First Anniversary

The grand opening and dedication of the state-of-the-art Fred C. and Helen Donn Flipse Building took place on Wednesday, October 15, 2003. Mrs. Helen Flipse, several of her family members, and 200 other guests were on hand to help us celebrate the occasion. President Shalala spoke at the event and made a point to remark on the excellence of our programs. Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Dr. Phil Frost and Mr. Donn Flipse also spoke. Chairman Rod Wellens served as the Master of Ceremonies and thanked all of the donors and alumni who have helped make the building possible.

Greetings from the Chairman

A little over a year ago we were rushing to press with the Psychology News just days before the grand opening of our new building so our guests would have a chance to read about our Department. In celebration of the first anniversary of that event, we're sharing some photos of the grand opening with you in this edition along with snapshots of another year's worth of activities and accomplishments.

And what a year it's been for the Department. After just a few weeks of adjustment to our new facilities and location, our faculty, students, and staff geared up for another highly productive year. I hope you will enjoy reading about the new and exciting research going on in our three graduate tracks, the dynamic events and programs sponsored by our undergraduate division, the growth of our community outreach programs, and the news we've received from our alumni throughout the U.S. We thank all of you who have helped us grow through your support of our research, educational, and service missions.

Rod Wellens
Professor and Chair
Department of Psychology
Vice Dean
Social and Behavioral Sciences
College of Arts and Sciences
Grand Opening . . .
of the Fred C. and Helen Donn Flipse Building

Over the years, the Flipse Family has been a major contributor to the University. The family not only designated the funds to help finance our beautiful new building, but also donated funds for the Jess Spirer Predoctoral Internship in Professional Psychology, as well as the Fred and Helen Flipse Award for extraordinary contributions to internship training at the Counseling Center. The Flipse family has lived and worked in Miami since the turn of the twentieth century. Fred Flipse's father, Luis Flipse had one of the first commercial avocado and mango groves in South Dade. Helen Donn married Fred Flipse in 1942 and together they developed her family's flower business, Exotic Gardens.

The Randall C. Johnson (A.B. ’71) Lecture Hall (pictured below) was filled to capacity. Department computer guru Andre Perwin and his staff helped accommodate the crowd by setting up audiovisual extensions in our beautiful adjacent Student Lobby, that UM made possible through the generous donations of our alumni.

There is a ‘get it done’ person on every project, and for getting the Psychology Department into the Flipse Building on time, that person was our office manager, Jossie Dauval, pictured at the left.
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Young, S;

Thank You!

Pledge cards for donations are enclosed with this mailing. If you have already donated this fall — Thank you! If not, we look forward to hearing from you.
Honor roll information has been carefully reviewed. Nevertheless, errors or omissions may occur. If your name does not appear or is listed incorrectly, please accept our apologies.
For the sixth consecutive year, Charles Carver served as Director for the Adult Division, working closely with Associate Director, Adele Hayes. Their work was complicated by a series of faculty moves and retirements that have been going on over the past few years. Further challenges came in the form of budgetary concerns, which interrupted last year’s search before its conclusion. As a result, they were unable to complete the recruitment of a faculty member who was to have joined the Adult Division this fall.

Further complicating matters, Dr. Hayes received an offer she couldn’t refuse—to become clinical director at the University of Delaware. We bid adieu to Adele at our Transitions banquet in May, thanking her for her contributions to the Division and the Department. Our congratulations and best wishes go with her. However, her departure leaves us short by yet one more faculty member. This puts us in a bit of a crisis, with which we are actively coping.

The Division has been given the go-ahead to search again this coming year, with the slim possibility of even being able to hire two people from the same search. Given Adele’s departure, our first need is for a clinical psychologist, to bolster the ranks of those who do the clinical training. After that (perhaps even along with that) we will broaden our viewpoint to include expertise in the basic-science areas that the Adult track incorporates.

To help himself cope with the stress, Dr. Carver managed to parlay his collaboration with Mike Antoni (and others) in studying an intervention for cancer patients into a trip to an exotic locale. This time it was Hawaii for a presentation at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association. There he summarized the group’s work to date on cognitive-behavioral stress management among breast cancer patients. Dr. Carver continues his term as editor of the Journal of Personality and Social Psychology’s section on Personality Processes and Individual Differences.

Helping to ease the stress, Sheri Johnson has agreed to assume the role of Associate Director of the division. (This led Chuck Carver to heave a great sigh of relief, as he feared he would finally have to learn something about clinical training). Presumably this administrative role will have no adverse impact on Sheri’s active program of scholarship. Following up with work she began during her sabbatical last year, Sheri continues to collaborate with researchers at Stanford in brain-imaging studies of persons with bipolar diagnoses. They are trying to gain an understanding of how these people respond differently from others to various kinds of stimuli. Her book on bipolar disorder, *Psychosocial Approaches to Bipolar Disorder* (Guilford Press), has gone into a second printing (and has even been spotted at Barnes & Noble.) She made a presentation on this topic at the European Association for Cognitive Behavioral Therapy in Manchester, England in September. Dr. Johnson also has developed a collaboration with the psycho-immunological research group from Ohio State. In this project, she heads a team that will code the participants’ life events, using the coding scheme in which she has nationally recognized expertise. She is also collaborating with Chuck Carver in lab studies investigating how people react to positive emotions. Finally (this list is getting really long, isn’t it?), Sheri has become a co-author of an undergraduate textbook in abnormal psychology. She spent much of the past summer engaged in writing and revising book chapters. Apart from these activities, Dr. Johnson was the program chair for the meeting of the Society for Research in Psychopathology during the past year. In addition to her scholarly activity, she spent last holiday break cycling in Vietnam.

Jean-Philippe Laurenceau also has a volume of celebration-worthy news. At the end of the spring semester, Dr. Laurenceau received an award from the College of Arts and Sciences Instructional Advancement. This is a particularly
precious award given to just a few people College wide each year. Although Jean-Philippe was delighted to be named to the award, he wasn’t able to be there to receive it in person. Instead, he was at Baptist Hospital receiving from his wife Linda his other major award of the year, their daughter Kelley. Kelly was one of several new babies recently welcomed into the Department, and more are on the way (as reported in other stories, and even in the rest of this story!). Incidentally, on top of all that, Dr. Laurenceau had a flurry of article acceptances in the last year, helping him make his way toward the tenure finish line.

