MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Social and Behavioral Science

Focus on the Human Factor

FIFTH ANNUAL DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI/AE AWARDS

On May 3rd, family and friends of two outstanding individuals gathered at the Alhambra House to honor this year’s recipients of the College’s Distinguished Alumni Awards – Betty Glad and J.D. Williams.

The Distinguished Alumni Award has become one of the most important traditions in the College of Social and Behavioral Science. It allows us to honor select individuals who have made a lasting contribution to the advancement of the College, the University of Utah, their communities and their professions. In addition to a luncheon where they are recognized publicly, these distinguished alumni are honored on stage at Convocation and have permanent plaques on the College of Social and Behavioral Science “Wall of Honor” in Orson Spencer Hall.

BETTY GLAD, Distinguished Alumna

Betty Glad is the Olin D. Johnston Professor of Political Science at the University of South Carolina. She graduated magna cum laude from the University of Utah in political science. Dr. Glad was the first woman to chair homecoming at The U and is a member of the Beehive Honor Society.

Professor Glad earned a Ph.D. in international relations from the University of Chicago. She has presided over the Presidency Research Group of the American Society for Political Science and the International Society for Political Psychology and served as the Vice President of the American Political Science Association. In 1997 she received the Harold Lasswell Award from the International Society for Political Psychology for a lifetime of outstanding contribution to political psychology. In 2003, she was honored by the American Political Science Association with the Frank Goodnow Award.

Dr. Glad taught at the University of Illinois from 1964-1988 and moved to the University of South Carolina in 1989 where she teaches courses on the U.S. presidency, the foreign policy making process and qualitative methods. A prolific author and editor, Dr. Glad’s books include Striking First: The Preventive War Doctrine and the Reshaping of U.S. Foreign Policy (co-editor and contributor); The Russian Transformation: Political, Sociological and Psychological Aspects (co-editor and contributor); Jimmy Carter: In Search of the Great White House; Charles Hughes and The Illusions of Innocence; and Key Pitsman: The Tragedy of a Senate Insider. Recent articles include analyses of the leadership styles of six American presidents, Mikhail Gorbatchev, Boris Yeltsin, Wilhelm deKlerk and Nelson Mandela.

J.D. WILLIAMS, Distinguished Alumnus

J.D. Williams earned a bachelor’s from Stanford University in political science and went on to Harvard where he earned a master’s in public administration and a Ph.D. in political science and economics. Professor Williams began his career at the University of Utah in September, 1952. He was the first president of the Model United Nations, the founding director of the Bureau of Community Development, and founding director of the Hinckley Institute of Politics.

J.D.’s most important forum during his 40 years at The U was the classroom. Hundreds of students would catch fire with the love of liberty, equality and the politics of democracy. One student said, “I studied for a teacher at East High out of fear. I studied for J.D. out of love.” Many of J.D.’s lectures were legendary and garnered significant attention. He delivered the 48th annual Reynold Lecture titled “The Miracle at Philadelphia” in 1986 and a three-lecture series on the bicentennial of the Bill of Rights in 1989.

J.D. received the College of Social and Behavioral Science’s Superior Teaching Award, the University’s Distinguished Teaching Award and the Brian Bell Award for promoting human brotherhood. The Utah Bar Association presented him the Liberty Bell Award in 1963 for his contributions to a free society under law. For a lifetime of serving American democracy and inspiring 15,000 students over 40 years, the University of Utah bestowed two of its highest honors on Professor Williams, the Joseph Rosenblatt Prize for Excellence in 1992 and an honorary doctor of laws in May 1996. J.D. retired in June 1992.
Obesity could prevent the United States from meeting its goal of increasing the average life span and quality of life by 2010, said former Surgeon General David Satcher in his keynote address at the 11th annual ROCO C. and Marion S. Siciliano Forum.

“No, three years before the goals should be met, Satcher said the American public might not increase its average life span or eliminate racial and ethnic health disparities. All goals were set to be achieved by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services at the turn of the century. Together, the goals are called the Healthy People 2010 initiative.

