Greetings!

We’re having a lovely Fall here, but I suspect the good weather is about to come to an end.

You might notice that this newsletter has a new look. After five years of the old model, we decided to use a new program and a new template. Hope you like it.

Another change is that I’m not doing the whole newsletter myself these days. I’m now getting help from our new Grants Coordinator, Cindy Zimmerli (see p. 8). Cindy has great technical and artistic skills. She did most of the photography for this issue and put the whole letter together. (But note the photo on the left by Bob Chorley, another one of the department’s talented photographers).

The “alumni babies” section of the last issue was a great hit and brought us many more wonderful pictures (p. 6 and elsewhere). I hope you enjoy them as much as I do. And don’t miss all the wonderful news from alumni! As always, I encourage you to send us updates on yourself. There are lots of folks who want to hear about how you are doing!

All the best, Nancy

Looking for Alumni — Grads of 1975:

These are people who we haven’t located and who graduated in 1975. If you have any information that might help me locate them, please write to me at: Nancy.Squires@sunysb.edu. Keep in mind that I don’t have year of graduation for everyone, and I may not even have the names of all graduates, so if you know of people who graduated in 1975, please pass their names along too.

Becker, Curtis Alan  Franks, Peter E.  Price, Kenneth Paul
Brown, Jacob Theodore  Hazel, Linda Frances  Reisini, George Martin
Burton, Howard Alan  Kanter, Norman Jay  Vogt, Jerry Lee
Edwards, Angela Ralfe  Parkovnick, Samuel

The fountain on the academic mall, by Bob Chorley, Fall 2006
### WELCOME THE NEW GRADUATE STUDENTS FOR FALL 2006

#### BIOPSYCHOLOGY
- Shayri Greenwood (B. Anderson)
- Xiaosi Gu (T. Canli)
- Michael Michaelides (J. Robinson)
- Greydan Powell (P. Whitaker)

#### CLINICAL
- Bethany Burum (M. Goldfried)
- Daniel Foti (G. Hajcak)
- Cassie Glenn (D. Klonsky)
- Jiyon Kim (D. Klein)
- Heidi Lary (D. O’Leary)
- Lauren Moskowitz (T. Carr)

#### COGNITIVE/EXPERIMENTAL
- Shanna Allen (N. Franklin)
- Karla Batres (S. Brennan)
- Jamie Beck (N. Franklin)
- Matthew Jacovina (R. Gerrig)
- Joe Schmidt (G. Zelinsky)

#### SOCIAL/HEALTH
- Sheri Clark (T. Freitas)
- Susan Darlow (S. Levy/M. Lobel)
- Jonathan Dunning (Moyer/Westmaas)
- Lisa Rosenthal (S. Levy)
- Dylan Selterman (E. Waters)

Graduate photographs by Marilynn Wollmuth
LETTER FROM ALEXANDRA CAMPBELL (Clinical, 1991, Advisor: Richard Friedman)

Hi Nancy!

I don’t know if you remember me, Alexandra Gaughan. I started in Stony Brook’s clinical psych program in 1982. I worked with Richard Friedman and ended up doing my dissertation at the National Institutes of Health while I worked as a research psychologist for three years. I completed my internship at UCSF Medical Center in 1991 and then completed a postdoctoral fellowship in behavioral medicine there as well. My specialty became pain management. I was Assistant Clinical Professor at UCSF until 1997 when I quit working to have my two beautiful boys (now ages 8 and 6).

In 2003 I joined the American Academy of Pain Management as Director of Pain Program Accreditation and Outcomes Measurement. We have about 50 accredited clinical pain programs across the country and I carry out original psychometric research on an outcomes measurement tool we have developed called the Rain Outcomes Profile. I am currently co-editing a book titled: Multidisciplinary Chronic Pain Management: A Guidebook for Program Development and Excellence in Treatment.

I have never been in contact with anyone in the department to give an update on my career, but I would love for everyone to know that all of my wonderful clinical and research training has served me well and I am very proud to have attended Stony Brook.

Alex

LETTER FROM GRETA MASSETI (Clinical, 2002, Advisor: Russ Whitehurst)

Hi Nancy-

Thanks for the update. It’s always wonderful to hear the news. Here is some news from me:

I am an Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychology at the University at Buffalo, SUNY. I will be starting my second year in the fall. In addition, I have a two-year-old son, Milo, and twins born in February. I have attached pictures. Feel free to include any of this in your next newsletter update.

Thanks! Greta

Greta’s home page is at:
http://wings.buffalo.edu/psychology/people/faculty/massetti.html
LETTERS FROM ALUMNI (continued)

FROM DINA (TROISE) KARAFANTIS (Social Psychology, 2004, Advisor: Sheri Levy)

Hi Nancy!

