Hello,
Greetings from the College of Health Sciences (COHS)!

The COHS continues to engage in meaningful activities that contribute to our students and community. In this issue, you will learn about the accomplishments achieved through our Simulation Center in the area of educational excellence. Also, we have provided stories about the support offered through the community to help develop faculty research agendas and advance medical equipment that will be used in the Respiratory Care program.

As part of our strategic planning, the college set out to address student learning through interprofessional education. To this end, we have appointed Jamie Sand as the Interim Director of Interprofessional Education and she will continue to move this initiative forward during the next year. Finally, we share some of our community service efforts through the work of Max Veltman and some of his students.

I hope that you have a wonderful holiday season. As always, feel free to contact me if you have questions, concerns or suggestions. Enjoy the newsletter.

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Health Sciences Simulation Center Gains Elite Accreditation

The College of Health Sciences Simulation Center at Boise State University has received accreditation in the area of teaching and education. The simulation center is the first in Idaho to receive accreditation and is the first simulation center west of St. Louis, Mo., not affiliated with a major medical institution to become accredited. The accreditation comes from the Society for Simulation in Healthcare's Council for Accreditation of Healthcare Simulation Programs.

Since the Society for Simulation in Healthcare began its accreditation program in 2010, 33 simulation centers have been accredited worldwide, 31 of those in the United States. Most of the centers are connected to a health system, medical center, hospital, school of medicine or other major medical institution. Read more.

Jane Grassley Named Friends of Nursing Innovative Scholar

The Friends of Nursing named faculty member Jane Grassley as the first Friends of Nursing Innovation Scholar. The Innovation Scholar award will provide Grassley with $5,000 a year, renewable for two to three years, as seed money for her proposed work to promote breastfeeding among adolescent mothers.

Grassley will create and pilot an online game tentatively called "The Breastfeeding Quest." Adolescent mothers breastfeed at lower rates than adults, but few interventions address their need for support. Due to lack of resources and support, adolescent mothers are particularly vulnerable to early introduction of formula supplements and decreased breastfeeding duration. Research shows that breastfeeding has great health and economic benefits for mothers and their children.

The Innovation Scholar award was created as a part of the Friends of Nursing's current initiative to support faculty.

Two Award-Winning Homecoming Floats Built by College of Health Sciences' Student Organizations

Faculty Emeritus Promotes Registered Dietitians as Executive Director of Idaho Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics

Faculty Publish on False Claims Act Cases Impact on Rural Providers

NEHA and AAS Scholarship Awarded to Community and Environmental Health Student

Center for Health Policy Student Research Assistants Apply Experience at Center to Work and Graduate Studies

Want to know more about the activities and accomplishments of the College of Health Sciences? Visit our news page

Dean Dunnagan Commends Faculty and Staff for their Work

During the biannual College of Health Sciences meeting this fall, five faculty and staff were recognized for their outstanding service to the college. To read more about each faculty and staff’s contributions to the college on our website, please click on the honorees’ names.

Congratulations to:
development. The award recognizes faculty who exemplify the qualities of an outstanding scholar, who demonstrate productive scholarship and whose scholarship is aligned with the School of Nursing’s mission and strategic plan. The school’s mission is to foster intellectual development and excellence in nursing education through teaching, learning, scholarship and service. Read more.

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Jaime Sand Named Interim Director of Interprofessional Education for the College of Health Sciences

The College of Health Sciences' Academic Leadership Committee named Jaime Sand, associate professor in the Department of Community and Environmental Health, interim director of interprofessional education (IPE) for the college, effective Nov. 2013.

Sand was one of five administrators and faculty from the college who attended the Interprofessional Education Collaborative (IPEC) Fall 2013 Interprofessional Education Institute. Tim Dunnagan, dean of the College of Health Sciences, Pam Gehrke, associate professor in the School of Nursing, Jody Lester, chair of the Department of Respiratory Care, and Megan Koster, chair of the Department of Radiologic Sciences, joined Sand at the institute, which focused on building a framework for collaboration, addressing the need for IPE, reviewing the core competencies of IPE and IPE program measurement, evaluation and improvement, highlighting success stories, and discussing the design of effective shared learning experiences. Read more.

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Health Tip

Help end the cycle of violence.

October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Violence does not hurt only the person who has experienced it. It hurts the whole community. Learn ways you can work to help end domestic violence. Here are some suggestions:

- **Call the police** if you see or hear evidence of domestic violence.
- **Support a friend or family member** who may be in an abusive relationship. Learn more about [how to help](#).
Nursing Faculty Offers Hope to Children Exposed to Violence

Max Veltman, associate professor in the School of Nursing, is working with the Nampa Family Justice Center to help local children cope with trauma. Veltman holds a joint appointment with the Nampa Family Justice Center. In August, Veltman and two Boise State nursing students, John Dilgard and Jake Gere, served as members on the health care team for Camp HOPE, a specialized summer camp where physically or sexually abused children can participate in a week-long camp and engage in activities to help them deal with some of the many issues with which they struggle.