“I think the obesity epidemic is the biggest threat to Healthy People 2010,” Satcher said. “It is projected that this will be the first generation of children that could expect a lower life expectancy than their parents, and this is due mostly to the obesity epidemic in the U.S.”

Listed among the major causes of death in America are cardiovascular diseases and cancer-related illnesses, ailments Satcher said are often related to obesity, a condition that could be prevented.

Satcher added that less than half of the U.S. population of adults is at a healthy weight, and since the 1970s, Americans have continued to grow in size. "Determinants to an individual's health revolve around people's access to health care, genetics, environment and lifestyles," Satcher said. "There is a constant interaction between these four categories. Policy and intervention strategies can only encourage change in environment, lifestyle and one's access to health care.”

Satcher has written a prescription for Americans that he feels could combat the obesity epidemic if people follow it. Satcher recommends that to stay healthy, people should:

• Participate in moderate physical activity at least five days a week for at least 30 minutes a day.

• Eat at least five servings of fruits and vegetables a day.

• Avoid toxins such as tobacco, illicit drugs and the abuse of alcohol.

• Engage in responsible sexual behavior.

• Participate in relaxing and stress-reducing activities daily.

On September 13, 400 runners and walkers gathered for the first annual Trudi Thomas Memorial 5K in West S brutal.

Society Diversity Certificate is Approved March, 2007. The UVU board of trustees approved a new Sociology Diversity Certificate that will bring a more systematic focus to diversity issues in the curriculum. The certificate program includes courses on a variety of social diversity issues.

Professor Rob Huefner Day February, 2007. Professor Rob Huefner, who retired from the department of political science in May, was honored with a proclamation from Gov. Huntsman that declared February 24 as Rob Huefner Day for his significant contributions to government and education. Professor Huefner directed the UVU Bureau of Community Development, as the founding director of the Center for Public Policy and Administration and as director of the Gov. Scott Matheson Center for Health Care Policy.

The Governor’s proclamation explained that thousands of students at UVU benefited from Huefner’s knowledge of public administration, inspirational teaching and assistance on academic excellence.

RACERS RAISE $16,000 FOR TRUDI

On Saturday, September 13, runners and walkers gathered for the first annual Trudi Thomas Memorial 5K in West Br salt.

Racer registrations and sponsors combined to raise $16,000 for the Trudi Thomas Endowment at the University of Utah.

The event was organized by family and friends of Trudi who was struck and killed by a motorist early on the morning of January 24. Trudi was running one of her favorite routes. Trudi, 30 years old, was just a semester shy of graduating in Family and Consumer Studies in the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences. This certificate has also finished up a minor in Middle Eastern Studies.

Mike and Valerie Thomas, Trudi’s parents, approved the College department of Family and Consumer Studies as the endowment beneficiary. The decision was made to create an endowment in her name that will benefit students pursuing degrees aligned with Trudi’s interests.

“We found ourselves so consumed by grief that we decided to do something that would help others in her memory,” said Valerie. “We hope that by doing this grief can turn into joy as the fund helps others accomplish their educational goals.”

Mike and Valerie had little resources to establish the endowment but it didn’t stop them. After hours of hard work, the Thomas family, and many volunteers, had organized and committed $200 donors to a $13,000 goal.

“It would be a shame to make this a one-time event given all that we’ve learned combined with all of the support,” said Valerie. “We will organize another event for as long as we are able to have experienced so much healing.”

To contribute to the Trudi Thomas Endowment please contact Rick Pike at (801) 585-9200 or rick.pike@csbs.utah.edu.

2007-2008 HONOR ROLL SCHOLARSHIPS

The College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Honor Roll Scholarship Program was established in 1996 and has grown from two scholarships to over 30. The program provides annual scholarships to students with financial need who have demonstrated academic excellence.

For more information about the CSBS Honor Roll Scholarship Program contact Tamara Taylor at (801) 585-5617 or tamara.taylor@csbs.utah.edu.

