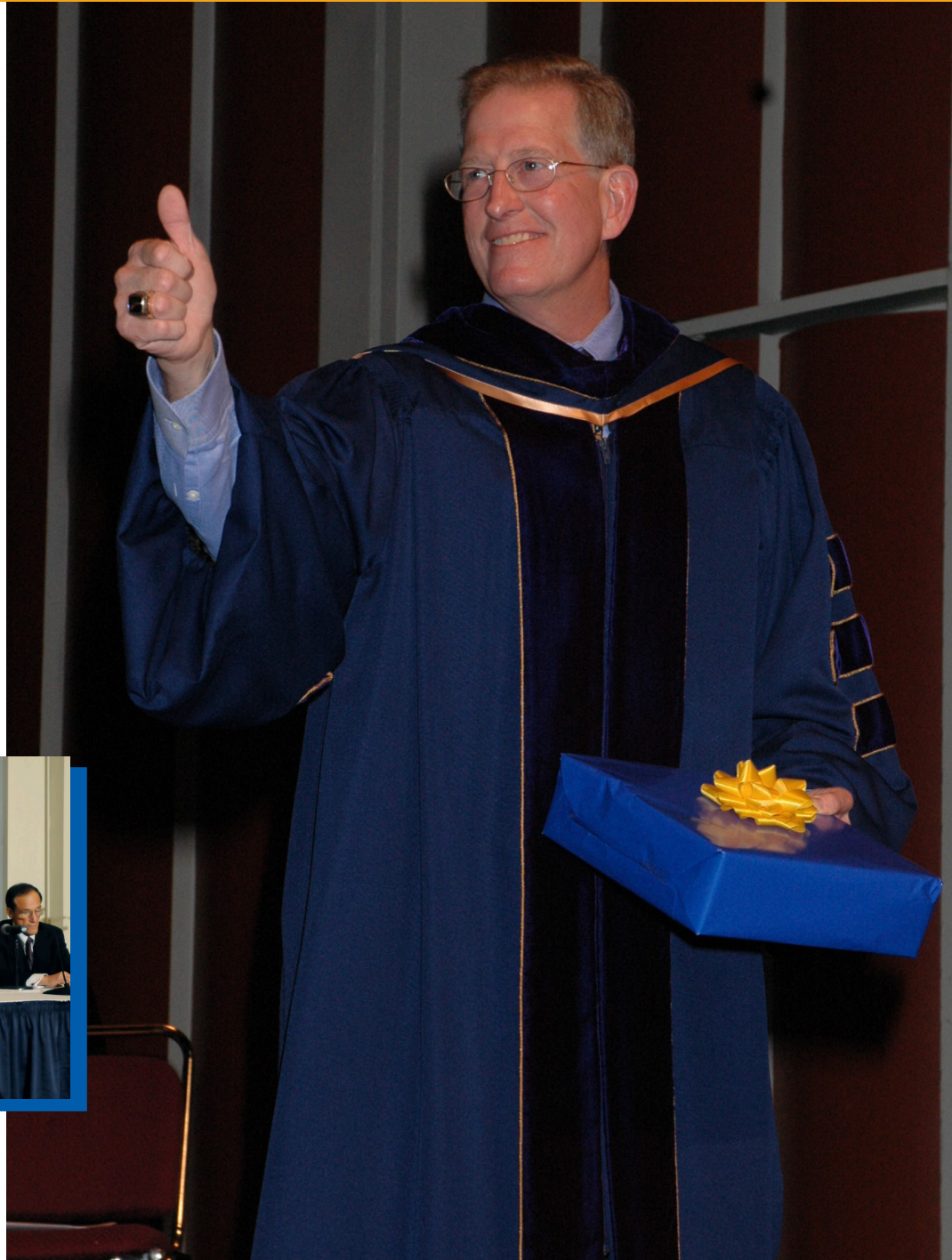


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MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

I would like to wish you and your family a healthy and happy summer. Please permit me to share some of the exciting programs and events that have occurred since the fall 2008 newsletter. Take time to review the articles featured in this issue to discover more details about many of the items mentioned in my message below.

During the fall 2007, and spring 2008, the School of Physical Education celebrated its 75th anniversary. Many alumni participated in the various lecture programs, while faculty, staff, students, Visiting Committee members, and other special guests attended the events. The Dean's Office hosted the annual Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony. Congratulations to the new inductees for their outstanding service to their professions.

I am very proud to announce the School conducted several new faculty searches. The following faculty members were hired and will join us in August 2008:

Dr. Coyte Cooper, Sport Management; Dr. Vanessa Shannon, Sport and Exercise Psychology; Dr. Michelle Pruet, Athletic Training, and Dr. Damien Clement, SEP.

The School's new name, College of Physical Activity and Sport Sciences, has become effective July 1, 2008. I would like to thank the School's Name Change Task Force, Visiting Committee, faculty, staff, and students for their input.

The School has been organized into two new departments: the Department of Coaching and Teaching Studies and the Department of Sport Sciences. Dr. Jack Watson has been appointed Chair of the Department of Sport Sciences, effective August 16, 2008. Dr. Watson has a wealth of teaching, research, and service experiences. The search process continues for the new department chair for Coaching and Teaching Studies.

The following academic minors are offered by the School: Personal Trainer, Aquatic Facility Management, Adventure Sports Leadership (new), Group Fitness Instructor, and Sport and Exercise Psychology. A minor in Sports Communication, in collaboration with the Perley Isaac Reed School of Journalism, is still pending.

Plans for the School's new facility (35,000 sq. ft.) are also progressing. The building will contain state-of-the-art technology classrooms, computer labs, and multipurpose rooms. The new building is scheduled to be open fall 2010.

The School's 2008 graduation ceremony included a message to the graduating students delivered by Coach Bill Stewart. The student speaker was Amanda Kate Neal. Associate Provost C.B. Wilson conferred the degrees upon our graduates. Louise Christensen, Chair of the School's Visiting Committee, delivered the alumni charge to the 2008 graduating class.

The School's Visiting Committee met March 27-29, 2008, in Houston, Texas. I would like to thank Judy Hayes and Leslie Meltzer for their assistance in organizing the tour of NASA and other local attractions.

I would also like to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of the School's faculty, staff, and students during this past academic year.

Dr. Andrew Ostrow, Professor and Director of the School's International Center for Performance Excellence (ICPE), retired from the School after thirty-five years of service. He is the founder of the School's Sport Psychology Program. Dr. Ostrow, thanks for the memories and for your many gifts to enhance the educational experiences for all of your students.

I recently completed my five-year review as Dean, School of Physical Education. In the fall 2008, I will begin my sixteenth year as Dean. I would like to thank the School's faculty, staff, students, alumni, and the Provost's Office for their support and vote of confidence. Over the next five years, the School will focus resources on the following strategic themes: Integration of Technology into the Curriculum, Internationalization of the Curriculum, Fitness/Wellness across the Life Span, and Faculty/Staff/Student Success.

I would like to thank the School's alumni and friends for your financial support. Your generous support was used to support student scholarships, School newsletters, student/faculty research, equipment purchases, and educational supplies. Over the next five years, the Dean's Office will continue to seek financial support to assist the faculty and staff in meeting the School's stated mission.

I look forward to visiting with you and your families as I travel around the country over the next five years. Go Mountaineers!!!!

Dana D Brooks



“When things are done consistently the same old way, the same old results can be expected.”
..... Johnetta B. Cole

FOLLOW THE LEADER PROGRAM ENTERS SECOND YEAR

Kara Leicht and Jordyn Freede, both PETE majors, and Caleb Chamberlayne, a Sport Management major, joined the elite few as members of Dean Brooks "Follow the Leader" program for the 2007-2008 academic year. This is the second year of the Dean's mentoring program for which he chooses students who have visions of one day serving as leaders in the world of education.

As part of the program, the students benefitted from meeting with influential leaders at WVU including Terri Howes, associate athletic director, Dr. Lynn Housner, associate dean, School of PE, Provost Gerald Lang, Jessica McIntosh, executive officer, Social Justice office, and David Taylor, director, Student Recreation Center. During two, hour-long sessions, these leaders offered students information about their careers and the road that they have traveled to reach their current positions.

The students also had the opportunity to attend the AAHPERD Convention in Fort Worth, Texas in April 2008, along with Dean Brooks. At the conference, the students were able to observe various caucuses attended by Dean Brooks. They also witnessed the election process as Dean Brooks was announced president-elect of AAHPERD.



ALUMNI RELATIONS SUMMARY OF EVENTS

The Dean's office hosted a Welcome Back Picnic to kick-off the 2007-2008 academic year. Returning students, faculty, staff, local alumni and Visiting Committee members joined in the celebration. Guests enjoyed grilled specialties, sweet treats and beverages while catching up on the latest School of PE news.

Fall events featured the annual Wall of Honor Update at the Coliseum, Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony at the Erickson Alumni Center, the popular Homecoming Tent Reception held in Tent City at the stadium, and the halftime reception hosted during the men's basketball game versus University of Cincinnati.

Other events hosted by the Dean's office included the Alumni reception held at the AAHPERD conference in Fort Worth, Texas and the annual gathering for alumni and friends, hosted during the State of the University Luncheon, in Washington, D.C.



Bruce Wilmoth and Mark Maren attend Tailgate

COLLEGE OF PA & SS HALL OF FAME CELEBRATES 20TH YEAR

The West Virginia University School of Physical Education Hall of Fame celebrated its 20th year by inducting four alumni last October at the Erickson Alumni Center. Guests welcomed the four inductees during the reception prior to the formal induction ceremony.

The 2007 Hall of Fame inductees include Debra S. Berkey of Grand Junction, Mich., James Bialek of Elkins, Albert Blatnik of Wheeling and William R. Tancred of Sheffield, England. In addition, the Outstanding Alumnus Award was presented to John C. Spiker of Morgantown. John and Anita Fleming, also of Morgantown, received the 2007 Dean's Service Award for outstanding service to the National Youth Sports Program.

"The Hall of Fame class of 2007 inductees represents internationally recognized college professors, administrators, scholars and business leaders," said Dana Brooks, dean of the School of Physical Education. "The inductees received numerous honors and awards for their service contributions to their various professions."

VISITING COMMITTEE HEARS LUCK, CHEERS 'EERS

On March 27-29 the Visiting Committee met in Houston, Texas. On Thursday Kevin Bastine was able to join us for dinner and our speaker that evening was Oliver Luck, CEO of the Houston Dynamo, a major league soccer franchise, and former WVU and Houston Oilers football player.

Following the presentation, our group cheered loudly as we watched the Mountaineers play in the Sweet 16 NCAA tournament. We were saddened by the loss, but encouraged by their great accomplishments this past year and are looking forward to next season.

Friday we visited NASA on a special tour set up by Judy Hayes. This was a fabulous experience. We were supposed to tour Reliant Stadium but March Madness took control of the site so we had a change of plans. Leslie Meltzer suggested we go to the Museum of Natural History where we saw "Lucy"

a 3.8 million-year-old skeleton, the oldest and most complete adult human ancestor ever discovered.

On Saturday we completed all of our business including the selection of the 2008 Hall of Fame Inductees and the Outstanding Alumni.

All of the committee who were unable to attend missed a wonderful experience. And many, many, many thanks go to Joanne Pollitt, Judy Hayes, and Leslie Meltzer for their hard work in making this a successful meeting.

On June 18, I was privileged to deliver the charge at the School's graduation as my last duty before rotating off the Visiting Committee. It has been an enormous honor and great privilege to serve on this committee.

