Dean’s Corner

The CAST Spring Faculty Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 4, 2000, at 3:30 p.m. in Turner Hall rooms 200-201. There will be a reception at 3:00 p.m. in room 204. Please mark your calendars now. All faculty are invited to attend.

CAST Research Office

CAST Research Committee members are pleased to announce Dr. Mark Fleisher, CJS, has been selected as the recipient of the 1999-2000 CAST Outstanding Researcher Award. In recognition of his exemplary work, he will be awarded $500 and a plaque for his office wall. His name will also appear on a plaque which hangs upon a wall in the Dean’s Office. Additionally, he will present highlights of his research efforts at the CAST Spring Faculty Meeting in April, 2000. Dr. Fleisher is recognized nationally and internationally as an expert in two fields of research: (1) youth gangs and (2) correctional institution administration and management in the U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Prisons. Since joining the ISU faculty in 1993, he has published two award-winning books and five refereed journal articles and 10 refereed book chapters. One of his books is entitled Beggars and Thieves, while the other is entitled Dead End Kids: Gang Girls and the Boys They Know.

From time to time, various CAST faculty have expressed an interest in knowing about those on campus who have recently received external funding in support of their research or consulting projects. To facilitate such knowledge, the University Research Office has begun posting the names of recent grant award recipients on the web. Those interested in learning about ISU faculty who received external funding in October can do so at this web site: http://www.uro.ilstu.edu/uro/what-new/awards/oct99.htm. As a side note, the current tally of external funding brought in thus far during this fiscal year is approximately $8 million. Congratulations to CAST faculty who have been contributed to such success.

Agriculture

Patrick O'Rourke attended the annual meeting of the North American Simulation and Games Association, in San Francisco, November 9-13. The content focused on the use of simulations and games to accelerate the learning process. The trip was partially funded by a Council for Food and Agriculture Research grant for the development of business simulations.
Criminal Justice Sciences

The CJS faculty congratulate Dr. Mark Fleisher, who has been named the CAST Outstanding Researcher for 1999-2000.

Dr. Thomas Ellsworth attended the annual meeting of the Illinois Association of School Boards on November 19 in Chicago.

Family and Consumer Sciences

Dr. Deborah Gentry attend the 61st Annual Conference of the National Council in Family Relations held in Irvine, California, November 12-15. While there, she fulfilled duties as Secretary-Treasurer of the Family Science Section. She also was a panelist for a presentation entitled "Certification in Family Service Careers: Barrier or Boon?" Additionally, she served as a discussant for a four-paper symposium entitled "Diversity in Families: Exploration in Effective Pedagogy."

Martha Bauman Power presented, "Hope Meadows: An Intergenerational Community of Care," at the National Council on Family Relations 61st Annual Conference in Irvine, California, on November 15, 1999.

Margaret Ann Hayden attended the International Textile & Apparel Association annual meeting in Santa Fe, New Mexico, November 10 - 13, 1999. She is on the Membership Committee, Hospitality Committee, and Technology Committees.

Jean Memken attended the American Association of Housing Educators annual meeting on October 20-23 in Orlando, Florida. She serves as Executive Director for the association and was presented with the certificate for her service to the organization. While at the meeting, she presented a research paper entitled, "A comparison of a conservation neighborhood with a traditional neighborhood: Implications for energy conservation educators."

"Support Resilience by Connecting Children with Nature" by Karen Stephens, Child Care Center, was published in the November/December 1999 Child Care Information Exchange.

Pam Morbitzer, Barb Gallick, and Lisa Lee, head teachers at ISU Child Care Center, presented, "Hair Styling the Project Approach Way," at the Investing in Our Children Conference held at the Radisson Hotel in Bloomington, on October 30, 1999.

Scott Brouette, head teacher at ISU Child Care Center, presented, "Kids Are Animals: Animal Activities A to Z," at the Investing in Our Children Conference held at the Radisson Hotel in Bloomington, on October 30, 1999.

