ALUMNI NEWS

AS THE DIRECTOR OF ALUMNI RELATIONS, I would like to

invite all alumni to participate in the activities of the Kinesiology Alumni Society (KAS) Board. Our board members participate in a broad range of activities throughout the year, which include the Alumni Reunion and Award Ceremony, the Kinesiology Honors Reception and career networking events.

I would also like to introduce you to the current members of the board and thank them for their commitment and dedication to Kinesiology. Thank you to Pete Kempf for acting as the

chair of the board, Cat Serrin Niekro for acting as vice chair, and all the board members for their work on the various sub-committees.





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Connie Atia-Ahrens, MS '80; BS 72, is the Assistant Recreation Director in the Recreational Sports Department at the University of Michigan. She celebrated twenty years of service with the University of Michigan last fall. Connie coordinates marketing, promotion, publicity, club sports programs, and recreational equipment rentals at the university. She previously taught and

coached at the high school-level. Connie's coaching experience spans twenty seasons in a range of sports.

Pat Bubel, Ph.D. '83; MA '63; BA '56, is retired and lives in "her



intellectual home of Ann Arbor." She has had two careers, the first as a physical education teacher from 1956 to 1989. While working in physical education, she developed an early program of competitive athletics for girls, and she was a strong advocate for Title IX. Her second career spanned from 1989 to 1999, when she built and operated the Tall Oaks Boarding Kennel in Webster Township.

Karen Craven, BS '65, recently retired after 37 years of teaching physical education, history and government for Rochester

Public Schools in Rochester, MI. Karen has been active on the Kinesiology Alumni Board for the past five years, and she enjoys her board activities. She is now playing golf and competes in the USGA Senior Tournaments for amateurs.



Carol Cross, Ph.D. '97; BS '63, has been with the Willow Run Community Schools for thirty-three years. As the District Academic Coordinator she works on projects such as the inte-

gration of technology into the curriculum, the district school improvement process, and the district-wide K-12 testing program. She also participates in the work of state and national evaluation and assessment associations and study groups. Carol previously taught in St. Joseph, Michigan, Long Beach, California, and Monticello, New York.



Patty Donohue-Ebach, MS '86; BS '85, has fifteen years of experience in the field of health, fitness and wellness. She held the position of account executive with Johnson & Johnson

Corporation, where she was responsible for a number of corporate fitness centers. She served as a part-time instructor in the Health Promotion, Wellness, and Injury Prevention Program in the School of Health Sciences at Oakland University in Rochester, Michigan. Patty chairs the alumni award sub-committee of KAS. Patty and her husband, along with their three children, live in Novi, Michigan.



Scott Jeffer, BA '93, is the Assistant General Manager and Director of Corporate Sales for the Toledo Mud Hens, a semi-professional baseball team located in Toledo, Ohio. His responsibilities include developing corporate partnerships,

supervising the departments of business operations, stadium operations, public relations, and merchandise. He also maintains the team's Web site and oversees the operation of office-based technology. Before joining the Mud Hens, Scott worked at WFAN-AM, in New York City, recognized as the first "all-sports" format radio station in the nation. He is originally from Great Neck, New York.



Pete Kempf, MA '95; BA '76, was a Senior Research Scientist with Breed Technologies Inc. for three years, and he was involved in the transportation industry as a developer of new technologies for occupant restraint systems (seatbelts and air bags). Prior to that he worked for First Technology Safety Systems



developing anthropomorphic test devices (crash test dummies) and as a design engineer for a variety of companies. Pete serves as chair of the Kinesiology Alumni Society Board and he is an active member of the University of Michigan Alumni Association.



Dana LaKritz, BA '96, received her law degree from Wayne State University Law School in 1999, and she currently has her own practice in Farmington Hills, MI. She previously worked at Butzel Long, a Detroit-based law firm. While an undergraduate at the University of Michigan, she held an internship position where she worked for Andrew

Appleby, then-Vice President of Marketing for the Palace at Auburn Hills.

Mike LeMirande, BS '83, is Director of Global Transportation for Alticor Corporation in Grand Rapids Michigan. Alticor reported over \$4.7 billion in worldwide sales last year.



Previously, Mike worked for Consolidated Freightways, and while there he held two key positions. His expertise and leadership led to the development of a reverse logistics division that provided services for over forty Fortune 500 accounts. Mike lives in Ada, Michigan with his wife Dawn and three sons, Kyle, six; Zachary, five; and Grant, three - all future Wolverines!!

Kathy Gilbert Marsh, BS '89, lives in Milan, MI with her husband Andrew.