Sincerely,
Louise Christensen



Visiting Committee members, faculty, and staff traveled to Houston for this Spring meeting:

(Back row, from left) Dr. Jack Watson, Milton Richards, Dr. Lynn Housner, Dean Eugene Cilento, CEMR, Dave Christensen, Ferris Antoon, Judy Hayes; (Front row, from left) Dean Dana Brooks, Sharon Sisler, Leslie Meltzer, Louise Christensen, Peggy Bahnsen, Deanna Antoon, Kimberly Cameon. NASA tour guides are shown with the group, far right.

VISITING COMMITTEE MEMBERS, 2007-2008

Ferris Antoon, Peggy Bahnsen, Mary Kay Bell, Horace Belmear, James Bialek, Gale Catlett, Steveda Chepko, Louise Christensen, Bill Douglas, Jack Frost, Bobby Gwynne, Patrick Hairston, Judy Hayes, George Henshaw, Michele Hoffman, Terri Howes, Jes Hutson, Jean Irion, Dianne Jones, John Mallory, Tim McNeely, Leslie Meltzer, Herman Moses, Les Poolman, Milt Richards, Bob Rubenstein, Leon Ryan, John Walker, Dee Ware, Dale Williams, Pete Wood, and Mary Wykle.

FEATURE STORIES

WVU SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION ANNOUNCES NAME CHANGE

The West Virginia University School of Physical Education entered a new era July 1 when it officially changed its name to the College of Physical Activity and Sport Sciences.

The name change, effective with the new fiscal year, was approved by the WVU Board of Governors.

“The transition to the College of Physical Activity and Sport Sciences continues to evolve as we plan ahead,” said Dean Dana Brooks. “As outlined in the 10-year WVU master plan, the College is looking forward in the coming years to moving to our new home, located adjacent to the Student Recreation Center.”

“It was the unanimous recommendation of the task force to the Office of the Dean that the College of Physical Activity and Sport Sciences be designated as the new title of the school.”

The new name more accurately reflects current academic programs and a new dual department structure established in fall 2007 which created the Department of Coaching and Teaching Studies and the Department of Sport Sciences. The school is in the process of appointing permanent chairs for each department.

The process to establish a new name formally began in January 2006, when the Office of the Dean in the School of Physical Education established the Name Change Task Force, a group composed of faculty, staff and administrators. The task force was asked to propose a new name that reflected the school’s diversity of academic disciplines.

Members of the task force reviewed several hundred names of colleges and schools within the United States that housed one or more of the current academic programs in the School of Physical Education at WVU. The group decided that the final name selected must best meet certain criteria, including growth opportunities, existing programs on campus, effective communication and marketing appeal.

Based on the criteria, the task force identified five potential names that were included in a survey distributed to undergraduate and graduate students, faculty and staff members, as well as the school’s Visiting Committee.

Based on the results of the survey, the task force submitted its recommendation to the Office of the Dean.

*The new name will reflect diversity
of academic disciplines*

The West Virginia University School of Physical Education offers degrees in athletic coaching education and physical education teacher education, and also offers a wide variety of physical education courses to the student body. It also offers degrees in athletic training, sport and exercise psychology, and sport management. Both faculty and academic programs of the school have achieved state, district and national recognition. The Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree in kinesiology offered by the College of Physical Activity and Sports Sciences is the only such program in West Virginia.

NEW FACULTY MEMBERS ANNOUNCED

DR. COOPER JOINS COLLEGE, ADDITIONAL FACULTY ANNOUNCEMENTS, PAGE 22

Dr. Coyte Cooper will join the College of Physical Activity and Sport Sciences in the fall as assistant professor in Sport Management. Cooper’s research background focuses on intercollegiate athletics, with an emphasis on the challenges facing nonrevenue sport programs. Particularly, he is interested in identifying strategies to improve the financial sustainability of intercollegiate wrestling programs.

In addition to his research endeavors, Cooper has also worked with ESPN from 1999 to 2007, and was a member of the ESPN College Football production crew in 2006. He received his Ph.D. from Indiana University in the fall of 2007.

“My wife and I are very excited about the opportunity to join WVU and the College” Cooper explained.

“The (WVU) Sport Management program is a nationally recognized program and I feel fortunate that I will be able to be a part of such a great program. I hope that I can contribute a great deal to the program and the school,” he continued.

Dr. Cooper was with the Sport Management program, Sport Management, Recreation, and Tourism Division in the School of Human Movement, Sport, and Leisure Studies at Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio.

DANA BROOKS TO SERVE AS NATIONAL SPOKESPERSON FOR AAHPERD

“My passion is to serve our alliance faculty and accept the leadership baton with humility, honor and deep respect”

~Dana Brooks

Dean Dana Brooks was recently named president-elect of the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (AAHPERD) at its convention in Forth Worth, Texas.

As president-elect, Brooks will be the organization’s national spokesperson. AAHPERD is the largest nonprofit organization of professionals supporting and assisting those involved in physical education, leisure, fitness, dance, health promotion and education, and all specialties related to achieving a healthy lifestyle.

In accepting the role, Brooks thanked colleagues and friends throughout the country for their advice, encouragement and support. “My passion is to serve our alliance faculty and accept the leadership baton with humility, honor and deep respect,” he said.

In his new leadership role in AAHPERD, Brooks plans to increase recruitment and retention of professionals from diverse backgrounds and to boost membership. He will focus on coalition building, professional network ties, annual open forums, student mentoring, and expanding current graduate and undergraduate student leadership conferences.

Additionally, Brooks will work to build on the momentum of the organization’s current budget surplus by introducing new revenue sources and initiating a capital campaign for funding to support the group’s strategic goals. He also plans to better utilize technology by expanding current integrated marketing efforts and using the services of a Web development

specialist to create a state-of-the-art interactive AAHPERD Web site.

“In looking toward the future success of the organization, we must focus on the critical importance of strengthening our membership,” Brooks said. “One way we can achieve growth is to promote opportunities within the ranks of current graduate and undergraduate student leadership, as well as enhance our retention efforts.

Brooks, an AAHPERD member since 1978, has served as president of the organization’s Midwest district and West Virginia group and as editor of the West Virginia AAHPERD Journal. He has been a multiyear member of the organization’s Board of Governors and a representative to the group’s Alliance Assembly. He has also chaired numerous committees in the organization, including strategic planning, awards and alliance scholar selection.

He was recently awarded a fellowship in the North American Society of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance Professionals.

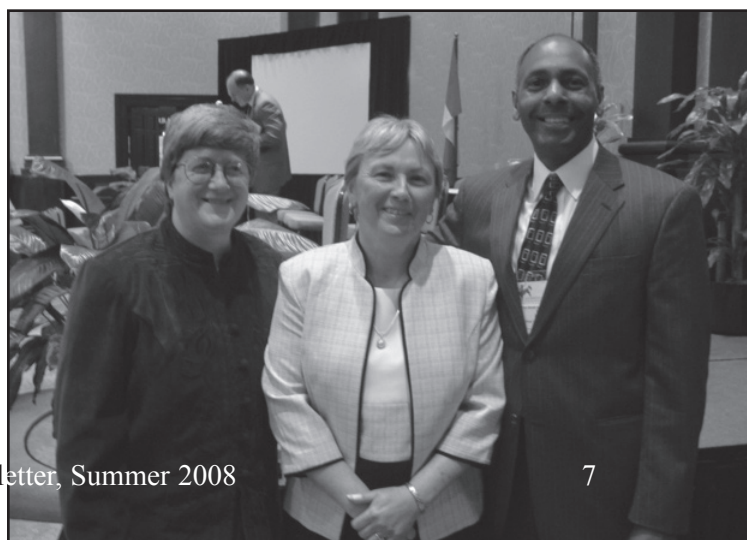
Among his many honors, Brooks received AAHPERD’s C.D. Henry Award, E.B. Henderson Award, Midwest District Honor and Meritorious Service awards, and the West Virginia AAHPERD Ray O. Duncan Award and Honor Award. WVU awarded him the Social Justice Award and the Martin Luther King Achievement Award, and he received the School of Physical Education’s Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award five times.

Brooks received his associate degree from Hagerstown Junior College, where he played on the basketball team for two years, and his bachelor’s in physical education from Towson State College, now Towson University. He earned master’s and doctoral degrees in physical education and sport behavior from WVU.

Dean Brooks with Dr. Marilyn Buck and Dr. Debra Berkey who received fellowship during the Spring 2008 AAHPERD convention in Texas

DANA BROOKS RECEIVES AWARD

Dean Dana Brooks was awarded Fellowship in the North American Society of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance Professional this past April. The award recognizes outstanding professionals within the disciplines of health education, physical education, recreation, sport and dance in North America.



STEWART ANNOUNCED AS NEW HEAD COACH



Bill Stewart, who earned a master's degree from the School of Physical Education in 1977, was named West Virginia University's 32nd head football coach a day after leading the Mountaineers to a remarkable 48-28 victory over Oklahoma in the 2008 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl.

Stewart was appointed interim coach following Rich Rodriguez's resignation to take the Michigan job and three weeks before the team was scheduled to face No. 3-rated Oklahoma in the Fiesta Bowl. It was Stewart who organized a wounded football team and a fractured coaching staff to pull off one of the most stunning performances in school history. Stewart was the only interim coach to win a bowl game in 2007 with six others on the losing side of the ledger. He was recognized as the coach of the Rivals.com all-bowl team for 2007.

This is Stewart's second opportunity as a head coach having guided VMI's football program for three seasons from 1994-96.

Stewart's involvement in college football is vast and

varied. He spent eight years on the West Virginia staff, working with the Mountaineer tight ends, and serving as associate head coach in 2007 after spending the prior seven seasons coaching the quarterbacks. He also had the role of special teams coordinator under Rich Rodriguez.

Stewart, a native of New Martinsville, W.Va., also has experience with the Canadian Football League.

Stewart is a 1975 education graduate of Fairmont State, where he was a three-year letterman and team captain for the WVIAC champions in 1974. Stewart's lengthy coaching resume began at Fairmont, where he was a student assistant coach for a season, before becoming an assistant coach at Sistersville (W.Va.) High School in 1975.

In 1977, he moved to Salem College, where he was assistant football and head track coach for two seasons. In 1979, he moved to the University of North Carolina to work for Dick Crum; he was later an assistant at Marshall (1980) under Sonny Randle, William & Mary (1981-83), Navy (1984), North Carolina (1985-87), Arizona State (1988-89) and Air Force (1990-93).

In 1994, Stewart became head football coach at VMI, where he was 8-25 over three seasons. He and his wife Karen, also a native of New Martinsville, have one son, Blaine.

AS GOOD AS IT GETS

West Virginia University employs USA Football coaching resources

Athletic Coaching Education students at West Virginia University are experiencing big benefits from a unique resource created by a national coaching membership organization. USA Football celebrates the passion of America's "favorite sport" while offering support for everyone connected to the game, including students hoping to become coaches and educators.

Dan Ziatz, Ph.D, associate professor with Athletic Coaching Education, offers the Techniques in Coaching Football course and has adopted USA Football's Coaching Course as compulsory curriculum for his class.

The required text for that course is The USA Football Coaches Handbook – the same book received by all 10,000 participants to USA Football's 40 coaching schools in 2008.

Ziatz and graduate student Dane Moreland were introduced to the program at a coaching convention presentation conducted by Nick Inzerello, USA Football director of football development. They were impressed with the curriculum's content, structure and relevance. After considering other study guides, the professor selected USA Football's detailed coursework and its

state-of-the-art presentation as the best resources for his students.

