

# PETE Newsletter

## May 2013

### Greetings DKH PETE Alumni,

It seems no matter where we travel in these United States, we are able to meet up with wonderful UW grads. In April I attended the AAHPERD conference in Charlotte, NC. Imagine how much fun I had sharing time and conversation with Craig Higgins (Class of 2004) who has been almost a decade teaching at an elementary school just north of Charlotte. Craig and his wife are expecting their second child in June. Additionally, Craig is completing his administration certification, and hopes to secure an assistant principal position in an elementary school in NC in the near future. We need good administrators like Craig Higgins. Congratulations on all accounts.

Saturday, May 11 we celebrated at University of Wyoming College of Health Sciences by graduating nine Bachelor of Science physical education teacher education majors. As of this time, three of those graduates have accepted teaching positions: Ramiro Candelaria at Rock Springs Junior High School; Allie Parrott at Rock Springs Middle School; Jeremy Brandl at Greybull Elementary School. Additionally, one Master of Science graduate, Taylor Kelting, has accepted a PE teaching position at Rock Springs High School. Congratulations to them. Rock Springs and Greybull are lucky to have hired such enthusiastic and talented teachers. It appears that even more teaching positions are coming available. That is such good news after watching the past three graduating classes faced with few open teaching positions.

It is my non-scientific observation that if school districts include a teaching episode in the interview process, such as is done in Powell, Greybull, and Rock Springs High School, our UW graduates are hired in those positions. However, if an on-site traditional interview, wherein the candidate talks to the interview committee, is the only part of the process then our recent graduates too often, in my opinion, are not hired. It seems to me that our novice teachers are unable to speak with as much fluency as do candidates who have several years of teaching experience. If, however, all candidates are allowed the opportunity to actually teach a class of children, the UW novice teachers often outshine even more experienced teachers. This is all just my observation and opinion. But I encourage those of you teaching in schools to not only become part of hiring committees, but also promote the inclusion of a short teaching episode in the interview process.

**Please provide me some feedback.** For future twice annual (December & May) newsletters, I am considering not only forwarding them to you via email, but also providing a link to my page on the DKH website. Hopefully, this would provide an opportunity to connect with folks who have been lost in the past decade. Let me know what you think.

Meanwhile, have a wonderful end of the school year and summer. It's great to hear from y'all.

Sincerely,  
Jayne Jenkins, Ph.D.

## WAHPERD Conference November 2013 in Douglas, Wyoming

The next WAHPERD annual conference will be held November 6-9 in Douglas, Wyoming. It is always a great place to get new teaching ideas and connect with professional colleagues. The February CDAHPERD in Jackson was, unfortunately, impacted by bad weather. Many of the folks from the states east of us were unable to travel due to the winter storm. Hopefully, we will have good November weather so we can all get to Douglas.

## Outreach Graduate Classes Summer/Fall 2013

The following classes will be offered spring & summer 2013 through the Outreach School.

### Summer

- HLED 1006 Personal Health
- HLED 2006 Health for Elementary Educators
- HLED 4130/5130 Managing Health Programs
- HLED 4025/5025 Teaching Sensitive Issues in Sexuality
- KIN 4090/5090 Foundations of Coaching

### Fall

- HLED 1006 Personal Health
- HLED 2006 Health for Elementary Educators
- HLED 4130/5130 Managing Health Programs
- HLED 4110 Teaching Health K-12
- KIN 4075 Assessment in APE
- KIN 5034 Lifespan Growth
- KIN 5016 Analysis & Supervision of Teaching Physical Education.

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

<http://uwadmnweb.uwyo.edu/Wahperd/>

## News from Corbett

### Undergraduates

There were 9 student teachers who completed their internship experience spring 2013. They were located in the following communities: Cheyenne, Sheridan, Powell, and Laramie. 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. Spring 2014 STs will be placed in Cheyenne, Rock Springs/Green River, and Casper.

### Graduate Students:

Updates on graduate students:

- **Chase Kistler** (class of 2007) works with Dr. Tami Benham-Deal. Let's get that paper done, Chase.
- **Luke Roberton** (class of 2007) completed his work for National Board Certification. Good luck with that, Luke. Also, let's get that paper done for the M.S. degree with Dr. Tami Benham-Deal.

