Note from the Chair
Greetings from Gettysburg to all of our Psychology Alumni! I hope this newsletter finds you well.

The Psychology Department has had a good year and a busy year. We are all comfortably settled into our renovated quarters in McCreary, and we have many, many psychology majors to keep our lives interesting. As you’ll see below, the class of 2014 included a number of students who presented their work at professional conferences, and our graduates were also very successful with their graduate school applications and job searches. Many of our students presented posters describing their advanced laboratory research at Celebration ’14. Their posters have been repurposed and hung in our hallways, and although they’re starting to fade a bit and will need to be taken down soon, I’m going to leave them on the walls on the third floor of McCreary for anyone who’d like to take a look during Homecoming Weekend.

Speaking of Homecoming, our invited speaker this year is Mary Carskadon ’69, Professor of Psychiatry and Human Behavior at Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University (see below). We’d love to see you at her talk if you’ll be here.

In other departmental news, we’re delighted to welcome Sahana Mukherjee as our new tenure-track cultural psychologist (see below to learn more about her). Richard Russell and Kevin Wilson have both returned from sabbaticals abroad, and we’re glad to have them back in our company (see below). Rebecca Fincher-Kiefer and I were both promoted to the rank of professor this past year, which made the two of us very happy.

Twenty-one of our students completed internships in research and applied settings this summer, and some of their stories are described in the News column of the Psychology webpage (http://www.gettysburg.edu/academics/psychology/) and one about Emily Hall ’15 was recently featured on the main College homepage.

We’d love to hear what you’re doing. This is partly because we miss you and want to hear from you, and partly because we want to brag about you. So many prospective students on campus tours stop by and look at our alumni bulletin board, and visiting families always ask what our graduates are doing. Your stories are wonderful, and they really help us to continue to recruit outstanding students. They also help our current students think about career ideas. If you haven’t been in touch with us in a few years – or even if you have – please send a message to Carolyn Tuckey (ctuckey@gettysburg.edu) and tell her what you’re up to. This goes for recent grads as well as folks who’ve been out for many years.

Warmest good wishes to all of you. Please stay in touch!

Homecoming Colloquium
We are very excited to welcome back Mary Carskadon, Ph.D. ’69 as guest speaker for our Annual Psychology Homecoming Colloquium. If you are in the area, we certainly hope you will join us for Mary’s talk entitled, “Exploring How Biology Influences Behavior: Adolescent Sleep.” The lecture will be held in Mara Auditorium, Masters Hall 110, on Friday, September 19th @ 3:45 pm. More.... Mary is a distinguished alumna of Gettysburg College with a doctorate in neuro- and bio-behavioral sciences from Stanford University. She is an authority on adolescent sleep. Her research has raised public awareness about the consequences of insufficient sleep in adolescents and has influenced education policy, prompting many school districts to delay school start times for teens. Currently, Mary is Professor of Psychiatry and Human Behavior, Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University and Director of the Chronobiology and Sleep Research Laboratory, EP Bradley Hospital, Providence, RI. She is also Professor, School of Psychology, Social Work and Social Policy and Director at the Centre for Sleep Research, University of South Australia, Adelaide, Australia. There will be an informal reception following the lecture. We hope you can join us!

Samuel A. Mudd Award
Shelby Leeds was the recipient of the Samuel A. Mudd Award during Springs Honors Day this past May. This award, established by Paul M. Muchinsky ’69 in honor of his former mentor, Sam Mudd ’57, is presented to a graduating senior psychology major who has demonstrated a high level of personal
integrity and outstanding scholarship. Shelby was Nathalie Goubet’s research assistant for two years, working on several projects related to olfaction in children and adults. She also played a significant role in revitalizing the student organization Active Minds, where she served as president. Now Shelby is a special education teacher in the Bronx with the support of a New York City Teaching Fellowship. Prof. Goubet says of Shelby, “She did not spare her efforts in my lab; she always had energy to help out and was always enthusiastic about trying new ideas and testing them empirically. She is a great communicator, especially with kids, and so nice, strong, and positive.”

**Commencement ’14 - Prizes and Awards**

Graduating this past May with Departmental Honors were Austin Ambrosino, Elizabeth Andresen, Jill Duranko, Kayla Greico, Brianna Hare, Aleksandra Petkova, and Christina Soma. Graduating Phi Beta Kappa were Jill Duranko, Christine Lobosco, Aleksandra Petkova, and Christina Soma. Rachel West was the recipient of the Clair B., Mary E., and Constance Noerr (Baker) Memorial Award, Kaleigh Sosa received the Service Award in Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, and Aleksandra Petkova received the Psi Chi Junior Award. Jill Duranko was the Psychology Department banner carrier.

