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# Family and Consumer Sciences

2015-16 Academic Year Newsletter



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Greetings FCS Alumni and Friends!



We have had another busy and productive year in the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences! The many accomplishments of our faculty and students contained in this newsletter are evidence of the great work being done in FCS.

### Curriculum Improvements

We finalized an articulation agreement between KVCC's new culinary program and our Food Service Administration program and celebrated this with a reception at KVCC in June. Family Science faculty developed and received approval to begin in Fall 2016 an accelerated graduate degree program for the MA in FCS in the Family Life Education and Child Life emphases. This innovative program allows high achieving undergraduates the opportunity to take graduate courses in their senior year, reducing costs and shortening the time to achieve a master's degree. The new Child Life emphasis admitted its first students in Fall 2015.

### National Student Recognition

Attesting to the high quality of our students and faculty, several students were recognized nationally. Jerry Phelps, a Family Studies undergrad and Family Life Education graduate student Melinda Holohan were among a select group who graduated with National Council on Family Relations (NCFR) honors, which recognizes outstanding achievements in academics, leadership, and community service. Dena Alobiedat, textile and apparel studies major, received the Wil Conrad Regents University Fashion Design Scholarship for 2015. This marks the third consecutive year a student from our program has been awarded the competitive national Regents Scholarship. Interior Design student Gabby Booth was part of a team of students who finished 2nd at the Chicago NeoCon competition, sponsored by the International Interior Design Association (IIDA). This was the first year a WMU student was eligible to compete after our student organization was named a Campus Student Center by IIDA.

### Department Strategic Planning

2015-16 marked the 2nd year of a 3-year Strategic Planning process for FCS. The original plan was developed in consultation with an external expert, and faculty and staff have been working hard to implement our priorities. Goals for 2016-17 include continuing to achieve greater work-life balance and quality instruction. Other goals involve further upgrading of facilities, making technology more accessible and relevant, and enhancing networks and collaboration within FCS and between FCS and other entities on campus and beyond.

As you may have heard, as of January, 2017 I will begin serving as Dean of WMU's Lee Honors College. Dr. Richard Zinser will serve as Interim Chair while a national search is conducted for a new FCS Department Chair.

Thanks for all that you do to support the FCS Department! Please stop by and see us sometime.

*Gary H. Bischof*

Gary H. Bischof, Ph.D.  
Professor and Chair

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# Career and Technical Education



## In memoriam: Leta C. Schoenhals

Leta C. Schoenhals, age 95, passed away on January 30 at her residence in Friendship Village. She has been a great friend of the College of Education and Human Development and the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences, and holds both bachelor's and master's degrees from WMU.

Along with her deceased husband, Neil Schoenhals (30-year WMU faculty member and Director of the Education Resource Center), they are the namesakes of the Neil and Leta Schoenhals Undergraduate Memorial Endowment Fund which provides scholarships to Industrial Technology Education majors in the Career and Technical Education area. They and others have donated over \$100,000 to the fund, which annually awards scholarships of several thousand dollars per year.

Leta served as a high school counselor in Portage Public Schools for 24 years, and was a 2006 recipient of the College's Golden Apple Award. She had a distinguished history of community and church involvement.



## Manley receives \$10k MDE grant

Dr. Adam Manley, associate professor of career and technical education, received a \$10k grant for the 2015-16 year from the Michigan Department of

Education to promote the post-baccalaureate option in CTE at military bases and update [teachcte.com](http://teachcte.com), a job search website for Michigan CTE.

The post-baccalaureate option allows individuals with a specified number of hours of experience in a trade to take several teacher education courses to become eligible to teach in Michigan. An online Troops-to-Teachers component is offered specifically for military service members.

## CTE proposes name change to 'Workforce Education and Development'

The Career and Technical Education area has proposed a name change to Workforce Education and Development (WFED), as well as creating a new WFED minor. Faculty believe that the new name is more descriptive and transparent to students, and will increase enrollment; several other universities outside Michigan use the "Workforce Education and Development" label with good results. The name change and minor are in the process of being approved, and a new major is also planned.

