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FACULTY AND STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

Promotions, awards, presentations, invitations, and seminars



MARY ANN STUDER has been appointed the interim dean of the McMaster School for Advancing Humanity and will continue to support the mission of the school. She will provide the leadership necessary to sustain and advance existing programs and partnerships as well as launch and promote activities and opportunities which will further advance the McMaster's vision of advancing humanity. In addition to serving in this capacity, Mary Ann is an assistant professor of physical science.



DR. DOUG KANE, assistant professor of biology, gave an invited presentation at the Sixth Biennial Lake Erie Millennium Network Conference in Windsor, Ontario on April 27.

The talk "Monitoring, Mechanisms, and Macronutrients: Microcystis in the Maumee and Sandusky Systems" included co-authors from Ohio State University, Kent State University, Niagara University and the University of Toledo. Further, Kane was a co-author on the "Lake Erie Algal Source Tracking 2009 (LEAST)" talk given by Dr. Tom Bridgeman of the University of Toledo, with other co-authors from UT, OSU, and Heidelberg University. These presentations dealt with research regarding the distribution and timing of blooms, factors influencing the distribution and timing of blooms, methods of detection and quantification, and toxin detection of Microcystis, a type of bloom-forming harmful alga found throughout the Maumee and Sandusky systems (from small tributaries to offshore Lake Erie). These projects were funded by the Lake Erie

Protection Fund and US EPA. For more information about the conference please visit <http://www.lemn.org/> and click under conferences and then click Sixth Biennial conference. The presentations will be uploaded to this site in the near future.



Serving as the director of career development for the past three years, **LISA MARSALEK** has been promoted to assistant dean of students and director of career development effective July 1. In this new role, she will continue to direct all aspects of the Office of Career Development and will assume responsibility for the direction, leadership, and supervision of other functional areas of student life, including residence life, student activities, and intercultural relations and will also assume responsibility for student accessibility services and the Partnership for Jobs program. A graduate of The Ohio State University, Lisa holds a BS in psychology, a master's degree in labor and human resources, and an M.A. in higher education and student affairs administration.

Several **DEFIANCE COLLEGE-AFFILIATED ARTISTS** were recognized during this year's June Art Exhibit at the Wassenberg Art Center in Van Wert, Ohio. They include: Professor **STEVE SMITH**, stoneware; alumnus **MATTHEW TEMPLE**, linocut print; **MIKE KOZUMPLIK**, jewelry; Professor **DOUG FIELY**, woodcut print and intaglio print; alumnus and instructor **JULIA FIELY**, acrylic; instructor **KATHY FUNDERBURG**, acrylic; alumnus **BRANDON KNOTT**, stoneware; and **MARVIN THORP**, glass, husband of faculty member **JO ANN BURKHARDT**.



DEAN JOHNSON, assistant professor of religious studies, took part in the Teaching for Educational Equity Seminar this summer at Goshen College Center for Teaching and Learning.

The five-day seminar for K-12 teachers and higher education faculty offers support for participants to critically reflect and learn more about the process of teaching for transformation toward equitable schools and classrooms. It is designed to connect participants to their own experiences and the experiences of others in teaching and taking leadership for educational equity. ♦



Dr. David Gormsen '74 visited campus this spring, talking with students interested in the medical profession. Dr. Gormsen is chief medical officer and chairman of Mercy Medical Center, Canton. His time on campus included a visit with emeriti professors Dick Small, left, and Dr. Bernie Mikula, right.