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News and Events from Kent State University

Welcome to *Profiles of Excellence in Action*, a monthly e-newsletter showcasing news and events from Kent State University. In this month's issue, learn about the recently accredited veterinary technology program at the Tuscarawas Campus, the use of interactive technology in the classroom, two recently honored faculty members and an upcoming sacred music event. Also, the College of Nursing is celebrating its students who received scholarships from a national foundation.

Tuscarawas Veterinary Technology Degree Program Produces Successful Graduates



During fall semester 2008, the Kent State Tuscarawas Associate of Applied Science degree in veterinary technology program was awarded accreditation by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA). All 15 of the individuals associated with Kent State who took a mandatory national exam in January passed. The national passage rate by institution is 59 percent. [Read more](#) about the program.

Interactive Learning Is Just a Click Away in Kent State Classrooms

Imagine a classroom setting where students answer questions through remote controls, and the professor and students can view the responses instantaneously. While this ask-the-audience style may sound like a scene out of the hit TV show *Who Wants To Be a Millionaire?* it is the setting of several classes at Kent State University. [Read more](#) about the interactive devices.



Passion Seals the Deal for Outstanding Teacher Award Winner

Students and colleagues alike agree that Dr. **Mary Beth Rollick**, mathematical science professor, is deserving of the title of outstanding teacher. Rollick says she's most proud when students tell her they've decided to specialize in mathematics or that, although they dreaded the subject before taking her class, they now enjoy mathematics because they understand it. [Read more.](#)

Physics Professor Honored With Election as Fellow of American Physical Society

Dr. **Gerassimos Petratos**, professor and former chair of the Department of Physics, was elected a Fellow of the American Physical Society (APS) late last year. Petratos was recognized for his numerous contributions to physics, including the Stanford Linear Accelerator Center (SLAC) nucleon spin physics program and the SLAC and Jefferson Lab few-body physics programs. [Read more.](#)



College of Nursing Students Selected for Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Scholarships

The College of Nursing is proud to announce four new recipients of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's "New Careers in Nursing" Scholarship. Each student will receive a



The Kent State University Chorale, conducted by **Scott MacPherson**, and the Kent State University Men's and Women's Choruses, conducted by **Kerry Glann**, will perform at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, **April 22**, as part of the cathedral's Helen D. Schubert Concert Series. The mostly sacred program will feature each ensemble separately, as well as combined into a massed choir. [Read more.](#)

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