### PETE Newsletter December 2013

### Greetings DKH PETE Alumni,

Imagine my surprise when I got a true blast from the past...when Shane Schaefner (class of 2000) called me in May to discuss a possible candidate for a teaching position at Cloud Peak Middle School up in Manderan, WY. Shane was in the first class I taught after arriving at UW in the fall of 1999. Shane taught PE for several years before attaining his administration degree. He is currently principal of a middle school. WOW! Good going, Shane. We need good administrators, and administrators who are supportive of physical and health education. Is it my imagination, or do physical educators make really good administrators (e.g., Tom Holt in Douglas; Paul Grube retired from Rock Springs).

Another blast from the past occurred in July when I ran into Dan Williams (class of 2003) at Whole Foods in Ft. Collins, Co. Dan looks as fit and ready to compete as when he was part of the UW track & field team as an undergrad. It seems that as a reprieve from his work at Happy Jack Software located in Arizona, Dan competes in the Highlander Games. It seems instead of throwing a shot or discus across the field he is now throwing tree trunks!

Several of you (e.g., Ashley Collums Jespersen, Cassie Carr Kirkwood, Allie Parrott) have stopped by to say hi when you are attending Cowboy and Cowgirl events (e.g., football, basketball).

As mentioned in the May newsletter, these newsletters will now be sent to you through email and they will also be posted on my UW faculty page.

The UW Alumni Association office, the College of Health Science, and the Division of Kinesiology & Health are constructing a data base in order to contact alumni. If you would like me to forward your contact information to those entities so you can keep in touch with the institution, let me know your individual request and I will get that done. If I don't hear back from you about this, I will assume you do NOT want your information shared.

It is fun to receive your phone calls, email messages, and just running into you. Thanks so much for staying in touch.

Meanwhile, have a wonderful holiday season. It's great to hear from y'all.

Sincerely, Jayne Jenkins, Ph.D.

#### **WAHPERD Conference November 2014**

The next WAHPERD annual conference will be held November 12-14 in Laramie, Wyoming. Nathan Vondra, current WAHPERD president, is putting together a great conference. Be sure to

make plans to attend. Also, it is time for you to put your ideas out front and present a session. Nathan will get proposal forms to you ASAP. I have agreed to act as Nathan's conference manager. This will be my third time in that position. Either the organization likes what I do as conference manager or they are going to make sure I keep doing it until I get it right! We have some fun stuff and some great venues in story!

#### Outreach Graduate Classes Spring 2014

The following classes will be offered spring & summer 2014 through the Outreach School. There is a wide offering.

#### **Spring**

- HLED 1006 Personal Health
- HLED 2006 Health for Elementary Educators
- HLED 4120 Assessment School Health Ed
- HLED 4025/5025 Teaching Sensitive Issues in Sexuality
- HLED 4900 Motivational Interviewing
- KIN 4075 assessment APE
- KIN 5586-80 Models for PE
- KIN 5586-81 Qualitative Research Methods

For registration information contact the Outreach school on the UW website.

#### **News from Corbett**

#### **Undergraduates**

There will be 13 student teachers engaging in their internship experience spring 2014. They will be located in the following communities: Cheyenne, Rock Springs, Laramie, and Casper. The PETE program wants to give a BIG and continuous THANK YOU to the wonderful cooperating teachers in this state who willingly give of their professional time and experience to provide terrific student teaching experiences. It is so fun to place STs with a graduate who finished during my tenure here at UW (e.g., Cedric Philo, Stephanie Alexander Hardesty, Corey Hamrick, Natalie Counter, Nathan Vondra, Chase Kistler, Waleryan Wisniewski, Luke Robertson, Marshall Townsend, Tyson Shatto, Josh Wisniewski, Jodi Bryant, Julie Mackey, Thad Trujillo, Lisa Walters Colling). We at UW can rest assured that the STs are getting a high quality experience with they are placed with outstanding educators like y'all.

Fall 2013 I delivered a graduate course that is incredibly helpful for those of you who are supervising STs (KIN 5016 Analysis & Supervision of Teaching Physical Education). The course will be delivered again fall 2015.

