, the main reservoir of the Nile River, and the largest lake in Africa.

Studies in Kampala will include classroom lectures, seminars and guest speakers from Makerere University (the oldest university in East Africa), and working with various non-governmental organizations' leaders. Most importantly, the experiential learning will provide students with the opportunity to work with The Kids' League (TKL).

TKL is an organization that aims to help boys and girls age 8-15 in Uganda, to

improve the lives of young people, using sport as a means to promote education, health and life skills awareness. TKL was founded by Mr. Trevor Dudley, who has, several years prior to the founding of TKL, successfully established Kampala Kids League (KKL).

Trevor Dudley hosted our College's faculty, Dr. John David (JD) Johnson, Professor of Health, Physical Education and Sport Science, and Dr. Ardith Peters, Associate Professor of Social Work, who both traveled earlier this year to Kampala, to conduct a site visit

and to assess the feasibility of this interdisciplinary study abroad program. Dr. Peters commented: "Trevor was a terrific host, and JD and I found the climate and the food excellent."

Drs. Peters and Johnson also met with Uganda's Minister of Education & Sport, the Commissioner of the National Commission on Sports, Makerere University's faculty and administrators, as well as with the children of The Kids' League.

In addition, at the U.S. Embassy in Kampala, our faculty conducted a security briefing with a political officer addressing and alleviating any security concerns.



Dr. John David (JD) Johnson, Professor of Health, Physical Education and Sport Science, (top row, center) and Dr. Ardith Peters, Associate Professor of Social Work, (top row, second from left) meet with young members of The Kids' League.

The study abroad is a result of more than a year of work by the WellStar College's TKL Working Group. The members of the group are Dr. Ardith Peters, Dr. John David Johnson, and nursing faculty members - Drs. Barbara Blake and Gloria Taylor.

For more information about the Uganda study abroad program, please contact: Dr. Ardith Peters, Associate Professor in the Department of Social Work & Human Services, telephone: 770-499-3079, apeters@kennesaw.edu.

Nursing Students Provide Health Screenings to Workers at Ellijay Poultry Plant

In May, faculty and nursing students from the WellStar School of Nursing visited a local poultry processing plant in Ellijay, Georgia, to provide health screenings for the plant workers. Students giving the screenings and health-related education were Latora Barrow, Juan Botero, Bizru Guarara, Mary Hochkins, Berlinda Osias, and Delilah Parham. The health promotion effort was part of an ongoing collaboration with the poultry plant to

improve the health of workers. Students gained valuable first-hand experience in the role of the occupational health nurse, working with the clients in a work-site setting. The plant's full time Occupational Health department coordinated the worksite activities, in collaboration with the WellStar Nursing School's faculty.

● Awards • Positive Perspectives

WCHHS and the Health, Physical Education & Sports Science Department Announce Faculty Awards

During the WellStar College's faculty meeting on August 13, three faculty members of the Health, Physical Education and Sport Science Department were honored with the WellStar College's Distinguished 2009 Achievement Awards. Dr. Bernie Goldfine, Professor of Health, Physical Education and Sport Science, was awarded the Distinguished Scholarship Award; Amy Howton, Instructor of Health, Physical Education and Sport Science, was awarded the Distinguished Service Award; and Dr. Kandice Johnson, Assistant Professor of Health, Physical Education and Sport Science, was awarded the Distinguished Teacher Award.

The KSU Foundation Prize for Publication was awarded to Dr. John McLester, Associate Professor of Health, Physical Education and Sport Science, for his textbook referenced: McLester, J.R., and P. St. Pierre (2008). *Applied Biomechanics: Concepts and Connections*. Belmont, CA: Cengage/Wadsworth.



HPS faculty members, Professor Bernie Goldfine, Associate Professor John McLester, (top row, from left), and Instructor Amy Howton and Associate Professor Kandice Johnson, (first row, from left) were honored at the College's faculty meeting, on August 13. Dr. Richard Sowell, Dean of the WellStar College of Health & Human Services, first on right, congratulated the faculty members.

