

MAKING NEWS

The Latest News from Rivier Faculty and Staff

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Nursing Instructor and Director of Public Health Program **Bobbie Bagley, RN, MS, MPH, CPH** attended the 2014 Association for Community Health Nurse Educators (ACHNE) Annual Institute, Social Justice: Within & Beyond our Borders.

Bagley chairs ACHNE's Abstract Review Committee and serves on the Annual Institute Planning Committee. Conference topics focused on the importance of social justice in the delivery of care as well as healthcare reform.

Rivier University Chaplain and Associate Professor of Religious Studies **Br. Paul R. Demers, S.C.** participated in the 2014 International Summit on Conflict Resolution Education at George Mason University. He joined 300 participants from 30 different countries to help develop peace and conflict studies programs for colleges and universities. Br. Paul has taught a Challenge of Peace course at Rivier since 1992.



Professor of Sociology **Dr. Marcoux Faiia** attended an interdisciplinary, international conference and presented a paper at the University of Barcelona in Spain last summer. The topic of her paper was related to the research conducted by Rivier students last academic year. The focus was on the invisible work that college students perform. It gathered data on student perceptions of field placements, student teaching, student nursing practicums, and internships. It also investigated student perceptions of volunteer work, athletics, and family responsibilities. Traveling in Spain, Dr. Faiia met several graduate students and consulted on a Ph.D. ethnography focused on the Somalian Street Men working in Barcelona.



Associate Professor of Business **Dr. Gregory Kivenzor** attended the 2014 World Marketing Congress organized by the Academy of Marketing Sciences in Lima, Peru. At the Congress, Dr. Kivenzor served as a Track Co-Chair, organized and moderated a special session discussing global cultures, and presented a research paper. Dr. Kivenzor was interviewed by *Anda News*, a Peruvian marketing magazine, for an article on his research.

Adjunct Chemistry Instructor **Dr. Brian S. Fulton's** book, *Drug Discovery for the Treatment of Addiction: Medicinal Chemistry Strategies*, was published in September 2014. His book addresses the complex neuroscience issues associated with medicinal chemistry's role in treating addiction, specifically addressing drugs of abuse including narcotics, stimulants, depressants, nicotine, and marijuana.

Maddi Lacey, Academic Advisor and Assistant to the Dean of Nursing, has been appointed as Secretary of the Breakfast Exchange Club in Nashua. The Nashua Club is one of a limited number of Exchange Clubs nationwide that focuses on the needs of the community's elderly population.



Associate Professor of Business and Education and Associate Vice President for Global Engagement **Dr. Mark Meehan** was awarded the Coolidge Fellowship for summer 2014. The Coolidge Fellowship is a four-week research and writing program at Columbia University in New York City. Dr. Meehan and four other fellowship recipients engaged in intense scholarly research, reflection, and conversation on topics related to religion, leadership, and social transformation.



Professor and Coordinator of the History, Political Science, and Criminal Justice Department **Dr. Martin Menke** published a review of a German publication by Stefan Boentert in *Catholic Historical Review*. Dr. Menke participated in the 2014 Institute for Administrators in Catholic Higher Education, which focused on ways to integrate the Catholic mission into the life of the Catholic college or university. Additionally, Dr. Menke gave a paper titled, "The German Center Party and the Bruning Chancellorship" at the German Studies Association annual conference. Dr. Menke published a book review titled "Anti-Semitism and the Evolving Catholic Conscience" of John Connelley's *From Enemy to Brother: The Revolution in Catholic Teaching on the Jews, 1933–1965*. The review appears in *Marginalia: A Review of Books in History, Theology, and Religion* (December 2013). Also, Dr. Menke gave a lecture on "The Cold War: An Introduction" to 80 students at Milford High School in November 2013. He emphasized the global importance of this conflict during the second half of the twentieth century. Dr. Menke attended four conferences from January through April 2014, presenting two papers and participating in a panel discussion. He was also appointed to a two-year term on the American Catholic Historical Association program committee.



Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs **Paula Randazza** was honored with the Charles "Chuck" Lamb Lifetime Service Award by the Northeast Association of College and University Housing Officers (NEACUHO). This award is presented annually to one outstanding individual for his or her dedication and service to students, colleagues, and NEACUHO.

Professor of Nursing **Dr. Denise Baxter** presented "Innovation with Low-Tech Teaching Strategies: Classroom and Clinical" at the 21th Annual Conference for Nurse Educators in Falmouth, Mass. in May.



Associate Professor of Business **Dr. Kevin Wayne** recently published two essays in *The Sport Digest*: “8 Ways to Enhance Soccer for Americanized Audiences, and Everyone Else Too!” and “What If Soccer Reigned as America’s Favorite Sport.”



Professor of Mathematics and Computer Science **Dr. Vladimir Riabov** recently published two papers in *Proceedings of the 29th Congress of the International Council of the Aeronautical Sciences* (St. Petersburg, Russia, September 7-12, 2014): “The Analysis of Underexpanded Jet Flows for Hypersonic Aerothermodynamic Applications” and “Interference between Bodies in Hypersonic Rarefied-Gas Flows.”

Dey G. Barriga, Senior Associate in the Office of Global Engagement, participated in an innovation and STEM-themed roundtable discussion on immigration reform with Congresswoman Ann McLane Kuster and others with international interests and expertise in February at Parallel Wireless, Inc. offices in Nashua. The discussions focused on the importance of attracting highly skilled, international workers and the need to expand investments in STEM education programs.