Jerry Meter, BS '80, is the Area Sales Manager for Steelcase Inc. in the state of Michigan. He has been with Steelcase since



1987, and he has held a number of positions in sales both in Detroit and Hartford, CT. Prior to working for Steelcase, he was an Assistant Football Coach (1981-86) and a graduate assistant (1979-80) at the UM. Jerry lives in Bloomfield Hills, MI, with his wife, Lisa, and four children – Nick, 21, a UM Kinesiology junior; Erin, 17; Meggie, 10, and; Ben, 8.



Catherine Serrin Niekro, BA '94, is the Director of Marketing for the University of Michigan Alumni Association. She serves as vice chair of the Kinesiology Alumni Association Board. Cat chairs the Events subcommittee for the Kinesiology Alumni Society Board.

Christian S. Parker, BA '97, is the Sponsorship Sales Manager of Silicon Valley Sports and Entertainment (SVSE). SVSE is the

parent company and manager of the San Jose Sharks (NHL), and HP Pavilion. He spent two years as the National Sales Manager for American Medical Technologies. He worked for the International Hockey League (now part of the American Hockey League) and for the opening of the Ann Arbor Ice Cube, home of USA Hockey's national development program.



Caryl Powell, BS '63, retired in 1999 after teaching Physical Education for thirty-six years. She and her husband, Don, are now living in the new house they built in the woods, outside the city of Cadillac, MI. Caryl makes the trip to Ann Arbor to attend the Kinesiology Alumni Society Board meetings.



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David J. Ralston, MS '85, is a certified athletic trainer, and he is working at Orthopaedics & Sports Medicine, PSC in Owensboro, KY. He has also worked at Indiana State

University, the University of Michigan, Union Hospital Sports Medicine Center in Terre Haute, Indiana and Eastern Kentucky University. He received the Crystallizing Prisms Award for Outstanding Commitment to Diversity at Indiana State University, and the Indiana Athletic Trainers' Association's Indiana Athletic Trainer of the Year. He was



featured in *Who's Who Among America's Most Outstanding University and College Teachers* in 1999. He has been an invited speaker at several regional and national conferences.

Leigh Sanderson Smoker, BA '99, lives in Nokomis, Florida, and she began the Nursing (RN) program this fall at Manatee Community College. She expects to receive her R.N. certification in the spring of 2005. In the interim she is managing a handmade chocolate and gift shop in Venice, FL. Leigh was a Program Manager for annual giving at



Michigan Telefund from 2000-2002, and she was an event planner for University Catering prior to that.

Sheryl Szady, Ph.D. '87; MA '75; BS '74, is the Manager of Marketing and Research Data for the Office of Development at



the University of Michigan. Sheryl has been an invited speaker at national conferences on the subjects of alumni research, alumni census, and development data and technology. She has served on the faculty of the Interlochen Arts Academy and the Interlochen National Music Camp. She currently serves as President of the Interlochen Alumni Organization and Trustee of the

Interlochen Center for the Arts. She is a member of the UM Board of Governors of the Michigan League; and an Executive Board member and founder of M-Women.

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Richard Bancroft, BS '87, is the Coordinator of Athletic Medicine at the University of Michigan Athletics Department.

Sherry Barrett-Mignon, BA '00, graduated from the DePaul College of Law last May, and she is now an attorney with Claudia Oney & Associates, P.C. in Chicago, IL.

Cinzia Bianchi, BS '99, attends the W.P. Carey School of Business at Arizona State University in Tempe, AZ.

Steve Burns, MS '98, coaches the men's varsity soccer team at the University of Michigan, which is entering its fourth season as a varsity program.

Sheila Calhoun, BS '81, is the Manager of Wellness & Work/Life for the LifeWise Health Promotion Program at Pfizer Global Research & Development in Ann Arbor, MI.

Virginia R. (*Stapert*) *Caretto*, MA '44, is retired after twentynine years of teaching. She lives in Mission Viejo, CA.

Joseph Cole, BS '39, is retired after a 54-year career in higher education, but he continues to teach part time for the College of Business at Cleveland State University.

Julie Copley, BS '95, is a massage therapist at Ann Arbor Therapeutic Massage. She has a three-year-old daughter, Aenea.

Doug Daugherty, BA '90, is an Alliance Director with the Trammell Crow Company overseeing property, portfolio, and construction project management for The Auto Club Group (AAA). The 630,000 square foot AAA Headquarters Building in Dearborn, which he manages, was awarded the Midwest's 2002 Total Office Building of the Year. Doug lives in Ann Arbor with his wife, Dr. Michelle Daugherty, and his two children - Madeline and Hunter.

Tony Drew, BS '98, recently completed his comprehensive examinations and advanced to candidacy in the doctoral program in Neurosciences at the University of Oregon. He wrote that he attended the International Brain Research Organization meeting in Prague, Czech Republic.