The week’s health care team: Jake Gere, John Dilgard, Alyson Neal, nursing student at Point Loma Nazarene University in San Diego, and Max Veltman.

The Nampa Family Justice Center sent 17 campers, ages 10 - 15, to Camp Kidder Creek near Mt. Shasta, Calif., where Camp HOPE is currently held. From 2003 - 2011, Camp HOPE operated as a program of the San Diego Family Justice Center. In 2012, the Shasta Family Justice Center (Redding, CA) sponsored the first Camp HOPE program outside of San Diego County. With support from the National Family Justice Center Alliance, the Shasta Family Justice Center engaged a broad cross-section of supporters from the community to host

- **Volunteer** at a local domestic violence shelter or other organization that helps survivors or works to prevent violence.
- **Raise children to respect others.** Teach children to treat others as they would like to be treated.
- **Lead by example.** Work to create a culture that rejects violence as a way to deal with problems. Speak up against messages that say violence or mistreating women is okay.
- **Become an activist.** Participate in an anti-violence event like a local Take Back the Night march. Tell your congressional representatives that you want them to support domestic violence services and violence prevention programs.
- **Volunteer in youth programs.** Become a mentor. Get involved in programs that teach young people to solve problems without violence. Get involved with programs that teach teens about healthy relationships.
- **Ask about anti-violence policies and programs at work and school.** At work, ask about policies that deal with sexual harassment, for example. On campus, ask about services to escort students to dorms safely at night.

For more information, contact Leslie Black at (208) 426-5776 or lblack@boisestate.edu.
a powerful week long camping program for Shasta Family Justice Center children and at-risk children connected to allied agencies of the center. Read more.

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**Upcoming Sesqui-Speaks Event Focuses on History of School of Nursing**

Listen to "Education and Care: A History of the Nursing Program in Boise" presented by Stephanie Milne-Lane and Kelly Horn on **Nov. 6, 5:30-6:30pm** at the Sesqui-Shop (1008 Main St).

In the mid-1950s, Boise's Junior College offered an academic nursing program that laid the foundation for what is now Boise State University's **School of Nursing**. Boise State's nursing program has grown alongside the university itself, from junior to state college to university. From six rooms in the Science Building to shared space in the Science/Education Building until 2010 when the nursing program moved to a home all its own with the construction of the Norco Building. Along the way, the department enjoyed the assistance of Boise nursing leader, JoAnna "Jody" DeMeyer. A native Idahoan, DeMeyer focused not only on academic education, but on patient education. DeMeyer also created the Boise State Friends of Nursing organization to raise funds for both students and faculty. Read more.

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**Saltzer Medical Donates System to Respiratory Care**

The **Department of Respiratory Care** has received a MedGraphics complete pulmonary function testing system from Saltzer Medical. Alumnus Carl Rizzo, a pulmonary function technologist at Saltzer Medical in Nampa and clinical preceptor for the Boise State Respiratory Care program, notified faculty that Saltzer's system was being replaced and inquired about donating the older system to the university's program.

The MedGraphics system from MGC Diagnostics can perform complete pulmonary function studies that measure spirometry (flow rates and volumes), lung volumes and capacities, diffusion capacity...
of the lung for carbon monoxide, airway resistance and conductance. Cost to purchase a similar new system would be $55,000. In addition, Adam Galloway from MGC Diagnostics arranged for installation and instruction in the use of the system at a reduced cost.

This system provides students with the opportunity to practice with equipment that is similar, if not identical, to that used in area pulmonary function testing labs. These labs are staffed by respiratory care practitioners, many of whom are graduates of the Boise State program. Read more.

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**Master of Health Science Student Carries Olympic Torch in Russia**

A Boise State graduate student recently had the honor of carrying the Olympic torch in Moscow, Russia. **Kamilla Gazieva**, who is pursuing a master of health science degree with an emphasis in health policy, is from Moscow and grew up in the nearby town of Pereslavl Zalessky. She was asked to join the Olympic torch relay because of her affiliation with a Moscow running club.

Gazieva's work at the Center for Health Policy (CHP) involves serving as a graduate assistant on a project assessing criminal case disposition as a function of the race/ethnicity of the juvenile offender in three Idaho counties. This project, known in the CHP as the Disproportionate Minority Contact (or DMC) Expansion project, is funded through the Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections.

Gazieva earned an MBA through Boise State in 2011. For that program, she was sponsored through the Edmund S. Muskie Fellowship program, which is offered to promising students from the former Soviet Union. Read more.