"It's so current," Moreland said. "The content is up-to-date with the latest techniques and schemes. And it's presented in an interesting way. The diagrams are easy to understand and follow. It's a very effective tool for teaching individual skills and team concepts."

USA Football's office, located near Washington, D.C., was pleased to hear of West Virginia's reliance on its resources.

"It's flattering, to say the least, for any sport's national governing body to have its training program be part of a college curriculum," said USA Football Executive Director Scott Hallenbeck.

"Having our coaches' handbook serve as the required text for a college course is a proud testament to the quality of what we offer to help make this sport even greater. Coaching is about teaching – every coach will tell you that. But in this case, at West Virginia University, it's also about learning."

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NATIONAL YOUTH SPORTS PROGRAM AT WVU OFFERS SUMMER FUN FOR KIDS

Program featured in local news story

Young people will once again enjoy games and activities while learning important life skills during the National Youth Sports Program this summer at West Virginia University.

The program runs from June through July with camp activities taking place in and around the Shell Building – beside the Coliseum – and offers a free nutritional lunch. The program is provided at no cost to economically disadvantaged youth ages 10-16 from Monongalia County and surrounding areas.

“It’s a great chance for youth to learn new skills, get active and away from any couches or video games,” said Bruce Wilmoth, program director and a faculty member in WVU’s School of Physical Education. “We provide games that kids can be active with and take back with them to play at home, that need little to no equipment. It’s designed to help them learn to stay active.” Wilmoth estimates that about 200 young people participate in the program each year.

Program leaders plan to introduce a new game this year called speedminton, which is like badminton, but

played without a net. A full range of fun, fitness activities are offered, from swimming to tchoukball (CHUKE-ball), an indoor variation of soccer played on a cushioned court.

But the program goes beyond simple fields of play. It also stresses study habits and self-esteem. “That’s why I always tell people we aren’t just a sports camp,” Wilmoth said. “We also offer academic and nutritional counseling. And we talk about study habits and self-esteem – that’s especially important because good self-esteem keeps young people from falling into the traps of drugs and alcohol.”

In its 21st year, the program currently receives no federal or state funding. It is organized through the College of Physical Activity and Sport Sciences and paid for by city and county funding, as well as private contributors. Monongalia County Schools provides the busing.

Volunteers are critical to maintain the program each year and donors help insure its feasibility, Wilmoth said. For more information about the camp or ways you or your business can donate, call 304-293-3295 ext. 5286.

INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

WVU SPORT MANAGEMENT PARTNERSHIP WITH UPEL CONTINUES

Two College of Physical Activity and Sport Sciences faculty members in the undergraduate sport management program have high hopes of expanding sport management, as well as NASSM, to Latin America.

Dr. Floyd Jones, associate professor, Sport Management and Dr. Gonzalo Bravo, assistant professor, Sport Management have developed a strategic plan which includes the development of a faculty and student exchange program and creating programs to benefit the two institutions within sport sciences, sport management, and the coaching education arenas.

Dr. Rosa de D’Amico Lopez, professor, Universidad Pedagógica Experimental Libertador (UPEL), Maracay, Venezuela, has been instrumental in the collaboration with WVU and UPEL. She is a world renowned scholar and her expertise is known on several continents, according to Dr. Floyd Jones. Dr. D’Amico previously visited WVU’s campus in 2005 and saw a future in the two institutions.

Jones hopes to invite Dr. D’Amico to visit campus next academic year, in the fall 2009-spring 2010. The ar-

range would include two classes to be taught by Dr. D’Amico. She currently serves as adjunct professor with WVU’s School of Physical Education, and offers an on-line course: “International Sport Governance.”

Dr. Gonzalo Bravo and Dr. Jones have visited Venezuela several times, at first, as invited speakers for a conference in 2005. The next year, Dr. Andy Ostrow, Jones and Bravo were invited to attend a Latin American conference to open Pan American University.

Bravo is scheduled to travel this summer to help solidify the Latin American NASSM Association, while attending the first sport management conference for Latin American scholars. The goal is to create a regional association of sport management scholars.

Although other American-based universities will attend the conference, WVU is taking the leading role in the project, according to Bravo. Lawrence Chalip, sport management program, University of Texas, is another partner in the three-year relationship.

Jones explained that a long term goal is to host an International Conference in the fall of 2009, to coincide with Dr. D’Amico’s visit

INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

ETZEL'S SWEDEN VISIT

The School of Physical Education's global reach expands to the northern regions of the world with Dr. Ed Etzel's international efforts in Sweden.

In May 2008, Etzel traveled to Halmstad University, Sweden to deliver two invited lectures and to further dialogue about the establishment of a working partnership between WVU and Halmstad University.

This initiative began in the fall of 2007, and represents efforts between the School of Physical Education, ICPE, the Dean's office, WVU's International Programs office and Halmstad University representative Dr. Bengt Dahlqvist.

Dr. Etzel's focus during the visit integrated two presentations and discussions to enhance the current partnership between the two institutions. Halmstad University faculty member Dr. Natalie Stambulova hosted Dr. Etzel during his visit.

Halmstad University currently offers Sports Science courses, including career development and transitions in sports, sports injury and rehabilitation, and children and adolescent development through sports.

Etzel's presentation topics featured "Sport & Exercise Psychology Research and Practice and Psychological Services for Athletes at West Virginia University."

"This is the first step to making a closer connection and establishing a working relationship between the two institutions," Etzel explained.

In the future, Dr. Etzel believes that the potential exists for student and faculty exchanges in various areas of study and instruction that the two universities share.



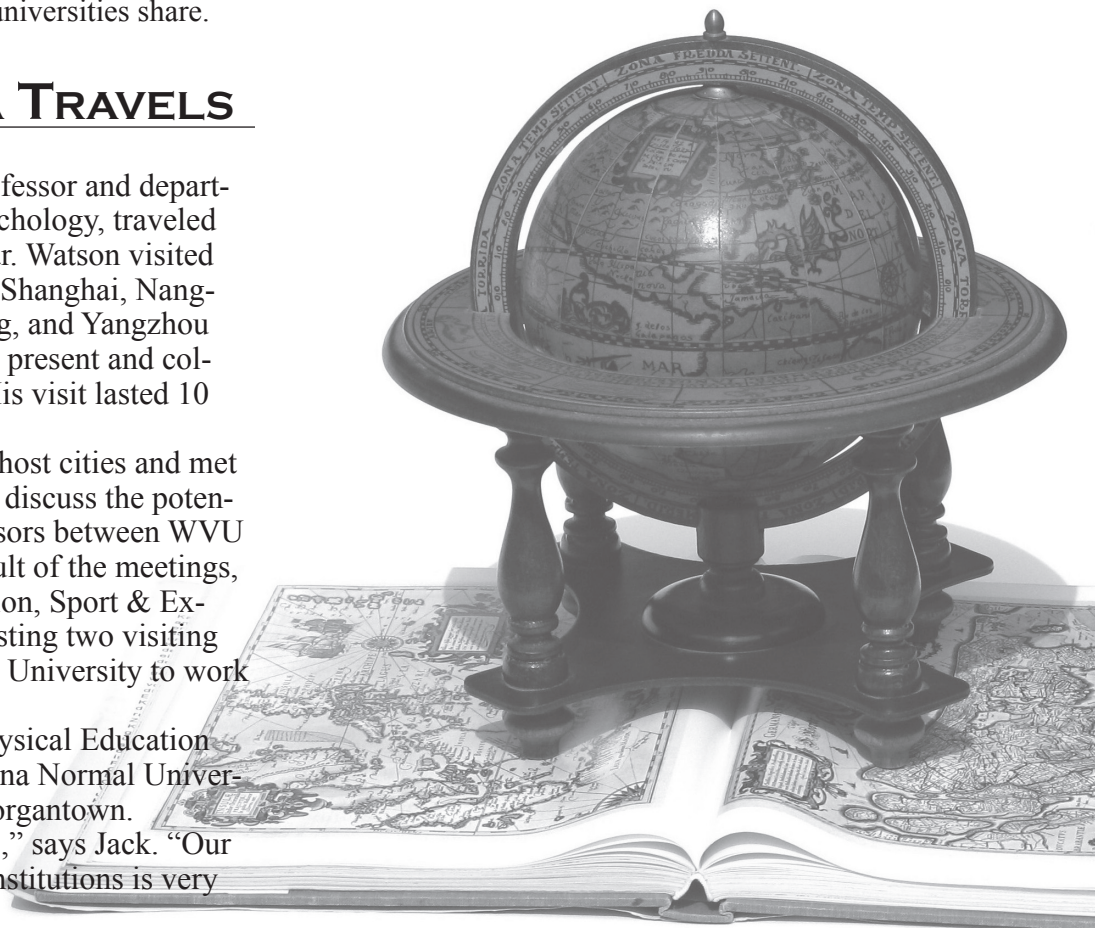
WATSON'S CHINA TRAVELS

Dr. Jack Watson, associate professor and department chair, Sport & Exercise Psychology, traveled internationally twice this past year. Watson visited East China Normal University in Shanghai, Nanning Normal University in Nanning, and Yangzhou University in Yangzhou, China to present and collaborate with these institutions. His visit lasted 10 days during Thanksgiving 2007.

While overseas, he toured the host cities and met with university representatives to discuss the potential of exchanging visiting professors between WVU and his host institutions. As a result of the meetings, WVU School of Physical Education, Sport & Exercise Psychology is currently hosting two visiting scholars from East China Normal University to work with faculty and students.

Additionally, the School of Physical Education hosted Dean Ji Liu from East China Normal University during a three day visit to Morgantown.

"This trip was a major success," says Jack. "Our ongoing relationship with these institutions is very good."



Dr. Sam Zizzi, associate professor, Sport & Exercise Psychology, traveled to Italy this May for a preliminary visit to the Catholic University of Sacred Heart (CUSH) in Milan and filed the following report. He notes that WVU PhD student, Alessandro (Ale) Quartiroli, came from this university so the possibility for future research, student exchanges, and faculty exchange is further enhanced.

The connection with CUSH and project contact person, Caterina Gozzoli, appears to have some good possibilities. Meanwhile, during the trip, Ale was an excellent resource person in Italy, often helping translate and organizing many events and connections.

Catholic University's graduate program teaches students to work with sport organizations from a psychological or management perspective, representing somewhat of a blend of sport psychology with a bit of management. Their students focus on industrial and organizational work with coaches, managers etc.

Additionally, their research topics, including youth sport, coaching education and professional issues in Sport Psychology, match very closely with some of our faculty's research. I was able to meet several faculty and the department chair of psychology and discuss creating a study abroad exchange between our graduate programs.

While in Milan, I provided a workshop to elite coaches in the AC Milan organization. Two of the coaches expressed strong interest in coming to WVU to be a coach or graduate assistant. The workshop was very good exposure for WVU within a very high level global sport organization.

After a few days in Milan, we traveled to the east coast of Italy for the Sport Psychology Congress in Senigallia where I served as one of two invited keynote speakers. I interacted with dozens of professionals and established WVU's graduate program as a model for graduate training in sport psychology, which they do not have in Italy.

In looking ahead for the next three years, I will visit CUSH in Milan during one of my trips to Europe for research in Dublin. Caterina Gozzoli is open to a return visit to strengthen the connection and plan the student exchange program for graduate students at our universities.