**Updates from Alums**

**Barbara Bogue McAulay ’58** is enjoying retirement in Lakewood, New Jersey after a career in marketing research, most recently with Merck, and after a stint as a full-time mom for her three children. She has fond memories of Sam Mudd and also of the campus, including the Bullet Hole (where Ron Paul worked) and the sorority rooms in the basement of Hanson Hall. Barbara proudly stakes her claim as the oldest reporting alumna from the psych department.

**Paul Muchinsky ’69 – 11th edition of *Psychology Applied to Work* scheduled to come out in April 2015. Awarded Honorary Doctorate from Gettysburg College in 2008.**

**Thomas (Tim) Judd ’71 – Earned MA and Ed.D at Columbia University, Teachers College. Currently Associate Professor, Behavioral Sciences and Leadership, and Assistant Dean of Academic Assessment, United States Military Academy, West Point, NY.**

**Holly (Jacobs) Nemiroff ’73 – Ed.S, LPC. Currently working as a mental health counselor (Independent contractor). Also an adjunct Instructor in counselor education at Rider University.**

**Kathleen Frederick ’73 – Chief Administrative Law Judge for the State of Alaska.**

**Mark Dombrowsky ’76 – Practicing family medicine in NJ. Made the “Best Doctor” list of New York magazine in 2012 and 2013.**

**Barbara Trautlein ’86 – Her recently published book, *Change Intelligence: Use the Power of CQ to Lead Change That Sticks*, achieved best seller status. She earned her Ph.D. in Organizational Psychology at the University of Michigan. Currently the principal of Change Catalysts, LLC, a change management and leadership development consultancy.**

**Marc D. Richman ’85 – Ph.D. from Hofstra University it ’89. Serving as Assistant Director of Community Mental Health & Addiction Services and Director of Court & Special Services, Dept. of Health & Social Services, New Castle, DE.**

**Regina Richardson Michel ’91 – Received a masters in school counseling from McDaniel College, did other post-grad work at Johns Hopkins and has been teaching for the past 25 years at Hampstead Elementary, Carroll County, MD. Currently teaching 5th grade STEM.**

**Sara Hinkle ’92 – Has MS in counseling from Georgia State University and Ph.D. in higher education from Indiana University, Bloomington. Currently Assistant VP for Student Affairs at West Chester University.**

**Charlotte Deibel ’99 – earned M.Ed. from The George Washington University and has been a 2nd grade teacher in Montgomery Village, MD for the past 12 years.**

**Beth (Ulan) Jones ’99 – Has a masters in counseling psychology from Chestnut Hill College. Also obtained certification for school psychology. Currently School Psychologist in the School District of Philadelphia.**

**Kevin Grimm ’00 – Associate Professor of Psychology at Arizona State University.**


**Jennifer Connors ’05 – Earned her Ed.M. in Counseling in ’07 from Boston University. Currently premedical advisor for BU undergrads and alums. Was recently promoted to the position of Assistant Director of Pre-health Programs at BU.**

**Cara Magrovan Sachs ’06 – Has MSW from University of Pennsylvania’s School of Social Policy. Currently works as Director of Community-Based programming for The Center for Grieving Children, Philadelphia, PA where she brings grief support to high-risk children and runs training and professional development on childhood bereavement. Also an adjunct professor, teaching a bereavement counseling course for masters in counseling psychology students at Chestnut Hill College.**

**Andrew Naber ’07 – Finishing up a Ph.D. in I/O Psychology at Texas A & M. Will begin a new job as Associate Behavioral Social Scientist in the Global Research Talent Dept. at RAND Corporation.**
Miles Rinehart ’08 – Worked with the Peace Corps for a couple years followed by a few years in development work and teaching in Kyrgyzstan. Currently beginning a masters in international education at New York University.

Ryan Rosiello ’11 – Working on a Ph.D. in Applied Organizational Psychology at Hofstra University.

Julian Purcell ’11 – Earned an M5 in clinical neuroscience from University College in London. Currently a Research Specialist at the University of Pennsylvania.

Kelly Wehrenberg ’12 – Certified EMT and currently a PA student at Chatham University, Pittsburg, PA.

Alexis Cuneo ’12 – Pursuing an M5 in Mental Health Counseling at Monmouth University, NJ.

Ayana Spell ’12 – Beginning masters in school psychology program at Duquesne University.

Alyson Buck ’12 – Pursuing a masters in the applied behavioral science program at the University of Kansas. Will be both a student and graduate training assistant.

Qian (Grace) Wei ’13 – Currently at Harvard Graduate School of Education pursuing a masters of education and human development and psychology degree.

Jacob Treinish ’13 – Working at NIH as a post-baccalaureate fellow. Works within the NIA in the Lab of Epidemiology, Demography, and Biometry.

