

## **GOOD NEWS** **Friday, 9/5/2008**

Every week we plan to share all of the good things happening to HDFS faculty members, students, alumni, and friends. We started the school year off with a bang, with Mizzou beating Illinois in football, and most of us finding the rooms in which our first classes were held without getting lost. Based on this past week, I would say we were in for a great year!

Please send us your **GOOD NEWS:**

### **Newsmakers, Part I**

We don't just write for other scholars. Sometimes, we write for everybody. Here is a sampling from the past summer:

Curator's Professor **Marilyn Coleman** and Dr. **Larry Ganong** wrote an Op-Ed piece for *Newsday* (circulation 600,000+) that appeared on Father's Day. They suggested we "Honor Stepfathers this Father's Day." In addition, a Fact Sheet that they prepared on stepfathers is on the Council on Contemporary Families (CCF) web pages and appeared in *Working Mothers* magazine.

A report co-authored by Dr. **Sara Gable**, Jennifer L. Krull, and Jo Britt-Rankin has been posted at the USDA ERS website (see below). The title was, "Ecological Predictors and Developmental Outcomes of Persistent Childhood Overweight." If you have any questions about the findings, please contact **Sara Gable**.



New or updated information is available from [USDA ERS](http://www.ers.usda.gov) on **Diet, Health, & Safety** topics. See new items in all topics at <http://www.ers.usda.gov/WhatsNew/>. Also see <http://www.ers.usda.gov/Publications/ccr42/>

### **Newsmakers, Part II**

Sometimes, journalists write about us or what we do. Here is a sampling of media newsmakers from this past summer of 2008:

Dr. **Chris Proulx's** study about empty nesters making do has received a lot of attention. For instance, there was an article about a recent study of Chris' in yesterday's *MizzouWeekly*. The study was also profiled in the *Seattle Post-Intelligencer* (circ. 423,635) blog we have <http://blog.seattlepi.nwsourc.com/schoolzone/archives/145919.asp>.

Here is what the paper said:

## **Parents finding empty nests aren't so bad**

**Seattle Post-Intelligencer**

A study out of the University of Missouri says parents are coping with empty nests better than previously thought.

The study, published in the *Journal of Family Issues*, was based on interviews with more than 140 sets of parents. And researchers found that firstborn children leaving home wasn't such a big deal after all. "As children age, direct caretaking and influence diminish, and children are often seen by their parents as peers with whom they have continuing relationships," said **Christine Proulx, assistant professor of human development and family studies in the College of Human Environmental Sciences**. Parents reported relating more like peers and having more adult-like interactions with their young adult children than in prior years. Other parents reported acting more like mentors and giving advice to their children rather than demands.

Dr. **Jean Ispa** was interviewed for a *Columbia Tribune* article on sibling rivalry in the June 13, 2008 issue.

Bob Britton and HDFS doctoral candidate **Jessica Troilo** will be featured in the West Virginia University alumni magazine for a dual-career program offered by WVU.

HDFS doctoral candidate **Mindy Markham** was featured in the 2008 *Alumni Newsletter* of the School of Family Studies and Human Services at Kansas State University. **Mindy** will be a new faculty member at their Salina campus.

Finally, HDFS Adjunct Professor Dr. **Anne Deaton** and Dr. **Kathy Thornburg**, director of the Center for Family Policy and Research in HDFS, were prominently mentioned in a June 26, 2008 *MizzouWeekly* article about the benefits of early childhood education. They serve on the Boone County Coordinating Board for Early Childhood Education.

## **A Long Commute**

**Valentina Dotto**, a doctoral student from Italy, has come to Mizzou this semester to study about remarriages and stepfamilies with Drs. **Larry Ganong** and **Marilyn Coleman**. **Valentina** is sitting in on their graduate course on Remarriage and Stepfamilies (HDFS 8610), and she will be working with them on a couple of research projects while she is here. Several other faculty members have generously allowed her to sit in on their graduate courses as well. Welcome to the United States and MU, **Valentina**. Ciao!

## **Milestones**

**Nora Hager**, instructor in Child Life, has become a full-time faculty member as of this fall. **Nora** has been the proverbial “straw that stirs the drink” (Reggie Jackson, 1978) in our excellent child life program, and we are glad she has agreed to expand her role with HDFS. Welcome home, **Nora!**

### **New Computers**

Two new desktop computers with statistical software (SAS, SPSS) and some other software (Endnote) have been installed in Gentry 316, our “quiet room.” These were purchased for the use of HDFS Graduate Students who have need of a computer and these programs.