Speaking of babies, we are happy to report that Mike McCullough and his wife, Billy, welcomed their second child in October. Dr. McCullough received two grants this year, one from the Metanexus Institute to study “Spiritual Transformations across the Lifespan,” and another from the Templeton Foundation to look at “Perspectives and Dimensions of Gratitude.” His work on these prosocial experiences continues to be well-received in journals, and he continues to generate more information about their basis and their consequences, both for those who experience them and for others. He has been working to solve the puzzle of how to keep NIMH (with its current director and the political climate being what it is) interested in supporting basic science. McCullough has become a major graduate-student mentor, with three of last year’s class of seven ending up working on forgiveness, gratitude, and spirituality. McCullough has also begun work on another book on the evolution of revenge and forgiveness, to be published by Jossey-Bass.

Amy Weisman is giving McCullough a run for his money in terms of numbers of graduate students she is mentoring ...she had two from last year’s class and has another this year. For some time, Dr. Weisman has been working on developing a family-focused intervention program for schizophrenics and their families, and her students have moved that project into the field, collecting data with pilot families. She and her students will be presenting a panel discussion of this project in New Orleans at the meeting of the American Association of Behavior Therapy (AABT) in November. Dr. Weisman has been working hard to obtain funding for this research. She came very close to the brass ring in the previous review cycle, and she recently submitted a revised version of the application that addresses the concerns of the previous reviewers. We are all hopeful that this application will cross the funding line and set her up for a more comprehensive study of the benefits of her treatment.

Rod Wellens again spent most of his professional energies this past year on activities associated with his role as Department Chair. In addition to those activities, were his responsibilities stemming from his role as Senior Associate Dean for Social and Behavioral Sciences. With the resignation of College of Arts and Sciences Dean James Wyche in June, Dr. Wellens’ responsibilities to the College were expanded yet again. He is now one in a triumverate of Vice-Deans who are taking the reins while the University initiates a nationwide search for a new Dean. Included in this group are Dr. Jane Connolly representing the Arts and Humanities, and Dr. Angel Keifer, representing the Life and Physical Sciences. Dr. Wellens represents the Social and Behavioral Sciences.

Faculty search
We are seeking a full-time tenure track faculty member who is committed to the idea that an understanding of normal behavior fosters a better understanding of problem behavior. The ideal candidate will have an interest in bridging basic and clinical science, and have a track record of scholarly accomplishment. For more information go to www psy.miami.edu/jobs.
Under the continuing leadership of **Director Peter Mundy**, the fifteen faculty members of the Division who are based on the Coral Gables Campus have an extensive record of training, research, and service. The activities of the Child Division have filled the third floor of the Flipse Building to capacity.

In August of 2004 we welcomed 8 new accomplished and bright graduate students to the division; two students enrolled in the Pediatric program and three each in the Developmental and Child clinical programs. Combined, these 8 students averaged 1305 on their GRE's. In addition to University fellowships, teaching, research and clinical assistantships, the training mission of the division is supported by two graduate and post-doctoral training grants from the National Institutes of Child Health and Development (NICHD); one for training in Pediatric Psychology (Annette La Greca, Co-P.I.), and one for training in Developmental Psychology (Peter Mundy, P.I.). The latter is up for renewal this year so we have our fingers crossed!

**Daryl Greenfield** has received a positive response on a new initiative that would provide funding for 10 graduate student positions. This grant is designed to develop training in child development and advanced statistical methods for students interested in research in education. If funded it will be supported by the federal Institute of Education Sciences.

Research in the Division is supported by numerous grants including support from NICHD, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Office of Economic Cooperation and Development, the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Justice and the Florida Departments of Health and Education, among others. With 15 primary and associated faculty on the Coral Gables campus, and over $3 million in extramural funding, the Division is busy conducting important basic and applied research that affects clinical and educational services for children and families not only in Southern Florida, but nationwide.

**Alexandra Quittner**, our newest faculty member, has completed her transition from the faculty of the University of Florida to the UM-Child Division (just in time to participate in numerous Fall hurricane drills). Alexandra is engaged in two lines of federally funded research; one involves the study of adherence to medical treatment in children with chronic illnesses. The other involves the developmental impact of cochlear implants for deaf children and their families.

**Daniel Messinger** has received grant support from the National Science Foundation to work with collaborators at Carnegie Mellon University on the development of an automated facial affect assessment system that holds the promise of improving research on emotion processes in typical development and psychopathology. Dr. Messinger also received funding from the National Alliance for Autism Research to examine the early social development of infant siblings of children with autism. This research may help to identify the pathological processes and early behavioral markers of autism.

Speaking of autism, Peter Mundy and Heather Henderson have developed a new collaboration with faculty in the Adult Division and a group of graduate students to study the biobehavioral markers of individual differences in the social and emotional development of higher-functioning children with autism. It is the hope that this research will fill in gaps in our understanding of these children that have prevented effective treatment strategies from being formulated. An initial NICHD grant application on this project was well received and will be reviewed for a second time this November.

The Centers for Disease Control is funding a Project on the Epidemiology of Autism. The
project is providing new insights into the rate of autism in the community and identifying possible risk factors for the development of the disorder. Keith Scott (left), Marygrace Yale Kaiser, and Christine Delgado, are just part of the Division's team working on an extensive portfolio of autism related projects. The Dan Marino Foundation has expressed interest in supporting the development of an autism research center at the University of Miami that would include faculty from the Department of Psychology, the Medical School and Miami Children's Hospital. Talks are ongoing.

The Brain and Behavior research laboratories are now fully operational and yielding insights into the social, cognitive and linguistic development of children. Working in these laboratories is Marie Cheour, who is currently funded in part by a prestigious grant from the RIKEN Institute in Japan. She continues to provide ground-breaking work on the neural systems that enable infants to process language in the first months of life. She is also pioneering the development of new methods for using brain imaging techniques such as magnetoencephalography (MEG) for the study of early development.

Heather Henderson's work in Brain and Behavior labs focuses on an innovative EEG methodology for examining neural systems associated with inhibited styles of social behavior among children. This work is leading to new insights regarding processes associated with shyness and more extreme forms of pathology, such as social anxiety in children. This creative work is partially funded through NICHD supported projects with her collaborators at the University of Maryland.

Several of the researchers in the Child Division have maintained their interest in the areas of Family Process and Infant Mental Health.

Kristen Lindahl continues her work on conceptualizing the nature and measurement of family systems. She has been invited to give a presentation on this topic at Marquette University.

Necna Mallik continues to make great strides in her Department of Health and Human Services grant to develop a model program of providing infant mental health services within early head start programs.

