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## **New Board Members**

Barbara S. McFall, Chair-Elect, West Virginia University

Sammie G. Garner, First Vice Chair, Appalachian State University

Angela Radford Lewis, Secretary, East Tennessee State University

## 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 east 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.

## **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-seven 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 <a href="https://www.kon.org/sample\_letter.pdf">www.kon.org/sample\_letter.pdf</a>.

#### 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, third, and fourth issues can be located at <a href="https://www.kon.org/urc/undergrad research.html">www.kon.org/urc/undergrad research.html</a>. Manuscripts are accepted at any time for calendar year issues. Submissions are open to <a href="https://www.kon.org/urc/undergrad">all</a> undergraduate students. Managing Editor: Dorothy I. Mitstifer.

### **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.

#### **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.

## **2005 Kappa Omicron Nu Election**

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

Second Vice Chair – two-year term Nominees for Committees are needed for: Editorial (2) – three-year term Nominating (3) – 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 <a href="https://www.kon.org/board\_info.html">www.kon.org/board\_info.html</a> and <a href="https://www.kon.org/committees.html">www.kon.org/committees.html</a> or request an application from the National Office. The members of the Nominating Committee are: Janis Van Buren (Chair), Karen Goebel, Laura Jolly, Paula Kindrick Hartsfield, and Gladys Gary Vaughn. Amelia Brown is the liaison from the Board.

## **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 <a href="https://www.kon.org">www.kon.org</a>. 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
- Board on Human Sciences
- Council of Administrators of Family & Consumer Sciences
- Family, Career & Community Leaders of America, FCCLA
- Family Economics and Resource Management Division & Higher Education Unit, AAFCS
- National 4-H Headquarters

# **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 <a href="https://www.kon.org/hswp/index.html">www.kon.org/hswp/index.html</a>.

## 2005-2006 Award Recipients

#### **Chapter Awards**

■ Scholar Program – Fifty grants for chapters

#### **Doctoral**

- Omicron Nu Research Fellowship
   Jaya Halepete (Omicron Gamma), Iowa State
   University
- Kappa Omicron Phi/Hettie Margaret Anthony Fellowship
  Linda C. Manning, (Omicron Alpha Omega)
  University of Missouri-Columbia

#### Master's

- Omicron Nu Eileen C. Maddex Fellowship Jill Anne Pakulski – (Omicron Tau) Teacher's College, Columbia University
- National Alumni Fellowship Andrew J. Scherbarth – (Omicron Zeta) University of North Texas

#### Research Grant

■ New Initiatives Research Grant
Barbara S. McFall – (Omicron Beta Zeta) West
Virginia University

#### 2006-2007 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.

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 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.

## **Internship Scholarships Available**

■ Washington Internship Institute – Every KON member that is offered an internship will receive a \$500 scholarship.

www.achsnatl.org/wii\_index.asp

■ The Fund for American Studies – One \$1000 scholarship annually will be awarded to a KON member that is offered an internship.

www.achsnatl.org/tfas\_index.asp

■ The Washington Center for Internships & Academic Seminars – Three \$1000 scholarships annually will be awarded to KON members offered internships. www.achsnatl.org/twc\_index.asp

## **Calls for Papers**

#### New:

■ Topic: Using the Constructivist Approach In Family and Consumer Sciences

Jacquelyn W. Jensen, Guest Editor

■ Topic: Research Across Disciplines: Sharing our Stories

Anne MacCleave, Guest Editor

#### **Continuing:**

■ 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 <a href="www.kon.org/CFP/cfp\_gfa.html">www.kon.org/CFP/cfp\_gfa.html</a> or contact <a href="mailto:dmitstifer@kon.org">dmitstifer@kon.org</a>.

## Watch for New Book (News link on Home Page www.kon.org)

Transformative Practice: New Pathways to Leadership – Sue McGregor – Published and distributed by Kappa Omicron Nu