The new WFED minor is a non-teacher certification option within the WFED curriculum, created to fill a need in organizations for bachelor's-trained professionals to provide technical training, staff development, and career guidance. Graduates will also be qualified to teach at postsecondary institutions such as community colleges, technical institutes, military, correctional facilities, and other organizations where a bachelor's degree and technical experience are required. Currently there is no other technical teacher preparation institution in the state with this minor. Prospective students will likely be interested in business or industry; they may already work in relevant occupations without a bachelor's degree. Students in other majors, such as health-related programs that plan on working with adults in an education and training role, may be attracted to this minor.



On Friday, April 22, 2016 the College of Education and Human Development hosted the 16th annual Awards and Recognition Ceremony, an event which honors faculty, staff, and students who have achieved a high level of excellence in their area.

Dr. Adam Manley, associate professor of career and technical education, was the recipient of the Trailblazer Award. This award recognizes a single faculty member who engages in innovative scholarship, including creative activity, research, program development, software development or other scholarly pursuit which impacts their discipline.

Dr. Manley identifies four threads in his research and scholarship, all having to do with improving CTE: federal policy, workplace readiness, teacher education in CTE, and college and career selection.

One of his articles, "The decentralization of Perkins: History, impact and recommendations for future CTE legislation," published in the *Journal of CTE Research* (the top journal in CTE), received the Outstanding CTE Research Journal article award.

He has also been active in grant work in these early stages of his career, securing five external grants from the Michigan Department of Education's Office of Career and Technical Education for a total of nearly \$70,000, and two internal department grants totaling over \$11,000.

Dr. Manley has also made significant contributions serving his profession at the national, state and regional levels. He was selected, based upon his expertise, as one of 13 CTE professionals nationally to help review and develop assessments for teachers wishing to become nationally board certified in CTE; this work is part of the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. In 2013 he was selected as one of 15 from 450 applicants to serve on a national committee to revise national CTE standards.

Dr. Manley, along with Dr. Ángel Gullón-Rivera, faculty member of family science, and Nolan Rogers, undergraduate student in the family science program, (pictured on page 7), represented the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences at the awards. Congratulations to the three of them!

## Faculty member Adam Manley is recipient of CEHD Trailblazer award





# Dietetics

## Alumna spotlight: Libby MacQuillan

Alumna Libby MacQuillan received her masters degree in family and consumer sciences with a concentration in dietetics in 2010. Since then, MacQuillan has had many roles. She has worked as a bariatric clinical dietitian, a part-time instructor of Dietetics, a private practice dietitian, a school nutrition expert, and a lactation consultant. MacQuillan credits her education for offering her the flexibility to learn and grow in new professional roles.

"Interdisciplinary work is increasing in relevance as we move to a more streamlined healthcare system. Never turn down the opportunity to learn new skills and work in interdisciplinary teams; my experience in many different roles, from bariatric nutrition, education, and lactation nutrition have all opened doors to me as a professional," MacQuillan states.

Currently, she is working for Grand Valley State University (GVSU) as an assistant professor of clinical dietetics. She is also entering the final year of the Interdisciplinary Health Science doctoral program at WMU. She is conducting research on nutrition related to pregnancy and birth outcomes.



**Gregory Stacey, BS '12, MA '16**

Dual alumnus Gregory Stacey is currently working as an acute care clinical dietitian for Spectrum Health. Upon graduation of both the undergraduate dietetics program and the masters program in family and consumer sciences with a concentration in dietetics, Stacey began his work for Spectrum Health. He also serves as a guest lecturer for both professional and community events to help bring awareness to the importance of nutrition.



**Breanne Larson, BS '14**

Alumna Breanne Larson obtained a job as a contractor within the Nutrition Labeling department of Kellogg. Working in the food manufacturing industry, especially with food laws and regulations really sparked her interest in the overall food production process. In particular, Larson has become interested in the food safety and quality assurance aspects of the industry. She is currently working towards a master's degree in food safety at Michigan State University.