With the spate of hurricane activity this summer we cannot forget about research on stress and coping. Annette La Greca’s school-based trauma intervention manual has been widely distributed throughout Florida and the Southeast. It is also now linked to the Department’s Web page. APA’s Division 12 (The Society for Clinical Psychology) awarded the 2004 Charles Spielberger Emotion, Motivation, and Personality Award (EMPathy Award) to Annette at their Hawaii meeting this year. Annette also began her term as Editor of the Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology. The first issue under her editorship is due in June of 2005.

The Autism Spectrum Assessment Clinic (ASAC), which debuted last year, has been growing rapidly in visibility and popularity under the able leadership of our Assessment Director, Dr. Ketty Patiño González. The ASAC provides assessments to families from not only Florida, but also Mexico, Peru, Bolivia, Argentina, Grand Cayman, El Salvador, Ecuador, and Jamaica. The Dan Marino Center has established a website to provide parents of children with autism-spectrum disorders information and filmed the ASAC process of conducting an assessment. This can be viewed at www.childnett.tv. The ASAC recently hired a half-time post-doctoral fellow (Niki Eldridge Marcus, Ph.D., Class of '02) to assist with these assessments.
What’s new in the tracks?

Grants and Research
The first good news to report from the Health Division is the renewal of our two training grants from the National Institutes of Health with Division Director Neil Schneiderman serving as Principle Investigator. The training grant from the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI) enables us to continue our work for years twenty-six through thirty. The training grant from the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) will cover our work in psycho-neuroimmunology and HIV/AIDS for years sixteen through twenty.

Members of the Health Division will continue to serve as training faculty along with various faculty members from the Departments of Medicine and Psychiatry located on the Medical Campus. Over 50 trainees have been funded by these grants. Many of these former trainees are currently faculty members at major institutions around the country.

Gail Ironson our faculty member with degrees in both psychology and medicine was awarded three new grants this past year. She has a wide range of interests including “Spiritual Transformation in the Face of Illness: AIDS,” “Efficacy of an Emotional Disclosure Intervention in HIV,” and Psychobiological Processes and Health in HIV/AIDS.” Funding for these grants was awarded by the Metanexus Institute, NCCAM, and the National Institute of Mental Health.

Barry Huwitz is working on a project funded by the NHLBI to study a treatment for Chronic Fatigue Syndrome. His co-principal investigator for that study is Dr. Nancy Klimas. Additionally, he presented a paper titled “HIV, Metabolic Syndrome X, Inflammation, Oxidative Stress, and Coronary Heart Disease Risk: The Role of Protease Inhibitor Exposure” to the Academy of Behavioral Medicine in Jackson, Wyoming. He presented another to the International Workshop on Adverse Drug Reactions and Lipodystrophy in HIV in Washington D.C. titled “Proinflammatory Processes, and Oxidative Stress in Cardiac Disease.”

Professor Ray Winters has been collaborating with Dr. Sheri Johnson developing a regulatory model to integrate neurobiological and cognitive factors involved in unipolar depression, bipolar depression, and mania. He is also focusing on cognitive variables that account for findings in the literature that show that having a religious world view can be extremely helpful for some, but for others appears to be detrimental. He is testing the idea that an individual’s schematic models of God and his/her relationship to God underlie these differences.

Presentations
In May, Neil Schneiderman and Mike Antoni participated in the Psychoneuroimmunology Research Society annual scientific sessions in Tübingen, Germany. Then in June, Dr. Schneiderman returned to give an invited guest lecture at the 25th European Conference on Psychosomatic Research in Berlin.

Dr. Schneiderman was in Germany again in August to serve as Program Chair for the 8th International Congress of Behavioral Medicine (ICBM) held in Mainz. An unusually large group of faculty and graduate students from the Division also participated at ICBM. They included Mike Antoni, who presented an invited Master Lecture on stress management effects during breast cancer treatment and chaired a paper session; Marc Gellman, who chaired a paper session and presented a paper on behavioral medicine research training; Gail Ironson, who participated in a symposium on psychological well-being, spirituality and health; Maria Llabre, who conducted a workshop on structural equation modeling; Phil McCabe, who participated in a symposium on psychological mechanisms of social relationships; Frank Penedo, who chaired a symposium and presented a paper on Cognitive Behavioral Stress Management in men with prostate cancer; and Biing Shen who presented a paper on negative
emotions and coronary heart disease. Additionally, seven graduate students from the Division also presented papers and posters at the ICBM.

Karen Wyche conducted two workshops at the Compac for Faculty Diversity in Atlanta GA. One addressed the challenges of women of color in Academia.

**Governance**

The Division continues to have involvement in the governance and scientific sessions of federal, health psychology and behavioral medicine organizations.

**Maria Llabre** is a member of the Mechanisms of Emotions, Stress and Health study section of the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

**Gail Ironson, Barry Hurwitz, and Neil Schneiderman** all reviewed for NIH study sections this past year.

**Patrice Saab** is on the Board of Division 38 (Health Psychology) of the American Psychological Association (APA). She continues to work on the understanding of adolescent bloodpressure.

**Marc Gellman** continues to serve on the Board of the Society of Behavioral Medicine (SBM) and received their award for Distinguished Service. The ISBM elected him Secretary for 2004-2008. Marc will also serve as Co-Chair of the 9th ICBM, to be held in Bangkok, Thailand in 2006.

**Mike Antoni, Gail Ironson, and Neil Schneiderman** all are on the Board of the American Psychosomatic Society (APS).

**Associate Chairman Phil McCabe** is on the Board of the Academy of Behavioral Medicine Research and is Director of the University of Miami’s undergraduate Neuroscience program. He recently accepted the position of secretary for the Academy of Behavioral Medicine Research.

**Kudos**

**Dr. Schneiderman** received the award for Outstanding Scientific Achievement from the International Society of Behavioral Medicine (ISBM). He received the award in Mainz, Germany.

**Frank Penedo** received the College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Excellence Award for Scholarly Activity and gave an invited presentation at the annual National Cancer Institute/American Cancer Society Cancer Survivorship meeting in Washington, DC.

Graduate student **Kathryn Weaver** received a citation award for her paper presentation. **Adam W. Carrico** was elected as the Health Psychology representative to the APA Science Student Council and received an APA travel award.

**Maria Llabre** helped to launch a new section of the journal *Psychosomatic Medicine* called *Statistical Corner* with an article entitled “Applied latent growth modeling to cardiovascular recovery from stress.”