We are lucky to have many recent grads teaching PE here in Laramie. It is wonderful to have them supervise the undergrads during teaching labs 1, 2, and 3. Many thanks to alums Reynold Candeleria, Craig Reynolds, Jamie Huston, Jake Chick, John Hennings, and Anne Moore.

#### **Graduate Students:**

Updates on graduate students:

- <u>Chase Kistler</u> (class of 2007) works with Dr. Tami Benham-Deal. Let's get that paper done, Chase.
- <u>Luke Roberton</u> (class of 2007) recently attained the prestigious National Board Certification. Good going, Luke. He is currently working on his final paper for the M.S. degree. The paper focuses on the scientific process he followed while completing the National Board Certification. Luke works with Dr. Tami Benham-Deal.
- <u>Josh Barge</u> (class of 2007) works with Dr. Tristan Wallhead. He is in the process of formulating his Plan B paper to complete the M.S. degree.
- <u>Megan Stith</u> (Class of 2006) just finalized the focus of her final paper. As a new hire in Renton, WA, Megan will investigate the process of her socialization into the school during her first year of teaching.
- Zac Fisher (Class of 2010) began graduate studies fall 2013 under the mentorship of Dr. Karen Lux Gaudreault (and the watchful eye of Dr. Jenkins!). Zac has been acting as supervisor for teaching labs 1 & 3 and will continue that work into spring 2014 during teaching lab 2. It's great having him on campus.

## **Faculty**

PETE faculty members have been busy teaching and conducting research. Multiple papers and one book have been published by PETE faculty in the past several months.

Dr. Tami Benham Deal was promoted to Associate Dean of the College of Health Science. Tami spends approximately 60% of her time here in Corbett and the remainder across campus in the CHS building. Congratulations, Tami.

#### **Alumni News**

It's always great fun to hear from you. Please keep me posted on what is happening in your personal and professional lives. That's the only way I can keep these newsletters informative for your peers. Some of you have agreed to let me copy and paste your updated news into the newsletter. Your classmates will enjoy reading the blurbs as much as I enjoy reading them. Also, check the directory to assure that your contact information is up to date. And if you know of a classmate's contact information that I don't have or my info is outdated, please let me know about that as well.

#### **Professional Update**

Several recent & former alumni have professional news – new positions, etc. Congratulations all.

Class of 2013		
Jon Anderson	Is teaching Pre-K through grade 8 physical education at St. Mary's School in Cheyenne, WY	
Jason Lowe	Accepted a long term sub position teaching PE at Douglas Primary School in Douglas, WY	
Thomas	Is not only sub teaching and coaching in Cheyenne, but also accepted an on line	
Mulbach	teaching position. He is working with Lyndie Lux Larson.	
Class of 2012		
Anna	Moved from teaching PE at St. Mary's School to teaching PE part time at Carey	
McHenry	Jr. High School in Cheyenne	
John Kirlin	Is currently acting as Director at the Casper YMCA. He runs the before and	
	After School Programs as well as the Teen/Tween Program. Approximately 60-	
	80 kids ranging in age from 5-16 participate weekly (40 in before/after school and 13 in Tween/Teen)	
Logan Wright	Is a paraprofessional working with the ED students at Laramie Junior High	
	School. Additionally he coaches the freshman girls basketball team.	
Class of 2011		
Stephanie	After successful completion of the M.S. degree, Stephanie presented the	
Kirby	findings of her thesis research study to AIESEP (the international PE	
	conference) in Warsaw, Poland in July 2013. She has accepted the position as	
	Activity Specialist for Western Oregon University in Monmouth, OR.	
Nik Deininger	In addition to teaching PE at Basic Beginnings Pre-School, Nik has accepted	
	the position of teaching PE at the Laramie Montessori School (grades K-6)	
Skyler	Officially graduated summer 2013 when he completed the mat and stats classes	
Corcoran	he was lacking. Good going – better late than never <sup>©</sup> Relocated to Berkeley,	
	CA and took a job as an assistant coordinator of a fitness program, WorkFit, at	
	the University of California.	
	Class of 2010	
Derrick	I earned my commission as a 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Marine on	
McMahen	Aug. 9th. I am currently going through Basic Officer Course for the USMC	
	here at The Basic School in Quantico, VA. I will graduate here March 5, 2014	
	and go on to my Military Occupational Specialty school. Life is all go go go the	
	Marine Corps!	
Class of 2009		
Jamie	Accepted a new physical and health education teaching position at her alma	
Scarcliff	mater Ralston Valley High School. She acted as assistant coach for the boys	
	soccer team fall and will assist with girls soccer in the spring.	
Brook	Is full time teaching PE at Johnson Jr. High School in Cheyenne, WY. She	
Yearsley	recently resigned from VB coaching the JV Lady Bison at South HS and is	
	coaching the Johnson Jr. High 7 <sup>th</sup> grade "A" team. She will start working on the	
	Master's degree in Educational Leadership through UW spring 2014.	
Kyle Howard	Kyle is now teaching at Dubuque Wahlert High School in Dubuque, Iowa. This	
	catholic HS is allowing Kyle to revamp the program. Kyle's wife is attending	
	graduate school in Dubuque.	
Class of 2008		