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Stephanie Bass (Environmental Studies)
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Laura Brown (Environmental Studies)

Jeff and Valerie Thomas Scholarship
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Mia and Michael Sociology

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Karonna Turner (Family and Consumer Studies)

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Donald L. Benson Scholarship
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Hamblet McAuley Scholarship in Public Service (made possible by Jeff Scott and family)

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Dr. Beth Prentiss Scholarship 2007-2008

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Earl and Elise Skidmore Endowed Scholarship
Nicole Barbee (Psychology)

The David and Christina Gubler Scholarship
Karonna Turner (Family and Consumer Studies)

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Eugene K. Andreasen Scholarship

Earl and Elise Skidmore Endowed Scholarship
Nicole Barbee (Psychology)

Environmental Studies

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Dana Teweswombe (Economics)

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Ryan Boweridge (Psychology)

Earl and Elise Skidmore Endowed Scholarship
Siegfried Karsten

David and Dorothy Wuitsch Scholarship
Tyler Barrick (Family and Consumer Studies)

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Mary Gaby Memorial Scholarship
Christopher Iriondeo (Geography)

Cheryl J. Gordon Memorial Scholarship
Taminia Foster (Psychology)

Kenneccott Scholarships
Rachelle Green (Anthropology)
Rebecca Wright (Public Administration)

David C. Williams Memorial Graduate Fellowship
Chris Gotthardt

Rachelle Green (Anthropology)
Rebecca Wright (Public Administration)

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FACULTY AWARDS AND HONORS

FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF UTAH

University Distinguished Professor Award

University Distinguished Mentor Award

Cynthia Berg (Psychology)
Peter Philips (Economics)

University Professor Award

Campbell B. Smith (Economics)

University Distinguished Faculty Service Award

Jennifer MacDonald (Psychology)

University Neighborhood Partnership Scholarship
Barbara Jane Vance (Economics, Family and Consumer Studies)

University Early Career Teaching Award
Lisa Larson (Family and Consumer Studies)
Paula Smith (Family and Consumer Studies)

ASUC Student Choice Award
Lauren Holland (Political Science)

FROM THE COLLEGE OF SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE

Superior Teaching Award
Jonathan Botto (Psychology)

Super Bowl Hero Award
Philip Dunne (Geography)
MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Greetings and Happy New Year from the College of Social and Behavioral Science!

Over the past few years I've found myself thinking that working within the College cannot get more interesting but it continues to do so. I cannot list all of the extraordinary accomplishments by our faculty, students, and staff but will highlight a few. I hope that you are as excited—and as proud—as I am.

Please take special note of our Distinguished Alumni for 2007—Betty Glad and J.D. Williams. The celebration of these two exemplary graduates is especially meaningful with the passing of J.D. Williams in September. He will be missed forever.

I am particularly pleased with the progress in the Institute of Public and International Affairs. We hired two exceptional senior scholars in 2007, professors Susan McDaniel and Dennis Wirt. We also have entered into a two-year arrangement with Dr. Bruce Hoffman, perhaps the world's leading expert on counterterrorism, who is helping us develop teaching and research initiatives in international human security. All of these programs involve faculty in all departments in CSBS and in several colleges across the U. These three new scholars are continuing the momentum toward interdisciplinary examination of issues of global consequence.

Dr. David Satcher, former U.S. Surgeon General, delivered the keynote address at the 11th annual Siciliano Forum on one such issue of global consequence—diet. His lecture began a two-day conference on the causes, consequences, and policy alternatives for dealing with obesity. At the inaugural conference last year, we wrestled with terrorism, violence, and values. This year, we are taking on another complex issue with intriguing local, national, and international implications—population migration. Faculty from four colleges at the U. will join scholars from around the country. Mark your calendars for February 28-29 and join us.

Several stories in this edition remind me of our many generous supporters. So many of you give time and resources to help the College of Social and Behavioral Science move forward. You truly make a difference in the daily lives of our students, faculty, and staff. We are grateful.

Sincerely,

J. Steven Ott, Dean