Connie Ley (FCS) is the author of a recently published chapter, "The Future of Public Policy Engagement: Preparing Human Sciences Undergraduates for Emerging Roles." This chapter is found in Social Change, Public Policy and Community Collaborations published by Kluwer
Health, Physical Education & Recreation

Dr. Steve McCaw, presented the paper "The effects of ankle support on joint energetics during drop landings" at the XVIIth Congress of the International Society of Biomechanics in Calgary, Canada.

Dr. Steve McCaw, was the invited guest of the Korean National University of Physical Education in Seoul, Korea from October 19 to 24. During his visit, Dr. McCaw presented a lecture at the International Symposium for Improving Athletic Performance, led a 4-hour workshop on quantitative analysis in biomechanics and ate a lot of really interesting food.

Dr. Steve McCaw and graduate student Vicki Pittenger, both from HPR, gave an invited workshop titled "Preventing overuse injury among kitchen athletes," to the Food Service Workers of School District 89.

Health Sciences

Drs. Teresa Bellingar, Gary Erisman and Mr. Paul Ronezkowski attended the recent meeting of the American Society of Safety Engineers, Central Illinois Chapter. Mr. Bill Hooker presented on, “Violence in the Workplace.”

Dr. Gary Erisman attended the Board of Directors meeting of the National Institute for Farm Safety in St. Louis on November 10-11, 1999.

Paulette Miller recently passed her test for certification as a Registered Records Administrator (RRA).

Dr. Jim Broadbear did a presentation entitled, "A Description and Clarification of Intellectual Health," at the annual meeting of the American Public Health Association in Chicago.

Dr. Sharron LaFollette had a busy week at the annual conference of the American Public Health Association in Chicago, November 8-11. Along with attending the conference, she presented two papers, a workshop, and participated in the Environmental Section program planning for next year. Monday she presented a workshop to school administrators entitled "EPA's IAQ Tools for Schools Action Kit: A Start Toward Improving the Learning Environment." Tuesday her research was highlighted in a presentation, "Identifying Community Resources to Address Indoor Air Quality: An Illinois Coalition." Wednesday she highlighted the ISU Environmental Health Program with "Transformation of Environmental Health Curriculum at Illinois State University: 25th Anniversary of the Program."

Dr. Mark Temple received a University-based award, 1999-00 University Teaching Initiative Award.
Industrial Technology

On Thursday, November 11, at the Illinois Drafting Educators Association Fall Conference, Dr. Ryan Brown presented two afternoon workshop sessions, one entitled, “Solid Modeling with Vanilla AutoCAD,” and one entitled “Overview of Architectural Desktop 2.0.” ISU hosted the Thursday portion of the Annual Fall Conference, and on Friday the conference continued at the Holiday Inn in Normal. On Friday, November 12, Dr. Brown presented “Rapid Prototyping in the Design Environment,” as part of the conference program.

Dr. Richard Boser attended the National Association of Industrial Technology annual conference in Panama City, Florida, from November 17-20, 1999. He gave a refereed presentation with Dr. Jack Landers of Central Missouri State University entitled “Development and Validation of a Confidence Index for the Assessment of Student Performance Outcomes.” Boser also participated in a panel discussion on motivating faculty chaired by Dr. Rod Custer.

Dr. Franzie Loepp gave a presentation titled Global Views of Industrial Technology Education at Aichi University of Education in Japan on November 19, 1999. He was invited by the Japan International Corporation Agency to attend the conference that had representatives from 12 countries.

Important Dates

December 2, 1999     Inaugural Meeting of the Faculty of Technology
                     3:00 p.m. at Bone Student Center, Old Main Room

December 13, 1999    CAST Holiday Luncheon at the Fell Dining Room, Watterson Towers
                     Remember to R.S.V.P at www.cast.ilstu.edu/forms/rsvp.htm