Global Center for Social Change Focuses on Creating Positive Social Changes for Persons with Disabilities.

WellStar College's Global Center for Social Change focuses on creating positive social changes, working on behalf of people who are marginalized and disadvantaged in some ways, particularly those who face barriers physically and socially. The objective is to create opportunities and to show abilities rather than disabilities so that policies can be changed.

Working toward establishing partnerships with universities and non-profit organizations and to conduct workshops and festivals for persons with physical disabilities, Dr. Benjamin Johnson, Associate Dean for Community Partnerships and Global Initiatives at the Global Center, visited countries in the Middle East. Dr. Johnson commented: "The public there tends to feel sympathy toward persons with disabilities rather than seeing them as equal. This is especially true for children and women!"

Dr. Johnson continued: "Each of the visits was significant for a different reason. Our visit to Egypt was important; we've had opportunities to train over one hundred disability sport professionals in the Train the Trainer workshops. In addition, we are planning a National disability sports festival with over 2,000 participants."

In Kuwait and Libya, Dr. Johnson's meetings with NGOs (non-governmental organizations), emphasized developmental

disability educational programs to prepare teachers to work in a school setting. The focus was on developing services for people with physical disabilities and people who can train them.

Dr. Johnson's recollection of his visit in Libya: "It was most intriguing because it is a country with closed borders and has been for years. It was interesting to travel through Tripoli, the country's capital. People were friendly and very interested in what we had to say."

Dr. Johnson met in Libya with Muhammad Gaddafi, the son of Lybia's president. During a personal meeting with the president's oldest son who oversees the Olympic and Paralympic program, Dr. Johnson found him open minded and receptive to new ideas, expressing a strong desire to work on behalf of disabled persons.

Similar experiences came about in Kuwait. Dr. Johnson explained: "Although every Arab country has its own views about our cultural differences, we found that yes we are different, but we are able to communicate and realize a common ground."

One of his fondest memories of his trips is of a young woman, Ann Cody, an American athlete dedicated to promote disability rights, especially the inclusion of disabled women from countries outside of the United States, countries where

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Global Center for Social Change Focuses on Creating Positive Social Changes for Persons with Disabilities. *(continued from p.13)*

disabled women are on the lowest rung of society. Dr. Johnson recalled: "Ann Cody was with us during training and educational sessions in Paralympic sports and exercise science, at the 3rd African Academy in Cairo. I watched her interact with women and children in Egypt, and you could see how empowering it was for them to talk to someone like her.

When asked about the feedback from people whom he has met in the Middle East, Dr. Johnson answered: "The general

feedback was true for everyone whom we met. People are very hungry for knowledge and rely on information coming from the US for the most cutting edge information. We were able to bring them to current standards, and they were thankful. Our information will help them grow as professionals and in turn help people with disabilities."

Wellness Center



Diane Clinton joined the Wellness Center team as coordinator of the Wellness Works program, KSU's Employee Fitness Center, in August 2009. After graduating from the University of Georgia in 1981 with a Bachelors degree in Health and Physical Education, Diane traveled across the country working and developing programs for wellness centers in Texas, Louisiana, Florida and Georgia. She has been in the health promotion field for over 25 years. Diane has worked with corporate wellness programs in Atlanta for several years, promoting fitness-related activities conducive to the needs of employees.

Diane's passion is optimal health for everyone and her specialty is fitness. As sedentary lifestyles have become more prevalent, Diane strives to educate everyone about the many benefits of physical activity.



Sabrina Petusevsky joined the Wellness Center team as the Peer Health Educator Coordinator in July 2009. After graduating from the University of Florida with her Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration and a concentration in Marketing, she completed her Master of Science degree at the University of Florida in Health Education and

Behavior. She then went on to receive her CHES (Certified Health Education Specialist) certification in April 2009. Sabrina has an extensive background and a wide array of knowledge in a variety of health areas, and is very passionate about helping others to obtain their optimal level of wellness, both physically and emotionally. She strongly believes that the years spent in college are the best time to learn and build healthy habits that will last well beyond the years spent here at KSU.



