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## New Board Members

Sarah Shoffner, Chair, University of North  
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State University  
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Renee Santos, Baylor University  
Catherine (Cathy) Schon, Carson-Newman College

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## Kappa Omicron Nu Leadership Conclave and URC Undergraduate Research Conference August 4 - 7, 2005

Radisson Hotel & Suites, Chicago, Illinois  
Theme: Integrating Academic & Co-Curricular Goals

The Radisson is located in the heart of the Chicago's  
premier district, one-half block each of North Michigan  
Avenue and just steps from the Magnificent Mile. It is just  
around the corner from Nieman Marcus, Saks, &  
Bloomingdales and within walking distance of the city's  
museums—just three blocks east to Lake Michigan and  
three blocks north to Water Tower Place.

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## Collaborative Initiatives

### Undergraduate Research Community (URC) for the Human Sciences

Collaborating with Michigan State University, Kansas  
State University, and the University of Maryland—Eastern  
Shore, the Kappa Omicron Nu Leadership Academy  
sponsors the URC in partnership with the Board on Human  
Sciences, the Council of Administrators of Family and  
Consumer Sciences, the Higher Education Unit of the

American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences,  
and the 1890 Council of Administrators. Twenty-six  
institutions joined as Participating Institutions. Other  
human sciences units are invited to affiliate as  
Participating Institutions. To affiliate with the URC, each  
unit shall submit a one- to-two-page letter of commitment  
to the Kappa Omicron Nu National Office. A sample letter  
is available at [www.kon.org/pdf/sample\\_letter.pdf](http://www.kon.org/pdf/sample_letter.pdf).

**Undergraduate Research Journal for the Human  
Sciences** - This journal was organized during the First  
Undergraduate Research Conference of the Undergraduate  
Research Community (URC) for the Human Sciences at  
the Kappa Omicron Nu Conclave in 2001. The first,  
second, and third issues can be located at  
[www.kon.org/urc/undergrad\\_research.html](http://www.kon.org/urc/undergrad_research.html). Manuscripts  
are accepted at any time for calendar year issues.  
Submissions are open to all undergraduate students.  
Managing Editor: Dorothy I. Mitstifer.

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## New Fellowship

Kappa Omicron Nu is pleased  
to announce the **Marjorie M.  
Brown Dissertation Fellowship**.  
The purpose of the Fellowship  
Program is to support research  
in critical social theory. This  
award for \$10,000 is intended

to continue critical analysis of concepts central to the field  
and for dialogue toward acceptance by the profession.  
Information about the award can be found at the  
Fellowships/Grants link on [www.kon.org](http://www.kon.org).

## Heritage of Home Economics

A presentation of the complete history of the profession  
from 1840 is available as a download (\$35) or on CD  
(\$75). See the New Initiatives link on the Homepage of the  
Kappa Omicron Nu Web site.

## 2004 Kappa Omicron Nu Election

Nominees for Board of Directors are needed for the following offices:

- Chair-Elect – one-year term with two-year term as Chair
- First Vice Chair – two-year term
- Secretary – two-year term

Nominees for Committees are needed for:

- Editorial (2) – three-year term
- Nominating (2) – two-year term

Any active (dues-paying) Kappa Omicron Nu member who would like to volunteer is urged to submit an application form by July 15. See

[www.kon.org/board/board\\_info.html](http://www.kon.org/board/board_info.html) and

[www.kon.org/board/committees.html](http://www.kon.org/board/committees.html) or request an

application from the National Office. The members of the Nominating Committee are: Frances Andrews, (chair), Laura Jolly, Peggy Meszaros, Janis Van Buren, and Gladys Gary Vaughn. Amelia Brown is the liaison from the Board.

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## New Initiatives



### Career Awareness for Schoolchildren Ages 9-12

This program has been developed by Kappa Omicron Nu to give college students and professionals the resources necessary to share hands-on Human Sciences (HS) experiences with schoolchildren ages 9-12. This program intends to make a contribution to understanding of human sciences careers by showing children that:

- HS makes important contributions to everyday life.
- Children can use HS knowledge to improve their lives.
- Careers in HS can be fun and satisfying.

**How does the program work?** The **Kids & Careers** program provides college students and professionals with kits of a wide variety of hands-on HS activities and demonstrations that are safe and age-appropriate. Existing activities will be collected in a central resource. Each activity will conclude with a short description of the applicable career, including how specialized knowledge is used in professional practice.

Program and resource kits for the **Kids & Careers** program are posted on the Kappa Omicron Nu Web site, see link on the Homepage at [www.kon.org](http://www.kon.org). The Kappa Omicron Nu Board of Directors launched the program with chapters at Conclave 2003. Other high school and college student groups are encouraged to participate.

**Partners** - Kappa Omicron Nu is pleased to announce the following partners. Other groups are invited to become partners and supply resource suggestions for an integrated approach to career awareness of family and consumer sciences among schoolchildren ages 9-12:

- American Association of Family & Consumer Sciences and its professional sections and divisions
- Board on Human Sciences
- Council of Administrators of Family and Consumer Sciences
- Family, Career and Community Leaders of America, FCCLA
- Family Economics and Resource Management Division & Higher Education Unit, AAFCU
- National 4-H Headquarters

Kappa Omicron Nu Team: Sue Byrd, Missale Kumelachew, Barbara McFall, Angela Rushman, & Dorothy Mitstifer, Coordinator

## Human Sciences Working Papers Archive

This Archive was initiated by the Kappa Omicron Nu Leadership Academy to fill an important niche—communication about working papers in the human sciences community. The “Rationale” and details “About HSwp” on the links reveal that the chief outcome can be described as ACCESS. Authors have access to readers and feedback. Students, professionals, and the public have access to new ideas and resources in a timely manner. Thus individuals, professionals, and society will benefit from the enthusiastic participation of authors and researchers. HSwp invites your participation. See [www.kon.org/hswp/index.html](http://www.kon.org/hswp/index.html).