It's been so long since we've chatted. I just wanted to thank you for including a picture of Nicolas in the newsletter. I was so surprised to see him looking back at me when I read it! Attached are some updated pictures taken a few weeks ago.

Talk to you soon!

Dina

FROM EDWIN DECENTECEO (Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology, 1978, Advisor: Tom D’zurilla)

Dear Nancy,

Just to let you know that I do get your emails. Good to know about M. Goldfried's work with AFFIRM.

I still work with victims of torture and other human rights violations. I am starting to work with the deaf in two areas: counseling training and deaf theater. Of course, I have to study Filipino Sign Language, which has roots in ASL but is linguistically different.

I have been studying Tai Chi Chuan for more than 20 years. Now am working on the tai chi sword.

Edwin Decenteceo

FROM LYNN LANGENBACH LIEBERT (Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology, 1995, Advisor: Dan Klein)

Dear Nancy,

I’m glad you found me! I was happy to hear you are still chairing the department. I am currently Assistant Academic Chair of the Social Sciences department at the Grant (Brentwood) campus of Suffolk. My kids are both doing great - Rachel is 12, just completed her first year of Middle school in Port Jeff as a straight A (nearly all A+, in fact) student and is very involved in dance, plays violin and piano. Richard had a good year in first grade and is also playing piano, etc. My step-son Alex just graduate from Pratt and is juggling multiple job offers while he is teaching a summer program for advanced High school students at Berkley.

Thanks again!
-Lynn

FROM ELISABETH BLOCH SALISBURY (Ph.D. in Biopsychology, 1993, Advisor: Andy Harver)

Thanks for the newsletter Nancy. It was great to see and hear how wonderful everyone is doing. It’s a great letter.

As you probably hear from Dean, we’re all doing great up in Boston. Our family is super. Boys hit double digits in January — it’s been a decade already, I can’t believe it. Julie will turn nine this summer. They’re great kids, and they make us proud and fill our days with joy. I continue to really enjoy my job at UMass, studying sleep and breathing in premature infants. Glad summer is finally here. Hopefully it won’t go too quickly.

All the best, Liz

Dean, Danny, Julie, Liz, and Ryan in Greece in ’04
LETTERS FROM ALUMNI (continued)

FROM SCOTT CARNICOM (Ph.D. in Biopsychology, 2000, Advisor: Jasper Brener)

Hi Nancy,

Hope all is well with you. Wanted to drop you a quick note to say I'm leaving Marymount for Middle Tennessee State where I'll be the associate dean of the honors college.

Cheers,

Scott Carnicom

FROM MARGARET NIZNIKIEWICZ (Ph.D. in Biopsychology, 1992, Advisor: Nancy Squires)

In response to a question from me, about whether her parents are visiting her, or she's visiting her parents in Poland, Margaret writes the following:

Dear Nancy, No, it is us traveling there. Both kids are going - Magda is almost nine and Mike is almost 21 and entering his last year at U.Mass Amherst- he'll be majoring in neuroscience. Magda, as her career choice decided to be a chef and a scientist - however, seeing me recently doing this horrid grant she said - Mom, you know what, I'll just be a chef. I explained to her that being a chef is also hard work so the jury is out as to her future --- In Poland we'll plan to go kayaking and hiking in the mountains.

Love, Margaret

FROM MICHAEL LORBER (Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology, 2004, Advisor: Sue O'Leary)

Hi Nancy,

In September, I'll begin a fellowship in prevention science at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, where I'll be working on designing and evaluating an infancy intervention to prevent early onset conduct problems. I'm finishing my current fellowship in developmental psychology at the University of Minnesota this summer.

Cheers!

Michael


Joan D. Atwood, Ph.D., is a Professor of Marriage and Family Therapy as well as an Adjunct Professor of Psychology. She is a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist and a Licensed Clinical Social Worker. Her training for her Doctorate is in Social Psychology/Sociology from SUSB (1981). She is a Clinical Member and Approved Supervisor of AAMFT. She is also the President and CEO of L.I.F.T., the Long Island Family Therapists located in Nassau County, NY and also Storyland Family Therapy, located in Ulster County, NY. These organizations are devoted to empowerment and wellness of individuals, couples, and families.

She is the past President of the New York State Association for Marriage and Family Therapists and was awarded the Long Island Family Therapist of the Year award for outstanding contributions to the field.

Dr. Atwood has published eight books and over 100 refereed journal articles. She serves on the Editorial Board of most journals in the field; she holds Diplomate status and is a Clinical Supervisor on the American Board of Sexology; she has been elected to the National Academy of Social Workers; is a certified Imago therapist; and has served on the President's Commission for Domestic Policy. Among her many projects, Dr. Atwood is the co-developer of the P.E.A.C.E. Program (Parent Education and Custody Effectiveness), a court based educational program for parents obtaining a divorce.

