

CHHS May 2009 Newsletter

Fashion Inc. Holds Garden of Garments Fashion Show

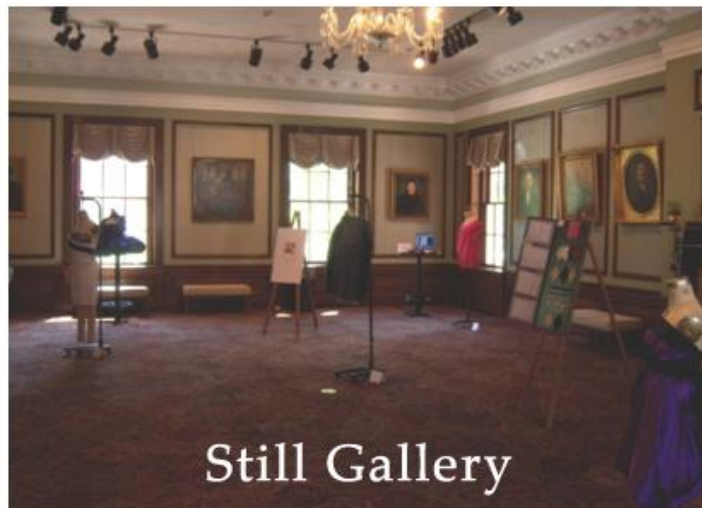
Fashion Inc., the student organization of Design, Merchandising and Textiles (DMT), hosted a spring fashion show at the Kentucky Building on Western's campus. The Garden of Garments Fashion Show showcased senior DMT students' apparel designs and creativity.

A total of 29 garments graced the runway full of color, flare and creativity. In addition to the fashion show was the Still Gallery exhibit. Displayed in the gallery were several apparel designs and a number of students' mood and concept boards created using Photoshop. Electronic design portfolios, which are digital collections of DMT students' design work created specifically to demonstrate individual talent, were displayed via laptop stations throughout the still gallery.

The student designers for the show included DMT seniors, Amanda DeArmond, Misty Ferguson, Rachel Hall, Katie Nordhoff, Tonie Tran, and Lacey Vanderveen. Vintage pieces appearing in the show represented garments constructed by alumni when they were students at Western.

The Garden of Garments Fashion Show was completely student produced. Several donations in support of the show were obtained from Crossland Community Church, Logan's Roadhouse, Dillard's (cosmetics), Sonic Drive-In, Fern Runners, Country Oven Bakery, Wal-Mart, and Panache Salon and Spa. Partial funding for the show was provided by the WKU Student Government Association.

Fashion Inc.'s efforts were well supported by those attending the show. The organization hopes to host another fashion show in the coming academic year.





Fashion Inc, a collegiate chapter of the International Textile and Apparel Association, is a student organization in the Department of Consumer and Family Sciences. Our mission is to promote fashion awareness and interest in fashion careers. The goals of Fashion Inc, are 1) to establish Fashion Inc. as a leader and resource for fashion on campus and the community; 2) to actively work toward eliminating misconceptions about the Textile, Apparel, and Merchandising program and fashion-related stereotypes; and 3) establish and maintain a positive relationship with the alumni to create opportunities for the organization and its members. Faculty advisors for the organization are Dr. Devona Dixon, Mrs. Cindy Jones, and Mrs. Deborah Shivel.

Congratulations to CHHS Faculty Award Recipients!

Teaching Award

Ms. Eve Main, an Assistant Professor in the School of Nursing

Research/Creativity Award

Dr. James Navalta, an Assistant Professor in the Kinesiology, Recreation and Sport Department

Student Advisement Award

Dr. Scott Lyons, an Assistant Professor in the Kinesiology, Recreation and Sport Department

Public Service Award

Ms. Mary Lloyd Moore, an Instructor in the Communication Disorders Department

Outstanding Part-Time Faculty Member Award

Dr. Darren Smith, Kinesiology, Recreation and Sport Department

American Cancer Society's annual "Relay for Life"

This year's Relay for Life was held on April 3 in the newly renovated L.T. Smith Stadium. It started at 6pm and went throughout the night. Even though the evening was cold, hearts were not. Many came out in support of the annual American Cancer Society Relay for Life event. "At the beginning of Relay for Life, the football team was a huge and exciting presence as they walked onto the field with Coach Elson and his coaching staff. It was such a boost having the use of Smith Stadium. Coach Elson is an annual supporter of the American Cancer Society & Warren County Relay for Life event." said Marsha Hopper, an Office Associate in the Department of Social Work and a cancer survivor.



The CHHS Living and Learning Community (LLC) students took part in the event, as well, setting up party booths and raising funds. Hopper greatly appreciated all the help the LLC students gave, stating, "They were the heart behind the LLC fund-raising efforts and the soul behind the Relay for Life celebration. They freely gave of their time and energy--their presence and camaraderie was a source of strength and encouragement to me & Ms. (Debbie) Parsley."



Debbie Parsley is an instructor at the Clinical Education Complex and also a cancer survivor.

"This year we had excellent student participation in Relay for Life. It really is encouraging and inspiring to see the work and dedication that has gone into the preparation for the event," said Parsley. "I'm proud of all our WKU students who engage in meaningful activities such as Relay."

Hopper was honored with her very own personal "Relay for Life" shirt given to her by her UC 175 students. "As cancer survivors, Debbie and I added the element of putting a "survivor-face" to this dreaded disease. We hope each one of the LLC members resolve to keep fighting cancer with the help of the American Cancer Society, which can provide us all with the hope that one day a cure can be found."



For more information on the American Cancer Society's "Relay for Life", please visit:

<http://www.relayforlife.org/relay/>

Dr. Donna Blackburn Receives Women of Achievement Award

The College of Health & Human Services would like to say congratulations to Dr. Donna Blackburn. She received a Women of Achievement Award for her contributions to college education and more specifically, the School of Nursing. The award was presented to Dr. Blackburn on March 27, 2009, by the Bowling Green Human Rights Commission at their 18th annual awards dinner.



6th Annual 2009 CHHS Awards Banquet was held on April 25, 2009

The annual CHHS Awards Banquet was held on Saturday, April 25. The banquet is held to recognize students & faculty for their outstanding accomplishments.

The banquet, held at Carroll Knicely Conference Center, began at 6pm and honored 42 students and 5 faculty members. Students, parents, and other family members and friends were welcomed by Dean John Bonaguro and Provost Barbara Burch. This was followed by dinner, awards, pictures, and closing remarks from Dr. Bonaguro and Dr. Sylvia Gaiko, Associate Dean.

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