August will mark my anniversary as the dean of the new School of Social Sciences, Business and Education (SSBE). What an exhilarating ride it’s been! Thanks to my wonderful colleagues who have come together to build this new family. While some may see SSBE as a merger of unrelated majors, we know that at our core, all our disciplines, including Sociology, Psychology, Education, Business, Social Work, Counseling, and Justice are fundamentally concerned with the development and strengthening of the individual and society, thus enhancing the human condition. As a result, we take our community engagement charge seriously. It’s been a pleasure to see our progress, and to work with a group of faculty and staff whose commitment to students is unmatched.

As I reflect on the stories in this inaugural issue of our newsletter, I am amazed at how much goes on in our School. The impetus for creating our newsletter was to celebrate our faculty, staff and students. Connecting with SSBE alums, prospective students, and the Greater Milwaukee community was another goal we hoped to achieve through forum.

Our School has celebrated many successes in the past year, in the form of faculty and student research, field work, alumnae awards, as well as professional and community service. We hope you’ll share our stories with your networks! Please enjoy this premier issue of our newsletter as we share the many ways the SSBE family demonstrates its commitment to Mount Mary’s core values of competence, community, compassion and commitment.
We hope you share in our excitement as we look forward to another productive year.

Chioma Ugochukwu, Ph.D.
Dean, School of Social Sciences, Business & Education

**Counseling Faculty to Train School on Trauma Sensitive Practices**

Dr. Carrie Smith King, Director of the Masters in Counseling Program and Dr. Tammy Scheidegger, Associate Professor of Counseling, are set to provide Milwaukee’s Northwest Catholic School a year of professional development and training focused on implementing trauma sensitive school practices. Through this coaching, Northwest Catholic School will be able to implement Trauma Sensitive School Curriculum (TSSC).

The goal of the training is to ensure that teachers, support staff, and administrators are equipped with specific knowledge and skills to manage behavior that is related to trauma. School-wide documentation of incidences and successes will be ongoing as they relate to the implementation of a TSS. The outcomes envisioned include a decrease in incidences of disciplinary problems such as tardiness and "high needs events," an increase in literacy scores, as well as staff and student retention.

Dr. King and Dr. Scheidegger will involve their students in this very worthy project. Kudos to the team!

**SGA Board**

We congratulate all the SSBE students who were inducted into Mount Mary’s Student Government Association this past spring. What a way to step into leadership positions and explore your self-efficacy. Bravo!
Jamila Pugh, an Accounting major was elected as vice president

Shandrieka Richardson, Accounting, Treasurer

Jennifer Nava, Psychology/Justice, Residence Hall Senator

Hayley Hove, Business Administration, Secretary
Katie Roell, Business Administration minor, Clubs and Organizations Officer

Other inductees include:

Jenny Klawitter, Counseling, Non traditional/Graduate Student Senator

Ostassia Jackson, MBA, Student Body Senator
Student Research
The 34th annual Student Practice and Research Conference (SPARC) took place this spring and showcased student work from the Behavioral Science, Counseling, Justice, and Social Work Departments. The conference featured 66 student presentations, round tables, and poster sessions. Keynote speakers include Emily Nolan, Art Therapy Doctoral Program, who spoke on Art Therapy and Mental Health Practices. Tim Vargo, from Urban Ecology Center, was also a speaker and addressed issues around citizen science.

Dr. Smith-King Travels the Country to Present Research Results
Dr. Carrie Smith-King, Director of the Masters in Counseling Program, did some traveling this spring as a board member of the Greater Milwaukee Catholic Educator Consortium (GMCEC), and in collaboration with Jennifer Maney, Institutional Coordinator of the GMCEC, and Tom Kiely, Director of Marquette University's Institute for Catholic Leadership.
Last year, seven of Dr. King’s School Counseling graduate students assisted in conducting a grant funded culture/climate study in a group of Milwaukee Archdiocesan schools. As part of the grant, Dr. King and others have been traveling and sharing the preliminary results of the aggregated data with other large and diverse Archdioceses. They traveled to Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, Camden, New Orleans, Indiana, Chicago and Pittsburgh engaging with leaders of these archdioceses, school superintendents, principals, authors, researchers and other Catholic community leaders so as to share the results of their research.