- **Josh Barge** (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.
- **Taylor Kelting** (class of 2012) April 9, 2013 defended his thesis investigating supervision methods. He will begin teaching high school physical education in Rock Springs fall 2013. Go Tigers – eat those Camels!
- **Stephanie Kirby** (Class of 2012) defended her thesis investigating Mosston’s Teaching Styles April 30, 2013. She graduated May 11 and is pursuing job opportunities.
- **Megan Stith** (Class of 2006) continues to take coursework. She will pick a project soon©
- **Zach Fisher** (Class of 2010) will begin graduate studies fall 2013 under the mentorship of Dr. Karen Lux Gaudreault (and the watchful eye of Dr. Jenkins!)

## **Faculty**

Faculty members here in Corbett have had exciting news this spring. April 24 Dr. Tami-Benham Deal was the recipient of a very prestigious award from the College of Health Sciences: Outstanding Career Achievement. Congratulations, Tami. No, this does not mean that Tami is now retiring! It just means that she gets to do more of the good work that she has done for the past 20+ years.

Speaking of congratulations, Dr. Mark Byra will step down from his position as chair of DKH following 13 years of dedicated service. No, this does not mean that Mark is now retiring! It just means that he will resume his position as a member of the DKH faculty. Thanks, Mark, for all you have done for DKH. Dr. Derek Smith will take over as chair of DKH.

This spring Dr. Karen Lux Gaudreault gave birth to her first baby – a boy, Jack Ryan.

## **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. I know the 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.

<b>Class of 2013</b>	
Ramiro Candelaria	Will be teaching junior high physical education in Rock Springs, WY
Allie Parrott	Will be teaching grades 5-6 physical education in Rock Springs, WY
Eric Urlacher	Will be working with the US Forest Service as a wild land firemen in Esterbrook, WY
Jeremy Brandl	Will be teaching K-5 PE at Greybull Elementary School.
<b>Class of 2012</b>	
David Lazarus	At mid-year, David accepted the elementary PE teaching position at Afflerbach Elementary School in Cheyenne

Jordon Cooney	Although it's not officially official, has signed a letter of intent to be the next (first) physical educator at Hillsborough Academy of Math 7 Sciences Charter School for grades 5, 6, 7, and 8 in Tampa Bay, Florida. This past year when he taught and coached in Lake Arthur, NM the 6 man football team won state!
<b>Class of 2011</b>	
Taylor Kelting	Will be teaching PE at Rock Springs High School & assist coaching the running sports
<b>Class of 2010</b>	
Frank Arce	Although Frank continues to teach PE at Rawlins Middle School, has moved from coaching middle school boys to high school girls assistant basketball at Rawlins
Bradi Nelson	Is getting married this summer to Tyson Evans. In the past year taught k-6 PE at Lordsburg, NM...coached volleyball and basketball... basketball team won districts and Bradi was named coach of the year for that district...got the science endorsement and moved to Animas, NM for the 2012-2013 school year... teach science, health, and PE... coach volleyball and basketball JH and HS...Student Council Sponsor.
<b>Class of 2009</b>	
Kyle Howard	Kyle's fiancé Jodi will be attending physical Therapy School Clarke's University in Dubuque Iowa this fall. Kyle has secured a teaching position at Dubuque Wahlert High School and is in the process of applying for an Iowa Teaching License.
AnnDee Meyer	Will move from Lander Valley HS to Cheyenne South HS as PE teacher and VB coach
<b>Class of 2008</b>	
Rochelle Hyde Haderlie	Rochelle, her husband Josh and their three kids (Austin – 4, Dylan – 2, and Eva – 1) recently returned to Wyoming. Josh is a financial analyst with BP and they had been living in Houston, but now reside in Rawlins. Sounds as though they both have their hands full!
Tiffany Thunsell Link	Will return to Riverton School District to teach APE K-12
<b>Class of 2007</b>	
Adam Freeburg	Adam continues to teach and coach in Gering, NE; however, he no longer is coaching football. He sticks with head girls BB and assistant track (hurdles and 4x100 relay).
Sam Wendland	Although not officially official, Sam will become an Assistant Wrestling Coach at Michigan State University next year. He took on a volunteer position this last year and worked with club wrestling. Persistence pays off!
Katrina Cox	Has expanded the Tutoring Club to two locations – Laramie and Cheyenne. She has been working as a state wide approved tutoring business for the WDE program for a year and a half. Look for information at <a href="http://www.tutoringclub.com">www.tutoringclub.com</a> She continues into her 7 <sup>th</sup> year of head coaching Jr. High volleyball in Laramie
Jessica (Kenison) Moretti	Currently I am teaching some K-2 sections and am the APE K-12 teacher for the school district here in Mountain View. I am still coaching basketball, just finished up my 6 <sup>th</sup> year with the Mountain View Lady Buffalos as the JV coach! Looking forward to next year, as this year we only had one senior on the team so very much a rebuilding year. I just received a letter from my Superintendent yesterday that I am being reassigned to be the Elementary (K-5) PE teacher next year!!!! ☺ YAY!!! I am very excited about my upcoming move in the District! On a personal level, I got remarried ...to ... Eric. ☺ Life is good! The kids are growing fast...the twins are already 8!!
<b>Class of 2006</b>	
Jed Moore	Coach of the Colorado Northwestern Community College Rodeo Team was named the