**Shantel Fessler, BS '11**

Alumna Shantel Fessler is currently a Registered Dietitian and Physician Assistant at the Michigan Gastroenterology Institute. After completion of her dietetic internship, Fessler worked mostly with oncology patients as a clinical dietitian. From there she decided to apply to WMU's physician assistant program and was accepted. Upon graduation, she accepted her current position where she alternates between outpatient and inpatient clinics.





Two groups of senior dietetic students presented posters at the Annual Conference of Michigan Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics held in Lansing at the end of April.

One poster, titled "Comparison of Sensory Attributes, Water Activity, and Consumer Acceptability of Turkey Burgers Made with Varying Amounts of Aloe Vera Gel," placed first in the poster competition.

This poster was presented by students Kayla Carvey, Allison Dungey, Amber Herr, and faculty member Arezoo Rojhani. Another poster, titled, "Potassium Chloride as a Salt Substitute in Whole Wheat Bread," authored by students, Andrea Noud, Courtney Waddell, Paige Winkler, and faculty member Arezoo Rojhani, placed second in the poster competition.

## Dietetics students place in poster competition



Amber M. Herr, Dietetics, is the 2016 Presidential Scholar in Family and Consumer Sciences. Herr attended Grand Valley State University before transferring to WMU. Following graduation, she was accepted into a dietetic internship program at Viterbo University in La Crosse, WI. She plans to become a registered dietitian and work in the community or an outpatient facility providing nutrition education. The Presidential Scholar award is the most prestigious award for WMU undergraduates; each

department selects just one outstanding student.

Amber's goal is to educate people about food and nutrition so they can get the most out of their lives, whether it is postoperative healing, sustaining energy for a marathon, or managing chronic illness. She was a dietary aide at Friendship Village's long-term care facility, a camp cook at YMCA Camp Pinewood and has worked with various other organizations.

## Dietetic student named FCS 2016 Presidential Scholar



# Family Science



## NCFR contest winners

The National Council on Family Relations named FSSO members Latrice Hendricks and Blair Kelly winners of the 2015 Family Life Education Month Contest in the "Fact Sheet" category.

The Fact Sheet, which includes information on family life education and how to become certified was displayed during the Certified Family Life Educator (CFLE) Reception at the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR) Annual Conference on November 13th in Vancouver, BC, and received recognition in the NCFR publications NCFR Report and CFLE Network, and on the NCFR website.

Family and consumer sciences faculty member and FSSO advisor Robin Millar facilitated the students' involvement in the contest.



## Students graduates with national honors

Jerry Phelps, a family studies student who graduated in fall 2015, was one of just 29 students from across the country who graduated with National Council on Family Relations (NCFR) honors.

Later in the year Family Life Education graduate student Melinda Holohan was also named an NCFR Honors student.



## FSSO facilitates water drive

In April 2016, the FSSO facilitated a water drive for Flint residents in support of the Flint Water Crisis. They collected 400 gallons in Korhman Hall in order to help bring relief to the families affected in the Flint area.

The FSSO partnered with a local church, New Apostolic Church of Portage, collecting over 600 gallons of water. They then delivered the water to the collection facility in Flint. Thank you to those who helped!



## FSSO hosts networking event

The FSSO, with the guidance and support of faculty advisor Robin Millar, hosted a Family Science Professional Experience and Networking event in March, 2016.

The event drew over 20 human service agencies and programs in the area who met with students regarding their services and possible volunteer, internship, and job opportunities. President Dunn also attended the event.



On Friday, April 22, 2016 the College of Education and Human Development hosted the 16th annual Awards and Recognition Ceremony, an event which honors faculty, staff, and students who have achieved a high level of excellence in their area.