**Screening of Girl Rising**

*One girl with courage is a revolution*

On March 24, faculty, staff and students came together for a special screening of the renowned film, “Girl Rising.” The film takes its audience through the globe to "witness the strength of the human spirit and the power of education to change the world."

“Girl Rising” is a ground breaking film that highlights the many obstacles, including child marriage and bonded servitude, which young women around the globe have to confront. The film tells the stories of nine young girls and the power of education to transform.
The stories are told with the help of celebrated writers from each girl’s country, and narrated by renowned actresses such as Meryl Streep, Anne Hathaway, Kerry Washington, Salma Hayek, and Cate Blanchett. The screening was hosted by SSBE in partnership with the Honors Program and the Office of the Vice-president for Academic and Student Affairs.

According to Dean Chioma Ugochukwu, screening the film was an appropriate way for SSBE to mark Women’s History Month and International Women’s Day. “It also speaks to our mission of educating women.”

**Counseling Students Provide 27,600 Hours of Service**

Forty-six Clinical Mental Health, Community and School Counseling interns from the M.S. in Counseling program enrolled in the department's Internship I (fall) and Internship II (spring) course. Each intern completed approximately 300 hours each semester at their individual site, equating to 27,600 hours of service to the community.

The interns completed the program while gaining counseling experience and serving the mental health, addiction recovery, academic, social and vocational needs of children and adults living in and attending school in the Greater Milwaukee area. Students learned and served at nearly 50 sites, including Aurora Psychiatric Hospital’s Eating Disorder Services; American Red Cross S.E.; and Sojourner Family Peace Center’s Family Advocacy & Support Service.
Prayer Service

The Mount Mary community joined Dean Chioma Ugochukwu and Sister Joan Penzenstadler, SSND, for a prayer service in Our Lady’s Chapel. The service was organized in honor of the schoolgirls abducted in Northern Nigeria by members of the extremist group known as Boko Haram. The group, whose name translates to “Western education is a sin,” is part of a nefarious movement to undermine the education of women. Some members of faculty, staff, administrators and students lit candles and prayed for the safe return of the girls.
Training the Community on the Rights of Human Trafficking Victims

Meg Garvin, a national expert, was the keynote speaker for a training session for advocates, lawyers, community leaders, and policy makers held at Mount Mary University.

The session focused on how to protect victims of crime when they are most vulnerable. The keynote is one of the series of programs coordinated by the chair of the Justice department, who also serves as the coordinator of the LOTUS legal clinic.

Last fall, the first volunteer training event was held for the clinic. Over sixty attorneys and community leaders attended to learn about the rights of crime victims in general, as well as how to work with victims of human trafficking.

LOTUS stands for Legal Options for Trafficked and Underserved Survivors, and was created to respond to the needs of individuals in Wisconsin.

AEIOC in Action: Counseling Students Tackle Ropes Course

Last fall, nearly 40 counseling graduate students and faculty traveled to Roger's Memorial Hospital in Oconomowoc for the Ropes and Challenges course. The course is a required component of the MS in Counseling Program that occurs during Internship I.

Students engaged in high and low rope/challenge courses, problem solving activities, and group processing. Students are given time during the experience and at their next supervision class to reflect
on how each activity impacted their personal growth.

Each student walks away from the Ropes and Challenges course with a new and unique perspective of who they are and how they can work with others in a counseling context.

Miya Rogers, being assisted by Eneda Kamberaj

This out-of-classroom experience is demonstrative of how both foundational knowledge and skill can be developed in students, using teaching methods that are illustrative of the attributes of creativity.