Also, starting in the summer of 2010, strategic plans include a new graduate student exchange with CUSH. This exchange would be reciprocal with short courses taught in English by professors associated with both programs and feature alternating the host loca-

tion between Morgantown and Milan and changing the topic each year. Students would host each other, and arrange travel to locations nearby to make the experience cultural and academic. Our graduate students have expressed interest in this opportunity.

During the visit, we explored the potential of research collaborations and opportunities for cross-cultural research or exchange between professors in these locations. CUSH graduate students were strong in English speaking skills, so the potential for teaching and research exchange is good.

ZIZZI REPORTS ON UPCOMING IRELAND VISIT

Dr. Sam Zizzi, associate professor, Sport and Exercise Psychology, will travel to Ireland as part of a Sabbatical in the summer and fall of 2008. The focus of Dr. Zizzi's visit will be to work collaboratively on research related to the physical activity patterns of youth and adolescents in Ireland.

Dublin City University in Dublin, Ireland and Dr. Catherine Woods, senior lecturer and head of the School of Sport and Health Sciences, will serve as Dr. Zizzi's hosts while on Sabbatical. However, due to family commitments, Dr. Zizzi will be unable to live in Ireland for the professional development.

"The focus of the visit to DCU is on research related to the key predictors of physical activity and sedentary behaviors in youth and adolescents so that appropriate interventions can be designed," said Dr. Zizzi.

WVU has already established a partnership with DCU. The connection was made by Dr. Zizzi and Dr. Andy Ostow, retired professor and former ICPE director, during two visits to Dublin in the fall of 2006 and spring of 2007. The previous visits focused on developing relationships with the institution. Dr. Zizzi's upcoming visit and the professional development leave with Dr. Catherine Woods at DCU evolved out of those initial visits.

Dr. Zizzi will first travel to Ireland in July for one to two weeks and will subsequently schedule additional trips as needed. While the majority of Dr. Zizzi's trip will be focused in Ireland, he also traveled to Italy in May. (See additional story on Italy partnership.)

Dr. Zizzi hopes that after his international travels the School will host international faculty at WVU. Ideally, Dr. Woods and another colleague in Scotland involved in his current research will visit the WVU campus in 2009.

75TH ANNIVERSARY ACTIVITIES

FALL 2007 EVENTS KICK-OFF 75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The School of Physical Education formally opened the year-long celebration on September 5, 2007 with the 75th Anniversary dinner, featuring Coach Bobby Huggins, and with welcome comments provided by Steve Douglas and President Mike Garrison. Mary Kathryn Wiedebusch provided the entertainment by creating a never-performed dance routine highlighting dancers Elizabeth Convey and Jessica Martin.

Additional fall activities included a presentation by Dr. J. William Douglas, entitled a Historical Overview of the School, at the Erickson Alumni Center. The College of Law hosted a sports law symposium in October, entitled Reversing Field – Examining Commercialization, Labor and Race in Sports Law.

The School of Physical Education hosted Title IX: Pioneer Women Coaches at WVU, with Terri Howes, associate athletic director for sports development and senior women’s administrator, as moderator. Martha Thorn, former women’s tennis coach, Kittie Blakemore, former faculty member and women’s basketball coach, and Linda Burdette, women’s gymnastics coach and assistant professor of physical education, spoke about their experiences at WVU. Barbara Howe, director of Women’s Studies at WVU, provided summary comments for the Title IX presentation.

Pioneering WVU black athletes participated in a

panel discussion in October at the Erickson Alumni Center. The athletes – Cheryl Nabors Phillips, Garrett Ford, Major Harris and John Mallory – spoke to students, faculty and guests during the African-Americans in Sport class. The course is taught by Dean Dana Brooks, College of Physical Activity and Sport Sciences.

“Our speakers highlighted their achievements in both the athletic and academic arenas,” Brooks said. “They talked about what they experienced while at WVU and also explained their days as athletes beyond WVU. They were human beings brave enough and full of life enough to say, ‘Hey. I have a place here, too.’”

The fall schedule of Anniversary events concluded with the Sports Legends panel discussion, featuring former WVU men’s basketball coach Gale Catlett, and speakers Jerry West, Rod Hundley, Rod Thorn, Sam Huff, Chuck Howley, and Kristen Quackenbush-DiBartolomeo. The renowned WVU athletes spoke at the free, public discussion in newly renovated Oglebay Hall.

The former WVU standouts discussed their experiences as student-athletes with alumni, faculty, staff and friends and entertained the crowd with their favorite stories, while answering questions throughout the evening.



WVU Pioneer women coaches: Linda Burdette, Martha Thorn & Kittie Blakemore share thier experiences

Coach Gale Catlett leads the discussion of Sports Legends



SCHOOL OF PE CELEBRATES 75TH ANNIVERSARY WITH SPRING 2008 KEYNOTE LECTURES

“Legends II: Pioneers, Leaders and Legends in the Marketplace” panel discussion served as one of two keynote events as the School continued its 75th Anniversary celebration this spring. Speakers and School graduates General Earl Anderson, Robert DeProspero, George Esper and Alfred Ware discussed how their experiences as students influenced their success within the professional arena.

Steve Douglas, president of the WVU Alumni Association and graduate, served as moderator during the evening event held at the Erickson Alumni Center.

Gen. Earl Anderson, a native of Morgantown, earned a bachelor’s degree in 1940 in Physical Education and a master’s degree in 1949, both from WVU. He earned a law degree from George Washington University, where he was elected to the Order of the Coif.

During his 35-year Marine career, he served in combat actions in World War II, Korea and Vietnam. He is a member of the WVU Academy of Distinguished Alumni, served on the WVU Alumni Association executive council and served as president of the Alumni Association. He is chair of the trustees of the WVU Alumni Association’s Loyalty Permanent Endowment Fund and is a member of the School of Physical Education Hall of Fame.

As a former assistant director and special agent in charge of the Presidential Protective Division, United States Secret Service, Robert DeProspero was responsible for planning, organizing, coordinating and directing the protection of U.S. presidents and members of their families. He was assigned to protect former Presidents Eisenhower, Johnson, Ford, Carter and Reagan.

He earned a bachelor’s degree in Physical Education and a master’s degree in Education from WVU. He is also a member of the School of Physical Education Hall of Fame and the WVU Academy of Distinguished Alumni.

George Esper was born and raised in Uniontown, Pa. He earned his bachelor’s degree in Physical Education from WVU in 1953 and joined the Associated Press in 1958.

During his 42 years with the AP, Esper covered the Vietnam War and the first Gulf War, as well as U.S. peace missions in Somalia and Bosnia. Esper returned to his alma mater to teach in the WVU Perley Isaac Reed School of Journalism in the spring semester of 2000 after retiring from the AP. His honors include the WVU Academy of Distinguished Alumni and WVU School Physical Education Hall of Fame. He received an honorary doctorate from WVU in 2000.

Alfred Ware received his bachelor’s degree in Physical Education in 1950 and his master’s degree in Speech/Communication in 1952. He entered the business world in 1954, spending most of his career in international trading, finance, manufacturing and operational management.

Ware’s honors and awards include being inducted into the Order of Vandalia, WVU Academy of Distinguished Alumni and WVU School of Physical Education’s Hall of Fame. He also served as a member of the WVU Foundation’s Building

Greatness National Campaign Committee and WVU Alumni Association’s Board of Directors.

The following evening, WVU joined in the celebration of the 75th anniversary of the School of Physical Education by hosting the Dan & Betsy Brown Lecture Series.

As part of the series, former assistant director and special agent in charge of the Presidential Protective Division, Secret Service, Robert DeProspero presented a lecture featuring people who have been responsible for presidential security.

DeProspero has received many awards, including the United States Treasury Meritorious Award for Extraordinary Performance, Special Achievement Award and Outstanding West Virginia Italian-American Award.



Pictured in photo above, from left, Louise Christensen, Visiting Committee chair, Robert DeProspero and grandson with Dean Brooks.

75th Anniversary Events Hosted by WVU School of Physical Education Fall 2007

75th ANNIVERSARY DINNER

Keynote Speaker: Coach Bobby Huggins
September 2007
Waterfront Place Hotel



HISTORICAL OVERVIEW OF THE SCHOOL

Presentation by Dr. J. William Douglas
September 2007
Erickson Alumni Center

2007 Sports Legends
Coach Gale Catlett

SPORTS LAW SYMPOSIUM

Reversing Field – Examining Commercialization, Labor and Race in Sports Law
October 2007
College of Law

WALL OF HONOR UPDATE AND RECEPTION

October 2007
Coliseum

TITLE IX: PIONEER WOMEN COACHES AT WVU

Moderator: Terri Howes
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October 2007
Erickson Alumni Center



2007 Hall of Fame Ceremony

HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONY

October 2007
Erickson Alumni Center

HOMECOMING TENT RECEPTION

October 2007
Tent City II

SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION SPORTS LEGENDS

Moderator: Gale Catlett
Speakers: Jerry West, Rod Hundley, Rod Thorn,
Sam Huff, Chuck Howley, and
Kristen Quackenbush-DiBartolomeo
October 2007
Oglebay Hall



2007 Hall of Fame
John & Anita Fleming



2007 Wall of Honor Update

75th Anniversary Events Hosted by WVU School of Physical Education Spring 2008

Athletic Coaching Education: "How science guides coaching; challenges of coaching"

Dr. Tom Martin, Head Coach, Soccer, James Madison University
March 10, 2008 • Coliseum

Athletic Coaching Education: "What an elite athlete expects from a coach"

Levi Phillips, former WVU Men's Basketball player
April 2008 • Coliseum

Athletic Training: "What it takes to make it to the NFL ranks"

Kevin Bastin, Houston Texans
February 2008 • Coliseum

Athletic Training: "Upper Extremity rehabilitation techniques in Athletic Training"

Erin Barill, Indianapolis Colts
March 2008 • Coliseum

Physical Education Teacher Education: "Issues & current trends in PETE"

Panel Discussion: Dr. Carolyn Crislip Tacy & Joe Smith
March 2008 • Coliseum

Sport Exercise Psychology: "Nutrition, wellness & the art of aging" and "The unwritten rules of communication"

Leslie G. Meltzer
March 2008 • Coliseum

Sport Management: "Small business in America" and "The unwritten rules of communication"

Leslie G. Meltzer
March 2008 • Woodburn Hall

Sport Management: "Sport sponsorship & sales management"

Brian Crow, Jackie Cuneen
April 2008 • Coliseum

"Role of Media in Marketing & Promotions of Sports in America"

George Esper, WVU Academy of Distinguished Alumni &
School of Physical Education Hall of Fame Member
April 2008 • Coliseum

SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION LEGENDS II

"Pioneers, Leaders & Legends in the Market Place"

Moderator: Steve Douglas, President & Chief Executive Officer, WVU Alumni Association

Speakers: General Earl Anderson, Robert DeProspero, George Esper and Al Ware

April 2008 • Erickson Alumni Center

DAN & BETSY BROWN LECTURE SERIES

"Profiles of the men who have been responsible for Presidential security"

