Dear Kent State Tuscarawas Community,

Welcome back! The fall semester was a time for great academic accomplishment for many of our students. One indication is the number of students that formally earned recognition on either the Dean’s List or the President’s List. An impressive number of students (277 on the Dean’s List and 30 on the President’s List) were honored for their achievement during Fall Semester 2014. I challenge those who were recognized to continue the good work and invite other members of our student community to join them for Spring Semester 2015.

A number of initiatives have either been completed or are well on their way to completion for the remaining academic year. We are actively working toward finishing space in the Tolloty Technology Incubator, have brightened up several spaces on campus, most notable the Engineering Technology corridor and are preparing for the implementation of a MakerSpace in the Academic Learning Commons. The MakerSpace will provide another excellent educational opportunity for students at Kent State Tuscarawas.

I am pleased to let the campus know that our For the Future annual campaign exceeded our fundraising goal due to the generosity of the Tuscarawas community. Of particular note, is the manner in which the faculty, staff and administrators answered the call to help support scholarship needs for our students via our Tuscarawas County University Foundation. Speaking of the Foundation, our Board members have been actively engaged in reimagining the many ways we can grow in support and increase our impact on future initiatives.

We will also invest in new technology this spring. This investment involves upgrading instructional spaces, replacing aging computers across campus and updating copiers in the Academic Learning Commons. Each piece of equipment purchased will be made to support teaching and learning on our campus. While we will begin the project this year, the upgrade will continue in the summer in preparation for fall semester.

There were many successful events over the holidays at our Performing Arts Center and that momentum is continuing into the spring. Performances such as Mannheim Steamroller, Holiday Spectacular on Ice, Stomp and now Sister Act, were either sold out or very nearly sold out. The center has also hosted admissions events, weddings and meetings for the external community.

Please stay tuned to our daily media for exciting updates. Just today I’ve seen opportunities for students to engage in the Undergraduate Symposium on Research and Creative Activity, submit to the student literary magazine, Flashfire or join the campus community for Kent State Tuscarawas Nights at the Quaker Theatre. Every day brings something new and interesting to the campus – more reasons why You Belong Here!

Bradley A. Bielski, Ph.D.
Dean and Chief Administrative Officer
BOGO OPPORTUNITY

AT THE QUAKER

Do you like going to the movies? Now you can do so more affordably due to the generosity of the Quaker Theatre. Every Thursday night, Kent State Tuscarawas students, faculty and staff can buy one ticket and get one free to the movies being shown at the Quaker. A Kent State University ID is required to receive this offer.

Many thanks to Arty, Michael J. Ernest, owner of the Quaker Theatre, for providing this benefit to our campus community. Arty, Ernest is one of our criminal justice adjunct faculty members. The Quaker Theater is located at 158 W. High Ave. in New Philadelphia.

NURSING FACULTY’S COURTROOM SIMULATION IS EFFECTIVE TEACHING TOOL AND LEADS TO PUBLISHED ARTICLE

Nursing professors Dr. Mariann Harding, Sherri Troyer and Mistey Bailey have published an article, “Using Courtroom Simulation to Introduce Documenting Quality Wound Care to Beginning Nursing Students,” in the Nurse Educator November/December 2014 issue.

The article explains their use of a mock courtroom trial to teach the students the importance of accurate wound assessment and documentation.

The article states, “The use of a mock trial has been identified as a means to engage nursing staff and students in developing personal accountability and the skills necessary to make decisions about quality of care. We chose to use a mock trial as part of clinical simulation in a first medical-surgical nursing course with the intent that this early exposure will enhance students’ competencies in upholding standards of wound care and documenting accurately.”

According to Bailey, “During the trial, the faculty members fill the role of prosecuting attorney and judge. The students play the roles of bailiff, patient, family members, nurse on trial, court reporter and jury. The 60-minute session enhances the students’ development of a sense of personal accountability and knowledge retention. We believe the mock trial is an effective means to teaching the students how critical documentation is as a component of quality patient care.”

Sherri Troyer, assistant professor of nursing, serves as prosecuting attorney with a student during a mock trial.
A new educational MakerSpace will be created in the Kent State Tuscarawas Academic Learning Commons utilizing a $23,996 grant received from the Institute of Museum and Library Sciences’ Science and Technology Act (ISTA). The university will cost match the grant with $8000.

The MakerSpace will provide equipment and materials to be utilized by students and community members to pursue entrepreneurial projects, bringing ideas and innovations to life.