**Agility** is required to change course in the midst of this new experience in a group context. **Experimentation** is the purpose of the ropes course, having students engaging in a series of novel experiences for the purpose of understanding and enlightenment. **Open-mindedness** to work with others’ fears, beliefs and ideas is a component of team building. When students are given the challenge of getting from one place to another on the rope obstacles, they are required to **navigate complexity** and find **imaginative** ways to solve problems.
As part of the SOC 352 Women, Peace and Conflict course, students collected school supplies and held a bake sale for school children in Liberia. The idea for the project grew out of reading Leymah Gbowee's memoir, "Mighty Be Our Powers." The project taught students how to collaborate to effect change, and helped the students find a positive response to the pain they felt reading about what happens to women during times of war.

One of the problems the students had to solve was how to get the supplies to Liberia. Mount Mary’s Women’s Leadership Institute, led by Beth Wnuk, Senior Vice President for Administration, helped find a donor to cover the cost of shipping the supplies to the Gbowee Foundation offices in New York City, who then took care of sending the boxes overseas.

Professor Lynne Woehrle said, “it is all very beautiful what our students accomplished. I am in awe of their leadership, confidence and collaboration. I also think fondly that there are students in Sierra Leone that now know about Mount Mary University.”
Student/Club Activities & Honor Society Inductions

Twenty-five undergraduate and graduate students were inducted into Psi Chi, The International Honor Society for Psychology.

Social Work’s Rho Nu Chapter of Phi Alpha Honor Society welcomed four new members on March 30.

Left to right: Jessica Osuocha, Kelli Steffey, Chandra Smith and Bao Yang

Phi Alpha also held a book drive in the month of April to benefit Mount Mary University’s day care center.

The Social Work Club held a bake sale and a men’s clothing drive. Proceeds from the bake sale were donated to the Guest House of Milwaukee. The club also donated clothing to the organization.
Students in SOC 430 Social Theory engaged issues of poverty, class, and economic access by doing a service learning project. They held a bake sale and raised money for the St. Aemillian Lakeside program for teens who are forced out of the foster care system when they turn 18. Students also held a clothing donation drive for House of Peace. Students were required to work as a group to do the community "giving back" projects. In project evaluations they talked about how the project helped make the issues of economic justice come alive for them.

Students from SOC 101 Introductory Sociology did a service learning project in the community. The students prepared a craft experience for two schools: St. Anthony’s Daycare and Prince of Peace Elementary School. Students praised the experience and mentioned that they understood issues of class, race, and educational inequalities much better after getting out into the community.

For her Honors project for SOC 101 Introductory Sociology, Lissandra Lopez read a book about the issue of mountain top removal (modern coal mining technique) and put together an information display. She set up the display one day during lunch in Crossroads next to the Starbucks cafe on campus.
DID YOU KNOW…?

SSBE has a Facebook page. Be sure to visit and “Like” us!

Our MBA program now has a new track in Health Systems Leadership

The M.S. in Counseling Program was approved for a CACREP accreditation site visit that will occur in fall.

The Burke Foundation continues to support Mount Mary University/Alverno College Collaborative for the Urban Education Fellows Program (UEFP).

SSBE is planning an annual Entrepreneurship Workshop/Day Camp for high school students, scheduled to start in the summer of 2015.

Our Education department’s long-term collaboration with Great Lakes Teacher Training allows us to offer a variety of options to students and teachers interested in Waldorf education. Great Lakes Teacher Training is recognized by the Association of Waldorf Schools of North America (AWSNA), and offers Waldorf teacher certification that may be completed in conjunction with the Mount Mary University’s Master of Arts in Education degree.

Krista S. Moore, Associate Professor of Sociology has tutored in an adult literacy program (Milwaukee Achiever) during this past academic year. She worked with an ex-convict every week on his math skills, so that he can complete his GED. In addition, Dr. Moore is on the Board of Directors for Milwaukee Achiever.

The Board of Directors of Professional Dimensions approved the membership of Dean Chioma Ugochukwu into the organization. Professional Dimensions is the largest women’s membership organization dedicated to the leadership and professional advancement of women in the state of Wisconsin.