Class of 2014:

Amanda Brun ’14 – Beginning an MA in Teaching Program (K-5 Teacher of Students with Disabilities) at Monmouth University.

Sabrina Waage ’14 – Pursuing a masters in counselor education, clinical mental health track, at Radford University College of Education & Human Development.

Shelby Leeds ’14 – Currently a Special Education Teacher with a New York City teaching fellowship, Bronx, NY.

Austin Ambrosino ’14 – Teaching in elementary school with Teach for America, Eastern North Carolina.

Timothy Claus ’14 – Entering an accelerated BSN/MSN Family NP Program, University of Pennsylvania.

Christina Soma ’14 – Beginning a Ph.D. program in Counseling Psychology, University of Utah.

Taylor Moscatiello ’14 – Working in an advertising position as a Business Development Coordinator with The CDM Group in New York City.

Brooke Kalman ’14 – Studying for a masters in clinical mental health counseling, Villanova University.

Rachel West ’14 – Working with the Baltimore City Teaching Residency teaching elementary school in a high needs school.

Rorie Lentz ’14 – Pursuing a masters in marriage and family therapy, La Salle University, Philadelphia, PA.

Erinn McConville ’14 – Studying for a masters in school counseling at The George Washington University.


Samanta Gagliano ’14 – Attending Columbia University’s Teacher’s College to pursue an Ed.M in school psychology.


Daniel Kalish ’14 – Working as a Client Relationship Specialist, Vanguard, Malvern, PA.

Aleksandra Pekova ’14 – Entering a Clinical/Developmental Ph.D. program, University of Pittsburgh.

Cymone Card ’14 – Teach for America, Chicago, Illinois.

Michelle Rainaldi ’14 – Pursuing a masters in counselor education: school counseling, The College of New Jersey.

Meghan Bond ’14 – Studying for a masters in social work at The University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

Brianna Hare ’14 – Currently a Research Lab Manager for Monell Chemical Senses Center, Philadelphia, PA.

Christine Lobosco ’14 – Working for AT&T Business Sales, Leadership Development Program.

We Need Your Help

Our department website is continually being updated with interesting and newsworthy happenings. We also know how beneficial and inspiring it would be for students to learn what our alumni have gone on to accomplish. If you have a few extra minutes, we’d really love it if you could fill out the Alumni Profile Form found here. This request is separate from our hope that you’ll send a short email to Carolyn (see Chair note). If you fill out this form, it may be featured on the website, and it would be a great help to us in our efforts to connect our current students to our alumni and to continue to attract outstanding students in the future! It’s a writeable form so you can type in your answers, save it, and then email it to Carolyn Tuckey. Thank you in advance for taking the time to do this!

A Warm Welcome

It is with great pleasure that we introduce our newest faculty member, Sahana Mukherjee! Sahana earned her Ph.D. (and M.A.) in social psychology from the University of Kansas, and a B.A. in psychology, sociology, and English literature from Christ College, India. Her research draws upon a cultural psychological perspective to examine the extent to which systems of privilege and oppression are reproduced via cultural tools, and the psychological phenomena that aid in social change. She teaches General Psychology, Cultural Psychology, and the laboratory in Cultural Psychology. She is excited about incorporating the rich history that
Faculty News

**Dan McCall** and **Nathalie Goubet** continue to be involved in collaborative work with a team of French researchers. This fall they are presenting their work on the associations between odors and colors in French and American children at the conference of the European Chemoreception Research Organization in Dijon, France. They along with 3 students (Brianna Hare ’14, Sabrina Waage ’14, and Adam Weinbrrom ’14) also presented a poster about their research at the Eastern Psychological Association in Boston. Nathalie and her French colleagues published an article in PLoS One on the effects of olfaction on attention in 4 month olds. If you’re on campus for Homecoming on Saturday morning September 20, be sure to stop by the lobby of the Science Center. The Gettysburg Odor and Flavor lab (http://www.gettysburg.edu/academics/psychology/research/odor_flavor/) will have a series of interactive activities on olfaction and taste on display.

**Kevin Wilson** spent the 2013-2014 year on sabbatical. During the Spring 2014 semester, he conducted research at The University of Auckland in New Zealand, with Drs. Lynette Tippett and Donna-Rose Addis. Kevin received the prestigious James McKeen Cattell Sabbatical Fellowship to support this research (http://www.psychologicalscience.org/index.php/publications/observer/2013/october/james-mckeen-cattell-fellowships-awarded.html). While in New Zealand, Kevin conducted one research project examining the potential therapeutic effects of brain stimulation on Huntington’s Disease. He also completed a second research project exploring the role of the cerebellum in autobiographical memory. When he wasn’t in the lab, he was busy sampling many fine New Zealand wines, sightseeing, playing competitive rugby, and bungee jumping!