### **Great Plains IDEA Updates**

This fall we are offering about 8 Great Plains IDEA courses in Gerontology and Youth Development. Three courses, all in Youth Development, are being taught by MU faculty – Foundations of Youth Development (**Larry Ganong**), Youth Culture (Dr. **Tashel Bordere**), and Adolescents and their Families (Dr. **Melissa Herzog**). HDFS is becoming more wired all of the time!

### **The World Famous Pigskin Preschool™ is Back!**

Tiger football is here once again, and that means so is **The World Famous Pigskin Preschool.™** This year, graduate student **Hailey Stout** is our WFPP Manager and graduate student **Ashley Blake** is our Director of Child Care. Enrollment is high for the first home game, and **Hailey** has gotten good publicity from a variety of sources, including [MizzouGameday.com](http://MizzouGameday.com). The Mizzou football Tigers and the **The World Famous Pigskin Preschool™** are two winning teams! Go Tigers! Go **WF Pigskin Preschool!**

Friday, 9/12/2008

Every week we plan to share all of the good things happening to HDFS faculty members, students, alumni, and friends. This week we find ourselves in record-setting weather - the wettest year on record in Columbia! Despite the gray skies and swampy ground on campus, we still have a number of good things to celebrate in HDFS.

Please do not forget to send us your GOOD NEWS:

### **Parenting Fair**

The MU Council on Family Relations and the Student Parents Center are hosting an information fair for Students who are also parents. In a needs assessment conducted at MU last year, it was found that the University of Missouri student-parents receive minimal information and support with regards to community resources, University resources, child care grants, and work/life programs.

The Parenting Fair is designed to put these students who are raising children in touch with University of Missouri and Columbia area resources that will both help them be successful in pursuing their degrees and also as parents. The fair will be held on September 17th, from 10 AM to 2 PM, in Memorial Union's Stotler Lounge. In addition to the resource booths, there will also be door prizes from local businesses. HDFS graduate students **Hailey Stout** and **Marilyn Preston** are among the Fair's organizers.

### **Grant Received**

Dr. **Dave Schramm** received a grant from the Children's Trust Fund of Missouri for his "Strong Couples, Stable Children: Building Relationship Smarts" grant. This will entail piloting a relationship education curriculum with family and consumer science teachers and their classes in Kansas City. **Dave** has plans to broaden this program once the bugs are worked out. Congratulations, **Dave**!

### **Recent Faculty Publications**

One of the tasks of faculty members at Research Universities like Mizzou is to generate new knowledge (do research) and to disseminate the new knowledge in a variety of formats. HDFS faculty and graduate students have been busy at this important responsibility. Here are some recent faculty/student publications:

An article by Dr. **Duane Rudy** and colleagues, "Parental Psychological Control and Authoritarianism in Chinese Canadian and European Canadian Culture Groups: Their Meanings and Implications for University Students' Adjustment" was accepted for publication in the next

issue of the Journal of Comparative Family Studies, Vol. 39 (4) Autumn 2008 (to be out sometime around November '08). Congratulations, **Duane!**

Doctoral student **Alison Levitch**, along with Dr. **Michael C. Lambert**, Dr. **Johnetta Morrison**, Dr. Ibitola (Tola) Pearce of Sociology, and Dr. Peggy Placier of EPLA wrote an article, "Measurement of Perceptions of School Climate in the Midwestern United States," that has been accepted for publication in The International Journal of Learning. Congratulations, **Alison, Michael, and Johnetta!**

Dr. **Teresa Cooney** and new Dr. **Tanja Rothrauff** have a new article coming soon:

**Rothrauff, T., & Cooney, T. M.** (2008, forthcoming). The role of generativity in psychological well-being: Does it differ for childless adults and parents? *Journal of Adult Development*.

Dr. **Chris Proulx** and colleagues from UNCG had this article published recently:

Van-Eeden Moorefield, B., **Proulx, C. M.**, & Pasley, K. (2008). A comparison of internet and face-to-face qualitative methods to study the relationships of gay men. *Journal of GLBT Family Studies*, 4, 181-204.