Class of 2007		
Jon White	Changed positions by moving to Lincoln-Way West High School in New Lenox, IL (10 miles south of Chicago) as a Driver's Ed. Teacher & PE teacher. He is head varsity basketball coach and part time dean. His administration certificate allowed him to accept the dean spot. He was recently accepted into the Lotola Chicago Doctorate program. (It took Jon awhile to get the B.S. degree, but now he is going strong!)	
Jon Jakupak	Sales and customer service for Competitive Cyclist in Salt Lake City, UT <a href="https://www.competitivecyclist.com">www.competitivecyclist.com</a>	
Sam Wendland	Continues as assistant wrestling coach at Michigan State University. Sam will compete in his first professional wrestling match in Flint, MI December 22 (no they won't be throwing chairs at each other!!!) He forwarded a picture of his 'walk out shirt'	
Class of 2006		
Megan Stith	Accepted a position teaching sixth grade PE at Nelson Middle School in Renton, WA.	
LuAnn Jones	Changed her teaching position from APE to elementary PE in Taylor, Texas. She is assistant coach for Taylor High School basketball and softball.	
Terrance Butler	Has moved with his principal from Ft. Lauderdale Somerset Prep to begin a new Somerset Prep DC in Washington DC – where he is Dean of Students. He will begin an accelerated MS administration degree in January.	
Class of 2005		
Curtis Mayer Was Assistant Coach for the north Team at the Shrine Bowl in Casper in June  Class of 2004		
Class of 2003		
	Class of 2002	
Jamie Ziegler	We just wanted to let you all know that we have officially moved to Louisville, KY for Kiley to do a one year Hand Surgery Fellowship with Christine Kleinert Institute. We are also happy to announce that Kiley has accepted an orthopedic hand surgery position in Grants Pass, OR. We will be moving there in June/July of 2014. We are very excited about this opportunity and very excited to live in such a beautiful town! We are also very excited that this LONG journey we have been on is almost finished and that Kiley gets to finally start a "real" job! :)	
Class of 2001		
Class of 2000		

# **Personal Update**

# **Recent Marriages**

Several grads have recently tied the knot – or will soon.

- **Brandi Nelson** (Class of 2009) married Tyson Evans July 13, 1030.
- Charli Youngberg (Class of 2011) and Kyle Fluty married July 13, 2013.
- **Dusty Dinnel** (Class of 2008) married Alex December 15, 2012
- **Kyle Howard** (Class of 2009) married Jodi Purdy in Des Moines, IA June 2013
- Melody Craig (Class of 2008) married Andrew Lehman August 3, 2013

# **New Arrivals**

We welcome these new Cowboys & Cowgirls. Our family is growing exponentially!

- **Troy Cochran** (Class of 2009) and his wife Stephanie welcomed their first baby girl, Sawyer Jane
- **Jessica and Jon Jakupak** (Classes of 2007 & 2005) welcomed their first baby, a girl, Quin, in May. (In the May newsletter I said Quinn was a boy. Sorry.)
- **Heidi Logan Allen** (Class of 2007) and her husband welcomed their second little girl, Mykah Grace, on September 12.
- **Sean Patterson** (Class of 2008) and his wife have added a new little Cowgirl to our family. Emma was born July 27, 2013.