“Some of the state-of-the-art equipment that will be purchased as part of the MakerSpace project includes a vinyl laser cutter, a 3-D printer, a large format printer, Surface Pro computers and robotics kits,” says Cherie Bronkar, library director. “The MakerSpace will enable the campus to increase digital and entrepreneurial literacy in Tuscarawas and surrounding counties. Our campus is in a unique position to offer users support for the innovative ideas created in the MakerSpace. Our programs provide education, while the MakerSpace provides inspiration and the means to test and apply their education in ways that create new business ventures and marketable products.”

The Academic Learning Commons’ project partners are the campus’ Ohio Small Business Development Center (OSBDC), the Office of Business and Community Services and Blackstone LaunchPad. According to Bronkar, these partners are poised to provide training, education and support to budding entrepreneurs. Ideas can be developed into solid marketable plans through our partners and further developed through the Tolloty Technology Incubator.

“The OSBDC feels very fortunate to collaborate with the library on this very worthwhile project,” adds Steve Schillig, District 10 Director. “The mission of the MakerSpace aligns itself very closely with ours, so it will be a natural extension of the OSBDC. I see a dual benefit for our organization. Our entrepreneurs will have an opportunity to take advantage of the newest and greatest hardware and software tools in digital design and fabrication and just as important, those individuals who choose to pursue a commercial application to their ideas can use the OSBDC as a support system to move it forward.”

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GETTING TO KNOW...

**DR. ASHLEY GALATI**

**Title:** Assistant Professor of Psychological Sciences  
**Courses I Teach:** A variety of courses in the Psychological Sciences; to date I have taught: General, Child, Perception, Cognition and Children’s Thinking.  
**Worked at Kent State Tuscarawas Since:** August 2013  
**Resides:** In Bolivar

**Favorite Aspect About Kent State Tuscarawas:** I love the sense of community found at Kent State Tuscarawas! It is very satisfying to work alongside and engage with so many caring, intelligent and interesting individuals. I also truly appreciate the excitement and diversity of experiences that students bring to the classroom.

**Hobbies:** I enjoy reading and spending time outdoors. I particularly like participating in activities which allow me to be in the sun, but basically enjoy any activity which includes spending time with friends and family.
Blue and Gold Fridays - Ongoing
Distinguished Teaching Award Nominations - Ongoing
Game Night in the Academic Learning Commons - Every Thursday 6 - 9 p.m.
Kent State Tuscarawas Nights at The Quaker Cinema - Every Thursday BOGO with Kent State ID
Canned Food Drive - for the Harbor House Domestic Violence Shelter will be held throughout February and March, sponsored by the Criminology and Justice Studies Club
Kent State Student Nurse Association Fundraiser - Jan. 26 at 6 p.m. at Buffalo Wild Wings New Philadelphia (Ticket Required)
Valentine's Day Carnation Sale - Orders taken the week of Jan. 26 in the Student Union, sponsored by the Kent State Tuscarawas Lions Club
Lifeshare Scholarship Blood Drive - Jan. 27-28, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. in the Science and Advanced Technology Center, Room 113
Southern Fried Chicks Cage-Free Comedy Tour - Feb. 5, 7:30 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center
Women’s Success Series - Feb. 6, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Flashdance The Musical - Feb. 11, 7:30 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center
Kent State Tuscarawas Alumni Association Meeting - Feb. 12 at Noon, Business Conference Room B
Million Dollar Quartet - Feb. 18, 7:30 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center
Mocktails, Hors d'oeuvres and Networking - Feb. 19, 12:10 – 1:40 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center Lobby. $5 per person. Open to all students, 2015 graduates are encouraged to attend.
Jim Henson’s Sid the Science Kid - Feb. 26, 6 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center
Engineer EXPO – Feb. 26, 4:30-8:30 p.m. in the Student Union
Get the Led Out, The American Led Zeppelin - March 1, 7:30 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center
Women Supporting Students – March 6, 8:30 a.m. – Noon in Founders Hall Auditorium
Memphis - March 7, 7:30 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center
Tartan Terrors - March 11, 7:30 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center
Spring Information Night – March 12, 6 p.m. in Founders Hall
Northeast Ohio Undergraduate Sociology Symposium - March 14, 7:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. in the Kent State University Student Center.
Peter and The Starcatcher - March 27, 7:30 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center

Kent State Tuscarawas Nurse Association BW3s Fundraiser
Jan. 26, 6 p.m. to Closing

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