Guest Speaker: Robert DeProspero, Retired, U.S. Secret Service

April 2008 • Ming Hsieh Hall, Oglebay Annex



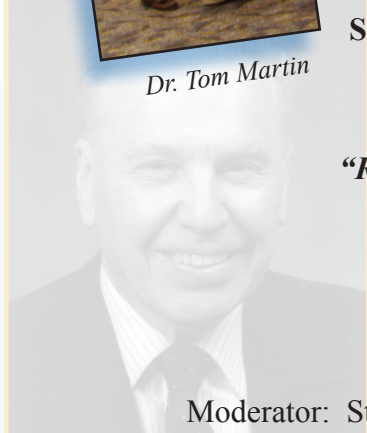
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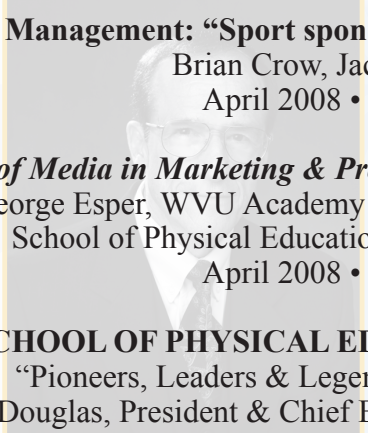
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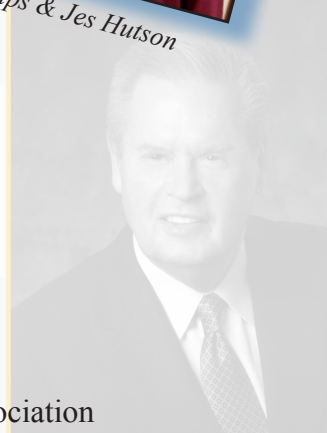
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Al Ware



Steve Douglas,
Legends II

Steve Douglas is the top executive of the WVU Alumni Association. During his 35-year Marine career, he participated in combat actions in World War II, Korea and the Republic of Vietnam. He is one of only 21 four-star generals in the entire

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George Esper was a member of the Presidential Protective Detail, United States Secret Service, and Robert DeProspero was a member of the Presidential Protective Detail. Esper covered the Vietnam War for 10 years and the first Gulf War in 1991, as well as U.S. peace missions in Somalia and Bosnia.

In addition to his war coverage, Esper reported on many major stories in the U.S. including Hurricane Andrew, the great Midwest floods and the bombing of

Alfred F. Ware received his Bachelor of Science degree (Physical Education) in 1950 and his Master's degree (Speech/Communication) in 1952. He entered the business world in 1954, spending most of his career in international trading, finance, manufacturing, and operational management. He served as a Vice President of Manufacturers Hanover Bank, Vice President and Director of Manufacturers Hanover World Trade Corporation, President of the International/Expert Division of Burlington Industries, Inc., and Founder and CEO of Mitsubishi-Burlington Ltd. (Tokyo). He and his family resided in Teaneck, New Jersey.

COMMENCEMENT 2008

MAY 2008 COMMENCEMENT

WVU football coach Bill Stewart provided an enthusiastic message for graduates May 18 as the keynote speaker for the School of Physical Education ceremonies.

“You must believe in your destiny,” said Stewart, who coached the Mountaineers to a 48-28 victory against Oklahoma in the Fiesta Bowl.

Stewart, a School of Physical Education graduate, worked his way up through the coaching ranks with different jobs through his career prior to being named WVU head coach, following Rich Rodriguez’s departure shortly before the bowl game.

With the passion of a real game speech, Stewart told this team of graduating students “not to take short cuts” and “to stay true to the old gold and blue.”

Stewart, a native of New Martinsville, spoke of the character of West Virginians, especially noting the miners who work at all hours and keep going day after day without stopping. He said the virtue of hard work is part of a West Virginian’s “legacy, heritage, it’s who you are — that’s how it is, that’s how it should be, because that is the right way.”

In inspiring tones, he told graduates to continue to be self-starters, motivated, dependable and respectful of others.

Stewart’s advice to the graduates was, “Don’t hit the snooze button in life. You lose because people who hit the snooze button will stay the same, and not get better



— it can’t happen.”

Stewart’s parting words for graduates was they must “never forget that you are Mountaineers.” Throughout life, always “step up to the plate and swing with everything you’ve got.” Stay in the moment and thank loved ones.

As Stewart thrust his fist in the air, he received a standing ovation from students about to be conferred their degrees. Applause echoed throughout the Lyell B. Clay Concert Theatre.

“His speech was very inspiring,” said Kyle Williams, 23, who received a bachelor’s degree in physical education and teacher education. “The whole thing about hard work, dedication and a warrior’s code, teamwork — that is what coaching a team is all about.”

For four years, Williams was a member of the men’s swim team. His goal is to coach a high school swim team. “Like Stewart, I want to be a coach to change young minds and help students become the best they can be,” Williams said.

DEAN’S COMMENTS ON 2008 GRADUATION

School of Physical Education’s 2008 commencement ceremony featured graduating seniors, as well as C.B. Wilson, Associate Provost, Perry Petroplus, BOG Representative, commencement speaker Coach Bill Stewart, Dr. Lynn Housner, Associate Dean, Mrs. Carol Straight, Records Assistant and the School’s faculty.

Parents, grandparents, family, friends, and guests of the School’s graduating class filled the Creative Arts Center, Lyle B. Clay theatre, along with the School’s faculty, staff, alumni, and dignitaries, as they warmly recognized the graduating students.

The 2008-09 academic year marked the 75th anniversary of the School. Dean Brooks recognized notable alumni who were invited back to campus to speak.

The common theme found throughout the various presentations was the value of the WVU School of Physical Education degree in preparing graduates to be competitive in a global marketplace.

In looking toward the future, faculty, staff, alumni, and students will witness a new name for the School: College of Physical Activity and Sport Sciences, a new 35,000 sq. ft. building; the hiring of new faculty, department chairs, and staff members; expansion of technology into the curriculum, and internationalization of the School’s curriculum.

Dean Brooks shared three themes with the graduates, as they move forward on the next leg of their professional

journey: enthusiasm, passion and perseverance. He quoted Ralph Waldo Emerson who wrote, “Enthusiasm is one of the most powerful engines of success. When you do a thing, do it with all your might. Be active, be energetic, be enthusiastic and faithful and you will accomplish your objectives. Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm.”

Secondly, it is critical to find passion for life. Finally, Dean Brooks suggested that graduates remember that perseverance is not a long race; it is many short races – one after another (Walter Elliott, American Army Colonel).

Dean Brooks asked graduates to consider the comments once made by Martin Luther King, Jr., who said “If a man is called to be a street-sweeper, he should sweep streets even as Michelangelo painted, or Beethoven composed music, or Shakespeare wrote poetry.”

“Be the best athletic trainer, sport manager, physical education teacher, sport and exercise psychologist, and athletic coach you can possibly be! The School’s faculty is confident you will make a positive impact in your chosen profession.”

“Remember, enthusiasm, passion, and perseverance will carry you a long way!” Brooks said as the 2008 commencement ceremony concluded.

Congratulations and best wishes, Class of 2008!

COLLEGE OF PA & SS GRADUATE RECOGNIZED AT MAY HONORS CONVOCATION

A School of Physical Education graduate was one of West Virginia University's top 50 graduating seniors this May. Student-athlete Erica Reib, of Franklin, Pa., graduated with a 4.0 GPA and bachelor's degree in Physical Education. She plans to pursue law school and a career in sports law. Reib, and the rest of the elite group, received the WVU Foundation Outstanding Seniors Award during the Commencement Honors Convocation at the Coliseum.

Her academic credentials include being named to the Presidential Award for Excellence in Scholarship, WVU Athletic Director's Academic Honor Roll and WVU Dean's List seven consecutive semesters. She has been named to the Big East Conference Academic All-Star Team; Chimes junior, Mortar Board senior and Phi Epsilon Kappa physical education

honorary; and Pi Kappa Phi honor fraternity.

"All the student organizations and community service activities I have been involved in have taught me how important it is to give back to the community in which I am living," she said. "I have tried to spend my time among many groups that have benefited me in different ways, while serving my school and community." She is the daughter of Richard and Jeanne Reib.

The award, established in 1995 to signify the 40th anniversary of the WVU Foundation, recognizes students for their contributions and achievements in scholarship, leadership and service. The 2008 WVU Foundation Outstanding Seniors hail from West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Virginia and Maryland.

TURBISH HONORED WITH OUTSTANDING UNDERGRADUATE AWARD FOR ATHLETIC COACHING



Army ROTC grad, Kylee Turbish, who studied in the School of Physical Education, was recently awarded the 2007-08 Outstanding Undergraduate Award for the University's Athletic Coaching Education program

Kylee Turbish has distinguished herself both physically and academically. She earned the Army Physical Fitness Award, and was recently awarded the 2007-08 Outstanding Undergraduate Award for WVU's Athletic Coaching Education Program.

From parachute jumps to grueling marches, WVU graduate Kylee Turbish has learned how to translate team-building skills learned during her college career in WVU's Mountaineer Battalion ROTC program to a future of dedicated service with the U.S. Army.

Turbish, who hails from Beaver, Pa., graduated this May with a bachelor's degree in Athletic Coaching Education. She has been attending WVU on a four-year Army ROTC scholarship. "I was involved in ROTC in high school, and when it was time to start thinking about what college to go to, WVU – with all its opportunities – was hard to pass

up," Turbish said.

Over the past four years, Turbish has participated in many Army activities and programs, including Ranger Challenge competitions at Fort A.P. Hill, Va., the Sandhurst Military Skills Competition at the U.S. Military Academy and the Bataan Memorial Death March in New Mexico.

Not only has Turbish succeeded as an ROTC cadet, but she has also learned how to use her talents in gymnastics and in the classroom to further her goals toward becoming a strength and conditioning coach. She traveled to Charleston this past year with other athletic coaching students to volunteer with the Special Olympics.

"It was excellent working with Kylee during the Special Olympics this past summer; she has a great attitude," said Daniel Ziatz, a faculty member in WVU's School of Physical Education. "I think that the ultimate compliment a coach in training can receive is for others to want them to coach their children, and I would want Kylee to coach my son or daughter."

She will fulfill her ROTC contract for active duty after she is commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army. She will begin officer branch training in military intelligence at Fort Lewis, Wash., in July.

THROUGH THE YEARS

WVU COACH TO COMPETE IN SUMMER OLYMPICS

WVU rifle coach Jon Hammond, MS, Sport Management, '04, has dreamed of competing in the Olympics since the first time he picked up a rifle as a 9-year-old. That dream will become a reality this August when Hammond represents Great Britain in the 2008 Beijing Olympics.

Steady improvement has been the hallmark of his career as a shooter. In 1998, he won the World Junior Championships at the age of 17, and it was then that the Olympic dream first seemed very real and attainable.

The next event that served as a catalyst for his Olympic aspirations was his hiring as head rifle coach at WVU in 2006. After competing on the team as a standout from 2002-04, he replaced longtime coach Marsha Beasley with aspirations to rebuild the tradition of greatness established by the program through the years.

SCHAUS NAMED ATHLETIC DIRECTOR AT OHIO UNIVERSITY

WVU Sport Management graduate Jim Schaus is the new athletic director at Ohio University.

Jim Schaus, 47, comes to Ohio with more than 25 years of administrative experience and a background in marketing and fundraising. He has been Wichita State's athletic director for the past nine years.

Schaus received his M.S. in Sport Management from WVU in 1987. He replaces Kirby Hocutt, who left for the University of Miami.

"It's everything to me," Schaus said. "I think it's the best job in the conference ... It's a chance to come back home, to be with family, to be at a program that I think has great growth opportunities.

Schaus said he hopes to have a new five-year plan for the athletic department within the first year of operation. He also said that he hopes to increase attendance at athletic events and to "add value to the university."