Distinguished Professor of Law and former Supreme Court Justice, Janine Geske, was one of the guest panelists for the Untold Stories’ spring showcase organized by Professor Rachel Monaco-Wilcox. Geske and other panelists
discussed criminal behavior data and how they influence our response to crime.

Dean Ugochukwu was inducted into the Delta Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International (DKG) in April. DKG is a professional honorary society of women educators.

Behavioral Science faculty member Lynne Woehrle was very involved in the campus community garden in 2013, delivering about 350 pounds of vegetables to the food pantry at the Northwest Baptist Church on 92nd Street.

On May 9, the Graduate Counseling Program held its 2014 Spring Intensive Workshop in Helfaer Hall. The topic of discussion was "Men – Issues, Interventions, and Inspiration.”

Alumnae News

Education Department alumna, Lenore Belhumeur, received the Mentor Teacher Award from Mount Mary University and the Wisconsin Association Colleges of Teacher Education.
Lauren Boyd, a Mount Mary University alumna, received the Education Deans of Greater Milwaukee (EDGM) Early Career in Teaching Award last October. Boyd is a second-grade teacher at Milwaukee College Preparatory School where her students show outstanding growth in math and reading. Boyd earned her teaching certificate through the Urban Education Fellows’ Program as well as her master’s in Education from Mount Mary University.

Some of our Education alums received the Madonna Medal and Tower Awards last fall. The Madonna Medal Award is bestowed annually to alumnae who excel in professional achievement, service to the community or service to the University. The Tower Award for Excellence recognizes alumnae who have graduated within the past 15 years and exemplify the University’s core values.

The Madonna Award for Community Service recipient was Winifred Gardner Ligda. Ligda graduated from Mount Mary University in 1963 with a B.S. in Education. She served the Chicago Board of Education as a teacher and as a librarian for more than 35 years.

The Tower Award of Excellence went to Jacqueline Lichter, Ph.D. Lichter received her M.A. in Education from Mount Mary in 2005 and a Certificate in Religious Education in 2002. Lichter is currently lead principal of All Saints Catholic School in Kenosha.
The Education Department and Delta Chapter, Sigma State, Delta Kappa Gamma, sponsored Doug Buehl’s presentation on reading/writing. And, in November, Delta sponsored another presentation by Jessica Michna as Eleanor Roosevelt. Mrs. Michna portrays many historical women for classes and other organizations.
News from the Teacher Resource Center, TCR

Cultural Displays
The Teacher Resource Center highlighted three different cultures this fall. The Hispanic Month display was designed by Maria Perez. Then, the Filipino American History Month exhibit was crafted by Isabel, and finally with artifacts from Terri, Maria set up the Native American display.

Visitors
Students studied and alumnae visited the TRC all semester. Among the many visitors was author and alumna, Rosemary Irons, who stopped by and posed with one of her favorite math stories. Irons currently lives in Australia.

New Products
Each year the TRC adds to its collections. In addition to their usual magazines, they added a new one in Spanish called Iguana. TRC director, Isabel Piana hopes this will be a good resource for World Language students and students doing fieldwork or student teaching in bilingual schools.

Other new materials include the English Language Arts Common Core Progress books published by Sadlier and Doug Buehl's latest book, “Classroom Strategies for Interactive Learning.”

Maria Perez, one of the 2014 Student Employees of the Year, works in the Archdiocesan Teacher Resource Center.

Congratulations!
We proudly congratulate Education department’s fall graduates, Carissa Diane Ihm, and the Education certification recipients: Veronica Arteaga, Juana Patricia Clarke, Jodi Lynn Haasch, Jennifer Clare Hartnett, Fabian Klein, Megan Victoria Mattson, and Kyle William Pollard.

**Thank you and Good-bye**
We sadly say a final thank you and good-bye to Sister Jean Raymond McBride for her excellent work in the TRC. Sister Jean Raymond, SSND, assisted students and staff in the TRC for countless years. We truly appreciated her contributions to make the TRC a special place for students and teachers. We loved her friendship and her penmanship lessons. May she rest in peace.