**Richard Russell** has returned to campus after a year at St Andrews University in Scotland. While there he worked with researchers in the St Andrews Perception Lab studying face perception. He was also able to collaborate with other researchers in the UK and France. After a great year away, Richard is excited to be back at Gettysburg College.

**Brian Meier** and Abby Scholer ’00 (Assistant Professor of Psychology, University of Waterloo) conducted another session of Camp Psych. Twenty-four high school students from eleven different states spent a week learning about Psychological Science at Gettysburg College. Brian is on sabbatical in the Fall ’14 semester and plans to write manuscripts, design new research studies, and finish up an edited book he has been working on with colleagues: Ostafin, B. D., Robinson, M. D., & Meier, B. P. (Eds.), (in press). *Handbook of mindfulness and self-regulation*. New York: Springer.

**Kathy Berenson** is headed to the conference for the Association for Cognitive and Behavioral Therapies in November to present the experimental work on personality disorders at that she has been doing with coauthors Cara Dochat ’13, Christiana Martin ’13, Aimee Becker ’14, Rachel Clasing ’15, Hannah Joyce ’14, and Samantha Lee ’16.

**Christopher Barlett** continues to work on studying the predictors of cyberbullying behavior. Since coming to Gettysburg College in 2012, he has published 4 first authored papers on this effect and has several others at various stages of publication. Dr. Barlett has become a world leader in cyberbullying predictors. He was asked to consult on multiple research projects all over the world, including Singapore, where he spent a week and a half analyzing a 4-wave longitudinal data set testing cyberbullying predictors in over 3000 Singaporean youth. Along with his undergraduate research assistants, Chris has presented research at various conferences including the Eastern Psychological Association (with Lindsay Westberg ’15), Association for Psychological Science (with Zachary Witkower ’15), and the International Society for Research on Aggression (with Hannah Oliphant ’15, Zachary Witkower ’15, and Sabrina Waage ’14).

Student Summer Research

Aimee Becker ’14, Rachel Clasing ’15, Wesley Ellen Gregory ’15 and Emily S. Wakschal ’16 received Summer Shand fellowships to conduct research in **Kathy Berenson’s** Personality Lab during the Summer of 2014. The students were trained to conduct semi-structured clinical interviews both in a standard face-to-face format and via internet “chat” so that we could compare the two. Their goal is to examine the feasibility and validity of anonymous internet “chat” as a clinical assessment tool that can obtain rich information and provide undergraduate trainees with valuable experience while preserving participants’ privacy.

It was quite an active summer in **Steve Siviy’s** Behavioral Neuroscience lab as work continued on a 3-year NIMH-funded research project. This project uses an animal model, the F344 inbred rat strain that is uniquely dysfunctional in its play behavior, to investigate the neurobehavioral mechanisms responsible for juvenile play behavior. Samantha Eck ’16, Lana McDowell ’16 and Jenn Soroka ’14 worked on several projects that addressed (1) how the interplay between genotype and early post-natal experiences can affect play and anxiety in these rats and (2) whether any of these strain differences could be accounted for by systematic differences in oxytocin functioning. Lana also spent a lot of her summer working on a collaborative project...
with Prof. Koren Lipsett in the Chemistry department. Using real-time qPCR to quantify mRNA that transcribes specific dopamine and serotonin receptors in selected areas of the rat brain, Lana was able to begin assessing whether any of the systematic differences between the F344 and other strains could be accounted for by parallel differences in these receptor subtypes. Additional funding for these summer research projects was made available through a grant to Gettysburg College from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute through the Precollege and Undergraduate Science Education Program.

Monica Doring ’15 received a Shand summer fellowship to work on a project assessing the effects of acute isolation housing during the juvenile period on behavior in two strains of rat. Monica found some fairly consistent strain differences and also began to determine whether these strain differences could be accounted for by changes in the sensitivity of GABA-benzodiazepine receptors in the brain. Monica hopes to continue this research this coming spring.

In addition to the research being done on campus, Alexandra Turano ’15 and Caroline Garliss ’15 spent two months in the laboratories of Dr. Louk Vanderschuren and Dr. Heidi Lesscher at the University of Utrecht in the Netherlands. This research experience was funded by Steve’s NIMH grant and provided opportunities for these students to gain expertise in various techniques used in their labs by becoming involved in an ongoing research project. Lexi and Caroline worked primarily on a project examining the extent to which individual differences in juvenile play are related to adolescent alcohol consumption. It is hoped that these types of experiences will also help foster a continuing collaboration between Steve’s lab in Gettysburg and the labs in the Netherlands.