Schaus worked as senior associate athletics director at the University of Texas-El Paso and the University of Cincinnati. Schaus also worked in marketing for 17 years and served as marketing director for the Washington Redskins from 1983-86 and assistant athletics director of marketing and broadcasting at the University of Oregon. He also managed the marketing departments at Northern Illinois University, UC and UTEP.

Schaus graduated from Purdue University with a degree in journalism and public relations and has a master's degree in athletic administration from West Virginia University.

"Today marks the beginning of a new and exciting era," Schaus said. "This is a coming home for me."

ALUMNI BRIEFS

GEORGE ESPER, '53, B.S., P.I. Reed School of Journalism professor, appeared on "Breaking News: How the Associated Press Has Covered War, Peace and Everything Else" book panel last July. The show aired twice on C-SPAN. The original panel discussion at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C., featured former and present AP reporters, including Esper, as they recalled their coverage of major world events with first-hand, eyewitness accounts on presidents, elections, wars, civil rights, trials and crimes, disasters, business and major sport events.

ERIC BUCHANAN, '96, M.S., SM, was appointed regional vice president for Learfield Sports Pacific Region last December and is now based at the company's Dallas headquarters. Previously, he served as general manager for "Hawkeye Sports Properties", a property of Learfield Sports in Iowa.

As RVP, Buchanan will be responsible for overseeing Learfield Sports' various partner relationships in the Pacific Region. Prior to serving with Iowa, Buchanan held roles with two additional Learfield Sports' partner schools. Before that, he worked for ESPN at the University of Oregon.

MICHAEL DEAN, '06, M.S., Sport Management, has served as the compliance coordinator at Rice University since October, 2006. A native of Birmingham, Alabama, Dean graduated from Birmingham-Southern College in 2005 with a B.A. in History and served as the head student equipment manager for the baseball team. While at WVU, he served as a compliance assistant in the WVU compliance office. He is engaged to Ms. Andrea Boohaker of Birmingham, Alabama.

RAYNIE THEIS, '07', SM, has been announced as assistant women's tennis coach at University of Massachusetts. Theis spent four seasons on the WVU women's tennis team, playing No. 1 doubles and Nos. 2-6 singles.

"My dream for the past two years was to come to UMass as the assistant coach and to learn from Coach Dixon," Theis said. "I am honored to be chosen as the assistant coach with the opportunity to attend graduate school."

As a senior, Theis interned in WVU's compliance office, dealing with numerous assignments, including helping coaches regarding new NCAA rules. Her accomplishments, on the court and in the classroom include Dean's List honor student. From 2002-06, she was ITF Academic All-American and a member of the WVU ITF All-Academic Team. Theis was also a Big East Academic All-Star.

FIRST EVER WOMEN'S CYCLING CONFERENCE FEATURES ACE FACULTY MEMBER

The first-ever Women's Cycling Leadership Conference hosted by USA Cycling at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colorado, in January, aimed to empower and educate experienced and novice female leaders within the community of women's cycling.

Attendees, including current and past racers, coaches, mentors and those involved in managing and promoting women's cycling from all over the United States, convened to share ideas on women's cycling from the grass roots through the elite levels.

"We did it in part because of the research I've been doing," said Kristen Dieffenbach, assistant professor of athlete coaching education at West Virginia University. She co-hosted the conference with USA Cycling Coaching Education Manager Sam Callan.

"At the [USA Cycling] summit in 2006, I saw a need," said Dieffenbach. "We're strong people - we women involved in cycling leadership, but we're isolated. We want to increase the connection. This [conference] was a good fit given how women so-

cialize."

Over the course of two days, presenters covered topics like sports nutrition, eating disorders, the female athlete triad, successes and failures within women-oriented grassroots and elite racing programs, how to survive coaching, and training considerations for pregnant women and moms.

Retired former World Champion and two-time Olympian Alison Dunlap headed up an elite athlete panel of experienced athletes who answered questions from attendees and shared their personal experiences on both ends of the spectrum of being coached and mentored.

According to Dieffenbach, just 12 percent of the current USAC membership is female, and the national governing body has never had more than 16 percent female participation. Given the motivation and energy of the women attending the conference, the potential for engaging more women in the world of cycling only looks brighter.

CHOOSY KIDS CLUB OFFERS HEALTHY CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES, CAR SHOW

Want to sign your child up for a fun, healthy class? The West Virginia Motor Development Center in the School of Physical Education offers a variety of classes for children and parents throughout the year. Registration is accepted in person at room 238 of the Coliseum. For the full class schedule, visit <http://www.bechoosy.org>.

For the first time, Choosy Kids sponsored a Healthy Kids Car Show Sunday, Sept. 23, at the Coliseum. The Healthy Kids Car Show offered parents and children an opportunity to enjoy a fun day checking out cool, classy cars. Cars were judged and the winners received awards during a presentation at the end of the afternoon. To learn more about next year's car show, contact Michelle Jeffrey, 293-3295 at extension 5250 or send her a message, michelle.jeffrey@mail.wvu.edu.



COLLEGE OF PA & SS ADDS NEW MINORS

The School of Physical Education has added two new minors, which are being offered over the summer term. The Adventure Sports Leadership minor is for students interested in working with the adventure sports and recreation industry. Electives include rock climbing, canoeing, cycling, caving, adventure racing and challenge course facilitation. The minor requires a minimum of 19 hours of course work. Info: Nathan Kile, Adventure Sports program coordinator, 304-293-3295 ext. 5290 or Nathan.Kile@mail.wvu.edu.

The Aquatic Facility Management minor will prepare students to manage an aquatic facility effectively and efficiently. It offers four different certifications needed for pool operation: American Red Cross lifeguard, water safety instruction, certified pool operator and aquatic aerobics instructor. Students will get hands-on-experience while working with pool managers and aquatic directors. All required courses can be completed in six weeks of the summer session. An internship is also required. Info: Mindy Eskridge, clinical instructor of aquatics, Melinda.Eskridge@mail.wvu.edu.

WVU ANNOUNCES CAMP NEW YOU

West Virginia University has created a new summer camp to help young people and their parents practice lifestyle changes that will enable them to achieve and maintain a healthy body weight. Camp NEW You focuses on increased physical activity and good nutrition and targets 11-14 year olds.

The camp takes place July 13-26, in Morgantown on the WVU campus and in local recreational areas. There will be three additional family workshops throughout the year.

Camp NEW You, which refers to nutrition, exercise, and weight management, is a joint effort between the Department of Pediatrics in the WVU School of Medicine and the School of Physical Education.

The camp activities focus on healthy goal setting and decision making. Camp counselors emphasize the importance of parent participation in creating healthier home environments that provide opportunities for healthy eating and regular physical activity.

“Camp NEW You focuses on the collaboration of children and parents,” Emily Murphy, a researcher in the department of pediatrics, said. “Children are more likely to follow through with healthy lifestyle changes when their home environment reflects what they’re being taught at camp.”

Total cost of the camp and program is \$2,750. Included in the cost is the two-week program this summer and the three follow-up weekends for youth,

as well as the required participation days for parent/legal guardian. West Virginia PEIA healthcare insurance participants will receive full coverage of the cost of the camp, excluding the required co-pay. Scholarships are also available and will be awarded based on need. Participants may be eligible for support from other third party payers.

Campers will have opportunities to participate in a variety of individual and group physical activities. They will also learn skills in making healthier lifestyle choices, applying nutrition knowledge to everyday life. Campers will participate in other fun enrichment activities with new friends.

Classes and outings will be lead by trained nutritionists, physical activity experts, behavioral health experts and others each day during camp. Materials such as pedometers, journals and T-shirts are provided to all participants.

In addition, each child is assigned a personal lifestyle coach who is trained to provide support during the camp and after the child returns home. Each coach provides encouragement and accountability. Between camp meetings, coaches will communicate with participants weekly and with parents monthly. They will also provide e-mail support throughout the 11-month program.

Health care providers will evaluate each participant’s health status through a complete health screening.

YOUTH SPORTS EXPERT FEATURED SPEAKER AT SCHOOL

A nationally recognized expert on youth sports visited WVU School of Physical Education last March. Dan Gould, director of the Institute for the Study of Youth Sports at Michigan State University, spoke at the Erickson Alumni Center as part of WVU's School of Physical Education's 75th Anniversary Celebration.

The presentation, titled "Positive Youth Development Through Sport: Fact or Fallacy," included a question and answer session.

"Dan has a great ability to use applied research and to help coaches and students understand how the information can be useful to them in their work," said Kristen Dieffenbach, assistant professor in athletic coaching education at WVU. "Having him visit the University to speak is a great honor and a great opportunity for our students to be exposed to one of the top people in the field of sport psychology and youth sport development."

Gould—named one of the top 100 people in coaching education in 2007—is a professor in

Michigan State's Department of Kinesiology. His efforts focus on providing leadership, scholarship and outreach to transform the face of youth sports.

He has worked with the United States Ski Team, numerous Olympic athletes and NASCAR pit crews. He has served on the United States Olympic Coaching Development Committee, the Sport Science and Technology Committee and the USTA Sport Science and Coaching Committee.

Gould's current research focuses on the role parents play in junior tennis, how coaches teach life skills to young athletes, and assessments of the most pressing issues involved in high school sports.

Gould has been honored as the USA Wrestling Person of the Year for his sport science work. He was the first Australian sport psychology scholar and was named one of the top ten U.S. sport psychology specialists in the 1980's. He also served as the president of the Association for Applied Sport Psychology.

OSTROW RETIREMENT

Dr. Andrew Ostrow has retired from the University after 35 years as a faculty member in the School of Physical Education. He shared advice and life experiences during a final lecture, presented to faculty, staff, students and friends. During the lecture, he focused on the History of WVU's Sport Psychology Program, a Biomechanical Analysis of the Perfect Golf Swing, Pursuing an Academic Career, and Increasing the ICPE's revenue.

Among numerous salient comments, he said, "Life as a professor can be an extraordinarily gratifying and rewarding career choice." He further noted, "Never lose sight of why you took the job as a professor."

In addition to his teaching duties, Andy, along with Dr. William Alsop, founded Fitness Information Technology, Inc. (FIT) in 1984. FIT is now one of the premier publishers in the area of sport sciences.

In June 2004, the assets of FIT were donated to the University in conjunction with establishing the International Center for Performance Excellence (ICPE). Since that time, Andy has acted as director of the ICPE while continuing his position as professor.

The Center has flourished under his guidance and is well positioned now to continue its mission, which is "to promote, on a global basis, an awareness of the



Andy Ostrow, left, with Jack Watson, Chair, Department of Sport Sciences

value of engaging in sport and health-related physical activity to enhance the quality of life," something Andy passionately believes in and to which he has dedicated his life.

He and his wife, Lynne, who also just retired from her position as a professor at WVU, have purchased a cottage on a remote lake in Canada, where they plan to spend summers and holidays. They will be keeping their home in Morgantown, though, and we fully expect to see them often, especially on game days.

Everyone would like to wish Andy and Lynn the best in this new, exciting phase of their lives.

CARSON GIVES CHILDREN 'HEAD START' ON GOOD HEALTH

Linda Carson, Ware Distinguished Professor in the WVU, College of PA & SS, continues to work to expand the innovative "I am Moving, I am Learning" program nationally.

The initiative focuses on physical activity and healthy nutrition choices for Head Start, the nation's child development program for preschoolers from low-income families.

After a successful launch in six Mid-Atlantic States, including West Virginia, the program is now being expanded across the United States. Last July, 2007, Carson and colleagues completed training for Head Start educators in Atlanta. The launch caught

the attention of Atlanta media and "Choosy," the Choosy Kids Club mascot, was featured on WGCL TV CBS 46 News. (Go to www.cbs=46.com/news/13698232/detail.html.)