Eric Blackburn, Coordinator of Student Activities and Orientation, presented a session in March 2014 at the Association for Orientation, Transition, and Retention in Higher Education's Regional Conference entitled "Beyond the Theme: Creating a Comprehensive New Student Orientation Program."

Assistant Professor and Director of Graduate Nursing Education **Susan Feeney** and Nursing Instructor **Chris Sullivan** along with several nurse practitioner students, attended the annual AANP Health Policy Conference in Washington D.C. in April 2014. The group met with several healthcare officials and Senator Kelly Ayotte and Congresswoman Ann McLane Kuster.

Adjunct faculty member in the Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Program **Jennifer A. Ganem, M.S., APRN** presented an adjunct faculty member in the Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Program, presented “Treating Depression and Anxiety in the Primary Care Setting” at the Northeast Regional Nurse Practitioner Meeting in May 2014.

Professor and Director of History and Political Science **Dr. George Kaloudis** gave a well-received presentation on “Eleftherios Venizelos: His Meteoric Rise to Power in the Early 20th Century” at the Northeast Political Science Association conference in November 2013.

Associate Professor of Counseling and School Psychology **Gagan Khera** attended the Society for Behavioral Medicine Annual Meeting and Scientific Session in April 2014. The experience provided valuable knowledge on the role of behavioral medicine in today’s dynamic healthcare environment and recent advances in behavioral interventions.



Career Development Coordinator **Jane Hussey** was the recipient of the President's Good Steward Award at the Campus Compact Award luncheon in April 2014. Hussey was recognized for her efforts on the post-graduation service event hosted by the Center for Career Development.

Sister Paula Marie Buley, IHM, President and Career Development Coordinator Jane Hussey



Associate Professor of Business **Dr. Gregory Kivenzor** recently won the Toastmaster's Fall-2013 Speech Evaluation Contest at both the club and district levels.

Associate Professor of Business Dr. Gregory Kivenzor



Professor and Director of Counseling and School Psychology **Dr. Carol Langelier** is the 2014 recipient of the Sister Mary Jane Benoit Outstanding Educator of the Year Award. Named in honor of Sr. Mary Jane Benoit, a Rivier graduate of the classes of 1953 and 1956, the award is given to an individual who brings the highest distinction to themselves and their communities through their teaching and mentoring of students in education and/or mental health.

Sister Paula Marie Buley, IHM, Professor and Director of Counseling and School Psychology Dr. Carol Langelier, and Dean of Education Dr. John J. Gleason.



Professor of Math and Computer Science **Dr. Teresa Magnus** gave a presentation at the Joint Mathematics Meetings on "Putting Together the Puzzle: Understanding Linear Independence, Spanning, and Bases via Group Exploration." This was part of the Mathematical Assn. of America's Innovative and Effective Ways to Teach Linear Algebra conference session.

Assistant Professor of Psychology **Dr. Karen Meteyer** in collaboration with Dr. Loretta Brady from Saint Anselm College, presented a paper, "Knowing you, Showing me: Online Social Network Attitudes in America and Cyprus" at the Eastern Psychological Association conference in March 2014. Their research explored students' online technology usage patterns and found that U.S. students' attitudes toward social media differed from Cyprus students views.

Dr. Meteyer also attended the New England Psychological Association conference in October with Professor and Dean of Arts and Sciences **Dr. Paul Cunningham**, and Assistant Professor and Psychology Department Coordinator **Elizabeth Harwood**.

Associate Professor of Education **Angela Mousseau** and research team members gave four presentations in October 2013 at the Center for Research on Girls fall symposium, "From Stress & Storm to Power & Purpose: The Role of Sense of Purpose and Parenting in Positive Youth Development."

Sharron Rowlett-Moore, Director of Multicultural Affairs, received the "Unsung Hero Award" from the Merrimack Valley branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in November. She was also a guest speaker at the Greater Manchester Black Scholarship Foundation celebration in Manchester, N.H. in fall 2013.



Public Safety Officer **Katrina Ware Simpson** recently completed Army Basic Training at Fort Jackson. She is soon to embark on Officer Candidate School as a member of the N.H. National Guard. Simpson graduated as Soldier Leader of the cycle, an honor bestowed on only five soldiers in her training battalion of approximately one thousand soldiers.

Commander Becker and Public Safety Officer Katrina Ware Simpson



Vice President for Student Affairs **Kurt Stimeling** was appointed Region 1 Chair of the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators' (NASPA) Small Colleges and Universities (SCU) Division. He will sit on the NASPA Region 1 Advisory Board and the National SCU Division Leadership Team. These SCU divisions provide leadership in higher education to promote a greater understanding of small college and university missions, challenges, and opportunities.

Vice President for Student Affairs Kurt Stimeling

Associate Professor and Director of the Doctorate of Psychology (Psy.D.) Program **Dr. Robert Walrath**, together with Rivier's Senior Instructor Dr. John Willis and Professor Dr. Ron Dumont of Farleigh-Dickinson University, has a chapter "Best Practices in Writing Assessment Reports" being published in sixth edition of Best Practices in School Psychology, the premier publication of the National Association of School Psychologists. Dr. Walrath was elected to his fourth term as Member-at-Large on the New Hampshire Psychological Association Board of Directors, and he attended the Council of Counseling Psychology Training Programs annual meeting in Atlanta, Ga. in March 2014. ■