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## 2004-2005 Award Recipients

### Chapter Awards

- **Scholar Program** – Fifty grants for chapters

### Doctoral

- **Omicron Nu Research Fellowship**  
**Christine M. Proulx**, University of North Carolina-Greensboro, Human Development and Family Studies
- **Kappa Omicron Phi/Hettie Margaret Anthony Fellowship**  
**Sara Beth Brubacher**, Iowa State University, Textiles and Clothing

### Kellogg Foundation Grants 2003-2004

- **Paolucci Grant - Undergraduate**  
**Amy Jensen, Grace Johnson, & Mary Reil** – Northwest Missouri State University
- **Paolucci Grant - Graduate**  
**Mira Ahn** – Virginia Tech University  
**Melanie Crosby** – University of Georgia  
**Hui-chun Huang** – Kansas State University

## 2005-2006 Awards

- **Master's Fellowship**  
*Eileen C. Maddex Fellowship*—\$2,000 awarded annually from an endowment in the Omicron Nu Fellowship Fund in honor of her contributions as Omicron Nu Executive Director.  
*National Alumni Fellowship*--\$2,000 awarded by the National Alumni Chapter.
- **Doctoral Fellowships**  
*Hettie Margaret Anthony Fellowship*—\$2,000 awarded for doctoral study from the Kappa Omicron Phi Fellowship Fund in honor of her as founder of Kappa Omicron Phi at Northwest Missouri State.  
*Omicron Nu Research Fellowship*—\$2,000 awarded annually for doctoral research from the Omicron Nu Fellowship Fund.  
*Marjorie M. Brown Dissertation Fellowship*--\$10,000 awarded for critical science research.
- **Research/Project Grants**  
Cross-specialization and integrative research is the research priority for the honor society. Multi-year proposals will be considered.  
*National Alumni Chapter Grant*—\$1000 awarded annually as a project of the National Alumni Chapter.  
*New Initiatives Grant*—\$3,000--awarded annually from the Kappa Omicron Nu New Initiatives Fund.
- **National Grants to Chapters**  
*Scholar Program—Variable Grants*--awards will be based on the prior year's total initiates according to the following schedule once each biennium: 1-10, \$150; 11-30, \$250; 31-50, \$350; 51 up, \$500.

## New Chapters

*Nu Lambda – Purdue University-Calumet*  
*Nu Mu – Washington State University-Vancouver*  
*Nu Nu – Southern Utah University*  
*Nu Xi – Youngstown State University*  
*Nu Omicron – California University of Pennsylvania*  
*Nu Pi – California State University-Fullerton*

## New Books distributed by Kappa Omicron Nu

*Virginal Mothers, Groovy Chicks & Blokey Blokes:  
Re-thinking Home Economics (and) Teaching Bodies*

By Donna Pendergast

Published by Australian Academic Press  
© by Donna Pendergast, 2001

Available for \$21.95 (U.S. funds, including U.S. postage) from Kappa Omicron Nu. (Call or write to find out if you qualify for a discount.) Foreign orders invoiced for postage at cost.

## *Beatrice Paolucci: Shaping Destiny through Everyday Life*

By Margaret M. Bubolz, Professor Emeritus, College of Human Ecology, Michigan State University.

© 2002 by Paolucci Book Committee  
ISBN 1-929083-08-4

Available for \$25.00 plus \$6.95 for shipping and handling in U.S. funds from Kappa Omicron Nu.

## Calls for Papers

- **Topic: Personal, Social & Corporate Responsibility in a Common World**  
Margaret Bubolz and Linda Nelson, Guest Editors
- **Topic: Diverse Families: A Dialogue about Reflective Practice**  
Katia Paz Goldfarb, Guest Editor
- **Topic: Critical Science and Critical Science Analysis**  
Sue McGregor, Guest Editor
- **Topic: Legacies for the Future**  
Sharon Y. Nickols, Guest Editor
- **Topic: Family Communication in the Information Age**  
Rebecca Dumlao, Guest Editor
- **Topic: Critical Thinking and Transformative Learning**  
Donna Kienzler & Frances Smith, Guest Editor

Further information and the "Guidelines for Authors" can be found at [www.kon.org/CFP/cfp\\_gfa.html](http://www.kon.org/CFP/cfp_gfa.html) or contact [dmitstifer@kon.org](mailto:dmitstifer@kon.org).

## KON Job Board & Resume Bank

JobTarget's Job Board & Resume Bank Software helps Kappa Omicron Nu serve its members with leading-edge service and function. JobTarget is an industry leader specializing in ASP software for the career services and recruitment markets. JobTarget's custom designed software solutions solve human capital issues for employers by connecting them directly with the membership of associations, trade groups, publishers, and other groups. JobTarget's fully-managed approach enables Kappa Omicron Nu to leverage the power of the Internet to assist with career services and recruitment needs.

JobTarget manages custom-designed Internet solutions for associations, trade groups, web publishers, offline publishers, chambers of commerce, government agencies, universities, recruiting firms, corporations, and small businesses.

**A link to JobTarget can be found at the New Initiatives link on the Homepage of [www.kon.org](http://www.kon.org).**