Dr. Atwood has made numerous TV appearances and Radio and Newspaper interviews. She is in private practice in Individual, Marriage and Family Therapy in Rockville Centre and Kerhonson New York.

For more on Joan Atwood, see: http://people.hofstra.edu/faculty/joan_atwood/mft/page8.html
These are some photos of Alumni children that have been sent to us recently, many from Pat Urbelis, in the Psych Center, who seems to have her own digital album for offspring of the clinical graduates.

Owen (4) Griffin (9 mo); sons of Amy Gorin (Clinical, 2000; Advisor: Art Stone)

From Abbe Walters (Clinical, 2000) sons (above) and new daughter (right). Sue O’Leary Lab

From Gina Abbott (Clinical, 2003, D. O’Leary) Gina’s son loves his sweet potatoes!

Brendon (3) and Ethan (5 mo); sons of Shari Feldbau (Clinical, 2001, R. Heyman)

Elana Spira (Clinical, 2005) with her daughter. (Whitehurst/Fischell Lab)

Nadya, Daughter of Anna Samoilov (Clinical, 1999, Goldfried) and Ken Chase (Clinical, 1999, D.O’Leary)

Debbie Drabick (Clinical, 2003; advisors Strassberg & Goldfried); Twins on a Dude Ranch, and the whole family horseback riding.
Turhan Canli received the Alumni Recognition Award, EPIIC (Education for Public Inquiry and International Citizenship), from Tufts University. “In recognition of [his] distinguished scholarly accomplishments, path-breaking ways to understand the brain, and your dedication to ethics in science and public policy.” Turhan is also a Co-Founder and a member of the Executive Board member of the new Neuroethics Society. See: http://www.neuroethicssociety.org/index.html

Ted Carr has been elected President of Association for Positive Behavior Support and Fellow in the American Psychological Association, Society of Clinical Psychology.

At the 2006 meeting in Crete, the International Association for Relationship Research honored Art Aron with the Distinguished Career Award, which is given to the scientist considered to have the most distinguished research record in the study of close relationships.

Ted has also been named to the prestigious panel of advisors for the Autism Society of America. This has received a lot of press locally, for example see:

http://commcgi.cc.stonybrook.edu/artman/publish/article_1218.shtml

Marv Goldfried was the recipient of the 2006 Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapy Outstanding Contribution by an Individual for Education/Training Activities Award.

Dan Klein has been elected President of the Society for a Science of Clinical Psychology (SSCP, Section III, Division 12 of the American Psychological Association).

David Klonsky has been elected to the board of the Society for Clinical Psychology (Division 12 of the American Psychological Association).

Suparna Rajaram has been elected Chair of the Publications Committee of the Psychonomic Society for 2006-2007 and has been chosen to be an Associate Editor for Psychological Science.

New Editorial Board Memberships:

Richard Gerrig: Associate Editor of Psychonomic Bulletin & Review.


Tony Freitas: Consulting Editor, Journal of Personality and Social Psychology


Marci Lobel: Consulting Editor, Health Psychology and Psychology of Women Quarterly.
NEW BOOKS BY FACULTY MEMBERS


STAFF NEWS:

After nearly 3 years as Research Coordinator here in the Psychology Department, Stephanie Lozeau leaves to pursue an exciting life abroad. Throughout her years with us, Stephanie had been working towards her masters degree in the Linguistics TESOL program. Stephanie has a winter wedding planned once her student teaching is completed this Fall. Shortly after, she and her husband Adam, who works in foreign aid, will move to Mozambique Africa for two years. We all wish her the very best as she embarks on these exciting adventures!

At the same time, we welcome Cindy Zimmerli as the new Research Coordinator. Having worked under the guiding hand of Stephanie for several weeks before Stephanie’s departure, Cindy steps into the position fully prepared to handle subject pool and grants. Having completed her B.A. in Psychology here at Stony Brook University, Cindy is already familiar with many of the department procedures.

Stephanie at her farewell BBQ in August.

Stephanie with her Mom (left) and Aunt (right). Stephanie is a twin, as are her Mother and Aunt.

Cindy Zimmerli, with her daughters Emma (6) and Katherine (11).
Family Translational Research Group

The Family Translational Research Group (co-directed by Amy Slep and Richard Heyman) was just awarded a 3 million dollar grant from the Administration for Children and Families this Fall to tailor and evaluate a relationship skill and parenting prevention program for pregnant and newly parenting unmarried couples. The 5-year project will be conducted in conjunction with SBUH’s Department of Reproductive Medicine, Obstetrics, and Gynecology (Gerald Quirk, Chair). The team will be implementing an innovative, largely DVD-based program originally developed by Kim Halford at the University of Queensland. The program, Couple CARE for Parents, will be provided to approximately 1,000 families, evaluated, and tailored for lower income, American families. The program is hypothesized to increase relationship and parenting satisfaction, reduce risk of relationship dissolution, and reduce risk for maltreatment. In addition to evaluating the efficacy of the program, the project will also evaluate hypothesized models of program response.