Cheryl Franks, BS '77, is a Sergeant for the Rochester Police Department in Rochester, NY.

Stacie Fruth, BS '89, is a physical therapist for Methodist Occupational Health Center in Indiana.

Mari Fugere, BS '87, has been an occupational therapist for ten years. She and her husband, Joseph, live in Lillburn, GA, with their four children - Kai, Shawn, Leilano, and Riley.

Vivian Frazier, BS '50, has been a physical education teacher for thirty-five years. She writes that the faculty and her experiences at the U-M were wonderful.

Patty Freedson, MS '76; BS '75, is a Professor and the Graduate Program Director for the Department of Exercise Science at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst, MA.

Joseph Gagliardi, BA '97, is the Development and Marketing Manager at the YMCA of Greater Cleveland, Ohio. He and his wife, Kellie, have a daughter - Grace.

Megan Gillam, BA '97, is a Graduate Management Associate with Toyota Motor Sales in Torrance, CA.

Kathryn Gleason, BA '96, is the Assistant Softball Coach at Purdue University in West Lafayette, IN.

Suzy Golz, BS '85, is the Supervisor of Studying movement Pediatric Cardiology at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation in Cleveland, Ohio. She and her husband, Jeff, have three children - Elaine, Rachel and Natalie.

Kelly Hageman, BA '99, is a Public Relations Assistant and Account Executive at Mullen Public Relations in Phoenix, AZ.

Darci Haggadone, BS '02, is a physical education teacher at Huron Valley Schools in White Lake, MI.

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Lisa Haleen, BS '01, is a Graduate Assistant in the Athletic Training Department at Indiana University in Bloomington, IN

Kristine Hallisy, BS '92, is a faculty associate at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, WI, and she has been a physical therapist for nineteen years.

Peter Handley, BS '87, is a Staff Physician at the Otsego Memorial Hospital in Gaylord, MI. He and his wife, Amy, have two children - Benjamin and Andrew.

Diane Hannah, BS '75, teaches for the Laingsburg Community Schools in Laingsburg, MI. She and her husband, Jeff, have three children - Chad, Kristin and Ryan.

Andrew Harris, BA '00, expects to graduate from Wayne State University Law School in 2003. He is currently a law clerk at Collins & Bluha.

Jason Hess, BS '92, owns Kinetic Fitness in West Bloomfield, MI.

Meredith Hillman (Koenigsberg), BA '00, is a Senior Supply Chain Analyst for Handcleman Company in Troy, MI.

Michael Hoehn, MS '96; BS '92, is the Cardiopulmonary Rehabilitation Director at Mary Rutan Hospital in Bellefontaine, OH.

Brad Holcman, BA '99, is the manager of Marathon Entertainment in Los Angeles, CA.

Bette Horstman, BS '43, is President of Allied Health Services, Limited in Park Ridge, IL.

Jason Hoyner, BS '02, is in his second year at the UM School of Dentistry.

Jennifer Jackson, MS '98, is a physical therapist and athletic trainer at the University of Michigan Hospital.

Shawn Johnston, BS '91, is an M.D. and co-owns Rehabilitation Medicine Associates in Anchorage, Alaska. He and his wife, Laura, have a son - Ian.

Deanna Jones, BS '83, is the Associate Head Athletic Trainer at the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD.

Cathy Kalahar, BS '77, is in a private psychology practice in Petoskey, MI. She recently became certified as a Golf Psychology Instructor, working with professionals and amateurs on playing to their potential. "My education and training at U of M provided a great foundation from which to pursue my unique career aspirations," she states.

Scott Kamieniecki, BA '86, is a member/owner of AK Marketing in Brighton, MI. He and his wife, Rita, have two children - Matthew and Alan.

Autumn Keller, BS '97, is a Doctor of Chiropractics at Bentley Chiropractic, Inc. in Maumee, Ohio.

Sarah Kepner, BA '00, is in her second year at Loyola Law School.

Marian Kneer, Ph.D. '72; BS '69, was inducted into the National Association for Sport and Physical Education Hall of Fame in April, 2003. The award is given to honor outstanding individuals who make significant contributions to maintaining physical activity as an integral part of the total education program.

I am interested in the change of emphasis from playing games to the process of physical development in movement and body conditioning. Keep up the excellent work in the School of Kinesiology.

Lillian Gallichio, BS '53

Patricia Kralik, BS '83, is a project manager for St. Joseph Mercy Health System. She and her husband, Scott, have two children - Bradley and Matthew.

Frances Le Mire, MA '59, is the Associate Dean of Students at Towson University in Towson, Maryland.

Jo-Anne Lazarus, Ph.D. '86, is an Associate Professor in the Department of Kinesiology at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, WI.