Last fall, Carson conducted similar training in Washington, D.C., and has extended the training in the Chicago area.

Carson developed the "I Am Moving, I Am Learning" program with a team that worked with Head Start teachers to integrate health into the curriculum. The group was honored by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for their efforts.

NEW FACULTY MEMBERS ANNOUNCED, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 6

Damien Clement has joined the College of PA & SS as assistant professor, Sport and Exercise Psychology. Clement earned his Ph.D. in Sport and Exercise Psychology from WVU. He earned his master's degree in Community Counseling from WVU along with a master's degree in Sport and Exercise Psychology from WVU. He holds a bachelor's degree in athletic training from the University of Charleston, WV. Damien has teaching experience in both undergraduate and graduate levels, and has served as an instructor in sport and exercise psychology and as a teaching assistant in athletic training.

He has made numerous presentations, and has published nationally. He has clinical athletic training experience and is a member of various professional associations, including the National Board for Certified Counselors, the North American Society for the Sociology of Sport, and the National Athletic Trainers' Association. Congratulations to Damien for his appointment. We're glad you are staying in Morgantown!

Michele Dell Pruett, PhD (ABD), ATC, LAT, will join the College of PA & SS as the new Athletic Training clinical instructor, replacing Amy Hile. Michele earned both her Ph.D. and M.S. degrees from Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, Tennessee, with a major in Health and Human Performance and Exercise Science and Health Promotion, respectively. Michele earned her B.S. degree from Towson University, Towson, MD. Most recently, Michele served as graduate teaching assistant at Middle Tennessee State University where she taught numerous courses, including Kinesiology, Health and Wellness and Exercise Leadership. She also served

as head athletic trainer and instructor at Friends School of Baltimore and certified athletic trainer in Timonium, MD and provided patient care in therapy settings. Her research includes exercise intervention, personal training programs, and fitness testing in children. She has been involved in numerous presentations and publications and holds various certifications, including certified athletic trainer, National Athletic Trainers' Association and is a member of the American College of Sports Medicine. We are looking forward to having her as a member of the School's faculty.

Congratulations to **Dr. Vanessa Shannon** on her appointment as assistant professor in the Department of Sport Sciences. Vanessa earned her doctorate from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, in Exercise, Sport, and Leisure Studies, with a specialization in Sport Psychology. She has a master's degree from Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS in Kinesiology, with a specialization in Exercise and Sport Psychology. She earned her bachelor's degree from Rice University, Houston, TX with a major in Psychology, and Kinesiology.

She has served as department chair and assistant professor, Department of Exercise and Sport Science, at Tennessee Wesleyan College since 2005. Previously, she was adjunct professor, Department of Exercise and Sport Science, Tennessee Wesleyan College. She has authored numerous publications and has made various professional presentations, both national and international. We are looking forward to welcoming you to campus.

WVU STUDENTS HELP SAVE LIVES DURING BLOOD DRIVE

Nearly 70 West Virginia University fans showed their Mountaineer spirit and helped save lives by donating blood this past fall at WVU's Erickson Alumni Center.

The Backyard Brawl Blood Drive – organized with the American Red Cross and held in conjunction with the December 2007 WVU-University of Pittsburgh football game – was sponsored by the Sport Management Club in the WVU School of Physical Education and the Mountaineer Maniacs.

“The effort that members of the Sport Management Club and Mountaineer Maniacs contributed to making this blood drive a tremendous success is due in large part to their commitment to community service,” said Floyd Jones, associate professor of sport management. “These students are committed when it comes to making a positive difference in the community.”

Blood drives for the American Red Cross took place on both the WVU and University of Pittsburgh campuses around the time of the Backyard Brawl. WVU students collected 108 units of blood; Pitt's total was 102 units, said Adam Reaves, American Red Cross Donor Resources field representative for WVU.

“All the groups worked very hard these past few weeks, and it showed,” Reaves said. “The 108 units the Sport Management Club and Mountaineer Maniacs collected have the potential to save 324 lives.”

“The event was successful because students did great volunteer work,” added Zach Eckert, WVU Sport Management Club president. “The Red Cross staff did a fantastic job of keeping things moving at a steady pace and comforting the donors.”

DANCE TEAM SHARES ENTHUSIASM BEYOND THE COURT

The WVU Dance Team is well known by fans for encouraging crowd enthusiasm at University athletic events, specifically men's and women's basketball home games. The WVU Dance Team recently competed in the Cheer/Dance College Nationals for the first time. The team was successful at placing second in their respective division at College Nationals. The experience allowed the Dance Team to be recognized alongside many other nationally ranked teams including others from the Big East, such as Louisville and Rutgers.



Mary Krosnjar, pictured far right, last row, is a May 2008 graduate and former employee, ICPE. Mary served as manager of the Dance Team.

STUDENT BRIEFS

Ashley Shackelford received the NASPE Outstanding Major of the Year award at the AAHPERD conference this past April. Each member school designates one student to receive the award. Ashley took advantage of her time at the conference by attending sessions from opening through the end of the daily schedule.

School of Physical Education Athletic Training students, fifteen in all, attended the West Virginia Athletic Trainers' Association Annual Sports Medicine Conference this April at West Virginia Wesleyan College, Buckhannon, WV.

The students once again captured the annual quiz bowl "trivia" contest for undergraduate students enrolled in CAATE-accredited athletic training education programs in the state of WV. Including WVU, there are six CAATE-accredited athletic training education programs located in West Virginia.

The WVU quiz bowl members included: Derek

DeProspero, Senior, Hurricane, WV; Adrian Western, Senior, Reedsville, WV; Kevin Boss, Senior, Bethel Park, PA; Kari Williams, Junior, Elkins, WV.

The Conference is an educational session designed for athletic trainers and allied health professionals to obtain continuing educational units and to network with professionals in WV. The Conference featured several speakers including ATCs and MDs speaking on athletic-training related topics and hands-on workshops to practice new skills.

"The quiz bowl is a fun event for all of the students in our Athletic Training Program and is the highlight of the student program at the WVATA conference. It gives them a chance to show off their knowledge, gage where they rank against their peers and meet students from other programs in WV," commented Amy Hile, program faculty member.

ALUMNI BRIEFS

1948

Robert D. Carroll, BS, '52 MS, Scottsdale, AZ, is 81 years old. He is one of only three living former WVU basketball players who never lost a home game at WVU.

1953

George Esper, BS, P.I. Reed School of Journalism professor, appeared on "Breaking News: How the Associated Press Has Covered War, Peace and Everything Else" book panel last July. The show aired twice on C-SPAN. The original panel discussion at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C., featured former and present AP reporters, including Esper, as they recalled their coverage of major world events with first-hand, eyewitness accounts on presidents, elections, wars, civil rights, trials and crimes, disasters, business and major sport events...**Jack E. "Duke" Wellington**, BS, Laurinburg, NC, celebrated 54 years of marriage to his wife, Kathy. Duke was a catcher for the WVU baseball team from 1949-53.

1960

Betty Jo Richards Harper, BS, Fort Wayne, IN, retired in 2006 as director of Northrop High School Planetarium where she worked for 12 years.

1961

Ray Borlie, BS, Boyton Beach, FL, a former WVU letterman retired after 30 years with the Broward County Government in Ft. Lauderdale.

1964

William H. "Bill" Fleming III, BS, Lynchburg, VA, retired as co-owner and president of rehabilitation associates of central Virginia, a multiple outpatient physical therapy practice.

1965

Vic Green, BS, '88 BS, Hurricane, WV, and his wife, Lorena Green, celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary in August 2007. Vic retired from Peabody Coal. He also served Governor Underwood and Governor Wise as administrator to the Board of Coal Mine Health and Safety...**Regis Woods**, BS, '68 MA, Cambridge, OH, is president of Guernsey County Port Authority for Economic Development.

1966

Wayne W. Kiger, BS, Westover, WV, Retired in June after 41 years of teaching elementary education in the Monongalia County School system at both River-

side Elementary School and Westwood Middle School. Wayne will still continue to coach basketball at Westwood Middle School.

1967

Linda Safer Caplan, BS, Sugarland, TX, is a home based travel agent. You may contact her at (www.lindacaplan.joystar.com).

1970

Garland S. Hudson, BS, Orange Park, FL, is president of the Rotary Club. He enjoys spending time with his six grandchildren...**Earl W. Kennedy**, BA, '82 MS, retired from Consol Energy and the US Army Reserves where he was a major and an infantry and military police officer.

1971

Mary Kay Bell, BS, Miami, FL, is the Director (Principal) of a Pre-School, Gulliver Academy. She received a Masters in Education Leadership from Nova University...**Wendell Teets**, MA, '80 EdD, Mountain Lake Park, MD, is a superintendent of schools in Garrett County, MD. He started his 10th year with Garrett County Schools and previously served as superintendent in Taylor County for eight years.

1975

Stephen Michael Joseph, BS, Winfield, WV, was nominated for the 2006-2007 Cambridge Who's Who Among Professional Teachers of Special Education.

1977

Dave "DC" Colt, BS was inducted into the National Athletic Training Association Hall of Fame at the NATA Annual Meeting in St. Louis! His former friends/colleagues from WVU celebrated along with the NW Missouri State alumni party to honor DC on June 19.

1978

Leon H. Ryan III, BS, Birmingham, AL, is a district sales manager for Morgan Stanley for Arkansas, Arizona, Mississippi, and the Florida panhandle...

Cynthia "Sam" Booth, BS was recognized in a recent issue of the NATA NEWS as the first woman to serve as NATA District Four director.

1979

S. Rebecca Franklin, BS, '99 MS, Has been employed as a 7th grade Social Studies teacher at Cheat Lake Middle School, Morgantown, WV for 26 years, and she is also a coach for girls' basketball & track.

Jes Hutson, BS, '82 MS, received the Fayette County Chamber of Commerce Award for Post Secondary Educator of

the Year....

Michelle "Shelly Ski" Ostrowski, BS, '88 MS, Warrenton, OH, owns her own massage therapy business, Almost Heaven Massage....**Douglas L. Timmons**,

EdD, Terre Haute, IN, is the intern dean for the College of Health and Human Performance at Indiana State University.

1981

Mark Cuneo, BS, '82 MA, Greensburg, PA, is president of his own janitorial company which he started in 2000....**Jay E. Krohe**, BS, MS '89 MA, Bridgeport, WV, is a senior account executive with Wolters Kluwer Financial Service.

1982

Debra Berkey, MS, '85 EdD, Grand Junction, MI, received the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance Honor Award. She has been a faculty member at Western Michigan University since 1984 and HPER Chairperson since 1994...**Tom Gocke**, BS, '00 MS, Cary, NC, and his wife Cheryl, started Gizmo Educational Enterprises, Inc., and educational company. They enjoy spending time with their daughter, Hailey Rose.

1988

Jacquelin Cuneen, EdD, received the Dr. Garth Patton Distinguished Service Award at the 2006 North American Society for Sport Management Conference. She is a professor with the division of sport management, recreation, and tourism at Bowling Green University...**Tom Maderia**, MS, Burlington Twp, NJ, was inducted into the South Jersey Football Hall of Fame...**Pat Rudolph**, BS, is assistant head coach at Guilford College in Greensboro, NC.