This past year the American Psychological Association published a book by **Mike Antoni** entitled *Stress Management Intervention for Women with Breast Cancer*. Dr. Antoni is also Director of Cancer prevention and control at UM/Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center.

In addition to all of his scholarly activity this last year, Mike Antoni’s band, The Urge, continues to be popular among graduate students and faculty alike. They even performed at the closing banquet of the APS meeting in Orlando this year!
Alumni Notes

Doctoral Degrees

1978
John F. Tholen
My wife Sandra and I are celebrating our 25th wedding anniversary. Our oldest son graduated High School and is currently a Business major at the University of Arizona. My wife is now an Associate Attorney.

Wayne S. Tillman
I am still in private practice along with my wife, Maureen in Morristown, NJ. Our son, David, is a senior at the University of Texas and our daughter, Laura, is a sophomore at Vassar College.

1981
Charles Verschoor
After 36 years of teaching Psychology, Sexuality, and Math, I am finally retiring. In April, I will begin touring Amsterdam and Brazil, as well as various areas of America. Wish me well!

Eric L. Diamond
I've been in private practice for 17 years in Gainesville. My wife Jacqui and I are pleased that our daughter, Lizzie, is studying Psychology at Tulane University and our son, Hunter, is entering High School.

1983
Anne E. Hogan
I continue to work with Mimi Graham at Florida State University's Center for Prevention & Early Intervention Policy along with my husband Herb Quay, Ph.D. As part of our efforts, this year the Center started the FSU Harris Institute for Infant Mental Health Training. The institute is part of a training network funded by the Irving B. Harris Foundation. Currently, I direct the Institute, and Herb is a part-time member of the training faculty.

1984
John Powell
I continue to work on a non-denominational Doctor of Ministry degree in Georgia. I am A.B.D.

1987
Sheri Goldstein
I was promoted to Medical Center Campus Director of The New Student Center and Retention and Transition Services after serving as Director of Testing on the North Campus of Miami Dade College. I authored the chapter “Assessment and Placement” in the “Yes, We Can,” a community college guide for developing America’s under-prepared students.

Eileen Newman
I have a private practice, EHP Behavioral Services in Baltimore. In February of 2004, I traveled to Singapore and Malaysia. My son, George, is a junior at St. Mary's college in Maryland majoring in History.

1989
Patrick O'Hearn
In 2003, I transferred to the Richmond Medical Center in Richmond, California to direct the Chemical Dependency Program. Last May, I got engaged while traveling in Italy.

1990
Mitchell J. Bradbury
My wife and I have three children, Sarah, 14; Jonathan, 3; Isabel, 4 months. I am in private practice in New York City and supervise students in outpatient psychotherapy. We're very content!

1991
Brian Esterling
I am still serving as the Clinical Director at Value Options in North Carolina. Our most significant news is that my wife Christy and I enjoyed the birth of our second child in April, Rebecca Mae Esterling. The family is doing great!

1992
Daniel L. Segal
I am starting year number ten in the Psychology Department at University of Colorado at Colorado Springs. This fall, our new Ph.D. program in Geropsychology starts. Send us some good students!

1993
Angelika Hart Claussen
It's been one year now since I left the Linda Ray Center and the Department of Psychology at UM. I'm now with the CDC in Atlanta, doing research into child development and disability, prevention, intervention, and public health issues. I miss Miami but really enjoy my job and life here. I get to do research into a variety of issues (Parenting intervention, ADHD, developmental screening) and work with a team of experts from different fields. Family news: My husband Rick and I are expecting our 2nd child in January. I had two publications this year.

Cindy Kamilar
My husband (Daniel Segal) and I recently moved into a new house. I moved to Pikes Peak Community College's north campus (2 miles from our house-yeah!) where I am an Associate Professor of Psychology.

1995
Marci Gittes Fox
My husband, Stuart and I are thrilled to announce the birth of our daughter, Carly Michelle on April 27, 2004. She joins her brothers, Jesse and Ethan.

1997
Vicki DiLillo
My husband, Joseph Roel and I have recently relocated to Columbus, Ohio where I have joined the faculty at Ohio Wesleyan University.

1998
Heather Altman Hopper
My husband Andy and I have just moved to the state of Washington for his work. I'm currently job hunting. Wish me luck!

Toni Leo
I have a private practice in Alexandria, Virginia (www.drtonileo.com).

Patrick Steffen
I continue to work at Brigham Young University as an Assistant Professor of Clinical Psychology. I recently received an American Heart Association Scientist Development Grant ($260,000) studying the effects of acculturation on CVD in Mexican immigrants. My wife Monica and I had another son, William Michael Steffen.

Jenny Willoughby
I left my position at University of Maryland to spend more time with my two-year-old twins Cameron and Madeleine. I work at a small private practice and love it!

1999
Melanie Harris
I am licensed as a psychologist in Colorado and New York. In February 2004, I moved to New York to begin work as a post-doc focusing on research in psychosocial oncology at Albert Einstein College of Medicine.

Cami McBride
In September 2003, I gave birth to a wonderful daughter, Caliana McBride-Webber. She amazes us everyday!

2000
Sangeeta Mallik
I am a social scientist at SRI International working on issues pertinent to early childhood outcomes. This year, I joined the team of the OSEP-funded Early Childhood Outcomes Center (ECO) to work on outcome measures that can be used in accountability systems. I am currently working on several publications. A joy and I have moved into a lovely house in Menlo Park.
Carol Winett Perlman
I was married in October 2003 and recently moved into a house in the Boston suburbs. I'm working at Massachusetts General Hospital doing treatment outcome research on Cognitive Behavioral Therapy for PTSD and ADHD in adults. I also have a clinical practice at MGH and am the project coordinator at Harvard University for a study on memory of childhood sexual abuse.

2001

Jessica Lehman
I was licensed in West Virginia in 2003. Recently my husband Mark Murphy & I moved to the Louisville, Kentucky area. I'm working on licensure in Kentucky and Indiana.

Lisa M. Lopez
I'm getting married in October 2004. I'm also starting a new job as Assistant Professor of Education Psychology in the Department of Psychological and Social Foundations at University of South Florida.

Sarosh Motivala
I was promoted to Assistant Research Psychologist at the UCLA Neuropsychiatric Institute.

2002

Susan Alferi Fox
I am currently living in New York City and working for Merck and Company as a Medical Program Coordinator designing clinical trials in immunology and analgesia.

William J. Greenhouse
I was recently licensed in Massachusetts, New York and Florida to practice psychology. I'm currently working in my private practice, as a therapist at Atlantic Shores Hospital, and as a part-time lecturer for the UM’s Psychology Department. I recently conducted in service clinical training in Motivational Interviewing for the staff of AIDS Project Florida.