During this year's event, one faculty member and one student from the family sciences area were honored. Dr. Ángel Gullón-Rivera (pictured far left) was the recipient of the Mary L. Dawson Teaching Excellence Award, an award that recognizes a full-time faculty member who demonstrates exceptional creativity, enthusiasm, and passion for teaching at the undergraduate and/or graduate level.

Dr. Gullón-Rivera sees teaching as integral to his faculty role; he states that students depend on faculty to learn and be prepared professionals, and he values being a part of that process. Students appreciate Dr. Gullón-Rivera's "dynamic presentations," and use of multiple pedagogical techniques, large and small group discussion prompts, and stories to illustrate course concepts. He uses information and examples from his own research and life experiences to support course materials. A hallmark of great teaching is developing

passion for learning. Dr. Gullón-Rivera's teaching leads students to report being "lucky to have him as an instructor" and encouraged to continue to learn.

Nolan Rogers (pictured center), a student in the family studies program, was the 2016 recipient of the Rising Star Award, an award that recognizes a student who has demonstrated outstanding potential in scholarship, teaching, and/or professional leadership within WMU. In addition to being a full-time student and part-time student employee, Rogers is also a member of the CEHD Inclusion and Diversity Committee, the Family Sciences Student Organization, the Gamma Rho Chapter of Phi Sigma Pi National Honor's Society, and the TRiO Future Educator Success Program. He has been selected to serve as a LeadCorp intern at WMU during the 2016-2017 academic year and was nominated for the WMU 2016 Student Employee of the Year Award.

Rogers works part-time for SkillsUSA Michigan, advocates for awareness and acceptance of the LGBTQ community through public speaking, and dedicates many hours to supporting young patients with cancer.

## Family sciences winners at CEHD awards include student and faculty member





# Fashion Merchandising and Design

## Little dresses for Africa project

Twenty fashion merchandising and design students and members of Merchandising Opportunities and Design Association (MODA), spent Saturday, April 2, 2016 creating cotton dresses for children in African countries. Fabric for the dresses was donated by several generous faculty members in the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS).

The idea came when faculty member Barbara Frazier pitched the idea to fashion design student, Tori Ford. Ford then recruited fellow design students and organized a Saturday work session. The students collectively created about 40 dresses in the FCS apparel lab.

The dresses will be donated to Little Dresses for Africa, a nonprofit organization which provides relief to vulnerable children throughout the continent of Africa and beyond. Although clothing is desperately needed, these "little dresses" serve a much greater purpose. To learn more visit [littledressesforafrica.org](http://littledressesforafrica.org).



### Third consecutive WMU student to win national scholarship

Fashion Merchandising and Design student Dena Alobiedat won the Wil Conard Regent's University Fashion Marketing scholarship for 2015. This is a nationally competitive scholarship given each year by the International Textile and Apparel Association.

Alobiedat, a senior from Kalamazoo, used her award to study abroad at Regent's University School of Fashion and Design in London in spring 2016. She was recognized as the recipient of the Regent's Study Abroad in London Award at the ITAA Annual conference in Santa Fe, New Mexico, in November 2015.

This award marks the third consecutive year that a WMU student has won this prestigious scholarship. Previous recipients were Emily Olson in 2014 and Malu Figueiredo Palma in 2013.



### FMD hires new faculty member: Dr. Mary Simpson

Dr. Mary Simpson will join the fashion merchandising and design faculty in fall 2016 as assistant professor. Dr. Simpson received her doctoral degree in curriculum and instruction from Baylor University.

She previously served as lecturer and program coordinator in the department of family and consumer sciences at Baylor, where she taught courses in apparel production, fashion illustration, and pattern development. Dr. Simpson also served as lecturer at the University of Texas and Marshalltown Community College, and owned a business where she led a 500 person sales force.

Dr. Simpson is excited to teach fashion design courses at WMU and pursue her research interests in creativity and collaborative learning and effectively apply these concepts to the academic environment and the apparel industry.