Congratulations, **Terri, Tanja, and Chris!**

Extension State Specialist and Associate Professor Dr. **Sara Gable** is on leave this year. You might see her around Gentry Hall or in Columbia, but she is keeping a low profile. **Sara** probably needs the break because she has been busy:

**Gable, S.**, Krull, J. L., & Chang, Y. (in press). Implications of overweight onset and persistence for social and behavioral development between Kindergarten entry and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. *Applied Developmental Science*.

**Gable, S., Rothrauff, T. C., Thornburg, K. R., & Mauzy, D.** (in press). Analysis of ongoing participation in an early childhood workforce cash incentive program in the United States. *Early Child Development and Care*.

**Gables, S.**, Britt-Rankin, J., & Krull, J. L. (June, 2008). *Ecological predictors and developmental outcomes of persistent childhood overweight*. Contractor and Cooperator Report No. 42. United States Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service: Washington, DC. Available at: <http://www.ers.usda.gov/publications/ccr42/ccr42.pdf> (peer-reviewed prior to publication).

**Sara's** co-authors included Dr. **Tanja Rothrauff** (HDFS alum), Dr. **Kathy Thornburg**, Director of the Center for Family Policy and Research, and **Denise Mauzy**, of the Center for

Family Policy and Research and adjunct faculty member in HDFS. Congratulations to **Sara, Tanja, Kathy, and Denise!**

Finally, Dr. **Larry Ganong** and Dr. **Marilyn Coleman**, Curator's Professor, along with former graduate students and HDFS alums **Jason Hans** (now at the University of Kentucky) and **Tanja Rothrauff** have papers in press:

**Hans, J. D., Ganong, L., & Coleman, M.** (in press). Financial responsibilities toward older parents and stepparents following divorce and remarriage. *Journal of Family Economic Issues*.

**Ganong, L., Coleman, M., & Rothrauff, T.** (in press). Patterns of assistance between adult children and their older parents: Resources, responsibilities, and remarriage. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*.

### Workshops and More

Other ways to disseminate research and scholarly work is via conference presentation and posters and through workshops. HDFS faculty and students have been busy at these activities as well as publishing

Dr. **Chris Proulx** will be presenting today in the Clinical Psychology Seminar. She will speak on Marital Quality and Personal Well-Being: A Meta-Analysis.

Department co-chair **Jean Ispa** was very busy this summer. She was invited to conduct a workshop after conference organizers read *Keepin' On: The Everyday Struggles of Young Families in Poverty*.

**Ispa, J. M.** (2008, June). *A systems approach to understanding low-income mothers' use of corporal punishment with young children: Perspectives from multiple levels of context*. Workshop presented at the annual summer conference of the Ohio Association of Community Action Agencies. Canton, Ohio.

**Jean** also presented at the Head Start Research Conference (she is one of the Early Head Start Consortium members):

**Ispa, J. M.** (2008, June). Discussant. For H. H. Raikes (Chair), *Father and mother involvement: Differences in socialization and effects by gender and culture*. Symposium conducted at the ninth biennial Head Start Research Conference, Washington, DC.

Early Head Start Research Consortium (2008, June). From the Parenting and Child Development Workgroup: Selected findings pertaining to parental support and control and support for literacy. In R. C. Cohen and H. H. Raikes (Chairs). *What have we learned from twelve years*

*of Early Head Start research?* Poster symposium conducted at the ninth biennial Head Start Research Conference, Washington, DC.

Early Head Start Research Consortium (2008, June). Early Head Start home visiting – Recent lessons learned. In R. C. Cohen and H. H. Raikes (Chairs). *What have we learned from twelve years of Early Head Start research?* Poster symposium conducted at the ninth biennial Head Start Research Conference, Washington, DC.

Early Head Start Research Consortium (2008, June). Local research findings. In R. C. Cohen and H. H. Raikes (Chairs). *What have we learned from twelve years of Early Head Start research?* Poster symposium conducted at the ninth biennial Head Start Research Conference, Washington, DC.

Finally, just to demonstrate that she loves teaching as well as research, **Jean** presented teaching tips from HDFS 3420 (Early and Middle Childhood) as part of a session on “Courses that Work” at the Campus Writing Program 45<sup>th</sup> Faculty Workshop on August 19, 2008. Take a breath, **Jean**, and keep up the good work!