In addition to Rick and Amy, FTRG currently includes Cheryl Van Dyke (lab manager) and Drs. John Nelson, Katherine Casillas, and Jeffery Snarr. Joe Lengfellner, Ali Brennan, Michele Bontempi, and Mike Billings are full-time research staff. Daniela Owen, Danielle Provenzano, Ashley Hunt, and Lauren Knickerbocker are current graduate students. This new project is one of 10 currently active federally-funded projects in the lab, helping ensure that this entirely research-supported group will stay active for the foreseeable future.

Website: [http://www.psychology.sunysb.edu/ftrlab/](http://www.psychology.sunysb.edu/ftrlab/)
STONY BROOK CAMPUS NOW

The campus has undergone amazing changes in the past several years. Alumni from the earlier years of Stony Brook might not recognize some of the improved locations on campus (particularly those from the mud and asphalt era). If you haven’t been here in a while, you really should come visit and see it all for yourself.

New fountain as viewed from main entry of campus towards Psych A Building

Stream running between the Wang Center and Psychology

Looking the opposite direction, a view from the walkway going towards the Wang Center

The fountain in the academic mall in front of Psychology A Building.

The newly remodeled Humanities building. (Humanities is one of the original red-brick buildings around the academic mall.)

The area in front of the Staller Center which was once cement, is now a lush green lawn.

Peeking through the orchard trees toward the new fountain by the Wang Center.

The academic mall at the center of campus, with the Student Activities Center on the left. (Alumni and emeritus faculty may have know this building as either “old biology” or “central hall.” Like Humanities, it is one of the original buildings on the mall.)

The newly landscaped entrance to the Administration building.
Distinguished Professors
Goldfried, Marvin, Ph.D., 1961, University at Buffalo. Clinical Psychology.

Professors
Aron, Arthur, Ph.D., 1970, University of Toronto, Canada. Social/Health Psychology.
D'Zurilla, Thomas, Ph.D., 1964, University of Illinois. Clinical Psychology.
O'Leary, Susan G., Ph.D., 1972, University at Stony Brook. Clinical Psychology.
Samuel, Arthur, Ph.D., 1979, University of California, San Diego. Experimental Psychology.
Squires, Nancy K., Ph.D., 1972, University of California, San Diego. Chair. Biopsychology.
Waters, Everett, Ph.D., 1977, University of Minnesota. Social/Health Psychology.
Waters, Harriet Salatas, Ph.D., 1976, University of Minnesota. Social/Health Psychology.
Whitaker, Patricia, Ph.D., 1979, University of Toronto. Biopsychology. Undergraduate Director.
Wortman, Camille B., 1972, Duke University. Social/Health Psychology.

Associate Professors
Canli, Turhan, Ph.D., 1993, Yale University. Biopsychology.
Davila, Joanne, Ph.D., 1993, UCLA. Clinical Psychology.
Franklin, Nancy, Ph.D., 1989, Stanford University. Experimental Psychology.
Lobel, Marci, Ph.D., 1989, UCLA, Social/Health Psychology.

Assistant Professors
Freitas, Antonio, Ph.D., 2002, Yale University. Social/Health Psychology.
Hajcak, Greg, Ph.D., 2006, University of Delaware. Clinical Psychology.
Klonsky, E. David, Ph.D., 2005, University of Virginia. Clinical Psychology.
Moyer, Anne, Ph.D., 1995, Yale University. Social/Health Psychology.
Westmaas, Lee, Ph.D., 1996, University of California, Irvine. Social/Health Psychology.

Lecturers

Research Faculty
Heyman, Richard, Ph.D., 1992, University of Oregon—Research Professor.
Slep, Amy, Ph.D., 1995, Stony Brook University—Research Associate Professor.

Post Doctoral Fellows
Casillas, Katherine — Clinical
Snarr, Jeffery — Clinical
Sumner, Meghan — Experimental
Swets, Benjamin — Experimental
Tserdanelis, Georgios — Experimental

Personnel
Thompson, Judith — Assistant to the Chair.
Wollmuth, Marilyn — Graduate Student Coordinator
Bieselin, Jean — Account Clerk
Carlson, Carol — Undergraduate Advising
Hildenbrand, Donna — Student Coordinator
Zimmerli, Cindy — Research Coordinator
Doret, Wendy, Ph.D. — Director of the Psychological Center
Urbelis, Pat — Psychological Center Administrator