

2010 CHHS Outstanding Faculty Award Recipients

It is an honor to announce the 2010 CHHS Outstanding Faculty Award recipients for Teaching, Research/Creative Activity, Student Advisement, and Public Service.

The CHHS recipients are:



Teaching Award:
Dr. Dawn Garrett Wright
Nursing



Research/Creative Activity:
Dr. Scott Lyons
Kinesiology, Recreation, and Sport



Student Advisement:
Dr. Lynn Austin
Allied Health



Public Service:
Dr. Steve Spencer
Kinesiology, Recreation, and Sport

The Awards Committee did an outstanding job in selection and review of CHHS applications. The composition of the Committee includes:

Barbara Bush, Allied Health
Richard Dressler, Communication Disorders
Fred Gibson, Physical Education and Recreation (Chair of Committee)
Beverly Siegrist, Nursing
Doris Sikora, Consumer Family Sciences
Dale Smith, Social Work
John White, Public Health

Please congratulate our faculty and committee members for an outstanding job.

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Congratulations to members of our CHHS Faculty

Dr. Dana Bradley received the Academic Gerontologist Award which is to be presented to her in April at the Southern Gerontological Society meeting. This comes after receiving the Distinguished Teacher Award from AGHE in 2008. Congratulations Dr. Bradley, and thank you for continuing to keep WKU's students, faculty, staff and the community educated in the area of aging!

Dr. Randy Deere has been selected to receive the 2010 Association for Continuing Higher Education (ACHE) South Outstanding Faculty Award. Dan Connell, chair member of the ACHE South Awards Committee said, "Dr. Deere demonstrates excellence in creative teaching and innovative delivery of learning." The award will be presented on Tuesday, April 13, 2010, at the ACHE South Annual Conference Awards Luncheon in Cocoa Beach, Florida. Thank you, Dr. Deere, for showing us the true definition of "Leading by example." Congratulations!

Mrs. Mary Lloyd Moore was recently awarded the 2010 American Speech and Hearing Foundation/ Kentucky Speech-Language Hearing Association (KSHA) Clinical Achievement Award by the Kentucky Speech-Language-Hearing Association. Mrs. Moore was awarded this high honor for her outstanding work and dedication as the Director of the Suzanne Vitale Clinical Education Complex. As a winner of Kentucky's highest clinical honor, she will also serve as Kentucky's nominee for the American Speech and Hearing Foundation's national DiCarlo Award. The DiCarlo award is given to an individual showing outstanding clinical achievement in the areas of leadership, clinical application and research, and/or community public service, which were the same criteria for the state award. Congratulations Mrs. Moore! Your hard work and dedication are greatly appreciated!

WKU/AHEC HOSA tour Hospice

On February 22, four members of the Western Kentucky University Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) toured Hospice in Bowling Green. Led by Julie Pride and Michelle Harrell of Hospice, students Melissa Sacrey, DeAnn Wright, Emily Hall, and Laura Musick, spent the day touring the facilities and learning more about the daily operations. HOSA is a student organization whose mission is to promote career opportunities in health care and to enhance the delivery of quality health care to all people. Amy Wininger, WKU HOSA advisor (along with her daughter, future HOSA member, Claire Wininger) also participated in the tour. For more information on WKU HOSA events, please contact Amy Wininger, 270-745-3325 or email amy.wininger@wku.edu.



WKU Nursing Alumnus Becky Keck named to Vanderbilt leadership role

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2/19/2010 - Becky Keck, M.S.N., R.N., has been named to the newly created role of senior associate dean for Administration and Operations, and chief administrative officer at Vanderbilt University School of Nursing.

"Becky is a talented administrator, teacher and nurse who brings with her a long track record of successes," said Colleen Conway-Welch, Ph.D., dean of VUSN. "Her insight as both a nurse and an administrator add value to everything we do at the school. She is uniquely suited to make important contributions to our work here."

Keck has served in many administrative capacities throughout her 14-year career at Vanderbilt University Medical Center. She initially served as an assistant hospital director, Nursing Finance and Operations.

During her nine years in this role, she worked collaboratively on key strategic initiatives such as the Magnet Recognition program, Vanderbilt Valet Services and the Vanderbilt Professional Nurse Practice Program.

In 2007, Keck joined the School of Nursing as clinical director for Geriatric Services. In this role, she served as a faculty member for the Health Systems Management specialty in the Masters in Nursing program, as well as clinical director for Geriatric Services for University Community Health Services. In this capacity, she provided leadership, strategic planning and development and implementation of geriatric services.

"I quickly realized Becky was an exceptional leader with a special skill set," Conway-Welch said. "In just two years at the school she has made significant contributions and become an indispensable part of our leadership team. I am pleased to have her as a part of a very talented group of senior associate deans at VUSN."

Keck's initial nursing career started in medical/surgical nursing and surgical intensive care. She worked in a community-based hospital in Lexington, Ky., as director of Nursing, Medical/Surgical Services, and later moved to the University of Kentucky Medical Center as divisional director of Nursing Support Services.

Keck is a native of Bowling Green, Ky., with strong ties to Western Kentucky University, where she earned her Associate and Bachelor Degrees in Nursing. She later moved to Lexington, where she completed her Masters in Nursing with a concentration in nursing administration from the University of Kentucky.

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