The Department of Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) welcomed Dr. Hanan Bukhari as a visiting faculty in the fashion merchandising and design program for the 2015-16 academic year.

Dr. Bukhari is an associate professor and chair of the clothing and textiles and fashion design departments at King Abdulaziz University in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia. During her year with FCS, Dr. Bukhari collaborated with fashion merchandising and design faculty Dr. Barbara Frazier and Kelly Weathers on a research project to investigate how novice learners approach the design process. The results of the project will be presented at an upcoming professional conference in Vancouver, B.C.

Dr. Bukhari also served as a member of an FCS strategic planning team focused on enhancing technology, and represented FCS at university events such as Medallion and Multicultural Leader Scholars.

Dr. Bukhari attended several post graduate courses in professional development and 3-D visualization, and observed undergraduate courses in fashion

merchandising and design. Her plans after returning to Saudi Arabia include developing textile design courses at her university.

Dr. Bukhari has her bachelors degree in home economics, masters degree in clothing design and merchandising, and her doctorate in clothing and design. Her research interests include computer application in clothing design, clothing design software development, and curriculum support.

Pictured below, from left to right are Professor Dr. Barbara Frazier, Dr. Bukhari, part-time faculty member Stacey Monroe, and Faculty Specialist Kelly Weathers.

## FMD welcomes visiting faculty member from Saudi Arabia









## Food service alumnus adopts one-on-one model in his café

Alumnus Patrick Mixis (BS '14, Food Service Administration), is helping to feed the world with each meal served out of his restaurant Feed The World Café located in Oshtemo, Michigan.

As a student, Mixis worked with Dr. John Mueller, an entrepreneurship professor at WMU, and developed a plan, which they called 'one for one,' where a portion of every meal purchased at Mixis' restaurant—then just a dream—would go toward helping the hungry. That was three years ago. Today, the restaurant has a routinely updated menu that recently featured simple yet delectable dishes with Mixis' mark on them—fresh fish and seafood tacos, pulled pork sandwiches with homemade BBQ sauce, crispy pork belly with a blackberry chocolate pepper sauce and lemon blanched apples—to name a few.

The café has been open since early summer 2015 and as of September 30, has donated enough money to purchase 4,200 meals for the hungry in Southwest

Michigan, Mixis says, working with several local and regional food assistance agencies, including Kalamazoo Loaves & Fishes and the South Central Food Bank of Michigan.

Like any entrepreneur, Mixis has experienced some of the less than savory aspects of opening a business. "The professors in my Nutrition and Institutional Management classes helped me realize my whole mission," Mixis says. "They made it enjoyable to learn how to apply the numbers to real-world situations. Many of my classes opened my eyes to the world and how to succeed in business. They gave me the tools to succeed."

Mixis has no desire to stay put. His five-year plan is to franchise the one-to-one model, opening restaurants in larger cities creating unique menus for those locations that utilize region-specific ingredients and produce. He also hopes to sell a line of products with the Feed The World Café nameplate, which he has copywritten.





# Interior Design

## Student group named an IIDA Student Campus Center

A group of Interior Design students applied for and achieved status as an International Interior Design Association (IIDA) Student Campus Center this past year. Campus Centers provide an environment for the mutual development and exchange of knowledge within the college or university among students, educators, the administration, and design professionals.

WMU's Interior Design Student Organization (IDSO) serves as a platform for students to voice their opinions, promote community involvement, and enable communication among students and design professionals. In the future we hope to merge IDSO and the IIDA Campus Center, thereby giving all IDSO members the opportunities afforded to Campus Center student members.



## Students compete successfully at national IIDA design competition

Two Interior Design students, Gabby Booth and Alexandria Jones (above) were first-time WMU competitors at the 2016 International Interior Design Association's (IIDA) Student Design Charette in Chicago. IIDA student members work in teams with other students across the US to design a space, put together a presentation, and pitch their concept to a panel of judges. The 2016 competition asked students to design a concierge office and public space for a proposed Office of Tourism. Booth's team won 2nd place in the competition! She is pictured above right with Cheryl Durst, Executive Vice President and CEO, IIDA.