**Student Awards**
Pictured are some of the award recipients
Several SSBE students were awarded scholarships this spring. Jennifer McKibbins, senior, Accounting major, received the Claudia Deede Scholarship and the J.O., Victoria & Eileen K. Johnson Scholarship.

Katherine Kosiboski, junior, Business Administration major, was awarded the J.O., Victoria & Eileen K. Johnson Scholarship.

Rachel Schneider, senior, Business Administration minor, received the Henry J. & Christine Willems Memorial Scholarship.

Paige Lemke and Dina Holifield received the Dr. and Mrs. A. Stephen Woo, Jr. Scholarship.

Ariana Everts and Cloe Seeger were awarded the Student Education Association Scholarship.

Chelsea Hassi and Angelica Munoz received the Lorenz Scholarship.

Zecilia Alamillo-Roman--Social Work Department Scholarship and the Janet Mary Trutwin Elkouh Scholarship.

The Catherine Brophy Swinnell Scholarship was awarded to Diane Carson-Catherine Haight and Chandra Smith.

Other recipients include Emily Ninneman (Psychology minor), Angelina Quartana (Psychology), Kelsey Henke (Psychology), Katrina Williams (Psychology/BES), and Kalina Sturm (Psychology minor), who received the Brophy Swinnell award. Ninneman also got the Beatrice Haggerty and Olive Trumm awards. Janeth Briars (Psychology) received the Daganhardt scholarship.

Service and Scholarly Activities

- Joe Dooley attended the BPD Conference in Louisville, KY.

- Associate Professor, Deb Dosemagen, Director of the Graduate Program in Education, and Education Department Chair, serves on the Board of
Directors of the Burke Foundation. The Burke Foundation supports the Caroline Scholars, the Grace Scholars (Midtown Program), and the Urban Education Fellows, as well as a variety of programs in the Milwaukee community.

- Deb Dosemagen serves on the Notre Dame Middle School Board of Directors and on the Education Committee of that board. She also serves on the Education Committee at Pius XI High School.

- Deb Dosemagen has been appointed as the WAICU higher education representative to the Professional Standards Council, a function of the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.

- Assistant Professor, Miriam Guttman, will present on the topic of “active listening” at the Torah Umesorah [National Society for Hebrew Day Schools] National Conference for Educators in Split Rock Resort, Lake Harmony, PA. This is the second time Dr. Guttman will present at this national conference.

- Miriam Guttman serves the Milwaukee Jewish community in many ways, serving as Board Member for Hillel Academy High School and as Chair of the Professional Development committee at the Coalition of Jewish Learning, as well as being a recognized matchmaker, working with people from all over America and Israel.

- Cindy Keller, Director of Teacher Education and Susan Wetrich, department faculty attended a workshop on the new state Teacher Performance Assessment (edTPA).

- Melinda Kiltz attended the Wisconsin Council on Social Work Education in Wisconsin Dells.

- Melinda Kiltz attended the BPD Conference in Louisville, KY.

- Dr. Carrie King presented, “Ethics Overview and Review,” at the Wisconsin School Counselor Association’s Annual Conference in Madison, WI, on Feb 19.
• Dr. Kristen Roche presented her paper, “Millenials and the gender wage gap in the U.S.: A cross-cohort comparison of young workers born in the 1960s and the 1980s” at the Midwest Economic Association annual meeting in Chicago in March.

• Dr. Melissa Kraemer Smothers is the recipient of the 2014 Early Career psychologist Credentialing Scholarship, awarded by the National Register of Health Service Psychologists. This was awarded on April 10.

• Dean Chioma Ugochukwu is attending the International Communication Association conference from May 22-25. Ugochukwu is an active member of several divisions within the association.

• Dr. Ugochukwu also submitted a paper on students’ use of social media and its impact on their knowledge of political, sports and social news at the National Communication Association conference.

