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Happy Holidays!

Lynda Martin, Ph.D., Director and Professor

Happy Holidays to you and your family from all of us in the School of Human Sciences.

Cheers,

Lynda Martin



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**Congrats to
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Sarah O'Brien was honored at the 2013 HMS Convocation.

She graduated with honors from Stephen F. Austin State University in 2005 with a major in Hospitality Administration. During her senior year, she secured an exceptional internship position in event planning at the Eur-Am Center for the Abbey of Pontelvoy in Pontelvoy, France. After graduation, her first job was a position as Tourism Director with the Chamber of Commerce in Cleburne, TX. In this capacity, she functioned as the spokesperson for the Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB) and introduced many new venues to the city such as a botanical garden, summer music in the park, and new sporting events.

In 2008, Sarah began her employment with the City of Nacogdoches. She presently serves as Manager of the Nacogdoches Main Street program which has just celebrated 15 years of success. She also works closely with numerous civic groups, organizations, and clubs on a wide range of projects. Sarah is also the communications expert for the City of Nacogdoches and is well versed in media and public relations. In summary, she strives to improve the City's relationships with its residents, SFASU, Chamber, CVB, NEDCO and the County.

Sarah is a certified Texas Friendly Hospitality Instructor. She has made presentations at national conferences on topics from "Cash Mobs" to "Town and Gown Relations." She currently serves as the President of the Texas Downtown Association. Although her successes have brought her prominence, she has not forgotten her SFASU roots. She has supervised 10 SFASU hospitality interns in the last eight years and now serves as the Alumni Advisor for the SFASU Hospitality Administration Club.





Antonio Estudillo, Ph.D. joined the faculty as Assistant Professor in the child development and family living program. Dr. Estudillo received his Ph.D. from Indiana University in Human Development. You can reach Dr. Estudillo at a.estudillo@sfasu.edu.



Nedra Yvonne Washington, Ph.D., joined the faculty in the School of Human Sciences as Visiting Assistant Professor in the child development and family living program. Dr. Washington received her Ph.D. in Child Development from Texas Woman's University. You can reach Dr. Washington at washingtny@sfasu.edu.

The Jacks Council of Family Relations (JCFR) student organization, held the 4th annual Thanksgiving Homebound project designed to provide a Thanksgiving meal for families residing in the Nacogdoches County and surrounding communities. JCFR partnered with local non-profits, Solid Foundation and the GETCAP Headstart Program to identify families in need of support during the Thanksgiving Holiday to participate in the event. JCFR started the project with a goal of providing meals for 75 families. With the overwhelming support from SFA and community donors, they met and exceeded this goal by providing meals for 84 families. The JCFR student organization and the School of Human Sciences want to thank each individual that provided support for this wonderful event. JCFR want to also give special thanks to the students from the **ROTC** program that assisted with transporting the meals to both **Solid Foundation and GETCAP Headstart programs**.

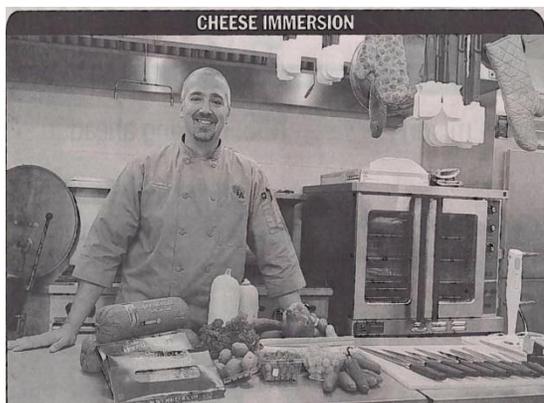


SFA, County and City of Nacogdoches partnered to host a visit from **Cynthia Liebrock**, April 11th – 12th. Ms. Liebrock is an award winning author, an international lecturer and designer. She has expertise in universal design which allows people to age in place. The HMS 310 students prepared for Ms. Liebrock's visit by incorporating universal design in their residential project. **Dr. Mitzi Perritt** also attended a workshop and presented a lecture on Universal Design and Aging in the private home of Ms. Liebrock on June 22 – 29. The Liebrock home has over 200 universal design features.

New to Our Faculty



Nancy Shepherd, Ph.D., joined the faculty in the School of Human Sciences as Assistant Professor in the family and consumer sciences program. Dr. Shepherd received her Ph.D. from Texas Tech University. You can reach Dr. Shepherd at shepherdn@sfasu.edu.



Chef Todd Barrios, attended a five-day Wisconsin cheese immersion experience sponsored by the Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board and Emmi Roth USA. Chef Todd was selected



The first SFASU Tartan tie to arrive on campus was presented to university president, **Dr. Baker Pattillo**, Wednesday morning. Presenting the tie were **Rebecca Greer**, Professor of Fashion Merchandising, **Lynda Martin**, Director of the School of Human Sciences, **Kelcie Brown**, student designer of the SFA Tartan and **Judy Abbott**, Dean of the James I. Perkins College of Education. Official licensed SFA Tartan products--t-shirts, sweatshirts, lanyards and men's ties--are now available for purchase Barnes and Noble Campus Bookstore--displayed right inside store entrance. For those who are out of town, **Esther Campbell**, Assistant Manager of the bookstore, says they can take phone order and ship via UPS or they can order products online from Collegiate Tartan Apparel, our partner in the tartan project, at collegiatetartan.com. Proceeds from the sale of SFA Tartan products will benefit the university and the fashion merchandising program. Thanks are extended to everyone who had a part in achieving the goal of the project.





Alumni

PLEASE UPDATE US ABOUT “YOU!”

We want to hear what our alumni are doing! Your name will be listed in the next issue if you email your information to:

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Child Development and Family Living students attended the Texas Council on Family Relations (TCFR), State-wide professional conference in Austin, Texas

Ericka Burch (SR) & Jennifer Espinoza (JR) facilitated a poster presentation discussing Food Insecurity in Texas and the Backpack food program as an intervention to decrease childhood hunger.

Hannah Matson (JR) and Dominique Thorton (JR) will also present a poster presentation discussing the implications of family disruption on children and families when a family member leaves or join an established family.

Lauren Junckniewitz (JR) presented information discussing alternative birthing options in a round table format.

The School of Human Sciences held its annual New Students Convocation Fall Fest on Tuesday, Sept. 3 on the patio of the Culinary Café. Students were introduced by faculty members dressed in their regalia. **Dr. Lynda Martin** along with **Dr. Lisa Mize** and **Dr. Amanda Rudolph** welcomed the students.