2003

Vida Petronis
I married Michael Sovie in July of 2004. We're enjoying eating our way around our new hometown, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Master's Degrees
1956

David Miller, EDD
I have been President Emeritus of the Hudson Valley (NY) Psychological Association (2003-2004) and Editor of the Ethics Column (2003-Present). My wife Phyllis and I will celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary on a cruise with our children, children-in-law, and grandchildren.

1967

Leonard Bard, Ph.D.
I continue to maintain my private practice in Massachusetts, specializing in forensic assessment and consultation. My wife Amy and I recently celebrated our 24th anniversary. We have one son in college and another who graduates from high school in 2005.

1984

Harvey Kenneth Bodansky
I was the speaker at 2004 Miami Beach AHEAD Conference on “Reverse Study Abroad” (Post-Secondary Education of Disabled Foreign Students).

Bachelor's Degrees
1968

Gail Marantz Klein
I was appointed Salary Training Coordinator for the Turbine Module Center at Pratt & Whitney in East Hartford, Connecticut. This is a major career change and a promotion, leaving my post as a technical writer in P&W's Military Engines group and joining the Human Resources Industrial Relations group.

1989

Karen Kralovanci Pearson
I am a Nationally Certified School Counselor (NCSC) at Stephen Foster Elementary in Gainesville, Florida. I am currently the Regional representative from north central Florida to the Florida Counseling Association.

1990

Preston A. Brinster, Ph.D.
I was recently promoted to tenured Associate Professor in the School of Family Studies at the University of Connecticut. In addition, I serve as the editor of the Journal of Primary Prevention and on the editorial boards for Child Abuse & Neglect and Journal of Family Studies. I was honored to receive the 2002 AAUP Teaching Excellence Award for Teaching Promise and the 2003-2004 Teaching Fellowship, UConn's highest honor.

1992

Shari (Leonard) Berger
My husband David and I have a three-year-old son, Aaron. We are thrilled to have recently added a baby girl to our family, too.

1995

Michael Woodward
I received a Master's in Industrial/Organizational Psychology in 1998. I worked as a Consultant for PricewaterhouseCoopers until 2002. In 2002, I began working as a Project Manager for IBM Business Services. I'm currently a Ph.D. student in Industrial Organizational Psychology at FIU.

1997

Jessica Donn
I recently moved to Nashville, TN to begin my pre-doctoral internship at the Vanderbilt-VA Consortium.

2001

Orly Z. Anconina
I was elected Treasurer from 2004-2006 for the Class of 2006. I was elected the Vice-President for 2004-2005 for my professional fraternity, Phi Delta Chi. I was chosen as a member of the Membership Subcommittee of the student forum of the American Society of Health-Systems Pharmacists. I am also the co-chair of the Student Affairs Committee for the Southeastern Regional Chapter of the Florida Society of Health-Systems Pharmacists.

2003

Ana Lisa Carr
I am in my second term of Medical School at St. George's University.

Tyra Farrow
I moved to New Orleans to attend graduate school at Tulane University in order to pursue my Masters in social work.

Monica Sotolongo
I received second place for a poster presentation, “Sexual Satisfaction after Treatment for Localized Prostate Cancer: Erectile Function and Social Support” in the UCON. Also I recently changed jobs to work on “Project Healthy” under Dale Chitwood, Ph.D., Department of Sociology at the Comprehensive Drug Research Center on the medical campus at University of Miami.

2004

Darah Ballard-Harford
After graduation, I spent my summer in Trinidad and Tobago. I will be attending Nova Southeastern University beginning in the fall to obtain my Masters in Family Therapy.

Chelsea Ballentine
Shortly after graduating from UM, I joined the Office of Alumni Relations as a Program Assistant for the Annual Fund Team. In this position I assist with directing and coordinating the efforts of the direct mail program.

Jeselyn Luis
This Fall I began the Mental Health Counseling Program at the University of Miami School of Education.

Adam Myers
I was accepted to University of Florida Medical School and just bought my first home in Gainesville.
Undergraduate Update

It was another busy year with undergraduate enrollment in Psychology and Neuroscience passing the 800 mark. Although we were short handed for half of the year, in April, we were lucky to add Advisor Anna Fredericks to our team in Undergraduate Academic Services for Psychology. Anna’s bachelor’s background in Psychology and Speech Communication, ten years of experience working in public relations and marketing, several years of psychological research, and an interest in clinical psychology make her a natural for the job. She has become a capable favorite of the students.

Now beginning his fourth year with UASP, José Rodriguez was promoted to Assistant Director of Advising. He continues to facilitate advising services, assisting with the FACT FORUM program, and managing the undergraduate Peer Advisors. José also served as the graduate student mentor in the PRIME program, and has taken responsibility for the Research Participation Office. Congratulations go to José for completing his Master’s degree in Enrollment Management and Higher Education.

Victoria Noriega continued as Director of Undergraduate Studies. FACT FORUM, PRIME, and the various events are now in their sixth and seventh year respectively and firmly entrenched as tradition in the Department. This stability, coupled with the assiduous work of Jose Rodriguez and the Peer Advisors, allowed her to travel with her husband, David, to England and Italy to visit with relatives and friends during the holiday break. Anna came on board just in time for Victoria to spend time at home with David during his last days. She teamed up with José, who rose to the challenge of advising our students without the previously ubiquitous Dr. No.

Rod Wellens, José, and Victoria helped to spread the word about the FACT FORUM program by presenting a poster at the APA Convention in Hawaii, titled “Increasing Faculty Involvement with Undergraduates.” Last year, Drs. Christine Delgado, Ed Green, Kristen Lindahl, Phil McCabe, Michael McCullough, Daniel Messinger, Biing Shen, David Wilson (Biology), Ray Winters, and Marygrace Yale Kaiser worked with Psychology and Neuroscience students in FORUM.

