

RECOGNIZING

Faculty, Staff and Students

DR. NATHAN GRIGGS, associate professor of biology, was awarded the Dr. Richard W. Stroede Distinguished Faculty Citation at this year's Honors Convocation. He came to Defiance College in 2004 as an assistant professor of Biology. He was tenured and promoted to associate professor of Biology in 2008.

Dr. Griggs earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from Purdue University, Bachelor of Science in Chemistry degree from Purdue University, and Doctor of Philosophy degree in Biomedical Sciences from Wright State University. He has served as Chair of the Division of Science and Mathematics twice and is currently Chair of the Division of Natural Science, Applied Science, and Mathematics. He has served on a range of standing committees and ad hoc teams including most recently the Spearhead Group, which developed the new Core Curriculum, and the Faculty Handbook Reconceptualization Task Force, which developed the new faculty handbook.

Two Defiance College faculty members and criminal justice student **DAVID SAVAGE** were honored during the annual Ohio Conference of Criminal Justice Education Research Conference held recently in Ashland.

DR. DONALD KNUEVE, associate academic dean and professor of criminal justice, was presented the annual Faculty/Professional Award for more than 30 years of service to the OCCJE as a member, officer and trustee. He was also awarded a lifetime membership.

Professor **STEVEN SONDERGAARD** will assume the position of president of OCCJE for the 2014-15 academic year.

Savage, graduating senior from Warren, Ohio, was named Top Undergraduate Criminal Justice Student for 2014. He also received the top Undergraduate

Research Paper Award for his work entitled "The Effectiveness of the Prison Rape Elimination Act at the Corrections Center of Northwest Ohio: Policies and Procedures that Aid in the Reduction of Sexual Victimization and an Analysis of the Occurrence of Sexual Harassment."

Outstanding Service Awards for faculty and staff and the Gerald Mallott Outstanding Senior Service Award for 2014 were presented to **JOSHUA FRANCIS**, assistant professor of education, director of education and director of academic assessment; **BRAD HARSHA**, director of admissions; and graduating senior **CATHERINE SAVAGE**, Wauseon.

DC instruction librarian **ALEXANDRA HAUSER**, as part of a team at Indiana University, has been published in the March 2014 issue of *College and Research Libraries*. Visit <http://crl.acrl.org/content/current>

TIM WEDGE, assistant professor of practice of digital forensic science, was recently quoted in a Forensic Magazine article: <http://www.forensicmag.com/articles/2014/01/finding-missing-link>

Defiance College forensic science major **MARISSA BUSSARD** presented "Comparison of Chemical Enhancements for the Detection of Latent Blood Using Edta-Analog" at the Ohio Academy of Science Annual Meeting in North Canton this past Saturday. This research was conducted with **DR. SOMNATH DUTTA**, associate professor of chemistry.

Also, **DR. DOUG KANE**, associate professor of biology was co-author on "Nutrient Dynamics in Lake Erie During Harmful Algal Bloom Initiation" with a student author from BGSU and another co-author from Ohio State University's F.T. Stone Laboratory.

Dr. Kane also began his second term as a member of the Board of Directors of the Ohio Academy of Science. Visit <http://ohiosci.org/> to learn more about the Ohio Academy of Science and to see all the abstracts from this meeting.

Dr. Doug Kane was one of more than 50 invited participants from Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and Ontario at the Phosphorus Along the Land-River-Lake continuum workshop held by the National Center for Water Quality Research (NCWQR) at Heidelberg University in Tiffin. In addition to participating in the workshop discussions Dr. Kane displayed two posters of his and Defiance College students' research on the Maumee River and Lake Erie. For more information on the workshop visit the NCWQR Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/ncwqr> or visit <https://gomeet.itap.purdue.edu/p32lfn7bp7y/> to see the introductory presentation to the workshop.

Dr. Kane recently presented on and answered questions about the Harmful Algal Bloom (HAB) problem in Lake Erie as part of Bowling Green State University's "Kids Tech University" program. Doug presented "What is this green slime in Lake Erie, why is it there, and what can be done to get rid of it?" to approximately 60 nine to 12-year-olds from Northwest Ohio and then participated in an interactive microscope session, showing the students phytoplankton and zooplankton. The goal of "Kids Tech University" is "to create the future workforce in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) by sparking kids' interest in these fields." To learn more about this program visit http://kidstechuniversity-bgsu.vbi.vt.edu/kidstech/program-view/what_is_this_green_slime_in_lake_erie_why_is_it_there_and_what_can_be_done.