• Dr. Ugochukwu serves on the steering committee of this year’s Celebrate Teachers and Teaching organized by the Education Deans of Greater Milwaukee. The committee is planning an awards ceremony as part of EDGM’s efforts to create a culture of appreciation for the teaching profession in the Greater Milwaukee area.

• Dean Ugochukwu participated in a conversation session with the former president of Nigeria, Dr. Olusegun Obasanjo held at the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee to discuss how Milwaukee area universities can form partnerships with African institutions. Dr. Lynne Woehrle was also in attendance.

• Dr. Ugochukwu attended the Race, Families and Milwaukee Summit organized by Aurora Family Service.

• Dr. Ugochukwu also attended some Milwaukee community events, including the YWCA luncheon, Professional Dimensions’ Sacagawea Awards, Milwaukee Achiever’s Night of Literacy, and Professional Dimensions’ conversation circle. The circle is a race-relations initiative aimed at breaking down barriers by bringing together women for several conversations on race and other important issues.
• Dean Ugochukwu also attended the Women's Center of Waukesha's "Futures Free from Violence" fundraising event, and the Milwaukee Business Journal’s Book of Lists celebration with Dr. Kristen Roche.

• Rachel Monaco-Wilcox was a panelist on Human trafficking; Definitions, Recognition, and Response, Alverno College, April 2014.

• Professor Monaco-Wilcox also sat on the panel on Human Trafficking and LOTUS Legal Clinic, Milwaukee Jewish Women’s Council, April, 2014.


• Rachel Monaco-Wilcox, awarded State Bar of Wisconsin Pro Bono Initiative mini grant for LOTUS Legal Clinic May Training.

• Dr. Rachel Monaco-Wilcox read a selection from the Bard to celebrate Shakespeare’s Birthday on April 9 at Marquette University. Dr. Monaco-Wilcox joined other notables, including Mayor Tom Barrett, County Executive Chris Abele, Milwaukee historian John Gurda, and many more.

• Lynne M. Woehrle, Professor of Sociology joined teaching faculty from across the U.S. for a working conference, "Reconstructing Peace Studies: Assessing New Knowledge and Outcomes" at Juniata College in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania from March 20-23.

• Lynne M. Woehrle, Professor of Sociology co-led an all-day training on Mediation and Peace Circles practices for the residential advisory team at Alverno College on Jan. 13.

Lynne M. Woehrle continues as editor of the peer-reviewed scholarly publication, Journal for the Study of Peace and Conflict published annually for the Wisconsin Institute of Peace and Conflict studies.
SSBE's Year in Photos
Diving into Book of Lists

More than 300 Milwaukee-area businesspeople came together for the fifth annual Book of Lists dinner on Nov. 27 at the Pfister Hotel, where the Milwaukee Business Journal honored the winners of the Book of Lists.

67. P&R Publishing Inc.
66. DH Equipment Services Inc.
65. Digiwave Inc.
64. DMP Transport Inc.
63. Target Media Group Inc.
62. Dreyer’s Ice Cream
61. Domtar Specialty Papers
60. Eagle Rigging Systems Inc.
59. Dilaflon Inc.
58. Durgin’s Supply Co.
57. Dr Pepper Snapple Group Inc.
56. Duke’s Inc.
55. Donald Joseph & Sons Inc.
54. DTE Energy Services Inc.
53. Duquesne Light Co.
52. Duro- last Co., Inc.
51. Dunagin Development Corp.
50. Durr Manufacturing Co.
49. D&H Distributing Co.
48. Dairyland Property and Casualty Ins.
47. DePuy Manufacturing Inc.
46. Discovery World Inc.
45. DeWitt
44. Delta Dental Plan of Wisconsin
43. Deutscher Inc.
42. Denver Union Station
41. Denkohl Inc.
40. Delta Dental of Wisconsin
39. Denkohl Dental Inc.
38. Delumped LLC
37. Denkohl Group Inc.
36. Delumped
35. Dawn Rigney & Co.
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