Peer Advisors

UASP is able to maintain a strong connection with the continually expanding undergraduate population through our Peer Advisors, the highly trained undergraduate students who work in the office of Undergraduate Academic Services for Psychology. Peer Advisors provide support and assistance to the advisors. Although Peer Advisors do not officially “advise” students, they are integral in helping to prepare students for their advising session, and helping us to produce the undergraduate edition of Psychology News, published five times a year. They also help us implement events like Just Desserts, the Psychology in Film Series, the Undergraduate Conference for Research in Psychology, and FACT FORUM. The Psychology and Neuroscience Peer Advisor experience has been called “the best job on campus,” giving students the opportunity to work in a genuine office setting. The photos at the left depict culmination of the annual August Training Meeting at which Peer Advisors are treated to a barbecue at Dr. Noriega’s and engage in a variety of team building activities. At the Holiday Party in December, each student’s birthday is celebrated with a dessert of his or her choice.
This summer marked the 7th anniversary of the PRIME (Psychology Research Initiatives Mentorship Experience), our summer research program funded by a grant from the National Institute of General Medical Sciences and administered by the American Psychological Association. PRIME is designed to encourage ethnic minority students to pursue a career in the biomedical/biopsychological sciences. With the help of the University Provost, we also are able to provide similar opportunities to all students regardless of ethnicity or research topic. With funding in question this year, we were able to provide stipends to eleven students (approximately half of the number in previous years). Their work represented all the divisions of the Department. Over eight faculty members worked with the students to help them produce a research poster. José Rodríguez served as the graduate student mentor for the third consecutive year. Students met with him weekly to discuss issues related to their posters, graduate school, and careers, among others. On July 23rd, students presented the fruits of their labor at a small poster session in the lobby of the 5th floor of the Flipse Building. Faculty, staff, family, and friends were all on hand to congratulate their hard work.

One notable achievement associated with the PRIME program is the increased number of Senior Honors Theses produced by Psychology and Neuroscience undergraduates. This year, Drs. Duran, Cheour, Henderson, Laurenceau, Antoni, Lechner, Gellman, and Weisman helped ten undergraduate students complete a Senior Honors Thesis. One, Stephanie Wasserman, was accepted into the Adult graduate program. She is currently working with Dr. Amy Weisman and serving as an example of success to many undergraduates.

**Undergraduate Neuroscience Program**

The Undergraduate Neuroscience Major (formerly the Psychobiology major) has become one of the most elite majors at UM, and now enrolls approximately 150 outstanding students. Majors select one of two tracks for their training: Neurobiology, which focuses on the cellular and molecular aspects of the nervous system, or Psychobiology, which focus on the neural mechanism of behavior and cognitive processes. In addition to a curriculum that meets all of the premedical track requirements, Neuroscience majors take additional coursework in topics such as cellular and molecular neuroscience, developmental neuroscience, neural mechanisms of disease, cognitive neuroscience, and laboratory methods in neuroscience research. An important extracurricular component of the Neuroscience major is participation in faculty-supervised research in one of the 55 neuroscience laboratories on the Coral Gables, Medical School, and Marine School campuses. Majors are also encouraged to attend the monthly Neuroscience Colloquium Series, and special lectures such as the Richard Bunge Memorial Lecture at the Miami Project to Cure Paralysis, and the Neuroscience Research Day Lectures at the Medical School. In January, Dr. Ronald Calabrese gave a lecture on neuronal circuits and behavior. In February, Dr. Paul McHugh visited the Department as part of the Phi Beta Kappa visiting scholars program. He gave a presentation on false memory and the concept of repressed memory of childhood sex abuse.

The Psychology Department plays a major role in the Undergraduate Neuroscience Program. The Director of the Program is Dr. Philip McCabe, who is also a Professor and Associate Chairman of the Psychology Department. Advising for the Program is handled by Dr. Victoria Noriega, José Rodríguez and their staff in Undergraduate Academic Services for Psychology (UASP). Incoming Freshmen Neuroscience majors get orientation and advising in FACT sections. In FORUM they meet with a Neuroscience faculty member and are exposed to the latest research in the field.
Celebrations and Events

Millon Festschrift

On October 18, 2003, friends, family, and colleagues came together to help Professor Emeritus Theodore Millon celebrate his more than fifty years of contributions to the field of personality theory and assessment. Guests included Ray Fowler, Ph.D., Executive Director Emeritus of the APA; Adoph Grunbaum, Ph.D. Andrew Melon Professor of Philosophy of Science at the University of Pittsburgh, and President of the American Philosophy of Science Association; and Melvin Sabshin, M.D. Medical Director Emeritus of the American Psychiatric Association. UM colleagues and former students included Rod Wellens, Mike Antoni, Steven Strack, and Victoria Noriega. Speakers roasted and toasted Dr. Millon following an elegant meal at the Mayfair House Hotel in Coconut Grove. Watch for the ‘festschrift,’ (i.e., a volume of writings by different authors presented as a tribute or memorial, especially to a scholar) that should be published later this year.

Film Series ‘04

As part of the Community Lecture Series, the Department hosted the annual Psychology in Film Series this past Spring. Three major motion pictures were shown. This year’s films were “Losing Isaiah,” with a discussion moderated by Drs. Keith Scott, Lynne Katz, and Daniel Messinger; “A Beautiful Mind,” with a discussion by Dr. Amy Weisman; and “The Hours,” with a discussion by Dr. Kim Fuller, Director of the Psychological Services Center. Refreshments were provided by students and staff of UASP who made use of our new catering kitchen.

Ph.D.s graduate in the new Convocation Center

| Neal Baker   | Health      | Barry Hurwitz |
| Nicole Marcus | Child       | Kristen Lindahl |
| Sarah Meagher | Adult       | Mike Antoni |
| Sophie Guellati-Salcedo | Health | Chuck Carver |
| Karen B. Miller | Child    | Annette LaGreca |
| Connal O’Cleirigh | Health  | Gail Ironson |
| Ana Maria Patino | Child     | Alan Delamater |
| Jocelyn Winzer | Health     | Patrice Saab |
| Amy Vaughan   | Appl. Devel. | Peter Mundy |
| Jamespaul Paredes | Behav. Neuro. | Ed Green |

Gatherings
The Transitions Celebration was held on May 27th in the Hurricane 100 Room at the Convocation Center. The following graduate students who were leaving on internship or going on to post-doctoral positions were recognized. We are proud to announce that all nine students who applied for internship were placed at one of their top internship choices. All of these placements are APA accredited and pay full stipends.

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### Annual Graduate Student Awards

This year the faculty selected Amy Kizer and Vamsi Koneru as the Outstanding Teaching Assistants. Dean Wyche presented each of them with a $300 Fellowship award and a plaque at the award luncheon held at the Hurricane 100 Room in the Convocation Center.

