

GOOD NEWS

Friday, 8/29/2008

Some of us lost power in our homes for several hours last night, serving to remind us of the limitations of 19th Century living. Power has been restored, school is back in session, and it is time to share some Good News. Every week we plan to share all of the good things happening to HDFS faculty members, students, alumni, and friends. The Good News reporter has returned from summer refreshed and ready to go, and this first email will try to bring you up to date on some of the accomplishments we enjoyed this summer. So much happened to our HDFS family members, that we will continue summer updates next week as well.

Please send us your **GOOD NEWS:**

Summer Milestones

Tanja Rothrauff completed her PhD by successfully defending her dissertation this summer. **Tanja** is a research associate with Dr. Vicki Conn in the Sinclair School of Nursing. She has been interviewing for positions with research “think tanks.” When you see her, congratulate, **Dr. Rothrauff!** Congratulations, **Tanja**, we are proud of you – good luck!

Annamaria Csizmadia also finished her dissertation this summer. She also accepted a position with the HDFS Department at the University of Connecticut with primary responsibilities at the Stamford regional campus. She also will be teaching graduate courses at the Storrs campus on a rotational basis. A double congratulations to **Dr. Csizmadia!** We are proud of you, **Annamaria!**

With these summer graduations we lost our European student contingent rather quickly. **Tanja** was originally from Austria and **Annamaria** from Hungary.

Mindy Markham accepted a full time teaching position with Kansas State University’s Salina campus. **Mindy** is not yet a Mizzou PhD but KSU could not wait to hire her. Congratulations, **Mindy!**

Johanna Oldham (an HDFS Human Development major) accepted the position of Family Advocate at Rainbow House in Columbia. Congratulations, **Johanna!**

Kate Gibbs (a new Child Life alumna) has accepted a position as a child life specialist with Dallas Children’s Hospital in a new day surgery facility they just opened in Plano, TX! Congratulations, **Kate!**

Some More (Personal) Milestones

Terri and Matt **Foulkes** welcomed the newest addition to their family at 12:47 p.m. on May 28. Benjamin Ray Foulkes is their newest addition. **Terri** is the Program Coordinator for the

Opportunities in a Professional Education Network (OPEN) Initiative at the Center for Family Policy and Research. Congratulations, **Terri**, Matt, and Ben!

Lorelei Analise Roberts Hardin was born on May 16, 2008 to Tina Roberts and **Chris Hardin**. Lorelei is now in the CDL Blue Door. Her parents are Nutrition Science faculty members, and **Chris** is the chair of the Nutrition Science department and an HDFS partner in the planned Gwynn remodeling. Congratulations, Tina and **Chris** and welcome to the CDL, Lorelei!

Family studies doctoral student **Shaun Calix** got engaged. Congratulations, **Shaun**, way to apply your education!

Family studies doctoral student **Graham McCauley** got married this summer. Congratulations, **Graham** and best wishes!

Summer Honors and Awards

Lynette Nickleberry's proposal, "Exploring Black Masculinities," received financial support from the James S. Rollins Slavery Atonement Endowment for Black Studies from the Black Studies Department at MU. Congratulations, **Lynette**! We are proud of you!

Dr. **Chris Proulx** received a grant from the Margaret Mangel Research Catalyst Fund this summer to support her research. Way to go, **Chris**!

CDL Instructor Position

Jacqueline R. Bacino has accepted the position of Blue Door Instructor in the CDL. **Jackie** received her bachelor's and master's degrees from California State University at Chico. She will be joining us in October if all goes as planned. We are very excited to welcome this excellent instructor to our team. Welcome, **Jackie** – we look forward to working and studying with you!

Great Plains IDEA Updates

HDFS now has six graduate students enrolled in our Great Plains degree programs, three each in Gerontology and Youth Development. The students are **Stephanie Femrite**, **Rebecca Rentschler**, **Demarre Carroll** (all in Youth Development), and **Joan Faur**, **Kenya Delvalle**, and **Amy Byergo** in Gerontology. Dr. **Terri Cooney** is advising the Gero students and Curator's Professor **Marilyn Coleman** is advising the YD students.

New "Residential" Graduate Students

HDFS starts the school year with 27 doctoral students and 23 master's students; all of them are full-time. Joining us this year are MA students **Elizabeth Burkholter, Rachel Gordon, Kyrie Graves, Justine Marty, Scott Matta, Chris Morgan,** and **Kathryn Hall**. New doctoral students are **Richard Feistman, Nick Frye, Ashlie Harris, Jessica Scott,** and **Hall Trice**. Welcome to HDFS and MU – we are glad you are here!

Information about HDFS undergraduate students is still being compiled.