Faculty and doctoral students presented at the International Conference of the International Association for Relationship Research in Providence, RI, this July.

**Coleman, M., & Nickleberry, L.** (July, 2008). *An evaluation of current remarriage and stepfamily self-help literature.* Poster presented at the International Conference of the International Association for Relationship Research, Providence, RI.

**Ganong, L., Coleman, M., Markham, M., & Rothrauff, T.** (July, 2008). *Predicting post-divorce coparent communication.* Paper presented at the International Conference of the International Association for Relationship Research.

### **Milestones (Grandmother Style)**

Baker Thornburg arrived in the world on August 17<sup>th</sup> weighing in at 9 lbs. 3 ½ ozs. Brothers Jake and Mac and mom and dad (**Matt** Thornburg and Susie Early) are all happy campers now! Grandma **Kathy Thornburg** is thrilled with little boy # 3!!!! His first name was grandma’s maiden name. Dad Dr. **Matt Thornburg** is a CDL alum (and Mizzou Medical School alum as well). Congratulations!

**Jean Ispa’s** daughter **Simone**, another CDL alumnus who is now a doctoral student in sociology at Harvard, gave birth to **Jean’s** first grandchild this summer. **Jean** has been to Boston twice since the baby’ birth (racking up lots of frequent flyer miles), and **Jean** reports that she is very skilled at grandmothering already.

## **GOOD NEWS**

### **Friday, 9/19/2008**

For the first time ever, the **HDFS Good News** comes to you on Thursday. The reason it is early is so that you can TIVO your television to record *Pepper and Friends* tomorrow morning (see the second story below). Have a great weekend and Go Tigers!

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#### **Faculty Publications**

**Amanda Matzek** and Dr. **Terri Cooney** have an article forthcoming for publication: “Spousal perceptions of marital support and strain among grandparent caregivers: Variations by life stage.” *International Journal of Aging and Human Development*. This is a reanalysis of **Amanda’s** master’s thesis project at MU. She is currently a Ph.D. student in Family Social Science at University of Minnesota. Congratulations **Terri** and **Amanda!**

#### **TV- Another HDFS Medium**

HDFS grad student **Graham McCaulley** and Sharita and Eric Wilson will be on *Pepper and Friends* live on Friday (9/19/2008). **Graham** arranged this opportunity to promote Connecting for Baby, a relationship education project offered by HDFS and Extension funded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Paul will interview **Graham**, Sharita, and Eric (Sharita and Eric are CFB consultants) in a 4-5 minute segment. Although the show airs live at 11:00, Paul wanted them at the KOMU studio by 8:45 AM – apparently, **Graham** will need a lot of time for “hair and makeup.”

#### **Kathy R. Thornburg Leadership Fund**

The 2008 **Kathy R. Thornburg** Leadership scholarship was awarded to **Rebecca Ragan Rentchler** this past spring. Established in 2007, the Kathy R. Thornburg Leadership Fund annually selects at least one AEYC-MO member to receive a scholarship towards professional development. We are excited to announce this year’s award will go to a member from Central Missouri! **Rebecca Ragan Rentchler** has demonstrated herself to be an emerging leader in the Early Childhood and School Age field. She has supported the development of a Quality Rating System for early childhood and before and after school programs in Missouri, through her work with the OPEN Initiative; and she currently serves as a site coordinator for Adventure Club in Columbia, Missouri. **Rebecca** is currently enrolled in the Youth Development Master’s Program in HDFS, and serves as Public Policy Chair on the CM-AEYC board of directors, demonstrating her dedication to professional development and commitment to the field. **Rebecca** will be attending the NAEYC national conference in Dallas this November, with the support of the

Kathy R. Thornburg \$500 scholarship. We look forward to hearing about her conference experience! Congratulations, **Rebecca!**

### **HDFSGSA and MUCFR Presidents**

**Shaun Calix** has been elected HDFSGSA president and **Hailey Stout** has been elected president of MUCFR (MU Council on Family Relations). Congratulations to **Shaun** and **Hailey!**

### **International Affairs in HDFS**

**Hitoshi Harima**, a master's student in HDFS, is the Activity Manager for the International Student Council at MU. **Hitoshi** writes:

“On behalf of the Missouri International Student Council, I would like to personally invite you to join Chancellor Brady J. Deaton on **Tuesday September 23, 2008, at 10 a.m.** in front of columns on the MU Campus as he signs the MU International Day Proclamation. You will also be participating in a spectacular “Country Flags Ceremony” and the declaration of *Mizzou’s 1st MU International Day*. In the spirit of our first MU International Day, please take pride in international diversity and wear your traditional or favorite international costume! This is an exciting opportunity for you to be part of MU history!! For more information about MU International Day, please visit us at <http://misc.missouri.edu/MUInternationalDay/index.htm>. You can also join us on Facebook to get any updates and please help us extend this invitation to all your friends and colleagues.”