The Kirk R. Danhour Memorial Award is conferred each Spring on one senior graduate student from each of the Department’s three program divisions. Students are selected by the faculty based on their outstanding academic performance, progress and quality of research, development of clinical skills (if applicable) and leadership, social integration and involvement in department activities. The Award this year went to Amy Kizer of the Adult Track, Courtney Burnette of the Child Track, and Jeffrey Gonzalez of the Health Track. A prize of $150 was received by students in each track. The students’ names were added to a plaque on display in the Flipse Building.

Zachary Warren was the recipient of the Dr. Carol Alson Fineman Award given in support of research dealing with abused or emotionally disturbed children. Zack received $300 and a plaque.

The Department of Psychology Graduate Student Appreciation Bertha Weber Award was presented to J’lene George and Amy Vaughan who received certificates of appreciation and $300 each at the Graduate Student Appreciation Award Ceremony held at the Rathskeller.

The Jennifer L. Strauss Summer Dissertation Award was presented to Hannah Moore. This award established to enable a deserving graduate student to complete his/her dissertation before leaving on internship carries a prize of $1500.

Special congratulations to Tandrea Carter who received a dissertation research grant in the amount of $5000 from the Minority Fellowship Program of the American Psychological Association.
Clinical and Community Outreach

Psychological Services Center
by Kim Fuller, Ph.D.

The Psychological Services Center completed its move to the Flipse Building in January of this year. Office manager Cindy Papale-Hammontree, receptionist Melissa Hill, work-study employees, and the CARD staff put in many hours and worked hard to coordinate FDLRs and CHRIS, who share space with us on the second floor. This is the first time since the clinic has been in existence that it has been housed in the same building as the majority of the clinical faculty. Students and faculty are saving hours by not having to travel from building to building. Some of our clients report that they feel safer because the U.M. police are housed on the ground floor, and many appreciate the increased accessibility of public transportation. In addition, the new clinic has permanent videotaping equipment in every clinic room, which has greatly enhanced opportunities for providing quality clinical supervision and consultation. Our thanks to the Tweed Foundation for their help in providing the equipment.

In the last year, 52 graduate students received training in the Clinic. There were two post-doctoral trainees working in the Trauma Treatment Program and seven faculty members who saw clients in our facility. We served 588 clients of all ages and continued to offer individual therapy, couples and family therapy, and several therapy groups. Our popular Mindfulness Meditation group was offered again this year and we also ran groups for middle-school girls, for overeaters, and for the treatment of social phobia. Dahra Jackson, our graduate assistant, has been an invaluable help in making sure all the therapists get appropriate referrals, our groups are filled, and our clinic manual is accurate.

Satisfaction with our services continues to be high. A satisfaction survey conducted in May 2004 indicates that clients continue to be pleased with the services they receive here. We have just begun to pilot some ongoing outcome research, which we hope to expand in the spring 2005 semester.

Counseling Center
by Malcolm Kahn

All of the four new staff members at the Counseling Center this year have connections in the Miami area. Our newest full-time staff member is Hossiella Longoria. She grew up in the Palmetto Bay area, and comes to us now from internship at the Counseling Center at Texas State University, San Marcos, Texas. One of our interns, Lyndon Aguilar, comes to us from NYU’s Counseling Psychology program, but is an alum of our own Department of Psychology’s undergraduate program. The other two new interns, Jose Sandoval and Danielle Hadeed, come to us from UM programs; Clinical and Counseling Psychology programs, respectively.

I was pleasantly reminded of my own rich history with graduate students in the Psychology Department a few months ago when I received an unexpected visit from Tony Sabatasso, who was a student when I first joined the Counseling Center staff in 1969. One of our most charming and gregarious alumni, Tony recently moved to South Florida from Northern California where he practiced Clinical Forensic Psychology.

The demographic of the typical graduate student working with us in the Counseling Center has changed from that of Tony’s era. Most notably, they are more likely to be female and research-oriented. Interestingly, this is the first time in the history of the now ten-year-old Jess Spierer Internship Program that two of our interns are male.

One welcome consistency over the years is clinical psychology graduate students’ recognition that their own therapy can facilitate their understanding of others and their ability to work effectively with others. Because the Counseling Center trains practicum students and interns from the Psychology Department, graduate students would prefer to go off campus for their treatment. However, cost factors interfere with fulfilling this important need.

We are asking the help of local alumni of the Psychology Department to solve this dilemma. Dr. LaGreca, the Director of Clinical Training, has helped me to develop a list of local alumni to contact about providing psychotherapy to current graduate students for dramatically reduced fees. The Counseling Center’s graduate assistant will contact you if you are on the list. However, please do not hesitate to contact me directly (305-284-5511 or mkahn@umiami.edu) if you would be willing to work with one student per year.
Center for Autism and Related Disorders

UM CARD’s second annual fundraising event, Tropical Nights, was once again a tremendous success. Over 600 friends and supporters enjoyed an evening of tropical delights, including the Salsa rhythms of Tito Puente, Jr., at the magnificent Vizcaya Museum & Gardens. Nearly $150,000 was raised this year to support UM CARD’s services and programs. Special thanks to our remarkable Event Chairpersons C. Patricia Cruz & Isabel Meister, and our outstanding Host Committee. Special thanks also to our Honorees, Congresswoman Ileana Ros-Lehtinen & Commissioner Jimmy L. Morales, our extremely generous Event Sponsors and Underwriters, and our numerous silent auction donors. Congratulations to Director Michael Alessandri and Peter Mundy, under whose direction CARD is thriving.

Although the Florida Legislature elected not to increase funding for CARD this year, our constituency continues to grow. Currently there are nearly 3000 families on our registry. On the bright side, no funding cuts were realized either. And with the success of Tropical Nights, the continued generosity of the University of Miami Department of Psychology, and the unwavering support of the Dan Marino Foundation, UM CARD’s services and programs will be maintained and perhaps even expanded. All in all, thanks to our steadfast supporters, the immediate future is looking bright for UM CARD.

The Linda Ray Intervention Center

Located in an inner city neighborhood in Miami-Dade County, the Linda Ray Center is a product of a partnership between the University of Miami and the private non-profit organization, Infants in Need, Inc. The center is a “one stop” full service early intervention site for children and families which aims to improve the outcomes of infants prenatally exposed to cocaine with research-based interventions. Infants are enrolled during the first months of life and receive educational interventions, language interventions, social services, referrals to primary medical care, as well as participating in parent-child activities. The program attempts to address the multiple risks faced by the children and families and in doing so, better equip the children for school entry at age five. Current projects infused in the overall Center activities include: prelinguistic and enhanced milieu teaching to build new language forms as well as social and conversational abilities, parent-child counseling and play group programs, screening and assessments as required by Juvenile Court for parent-child case plans and other family strengthening activities. Community collaborations including the Miami Safe Start Initiative and the Early Head Start Child Welfare Initiative bring providers of infant-toddler services to create a seamless continuum of care under the leadership of the LRC program staff.