## IDSO handcrafts holiday cards for armed forces personnel

Family and Consumer Science's Interior Design Student Organization (IDSO) made holiday cards for the armed forces personnel that were away from home during the 2015 holiday season.

The holiday cards were made through an organization called "A Million Thanks," which provides support and appreciation to active and veteran military men and women through sending letters and granting betterment of life wishes, as well as providing higher education scholarships to their children.



## Psychology of Space expert visits WMU



Dr. Sally Augustin, a practicing environmental psychologist and internationally recognized expert on person-centered design, visited WMU in March. Her clients include important and well-respected design firms in North America, Europe and Asia. Dr. Augustin has written widely on science-based design for a broad audience of people interested in the designed world. She is a popular online contributor to both Psychology Today and the Harvard Business Review.

Dr. Augustin visited Interior Design courses and conducted a public presentation titled: Cultures Lived, Languages Spoken, Personalities Presented: Unlocking Their Design Implications. Her visit was made possible by the Interior Design Special Program Endowment, which was originated through the generosity of previous Interior Design faculty member Patricia Viard and her husband Richard.

## IDSO helps habitat for humanity

During Spring 2016 several members of the IDSO engaged in a community service project at a local Habitat for Humanity home site. The group spent the day putting insulation in a renovation project on Cameron Street in Kalamazoo. The house was completely gutted down to the studs, and they added a small addition.

The home partner planned to move in during the summer months. Alee Wierenga noted, "It was fun to see the progress of the home, and talk about the process these homes go through to be as energy efficient as possible."





# Awards and Recognition Ceremony

## Students, faculty, and alumni are honored at annual awards event

The Family and Consumer Sciences Awards and Recognition Ceremony was held on April 19, 2016 at the Multicultural Center in the Trimpe Building.

At the event, twenty-four student scholarship recipients received a total of approximately \$38,750. These scholarships were awarded by the department primarily through endowed scholarship funds.

Also at the event, each area of the department selected an "Outstanding Alumni" who has made notable achievements since graduating from an FCS program. The 2016 recipients can be found below.



## 2016 FCS Outstanding Alumni

### **Career and Technical Education**

BreeAnn Martin, Business Teacher, Gull Lake High School

### **Dietetics**

Wendi Sullivan, Diabetes Dietitian, Borgess Medical Center

### **Family Science**

Candi Bush, Director, Michigan Family Center for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs

### **Fashion Merchandising and Design**

Sara Russo, Trim Engineering Release Manager, Lear Corporation

### **Food Service Administration**

Patrick Mixis, Owner/Operator, Feed the World Café

### **Interior Design**

Amanda Peck Curtis, Lead Visual Merchandiser at ART VAN, and Owner/Designer for Arc Design Studios







# OUR 2016-17 FACULTY

## Career and Technical Education

Adam Manley: Associate Professor  
Charles Bruce: Instructor  
Richard Zinser: Professor

## Dietetics

Arezoo Rojhani: Associate Professor  
Caroline Webber: Associate Professor

## Family Science

Karen Blaisure: Professor  
Bryce Dickey: Master Faculty Specialist  
Kimberly Doudna: Faculty Specialist I  
Linda Dove: Faculty Specialist II  
Crystal Duncan Lane: Assistant Professor  
Angel Gullon-Rivera: Assistant Professor  
Jou-Chen Chen: Assistant Professor  
Robin Millar: Instructor

## Family Science (Continued)

Marcy Peake: Faculty Specialist I  
Andrea Smith: Professor

## Fashion Merchandising and Design

Nicole Eckerson: Instructor  
Barbara Frazier: Professor  
Mary Simpson: Assistant Professor  
Kelly Weathers: Faculty Specialist I  
Zee-Sun Yun: Associate Professor

## Food Service Administration

Francisco Cordero: Faculty Specialist I

## Interior Design

Mary Beth Kennedy Janssen: Assistant Professor  
Beth Jarl: Faculty Specialist I  
Bernard Proeschl: Associate Professor

## Faculty Recognition and Achievements in 2015-16

Adam Manley has received a \$10K grant for the 2015-16 year from Michigan Department of Education.

