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LETTER FROM THE CHAIR, Dr. Graves

We are starting another semester on the Boca Campus. In May, our department will have been here four years. During those four years, we have increased enrollment 15% each year, mainly through the efforts of the ESHP faculty and staff. We had our largest number of graduates this past fall, 58 undergraduate students receiving their BS or BSE. In fact, in the photo on the left, Dr. Mary Jane Saunders, FAU's current president, took the time for a photo with me, prior to the Fall 2012 graduation.

The most exciting news is the arrival of the Dual Emissions X-Ray Absorptiometry (DEXA) machine. Dr. Michael Whitehurst, pictured below, received a technology fee grant last spring to be able to make this exciting purchase. The faculty and staff will undergo training in the next few weeks. All of us are excited about

starting body composition and other research with the DEXA in the near future. In fact, the small laboratory in Field House 11-A also has the underwater-weighing tank and the Bod Pod.

If you have time, please do stop by to see us in the near future. Thank you in advance for reading our latest newsletter.



2012 ESHP Scholarships

Virginia Kelly Exercise Science and Wellness (\$600 each):

Keith Brazendale, graduate

Jordan Green, undergraduate

David and Eleanore Rukin Memorial (\$600 each):

Ryan Preece, undergraduate

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OUR NEW GRADUATE ASSISTANTS



Alex Klemp DeLand, FL



Samantha Nivens Greenbay, WI



Thomas Mock Weatherford, TX



Rocky Blanco Hialeah, FL



Jared Edwards Lake Wales, FL



Nicholle Rosemond Hialeah, FL



FAU ESHP graduated GAs, Fall 2012, Markous Samaan, Kristin Jesse, Ryan Musille, Chris Dorka, Brad Shiflet, Jeffrey Hand, and Dr. Sue Graves.



Graduate students prior to their comprehensive exams November 17, 2012. Left to right, Brad Shiflet, Bethany Thomlinson, Jeffrey Hand, Dr. Zoeller (graduate coordinator), Josh Gangaware, Guiseppe Sacco, Ryan Musille; kneeling left to right, Kristin Jesse, Phil Cirrone, Markous Samaan, Christopher Dorka.



Current Graduate Assistants, Spring 2013:
Top row: Liz Pittinger, Ole Midtbo, Donna, Alexander, Laura Canteri,
Thomas Mock, Sam Buckner, Aaron Slusher, Evan Platonas,
Samantha Nivens, Alex Klemp, Rocky Blanco, Jared Edwards. Second
row: Keith Brazendale, Frank Witkowski, Nicolle Rosemond, Natalie
Diaz, Russel Camire. Not pictured: Joe Valentino, Joe Lopez, and
Taylor Miksell.

PRACTICUM PROGRAM



FAU ESHP students in the Fall 2012 Practicum class with Anita D'Angelo.

OUR STUDENTS AND EVENTS



ESHP student Crystal Jozwicky FAU's Homecoming Queen ,Fall 2012.



Crystal Jozwicky, Boca Raton Mayor Susan Whelchel, and Katie Smart at the FAU 2012 Talon Leadership Awards, October 25, 2012.



Back row: Dr. Valeri Bristor, Jamala Paterson, Elizabeth Pitinger and her 2 daugthers (Isabella and Gabrielle), Dr. Sue Graves, Sam Buckner, Keith Brazendale, Jeffrey Hand, Dr. Donald Torok; front row: Dr. Michael Hall, Dr. Michael Zourdos, Dr. Chun-Jung Huang, Frank Witkowski at the research symposium in the Fall 2012 at FAU's High School.

FAU ESHP INTERNSHIP STUDENTS



Meghan Zimmerly, an FAU ESHP intern at Impact Sports Performance, Boca Raton, FL, October 29, 2012.



Daniel Shaff and Michael Lavelanet, FAU ESHP interns at Institute of Human Performance, Boca Raton, FL, October 24, 2012.



Heather Ikola (FAU ESHP graduate), Tisha Gittens, Brittany Buran and Aisha Gary, FAU ESHP interns at Holy Cross Hospital, Fort Lauderdale, October 29, 2012.



Ginger Alfano (internship director) and Jamie Larkin, FAU ESHP intern at St. Andrews Country Club, October 30, 2012.



Julie Ross, former FAU graduate with Natalie Neel, an FAU ESHP intern at Boca West Country Club, October 24, 2012.



George Baez, an FAU ESHP intern at Nova Southeastern University Recreation Center, October 24, 2012.

FAU ESHP INTERNSHIPS 2013

Boca Raton Orthopedic Group Crystal Jozwicki

Boca Raton Regional Hospital Philippe Renaud

Boca Raton Regional Hospital Tiffany Erdman

Boca Raton Regional Hospital Jeff Doyle

Boca Trauma & Rehab Courtney Amendola

Central Palm Medical Group Joshua Lide

Davis Therapy Haimanot Geleta

FAU Athletic Training Room Amanda Singleton

FAU Athletic Training Room Michala Nowak

FAU Athletic Training Room Priscilla Sapp

FAU Athletic Training Room Chad Dolan

FAU Engineering Bradford Day

FAU Engineering Erin Connolly

Holy Cross Hospital Amanda Pelco

Institute of Human Performance Martin Haider

Institute of Human Performance Ashley Gibson

Jupiter Medical Center Akash Patel

Miami Project to Cure Paralysis David McAlpine

Motorola - Wellness Center Gabrielle Adams

Motorola - Wellness Center Angelina Giust

My Speed Trainer Stacy-Ann Gaynor

NSCA Performance Center Ryan Colquhoun

Nova Southeastern University Amanda Otero

Palm Beach Institute of Sports Medicine Kelsie Hoy

Palm Beach Institute of Sports Medicine Kimberly Wolf

Plantation Spine & Sports Rehab Dorothy Huynh

South Lake Hospital Ahley Lantes

YMCA Widlin Dieujuste

YMCA Nicholas Becker

GRADUATION FALL 2012

MASTER'S DEGREE

Christopher Dorka Joshua Gangaware Jeffrey Hand Krisitn Jesse Ryan Musille Kristopher Rollason Giuseppe Sacco Markous Samaan Scott Shiflet Bethany Tomlinson



Kathleen Smart and her mother Mrs. Smart.