Keith G. Scott, Ph.D. serves as Executive Director of the LRC, Lynne Katz, Ed.D. is Director of Operations, Kate Bono, Ph.D. serves as Research Director, and Marygrace Yale Kaiser, Ph.D. is Coordinator of Special Projects. Nurit Stienberg, Ph.D. is conducting post doctoral research. They are assisted by several Psychology graduate students, including Laura Dinehard, Christine Hughes, Carrie Lazarus, and Francois Acra.

During the past year, Lynne Katz and Kate Bono have produced a number of publications that demonstrate the short term (through 36 months) and longer term (through seven years) effectiveness of early intervention for cocaine exposed infants. This research group has also published the first observations of the utility of infant joint attention measures for predicting externalizing and internalizing behavior disturbance in ‘at risk’ children.

The center plans to expand from its facility next to the Medical School, to include satellite sites in Kendall and South Dade.
The second annual Research and Creativity Forum honored several of our students. In the Graduate Division, J'Lene George and Kathryn Weaver took first and second place, respectively, in the Social, Behavioral, and Administrative Sciences. In the Undergraduate Division, Melissa Bent tied for first place in the Biological Sciences category and Mrinal Garg and Ansel Amaral took second and third places in the Biomedical Sciences category. The sheer number of psychology students necessitates a category of its own. Maureen Mendoza took first place.

Professor Emeritus Don Routh is earning another degree in history at Florida Gulf Coast University to help himself "become a better historian of psychology." Because he "does not play golf or fish," Routh is filling his time taking and teaching classes...in writing. To add to his list of honors, he was named to the Oklahoma Military Academy's Hall of Fame and received a Distinguished Alumni award this past year. Victoria Noriega is working with Don to write a history of the Psychology Department.

The MUSE Award is given each year to a faculty member who has made exemplary contributions to the undergraduate program. This year's recipient was Ed Green who has mentored a FORUM section since the inception of the program, provides excellent experiences for undergraduates in his lab and has mentored several Senior Honors Theses. The Ibis was on hand for the Just Desserts celebration where we surprised Dr. Green with the award. The MUSE includes a cash prize, made possible by the generous donations of a group of anonymous donors. Additionally, the recipient's name is printed on a large silver cup which resides in his or her office for the year.

Graduate Teaching Award goes to a member of the graduate faculty by the Graduate Student Advisory Board. The tradition began in 1988 and includes an individual plaque as well as an inscription on the community plaque, now located on the fifth floor of Flipse. Although many faculty have received the award in the past 14 years, only Maria Llabre, this year's award-winner has received it five different times. Some people attribute this the the fact that Llabre teaches everybody's favorite classes...statistics. Others feel it's a combination of other things...once you get past the subject matter. Whatever the reason, Maria Llabre continues to be a favorite professor among graduate students. As is tradition, the president of the Graduate Student Association, this year Courtney Burnette, presented the award to Maria at the Welcome Event in August.

New Grants

Marie Cheour Infant Sleep and Learning Riken, Japan
Darryl Greenfield The Impact of Family Involvement on Head Start Children's School Readiness DHHS/ACYF
Heather Henderson Affect and Cerebral Asymmetry: A Developmental Approach NICHD/University of Maryland
Gail Ironson Ethical Decision-Making, Adherence and Quality of Life in People Living with HIV Gilead Sciences, Inc.
Gail Ironson Spiritual Transformation in the Face of Illness: AIDS Metanexus Institute
Gail Ironson Efficacy of an Emotional Disclosure Intervention in HIV NCCAM
Gail Ironson Psychobiological Processes and Health in HIV/AIDS NIMH
Lynne Katz Drug Free Communities Programs DED/Florida Office of Drug Control
Michael McCullough Spiritual Transformations Across the Life Span Metanexus Institute
Michael McCullough Perspectives and Dimensions of Gratitude Templeton Foundation/UC, Davis
Peter Mundy Social Communication Skills Assessment System for Children with Autism Cure Autism Now
Peter Mundy Minority Predoctoral Fellowship Program: Caroline Acra NICHD
Alexandra Quittner Clinic-Based Adherence Intervention for Diabetes and Cystic Fibrosis NHLBI/Florida State University
Alexandra Quittner Childhood Development after Cochlear Implantation NIDCD/Johns Hopkins University
Alexandra Quittner Airway Clearance in Patients with Cystic Fibrosis Cystic Fibrosis Foundation/Children's Hospital of Denver
Psychology Loses a Good Friend
by Victoria Noriega (aka Mrs. King)

On April 24, David Geoffrey King, completed his journey through this life, and began his adventure into the unknown. During his brief stay with us, David was a good friend to the Department. He was a donor, an ardent supporter of our programs, a copy editor of all of the UASP publications (including this Newsletter), and a helper at almost all events, sporting his name badge (King of England) and “staff” ribbon.

Throughout his three year struggle with cancer, David remained his wonderful, patient, kind self. He led a life that was full of accomplishments and failures, successes and mistakes, good relationships and those that were less satisfying. In the end, he had achieved the ego integrity and wisdom described by Erickson.

David’s illness and passing was an intense experience in living for all of us who shared it. Twelve days after his death, we celebrated the birth of our first grandchild, Diana. The following night, a one pound kitten was found crying in the street in front of my house. I call her Artemis.

Passings

We are saddened to announce the loss this year of three of our colleagues. Don Lee, Ph.D. had just completed his internship and was working at the Children’s Hospital in Denver when undetected liver disease took his life. The hastily arranged memorial service in Denver drew over 100 people including supervisors, co-workers, and families who came to share how Don had touched them with his many skills and great love of people. Recently married, Don’s widow can be reached at 3823 Arthur Drive, Seaford, NY 11783.

Eileen DeGregorio, Ph.D. ('83), became a teacher of Psychology. She was living with her husband, Randy Dounce, on a boat in the Cayman Islands when she succumbed to stomach cancer this fall.

Professor Emeritus Carl Williams retired from the University in the mid-80’s, splitting his time between his summer home in Michigan and a second home in New Orleans. Dr. Williams had a lengthy struggle with Parkinson’s Disease. A recent fall led to his rapid decline and death in November, 2004.

Our condolences go to the friends and families of these fine individuals.
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