School of Human Sciences

Happy Holidays!

From Our New Kitchen to Yours!
The faculty and staff in Human Sciences would like to wish everyone Happy Holidays!

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Dr. Lynda Martin, director and professor

This has been a busy year as you will see from the articles inside. Please note the article on our new Fashion Merchandising Gallery, as well as two new Food Laboratories. We are very excited to offer our students state-of-the-art facilities. We have new faculty in our child development and family living and food, nutrition and dietetics programs. I know you will find their backgrounds interesting, and we are excited to have quality faculty joining our ranks. In addition, we have a featured section this year on our adjunct faculty members. We also have some excellent faculty who work for us on a part-time basis, and we are so grateful to have them on our team.

May you and your family have a wonderful holiday. Please send us your business cards and information about where you are and what you are doing.

THANK YOU for your support of the School of Human Sciences at SFA!

Cheers,

Lynda Martin

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New Faculty

Dr. Lisa Mize rejoined the child development and family living program as a full-time faculty member after serving as associate dean in the James I. Perkins College of Education. Dr. Mize received her doctorate in family studies from Texas Woman’s University. You can reach Dr. Mize at lmize@sfasu.edu.

Dr. Jennifer Newquist joined the faculty in the child development and family living program as a visiting professor. Dr. Newquist received her doctorate from Texas Woman’s University in Family Therapy. You can contact Dr. Newquist at newquistjl@sfasu.edu.

Dr. ElaRuth McCullough was honored at the 2014 Honors Convocation. She received her bachelor’s degree in home economics in 1966, with a major in vocational home economics. She continued her education at SFASU, earning a Master of Science in administrative leadership in 1971. After graduation, her first job was with the Chamber of Commerce in Cleburne, Texas, as a tourism director. In this capacity, she functioned as the spokesperson for the Convention and Visitors Bureau and introduced many new venues to the city such as a botanical garden, summer music in the park, and new sporting events.

After several years of teaching at the elementary and junior high levels, she agreed to the request of her high school principal to teach family and consumer sciences at the junior and senior levels. It became obvious to her that a problem existed in the area of teenage pregnancy. She then devoted her attention and energy to helping young girls continue their education. Her successful grant writing yielded funding for a school day care, busing for participants, and social work.

At that point in her career, McCullough moved into administration to implement the new programs. She gained credentials to direct the day care program, the school’s social work department, and ultimately, the school district’s Career and Technology Program. With the success of her endeavors, the Texas Education Agency invited her to visit Texas schools and monitor their programs and finances. She also served as a SFA adjunct professor wherein she instructed graduate students on the CATE Program. Her organizational memberships include Delta Kappa Gamma and Alpha Delta Kappa, both professional sororities for teachers.
Congratulations to
Ms. Leisha Bridwell
Willie Lee Glass Faculty Spirit Award
2014-'15

Each year a faculty member who has provided service and teamwork above and beyond regular faculty expectations to the School of Human Sciences is honored with this award at the annual Honors Convocation.

Ms. Willie Lee Glass was an African American educator and home economist. Her focus was on serving others, and she paved the way for many women and African Americans in the field of home economics/family and consumer sciences education. Glass was a model for students, educators and administrators in the field of family and consumer sciences.

ARTICULATIONS!

SFA partnered with Austin Community College and El Centro Community College to help students better transition to obtain a bachelor’s degree in hospitality administration.

The Jacks Council of Family Relations student organization held its fifth annual Thanksgiving Homebound project. In the past, JCFR has provided more than 80 families with a Thanksgiving meal in Nacogdoches County and the surrounding communities. JCFR partnered with local nonprofit organizations, the Solid Foundation and the GETCAP Headstart Program, to identify families in need of support during the Thanksgiving Holiday. The JCFR organization and the School of Human Sciences would like to thank everyone for their support.

Students in Medical Nutrition Therapy I participated in a service learning project, which involved counseling participants that attended the Diabetes Health Fair Extravaganza, sponsored by Nacogdoches Memorial Hospital from 8 a.m. to noon Thursday, Nov. 6. They worked at three booths counseling participants on balanced snacks to maintain blood sugar stability, demonstrating specific serving sizes using food models and discussing the impact of blood sugar control on various body organs, including the eyes, arteries, brain, kidneys, pancreas, nerves and the heart.

Dr. Nancy Shepherd, director of the SFA Center for Economic Education, partnered with SFA Admissions, Gear Up, and Texas Success Initiative to host the Counselor’s Connection Event. Counselors from surrounding schools attended this year’s event. Coordinators from the human sciences program areas spoke to counselors about their programs. Dr. Karen Alexander, project coordinator for AchieveTexas – the College and Career Initiative in Texas, was the guest speaker. Alexander provided relevant information to assist with the implementation of new graduation plans and endorsements. For more information on the SFA Center for Economic Education, contact Shepherd at shepherdn@sfasu.edu.
Congratulations are in order!

Dr. Mitzi Perritt was named Fellow of the Interior Design Educators Council. She served as President of IDEC in 2003 and held numerous other positions in the organization, including reviewer of numerous conference papers, nominating committees, scholarship committees, continuing education reviewer, and co-host of the regional conference. She has won the Bart Paper Award for two conferences and represented IDEC abroad at the Symposium for the New Millennium in Seoul, South Korea, in 2000.

The second floor of the Human Sciences North Building recently completed renovations for a new food and bakery lab. The new labs have up-to-date equipment, including stainless steel kitchen stations; a full commercial dishwashing system; full-size commercial refrigerators, and freezers; and commercial convection ovens with an overhead ventilation and fire suppression system. An open house and ribbon-cutting ceremony was held Nov. 7. SFA President Baker Pattillo was present to cut the ribbon. The faculty and staff members in Human Sciences would like to thank all that helped make this happen.

Please come visit!

Dr. Johnny Sue Reynolds received the James I. Perkins College of Education Adjunct Teaching Excellence Award for 2013-2014.
Fashion Gallery

Over the summer and early fall, room 125 in the Education Annex Building was remodeled to create a modern fashion gallery. The remodel project included removal of existing cabinets, new dry wall, painting walls white and trim black, installation of dark wood laminate flooring, a track lighting system and window coverings, which provide protection against outside light. In addition, white laminate platforms, metal floor sign stands, chrome stanchions with velvet ropes, and male and female forms in silver leather-like and chrome have been purchased for the space. The new gallery space will be used primarily for costume exhibits created by fashion merchandising students. Faculty members are excited about future possibilities for use of the space for instructional purposes, as well as fund-raising events. The first exhibit to be displayed in the new space focused on “Little Black Dresses” from the School of Human Science costume collection. The space also was used for an exhibit to promote the “Blue Jeans Go Green” project and to serve as a denim drop-off location. Future needs for the space include a hanging system for the walls so that wall space can be used for exhibits without damaging wall surfaces. Hopefully an ‘opening’ event will be scheduled for sometime in spring 2015.

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Blue Jeans Go Green

Fashion Merchandising students participated in the “Blue Jeans Go Green Denim Recycling Program.” SFA was one of four universities across the U.S. selected to participate. At the beginning of the fall semester, a goal was set to collect 500 pieces of denim. The students were able to surpass that goal by collecting more than 1200 pieces. The denim recycling program was created by Cotton Incorporated to emphasize the natural and environmental attributes of cotton and to offer people the opportunity to give back to their community in a unique way. The company re-purposes the clothing to make UltraTouch Denim Insulation and a portion of it, up to 250,000 square feet is distributed to Habitat for Humanity affiliates and civic buildings around the country.

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