Those that know **Hitoshi** realize he is the perfect man for the job of Activity Manager – good luck, **Hitoshi!**

### **Millsap Search was Approved by the Provost**

HDFS has been given permission to begin searching for a Millsap Professor of Multiculturalism and Family Diversity. This position is the only named professorship in the College of Human Environmental Science, and was made vacant by Dr. Lambert’s departure to North Carolina for family reasons. Dr. **Mark Fine** and Dr. **Terri Cooney** will co-chair the search.

### **International Affairs in HDFS Part II: Gerontology Students to Travel**

Plans for a study abroad course open to Gerontology students in the online master’s program are in the early stages of development. Every 2 years the International Congress on Gerontology meets, and this next year (2009) it is meeting in Paris in early July. An elective course is being planned around the conference, which will include site visits focused on aging in The Netherlands (Amsterdam) and in Germany. The 3-credit class would involve some up-front

reading, then about 10-14 days in Europe (including the trans-Atlantic flights) and then possibly some wrap-up work once home again. Please let Dr. **Terri Cooney** know if you are interested in this experience. You have to be in the online master's Gerontology program to be eligible.

### **HDFS Co-sponsors a Visiting Scholar**

The Center for Multicultural Research, Training and Consultation (CMRTC) in the Department of Educational, School and Counseling Psychology is bringing Dr. Melba Vasquez to MU's campus on October 2nd and 3rd. She is scheduled to give two presentations: "Ethical Considerations in a Multicultural World" and "Burn out Prevention for Mental Health Professionals" on the MU campus. These events will be open to MU faculty, staff and students and the flyers will be forwarded to you very soon. Dr. Vasquez is a nationally renowned psychologist in independent practice in Austin, Texas. She is a past president of Texas Psychological Association and of APA Divisions 35 (Society of Psychology of Women) and 17 (Society of Counseling Psychology) of the American Psychological Association (APA). She is member-at-large of APA's Board of Directors (2007-2009), a Fellow of the APA and a Diplomate of the American Board of Professional Psychology. She is a co-founder of APA Division 45 (Society of the Psychological Study of Ethnic Minority Issues) and the National Multicultural Conference and Summit. Dr. Vasquez is a prolific publisher in the areas of ethics, ethnic minority psychology, psychology of women, training and supervision and counseling and psychotherapy, and is co-author, with Ken Pope, of *Ethics in Psychotherapy & Counseling: A Practical Guide* (2007, 3rd edition) and of *How to survive and thrive as a therapist: Information, ideas and resources for psychologists in practice* (2005). She has won numerous awards, including the 2007 APA Award for Distinguished Contributions to Independent or Institutional Practice in the Private Sector, 2006 Woman of the Year from the APA Division 17 Section for the Advancement of Women, and the 2004 James M. Jones Lifetime Achievement Award, APA. She will be a candidate for APA President in 2009. HDFS is co-sponsoring this scholar's visit.

### **Student Parent Fair a Success**

MUCFR President **Hailey Stout** reports that,

“The MU Council on Family Relations and the Department hosted a Student-Parent Fair to connect students with children to University and community resources. Information booths were set up by the following organizations: Parents as Teachers, MU Counseling, MU Legal Services, Women's Center, LBGT Resource Center, Lutheran Child and Family Services, Division of Family Services, MU Wellness Center, MU Success Center, MU Student Parent Center, Adventure Club, Financial Aid, and Parent-Link. The feedback we received through the exit surveys from those who attended was overwhelmingly positive. We hope to make this an annual event and have been contacted by other resource agencies since the Fair took place. All have expressed interest in participating next year. I would like to recognize and thank the MUCFR members who planned

and participated in the Fair: **Marilyn Preston, Tamera Coon, Claire Cook, Linley Snyder, Rachel Gordon, Ashley Blake, Ashlie Harris, Tyler Jamison, and Shannon Cromwell.**”

These students are to be commended for undertaking this large and important project. Thanks!