Dr. Barbara Frazier was elected to the Executive Council of the International Textile and Apparel Association. In her position as Vice President for education, she will contribute to development of policy for the organization and lead efforts to advance excellence in textile and apparel education.

Dr. Gary H. Bischof was elected as vice-chair of the State of Michigan Board of Marriage and Family Therapy. Gary is in his fourth year on the governor-appointed board that regulates the licensure of marriage and family therapists in Michigan.

Dr. Adam Manley was recently awarded a contract to design an interactive online course for the Plumbing, Heating, and Cooling Contractors Association.

Gary Bischof attended a conference of the Council of Administrators of Family and Consumer Sciences in Las Cruces, NM and served on a panel discussion.

Dr. Caroline Webber presented a poster at the Society for Nutrition Education and Behavior conference on a virtual classroom project that brought together students and faculty from the University of Costa Rica and students in one of her dietetics courses at WMU. Dr. Webber laid the groundwork for this project during her sabbatical in Costa Rica last year.

Dr. Kimberly Doudna successfully defended her dissertation in early March at Iowa State to complete her Ph.D. in Human Development and Family Studies. The title of her dissertation: "Application of the Family Stress Model in Populations of Rural Latina Mothers."

Dr. Caroline Webber, Dietetics, is the Chair-Elect of the Sustainable Food System Division of the Society for Nutrition Education and Behavior (SNEB) starting in August 2016, and will assume the Chair role during 2017-18.

Part-time faculty member Ms. Patti Borrello received the FCS Department 2015-16 Outstanding Teacher Award.



## Faculty Publications, Presentations, and Creative Works in 2015-16

Former Family Science part-time faculty member **Robin Gallagher** along with Child & Family Development and Family Studies students published a multi-page article "Domestic Violence: Let's Talk" on teaching domestic violence and observations of students learning about this topic which appeared in the National Council on Family Relations "Network," the newsletter for Certified Family Life Educators.

**Dr. Karen Blaisure** and colleagues recently published the 2nd edition of *Serving Military Families: Theories, Research, and Application*.

**Dr. Karen Blaisure** also published a book chapter with colleague William Allen in *Family Life Education: The Practice of Family Science*, 3rd ed., co-edited by CECP alumnus Dr. Michael J. Walcheski and Dr. Jennifer Reinke. The chapter is titled: Family Life Education and the Practice of Cross-Cultural Competence.

**Sunmin Lee:** "Prevalence of anemia and associations between neonatal iron status, hepcidin and maternal iron status among neonates born to pregnant adolescents" was accepted for publication in *Pediatric Research*.

**Marlene Breu**, professor emerita of the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences, had her second book published that she wrote during her time at WMU. The book, "Treasures of Faith: Sacred Relics and Artifacts from Armenian Orthodox Churches of Istanbul," deals with metal, wood, and a select few textiles.

## FCS staff member is recognized with semiannual WMU Make a Difference Award

Darcey Stevens (pictured second from left), a staff member in the Department of Family Consumer Sciences, is a recipient of the 2016 Semiannual Make a Difference Award given by the University. The WMU Make A Difference award is a university-wide award that recognizes staff members for their outstanding accomplishments and daily investment of energy and creativity. The award is given semi-annually and is selected by a committee of peers from participating university employee groups.





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- Maija Peterson Scholarship (Dietetic Graduate Interns)
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- Norman Slack Scholarship (Interior Design)
- Carl A Woloszyk Scholarship (CTE Graduate Students)
- Betsy Slain Wood Scholarship (FCS)
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Faculty from the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences displayed a mannequin for each program area at this year's College of Education and Human Development 60 Year Anniversary celebration.