Brittany Slotten joined the Wellness Center team in March 2009 as the full-time registered and licensed dietitian. After graduating from The University of Georgia with a Bachelor of Family and Consumer Sciences degree in dietetics, she completed her dietetic internship and Master of Health Sciences degree at Georgia State University. Brittany has a diverse background working with college students due to her role as a Peer Nutrition Educator and her involvement with the Center for Leadership and Service at UGA. During her dietetic internship, she worked in clinical, outpatient, and health promotion settings, completing an emphasis in the area of diabetes. Brittany is a member of the American Dietetic Association and its state and local affiliates in Atlanta. She is passionate about healthy eating and believes that while in college, it is a pivotal time for students to develop life-long nutrition habits.

Department of Social Work & Human Services Announcement

Dr. Irene McClatchey, Assistant Professor of Social Work, and **Jennifer Moore**, Director of the American Humanics Program, both have joined the SWHS Department for fall, 2009. Welcome!

● New Nursing Faculty

New Nursing Faculty



Nicole Mareno, Ph.D, RN comes to KSU from the Miami/Fort Lauderdale area. Her clinical expertise includes family and community health, adult health, and she has experience in investigator-driven and pharmaceutical research. Dr. Mareno also has experience in child and family weight management. Her research interest is

health promotion and includes child and family weight management and holistic wellness measurement and interventions for individuals, families, and communities.

In her free time, Dr. Mareno spends time with her husband and enjoys visiting her family and friends. She and her husband both enjoy being outdoors and Dr. Mareno likes to walk, hike, and do pilates. She also enjoys cooking, baking, and reading. Like all native Californians, she loves the beach.

Patricia (Tricia) Hart, PhD, RN is a native of Marietta, Georgia. She earned a diploma in nursing from Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing in 1978 and a Bachelor's in Nursing from Kennesaw State University in 1996. She continued her education and received a Master's degree in nursing in 2001 and a Ph.D. in 2006 both from Georgia State University. Her research interests include the use of simulation technology, clinical competency, women and cardiovascular disease, and diabetes. She is married to Derek and they have one daughter. Her daughter, Amy, is attending Liberty University pursuing a Master's of Business Administration degree.



Marilyn Givens King, DNSc, RN, comes to the WellStar School of Nursing as the Associate Director of Graduate Programs from the Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) in Charleston. She received her undergraduate and master's education from the University of South Carolina, with a clinical specialty in Community/Public Health Nursing.

Upon completion of the master's degree, Dr. King started her academic career with a faculty appointment at the University of Virginia where she taught undergraduate community health nursing. Four years later she returned to school at Boston University to pursue her doctoral education. During her

educational experience at Boston U., Dr. King focused her scholarly endeavors in the areas of history and philosophy, completing a historical analysis of the conflict between the professionalizing reform movement in nursing education and the traditional apprenticeship style of education that existed in the early 20th century.

Dr. King's research has primarily focused on health care disparities in the areas of cancer caregivers and diabetes. Throughout her career, Dr. King has been actively involved in professional organizations and community service. Her community service has encompassed activities ranging from providing CPR instruction for the American Heart Association, chairing the Bluegrass Home Health Advisory Council in Lexington, KY, to serving as an invited expert panel member on a CDC/HRSA funded public health workforce development project.

In her free time, Dr. King enjoys reading a wide variety of literature with a special love of a good murder mystery, designing and making quilts, and exploring her new community. Finally, in addition to her grandson, Max (born Nov. 2008) who has brought great joy into her life, Dr. King has a close-knit family and a group of cousins with whom she enjoys long weekends at Lake Wateree in South Carolina.