BACHELOR'S DEGREE

Brittany Adler Katrina Alba James Alboini George Baez Lydia Barahona Caitlin Behr Karyn Bishof Erica Borows **Brittany Buran** Justin Carter Rachel Crews Kellie Cocks Ashley Cuneo Kari DeYoung Fred Dural Steven Eiland Aisha Gary Kelly Gill Tisha Gittens Caylyn Gonzalez Rebecca Haynes Beria Joseph Richard Kerster Amber Kirby Jamie Larkin Michael Lavelanet



BACHELOR'S DEGREE

Jong Lee Manuela Loebig Christopher Lorenz Michael Marino Jamie Milleman Fabrizzio Miranda Elise Mocco Kyle Moran Aaron Morris Natalie Neel Ray Nellissery Eric Nochimson GraceMary O'Dowd Brian Panczak Brian Reatequi Gary Richardson Ryan Rodriguez Ryan Roman Mary Romero Tamas Schuchanek Nichols Sexton **Daniel Shaff** Jennifer Sinner Kathleen Smart Daphney Teneus Alexis Toohey Chung Tran Melissa Walters Tyler Wells Graham Wilbert Chelsea Yeomans Megan Zimmerly



Graduate students Ryan Musille, Brad Shiflet, Markous Samaan, Jeffrey Hand, Kristin Jesse, Chris Dorka



Undergraduate student Erica Borows.



Undergraduate student Megan Zimmerly with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Art Zimmerly.

Alumni Update

- **Jeff Boulos**, BSE, 2011, is a fitness coach at TERF Athletic Facility in Miami, where he resides.
- **Leo Rodriguez**, MS, 2011, recently took a position at Keiser University, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, as an admissions counselor.
- **Seth Jordan**, BSE, 2010, is a senior trainer at the Institute of Human Performance, Boca Raton, Florida.
- **Terence Ryan**, MS, 2010, received the Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award (2012) at the University of Georgia where he is currently working on his Ph.D. in Kinesiology/Exercise Physiology. He is planning on a May 2013 graduation.
- **Brad DeForest**, BS, 2009, is a graduate assistant at the University of Memphis, Department of Health and Sport Sciences.
- Julien Fernandez, BSE, 2008, married May 2012. He is currently living in France.
- Jessica Weissman, BSE, 2008, registered dietitian at Memorial West Hospital Fitness Center, Pembroke Pines, Florida. She is the elected president of the Broward County Dietetic Association for 2012-2014. Jessica published an abstract, Validity and Reliability of an Instrument on Sports Nutrition Knowledge and Practices of Personal Trainers, Supplement to the Journal of the American Dietetic Association. 2011;2(111): Page A-14.
- **Genevieve Cartier**, BS, 2007, resides in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida. She is a kindergarten teacher at Benoist Farms Elementary School, West Palm Beach. She is also recently engaged to Joseph Garcia.
- **Ellen Crook**, BS, 2007, completed her master's degree in exercise physiology at Florida State University. She is currently the exercise physiologist at The High Intensity Training Center, Jacksonville, Florida.
- **Michael "Vinny" Varrato**, MS, 2007, has accepted the head strength coach position at University of Texas-Pan American, in charge of fourteen sports. He was in strength and conditioning at the University of Tennessee working with Baseball, Men's & Women's Tennis, Men's & Women's Track & Field/Cross Country, Men's Basketball, Men's & Women's Swimming, Rowing, and Cheerleading.

Alumni Update

- **Kika Mela**, BSE, 2006 owns Mela Therapeutics. She also works for Bommarito Performance Systems, as a consultant and provider of therapeutic massage in the Miami-Fort Lauderdale, Florida area.
- **Jill Vinci (Quinn)**, MS, 2005, and her husband, John, currently reside in Charlotte, North Carolina. They have one son.
- **Grif Fig**, BSE, 2004, recently married Shana Borwegen. They live in Boca Raton, Florida. Grif is the Director of Trainer Education at the Institute of Human Performance and the head swim coach for Lynn University.
- **Jennah Dodge (Godo)**, MS, 2004, and her husband, Geoff, live in Topsham, Maine. They have two children. She is an Independent Associate and Member Team Northrup (USANA Health Sciences Inc.).
- **Jeff Petak**, BSE, 2004, an educator, and has worked at the Broward County School Board, since graduation.
- **Joyce Evans (Moberg),** BS, 2001, graduated from nursing school, December 2012. She is currently married to David Moberg and has twin five-year-old daughters, Faith and Hope.
- **Lauren Hasbrouck (Specht)**, BSE, 2001, lives in the Ocala, Florida area. She has worked at Met-Test LLC, as a medical sales representative, exercise physiologist, and cardiopulmonary exercise technician.
- Marjorie Hishon, MS, 2000, still a flight attendant for American Airlines, currently based in Miami, FL.
- **Kristi Watson (Ricks)**, BSE, 1998, is employed at the University School of Nova Southeastern University. She and Damon have two sons.
- **Michelle Sirounis**, MS, 1996, teaches physical education and health at Brevard Public Schools. She lives in Satellite Beach, Florida.

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