Barbara Lindsay, BS '45, states that she has stayed in touch with the Women's PE class of 1945 classmates via a 'Round Robin' letter for a 'zillion years.'" Her main interest is the Laurie Campbell fund (see the Honors Reception write-up on page 12).

Rae Martinez, BS '94, is the District Sales Manager for King Pharmaceuticals in Bristol, TN.

Tamara Ogletree, BS '95, is a sales representative for Nike. She lives in Ann Arbor, MI.

Shelly Olivadoti, BS '99, is a physical therapist at the Chldren's Therapy Center in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Melissa Olken, BS "78, is a staff physician at ProMed Internal Medicine in Portage, MI. She and her husband, Norman, have two children - Alexander and Charles.

Barbara Passmore, BS '61, is Dean of the School of Health and Human Performance at Indiana State University.

John Petrie, MA '63; BS '61, was inducted as an honorary member into the MHSFCA in recognition of thirty-nine years of football clock and scorekeeping at Milan High School.

Robert Poley, BS '97, is serving his family practice residency at William Beaumont Hospital in Troy, MI. He received his Doctor of Medicine from Michigan State University's College of Human Medicine last May. He also completed a Master of Science degree in Basic Medical Sciences from Wayne State University.

Diane Ross, Ph.D. '75; MS '65, is enjoying a wonderful retirement in Palm Springs, CA after teaching for 30 years at California State University, Fullerton. "My career was wonderful, and now this new phase of my life is very satisfying. I have the time to learn so many new things (e.g. digital photography) and to read all the books that were stacked in a pile to be read later," she writes.

Mindy Rowand-Schmidt, BS '91, is helping to coach track and cross country at Xavier College Preparatory. She lives in Phoenix, AZ with her husband, Joseph and two daughters - Sierra and Trinity.

William Shinavier, MS '96, is the Assistant Athletic Trainer for the University of Michigan Athletics Department. He and his wife, Janette, live in Ypsilanti, MI.

Kenneth G. ("Red") Simmons, MS '62, Professor Emeritus, writes that he and "Mrs. Coach," Lois Simmons, enjoy attending any and all alumni events. Red has been recognized with many honors. Among them was the Philip Hart Award from the State Senate for contributions to womens' sports. He was the first man to be inducted into the University of Michigan Womens' Track and Field Hall of Fame.

Charles Smith, BA '92, is the Season Ticket Sales Manager for the Detroit Red Wings. He and his wife, Kristin, live in Farmington Hills.

Joel Smith, BS '95, is a physical therapist at Northern Michigan Rehabilitation Services in Topinabee, MI.

Roberta Stapleton, MS '87, teaches Health and Social Studies at Community High School for the Ann Arbor Public Schools. She and her husband, Bill, have three children - Joe, Drew and Tressa.

Patricia Steinmuller, BS '86, is an Adjunct Instructor for the Department of Health and Human Development at Montana

State University. She and her husband, David, live in Gallatin Gateway, MT.

Margaret Stevens, BS '74, is President of Mikan Corporation, a computer company, in Ann Arbor, MI.

Lynette Stindt, BS '81, is an Associate Professor at Jackson Community College. She and her husband, Craig, live in Ferndale, MI.

Melva Thompson-Robinson, BS '89, is an Assistant Professor for the Institute of Public Health, Florida A&M University in Tallahassee, FL.

Betty Thurston, BS '57, is the Assistant to the Chair in the Dance Department at Hampshire College in Amherst, MA.

Leo Toomajian, BS '92, is a physician with Woods Cardiovascular Pulmonary Associates in Macomb, MI.

Tim Uhl, MS '92, is an Assistant Professor at the University of Kentucky in Lexington, Kentucky.

Sara VanZyll, BS '90, teachers Biology and Health at the Tri County High School in Howard City, MI. She and her husband, Jeff, have two children.

Alfred Varga, BS '91, is an Administrative Law Judge for the Office of Hearing and Appeals.

Jesssica Vinson (Jones), BA '99, is Coordinator of Web Design, Marketing Management and Event Management for the Mike Rose Soccer Complex. She is heavily involved in the Germantown Chamber of Commerce in Memphis, TN, and she won the 2002 Ambassador of the Year for her volunteer work. Jessica lives in Memphis with her husband, Jason.

Monica Williams, BS '97, teaches second grade at Harms Elementary School in Detroit, MI. She and her husband, Bryan, have a five-month-old daughter, Gabriella.

Bradley Woehlke, BS '02, is a physical education teacher for Willow Run Community Schools in Ypsilanti, MI.

James Wrobel, BS '94, is Chief of Podiatry for the Surgical Service in White River Junction, Vermont. He and his wife, Kristen, have two children – Alex and Rachel.