Dr. King is excited about her new position at KSU in the WellStar School of Nursing. She is looking forward to working with a talented faculty and student body in moving the graduate program forward into this new century. Welcome Dr. King.



Lynn Sprayberry, Ph.D, RN, CEN is a native of Minnesota. She earned a BA degree in Nursing from Augustana College in Sioux Falls, S.D. MS Degree in Nursing from the University of Minnesota and Ph.D in Nursing from the University of Kansas. Lynn has

taught nursing at the University of Montana and the University of Minnesota. She is a certified emergency nurse, and has spent the last four and half years in the Emergency department at Fairview Ridges Hospital in St. Paul, MN. Her research interests include nursing history, ED crowding, and health care policy. Her husband, Stan, is a pilot for Delta Airlines. Their daughter, Sarah, will be attending University in St. Paul, MN, majoring in pre-med. Lynn enjoys water skiing, cross country skiing, running and long walks with her West Highland Terrier, Lizzy.

The Health Clinic is Growing

On April 20, 2009, the KSU Village Walk-in Clinic opened for business. Located at the pedestrian bridge entrance to the University Village, this clinic offers same day visits to all KSU students who have an acute problem or the exacerbation of a chronic health condition.

In the past six years, the number of visits to the KSU Health Clinic grew from 4,142 patient visits in 2003 to 24,310 patient visits in 2009. This extraordinary increase had

strained the capacity of the facilities in House #52 to close to the breaking point. The addition of the second clinic allows the KSU Health Clinics to see up to 75 patient visits.

In addition, to care for KSU students, the clinics at KSU are used as clinical sites for both undergraduate and graduate KSU Nursing Students. The addition of the KSU Village Walk-in Clinic will double the number of clinical placements for KSU Nursing Student.

Dr. Bruce D. Perry

Featured by the Department of Social Work and Human Services in a Seminar Focused on Emotional Trauma

On Tuesday, September 1, 2009, the Department of Social Work and Human Services sponsored a workshop focused on "Emotional Trauma: New Directions in Theory and Practice." The all-day workshop was held at the Continuing Education division, at the KSU Center.

The keynote speaker was Dr. Bruce D. Perry, Senior Fellow of the ChildTrauma Academy based in Houston, Texas. The Academy promotes innovations in service, research and education in child maltreatment and childhood trauma. Dr. Perry is the author of over 300 journal articles, book chapters and scientific proceedings and is the recipient of numerous professional awards and honors.

The ability to recognize emotional trauma has changed over the course of history. Until recently, emotional trauma was noted only in men after catastrophic wars. The Women's Movement in the sixties broadened the definition of emotional trauma to include physically and sexually abused women and children. The discoveries made in the nineties, known as the

"decade of the brain," has resulted in further broadening the definition of trauma.

In addition to Dr. Perry's morning presentation, there were six afternoon workshops. Afternoon workshop speakers and topics included: Dr. Brian Bride, UGA, Secondary Traumatic Stress; Ms. Lanita Lloyd, Cobb Emergency Management Agency, Disaster Preparedness: Personal, Agency, Community; Dr. Alan Kirk, KSU, Disaster Intervention; Jinger Robins, SafePath Children's Advocacy Center, Beyond the Trauma: Forensic Interviewing versus Therapy; Virginia Worley, LCSW, Department of Veterans Affairs - VA Hospital, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder: Families Matter; and Shakiyla Smith, MPH, CHES, Department of Emergency Medicine - Emory University School of Medicine, Intimate Partner Violence.

This workshop is the first of future workshops planned by the Department of Social Work & Human Services, to enhance the learning environment for faculty, students, and members of the various helping professions in Georgia and surrounding areas.

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● Awards • Publications

Awards

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Dr. Janice Long was selected as a 2008-2009 Western Michigan University All-University Graduate Research and Creative Scholar in April, 2009.

Mr. David Martinez, recipient of the Adapted Physical Educator of the Year Award by the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance.

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● Presentations • Continuing Education

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