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#### **Faculty Publications**

Dr. **Teresa Cooney** and alumni Dr. **Tanja Rothrauff** and Dr. **Jeong Shin An** had an article recently accepted for publication. **Tanja** is a researcher in the MU Sinclair School of Nursing and **An** teaches at the Pusan national University in South Korea. Congratulations, **Terri, Tanja, and An!**

**Rothrauff, T. C., Cooney, T., & An, J.** (2008). Remembered parenting styles and adjustment in middle and late adulthood. *Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences*.

Speaking of the MU Sinclair School of Nursing, Dr. **Eileen Porter**, Professor in Nursing and an affiliated faculty member in HDFS, had an article published in the *Journal of Family Nursing*. Congratulations, **Eileen!**

Wongvatunyu, S., & **Porter, E.** (2008). Changes in family life perceived by mothers of young adult TBI survivors. *Journal of Family Nursing, 14*, 314-332.

#### **But We Might Miss a Political Ad!**

Dr. **Dave Schramm**'s study of 1,000 newlyweds was profiled in last week's *MizzouWeekly* (9-18-2008). Dave found that they struggled (already) with finding balance between work and togetherness (and being in studies). **Dave's** advice in the *MizzouWeekly* involved eating meals together, cleaning up together, and turning off the TV. We later read about **Dave's** work in the Wednesday Columbia Tribune, on the Food page, no less. Marcia Vanderlip of the Tribune read about **Dave's** study and interviewed him to find out more. She seemed worried that she and her husband were not following what his study indicated was a good bonding activity, but Dr. **Schramm** left her feeling more at ease by the end of the piece. Good work, **Dave!**

#### **More Media**

Dr. **Chris Proulx**'s research continues to receive a great deal of attention. This week it was in the *Myrtle Beach Sun News*: <http://www.myrtlebeachonline.com/123/story/602619.html>

Graduate student **Hailey Stout** and the World Famous Pigskin Preschool were visited by TV reporters during the last football game. They will be on the tube on October 8 ABC 17 @ 6 pm and Fox 38 @ 9 pm. Everybody tune in!

If you missed **Graham McCaulley** on Pepper and Friends last Friday, you might still be able to see the segment on KOMU's web site. **Graham, Sharita Wilson** from Communication Studies and her husband, Rev. **Eric Wilson**, who work with the Connecting for Baby Project (CFB), were great. This is **Graham's** second appearance on the show. The first was with his Cub Scout troop back in the early '90s. **Graham** reports that even though he has changed since his first Pepper appearance, Paul and Uncle James Mouser have not. Wednesday we received this email from Washington about CFB on Pepper and Friends:

I sent the TV piece to the Special Assistant for Marriage Education here at ACF (yes, that really is a job title) attached with an email. He's the person that keeps his finger on the pulse of anything happening in marriage education around the country. He must have agreed with me that it was a great piece because he sent the piece to all of ACF including to the regional offices around the country. Congratulations again to you all on a great piece -- and especially to **Graham** for spearheading the effort and to **Sharita** and her husband for the great job they did speaking on behalf of the program and the HM initiative.

Rosalind L. Ginyard  
Family Assistance Program Specialist  
DHHS-Office of Family Assistance

### **How to Grade Several Thousand Papers per Semester**

Dr. **Mark Fine**, presented a talk to the Campus Writing Program and interested faculty on Wednesday entitled, "Working with Graduate Teaching Assistants in Teaching a Large WI Class." **Mark** shared advice and ideas regarding large enrollment Writing Intensive courses. **Mark** teaches HDFS 2400, Principles of Human Development, to about 300 students each semester as a WI course. He leads about a dozen graduate students in this endeavor. Nice work, **Mark!**

### **Purdue Tiger**

HDFS alumnus **Chenyi Zhang** finished his masters degree last spring and headed to Purdue for his doctorate. We heard from him this past week, and he says he misses Columbia and HDFS. **Chenyi** has decided that at heart he is still a Missouri Tiger. To keep his "tiger spirit active" we will send him Good News emails. We miss you **Chenyi!**