	Rocky Mountain Region Coach of the Year 2013. Two of his rodeo athletes qualified to the College National Finals Rodeo (CNFR) in Casper. Congratulations!
Stephanie Alexander Hardesty	Will move to Rock springs High School full time next year and will give up her VB coaching position.
Terrance Butler	Will be moving from his current Ft. Lauderdale charter school to an equivalent charter school in Washington D.C. The principal who hired Terrance will be starting a new charter school there and has invited Terrance to join him. At his new assignment, Terrance will begin work toward the administration certification as he fulfills teaching duties.
<b>Class of 2005</b>	
Britt Bogaz Bartow	Britt continues to teach at Henderson and Afflerbach Elementary Schools in Cheyenne. She remarried in 2011, hence the name change. She has a six year old daughter and a baby girl who was born in January 2013.
Tony Schamber	Tony and his family (wife Holly and son Jaxson) moved to Gillette last fall. Holly, who completed her dental degree from UN-Lincoln, is currently working in a dentistry practice. Tony is retail manager at Universal Athletic in Gillette, and also helped as volunteer coach for the junior college men's basketball team at NECC. Next year he will move into the position of assistant coach at Gillette Community College. Again, persistence and volunteerism pay off.
Chris Cox	Continues to work with Performance Technologies, a Chesapeake Energy Oil & Gas Company. He has been promoted to Service Supervisor, running his own crew in Oklahoma. Why do I think he makes way more money than I do?!?!?!?
<b>Class of 2004</b>	
Leeanna Anderson Horn	Leeanna continues to live in Dubois, WY with her family. Leeanna does a lot of coaching including assistant middle school volleyball coach, the head coach for middle school boys basketball, the assistant coach for high girls basketball, the head for middle school girls basketball and an assistant coach for middle school track. She also teaches swim lessons and does some substitute teaching.
<b>Class of 2003</b>	
<b>Class of 2002</b>	
<b>Class of 2001</b>	
Sara Doser	Will get married (Yep, FINALLY!) June 2013. Her new name will be Dunkin. She continues to work in Windsor, CO)
Chris Wirth	Is again working with Dr. John Todovovich – since he accepted a tenure track position at University of Western Florida
<b>Class of 2000</b>	

## Personal Update

### Recent Marriages

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

- **Tiffany Lange Turner** (Class of 2012) married Brandon Turner August 4 in Casper, WY
- **Charli Youngberg** (Class of 2011) and Kyle will marry July 13, 2013.
- **Adam Freeburg** (Class of 2007) married Lisa Sweeney Freeburg last summer. Lisa also teaches PE at Gering NE.
- **Sean Patterson** (Class of 2008) and Christina Gorman married July 2012 and are expecting a baby girl July 20<sup>th</sup>

### 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
- **Brittany Bogacz Bartow** (Class of 2005) welcomed daughter Paige Elizabeth Bartow January 21, 2013. Paige joined big sister who will be 7 years old in June!!!!
- **Brianna Gardner Fuller** (Class of 2011) and her husband welcomed their first born son Asher Harrison Fuller April 10<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m.! He weighed 5 lbs. 15 oz. and was 18.5 inches long.
- **Frank Arce** (Class of 2010) and his wife Dawn welcomed their first baby boy Jayden Ray February 7. Jayden weighed in at a healthy 6 lbs. 10 oz and was 20.5 inches long. He was born at 10:46 p.m. after (are you ready for this) 26 hours of labor! Let's all send our blessings to Dawn, and hope there will be a brother or sister after that ordeal!
- **Leeanna Anderson Horn** (Class of 2004) is busy with three kids – 14 year old step daughter, Shelby; 4 year old son, Koi; and 1 year old daughter ,Kaige (who she gave birth to in the car on the way to the hospital). Leeanna was always one for excitement!
- **Gene Russell** (Class of 2010) and his wife Caroline welcomed their first child August 17; a son Gene James Russel III. Little Gene weighed in at 5 lbs. 15 oz. and was 18 inches long. According to Dad he is healthy as a horse!
- **Jon and Jessica Jacupak** (classes of 2007 & 2005) welcomed their first baby, a boy, Quinn.