1990

Dr. Christine Lottes, EdD, has been named to the Frostburg State University Bobcat Hall of Fame. Lottes established herself as one of the top coaches in the history of the university during her nine-year tenure with the field hockey program.

1991

Gary Allen Ashcraft, BS, Fruitland Park, FL, is currently employed as a pharmacist by Walgreens Pharmacy in Lady Lake, FL. He has been the pharmacy manager for 3 years. Gary and his wife Amy welcomed their first child, Ella, in December, 2006.

1993

Kimberly Everhart, MS, Lock Haven, PA, recently began working along with husband Brett, on the faculty of the Department of Health and Physical

Education at Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania...**Mike Montoro**, MS, Sport Management, has left his position as associate director of Athletics for media relations position at Southern Mississippi to return to WVU as the SID for football.

1994

Brett Everhart, Ed.D, Lock Haven, PA, recently began working along with wife Kimberly, on the faculty of the Department of Health and Physical Education at Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania.

1996

Whit Babcock, MS, Sport Management, has accepted a position at the University of Missouri athletic department. Whit has spent the past five years as assistant athletic director working with the Mountaineer Athletic Club...

Eric Buchanan, MS, Sport Management, was appointed regional vice president for Learfield Sports Pacific Region last December and is now based at the company's Dallas headquarters. Previously, he served as general manager for "Hawkeye Sports Properties", a property of Learfield Sports in Iowa. As RVP, Buchanan will be responsible for overseeing Learfield Sports' various partner relationships in the Pacific Region...**Geoff Lofstead**, MS, Sport Management, has been selected as the new PGA executive director of the American-South Florida Section. Geoff will assume his duties at the end of 2008, when the current director retires. The South Florida Section is the third largest sectional office among the 41 in the U.S.

1997

Tom Kuster, MS, Athletic Training, is currently director of Sports Medicine at James Madison University. Tom was part of the keynote presentation at the Virginia Athletic Trainers Association (VATA) on "Team Physician Accessibility Issues in Athletics." Tom also presented a Shoulder Rehabilitation workshop with GA Clarke Holter, '06. In addition, Tom was elected as President-Elect of the VATA for the next two years and will assume the role of president in January 2010. JMU staff member Scott Cook, '91, also presented at the VATA meeting....**Bryan Messerly**, MS, Sport Management, has assumed the SID position at WVU, taking over for Shelly Poe, who recently left for The OSU.

1999

Jonathan Gibson, MS, Sport Management, has been appointed vice president of marketing for Penske Performance,

a newly created position within the organization. In this role, Gibson will oversee sponsorship management, media and public relations, licensing as well as other marketing functions for its teams in NASCAR, the IndyCar Series and the American Le Mans Series.

2000

Tiffany Basnett, MS, Sport Management, director of corporate partnerships with the LA Galaxy, is leaving that position to assume a corporate sponsorship position with Gatorade (Quaker Oats) in Chicago.

2001

Heather Wiles, BS, was recently awarded the Judy Knadzari Rural Health Scholarship through the WVU School of Nursing.

2002

Tamara D. Holmes, MS, Sport Management, has been named assistant athletics director for development and marketing at Fayetteville State University...**Deana Schneider**, BS, Athletic Training, moved to Arizona during July 2007 to be with her fiancé Doug. Deana enjoys her job at Cienega High School in Vail, Arizona but really does miss everyone...**Quincy Wilson**, BS, Cincinnati, OH, former running back for the Mountaineers, is a running back with the Cincinnati Bengals.

2004

Danny Harbert, BS, is currently teaching PE and Health at the Middle School level at Manteo Middle School on the beautiful beaches of the Outer Banks...

Shawn McCarthy, BA, Athletic Training, is the head athletic trainer at Palm Beach Central High School in Wellington, Florida...**Abbie Renaker**, MS, Sport Management, was profiled in the e-NCAA News video, staff spotlight section. She serves as assistant director of membership services for the NCAA. In the video, Abbie explains what it means for her to work at the NCAA and what it's like growing up with six brothers and sisters.

2005

Kojo Mesa, BS, Sport Management, is now the sport consultant, Sport & Recreation Branch, Ministry of Health Promotion for (OH!) Canada.

2006

Clarke Holter, BS, recently graduated from James Madison University with a Masters' degree and will be a one year intern with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers...

Michael Dean, MS, Sport Management, has served as the compliance coordinator at Rice University since October, 2006.

A native of Birmingham, Alabama, Dean graduated from Birmingham-Southern College in 2005 with a B.A. in History and served as the head student equipment manager for the baseball team. While at WVU, he served as a compliance assistant in the WVU compliance office. He is engaged to Ms. Andrea Boohaker of Birmingham, Alabama...**Amanda Kennedy**, MS, Sport Management, was part of the Atlanta Braves trainee class that was honored in September 2007 on the field...**Casey Quinlan**, MS, ACE, is the new director of the Mountaineer Line with the WVU Foundation. Casey will be responsible for the day to day management of the Foundation phonathon programs. Casey most recently served as admissions coordinator at Indiana University of Pennsylvania and also has a Bachelor of Science in Journalism from WVU...**Mike Sibilia**, recently graduated from the University of South Carolina with a Masters' degree and will be a one year intern with the Cleveland Browns.

2007

Tom Belmaggio '98 BS, was hired as the head athletic trainer at Marshall University in November 2007...**Raynie Theis**, BS, Sport Management, accepted the position as assistant women's tennis coach at UMass in July. Theis spent four seasons on the WVU women's tennis team, playing No.1 doubles and Nos. 2-6 singles.

2008

Bookal, Shauna, MS, received the Stadium Managers Association (SMA) Scholarship Award for the 2007-2008 academic year. This is especially notable, as there are hundreds of applicants for two awards each year, and for two years in a row, WVU Sport Management students received the award. Shauna is a May 2008 graduate... **Kiley Harris**, former WVU soccer player and Sport Management graduate, completed an Adrenaline internship at Nike World Headquarters in Beaverton, Oregon, last summer. The 21-year-old who graduated summa cum laude this past May, compiled auditing information, tracking factories that produce the Nike apparel, footwear and equipment that athletes will wear during the upcoming Beijing Olympics.

SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION 2007- 2008 AWARDS AND 2008- 2009 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

2008-2009 Scholarship Recipients

Kristina Olivia Miller - Roger Alford Scholarship
 Jamie Lynn Kocher - Ferris and Deanna Antoon Textbook Scholarship
 Jeff Glenn Core - Marvin (Bucky) Bolyard Scholarship
 Justine Vosloo - Dana D. Brooks Doctoral Student Book Scholarship
 Amy Marie Toler - Fred M. Coombs Scholarship
 Sheri Lynn Likens - Doris Dorinzi Scholarship
 Amanda Metcalf - Dr. Patricia K. Fehl Graduate Student Scholarship
 Kari Beth Williams - Eleanor Lantz Scholarship
 Jennifer L. Stiles - William A. and Anna F. Shuman Scholarship
 Steven Lee Johnson - John Semon Scholarship
 Kelly Nicole Evanovich - C. Peter Yost Scholarship and Albert C. "Whitey" Gwynne Athletic Training Scholarship
 Takeshi Kojima - K. Douglas Bowers Athletic Training Scholarship and Jimmy Leard Memorial Athletic Training Scholarship
 Trevor Jones - Erika Lynn Cadran Memorial Athletic Training Scholarship
 Tiffany Satzer - Albert "Whitey" Gwynne Scholarship Athletic Training Scholarship
 Nicole Rendos - John C. Spiker Athletic Training Scholarship
 Markeisha Denise Everett- Jerry P. Wilkins Leadership Award and Jerry Wilkins Book Scholarship

Special Student Award

Ashley Shackelford - NASPE Outstanding Major of the Year Award, 2007-2008

2007- 2008 Outstanding Undergraduate Student Awards

Kylee Turbush - Athletic Coaching Education Program
 Amanda Neal - Athletic Training Program
 Shannon West - Physical Education Teacher Education Program
 Matthew Makara - Sport and Exercise Psychology Program
 Zack Eckert - Sport Management Program

2007- 2008 Outstanding Graduate

Student Awards

Jesse Mehle - Athletic Coaching Education Program
 Jennifer Street - Athletic Training Program
 Amy Rogers-Sidwell - Physical Education Teacher Education Program
 Christiaan Abildso - Sport and Exercise Psychology Program
 Shauna Bookal - Sport Management Program

2007- 2008 Faculty Awards

Professor Bruce Wilmoth - Outstanding Service Award and Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award
 Dr. Sam Zizzi - Outstanding Grantsperson of the Year Award
 Dr. Sean Bulger - Outstanding Service Award and Outstanding Researcher of the Year Award
 Dr. Lynn Housner - Outstanding Researcher Award and Outstanding Service Award
 Dr. Jack Watson - Outstanding Researcher Award and Outstanding Service Award

Dr. Andrew Hawkins - Outstanding Service of the Year Award

Staff Awards

Val Gittings, Editorial Assistant - Shining Star Award
 Chad Kearns, Swimming Pool Attendant - Shining Star Award and Attendance Award
 Tracy Wheeler, Operations Manager - Shining Star Award
 Doug Satterfield, Assistant Supervisor of Campus Services - Attendance Award
 Sharon Sisler, Manager of Business Operations - Distinguished Leadership Award and Attendance Award

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IN MEMORIAM

Charles E. Bane, '74, Barrackville, WV, January 25, 2008

John Z. Brumbaugh, '55, Bonita Springs, FL,
December 26, 2007

Larry B. Ciccarelli, '51, Beckley, WV, January 6, 2008

Stephen "Geno" Dragovich, '75 BS, Morgantown, WV,
September 13, 2006

Jane H. Drake, '35, Newark, NY, February 29, 2008

Jack B. Feck, '50, Morgantown, WV, February 23, 2008

John A. Flournoy, '97, Mount Hope, WV,
November 30, 1997

William L. Garten, '46, Hinton, WV, May 2, 2008

Joseph F. Johnston, '36, Winston Salem, NC,
February 25, 2008

George Kocaka, '50, San Juan Capistrano, CA,
May 19, 2008

Robert C. Newbrough, '65, Fairmont, WV, March 17, 2008

Donald R. O'Harver, '55, Cibolo, TX, January 21, 2008

Thomas A. Phillips, '74, Mount Hope, WV, May 29, 2008

Eugene A. Piscitelli, '75, Harpers Ferry, WV,
February 1, 2008

Dominic R. Pisegna, 42, Waxhaw, NC, July 22, 2007

Raymond F. Ponceroff, '80, Mountain Lake Park, MD,
December 27, 2007

Arthur John "Art" Valotto, '50 BS, 52 MA, Winchester,
VA, December 22, 2006

Huey L. Wilson, '53, Blacksville, WV, December 22, 2007

Thomas Yeater, '67, Moundsville, WV, December 30, 2007



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FALL 2008 EVENTS**

NEW NAME ANNOUNCEMENT EVENT

September 12, 2008, 3 p.m.
Jerry West Mountaineer Lounge, Coliseum

WALL OF HONOR RECEPTION

October 9, 2008, 3 p.m.
Jerry West Mountaineer Lounge
Coliseum

TRIBUTE TO DR. ANDREW OSTROW

October 9, 2008, 6 p.m.
Erickson Alumni Center

FALL VISITING COMMITTEE MEETING

October 9, 10 & 11, 2008

HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONY

October 10, 2008
Reception, 7 p.m.
Induction Ceremony, 8 p.m.
Erickson Alumni Center

HOMECOMING TENT RECEPTION

WVU vs. Syracuse
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