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UC PEOPLE

Linda Stewart, Administrative Assistant,
Young Scholars LPP

By Marissa Filletti '18, PR Intern

Q: So tell me a little about yourself and what you do here at UC.

A: I'm married, and I have two children and two grandchildren. I'm also a mentor for a Young Scholars

It really makes you appreciate what you have when you help others.

Q: Tell me more about the Young Scholars Program.

A: When I came here almost eight years ago, I just fell in love with the program and the students. The Young Scholars Liberty Partnerships Program is a collaboration between Utica College and the Utica City School District designed to motivate children to stay in school and pursue post-secondary education. We provide year-round academic support and counseling as well as community service and career exploration opportunities. It's so inspiring and it takes so little money to help these students become successful. I think that the Young Scholars program changes lives by giving students opportunities they wouldn't normally have.

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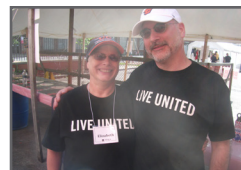
student. My official position at UC is administrative assistant, but I'm sort of a "Jack of all Trades" in the office. I do a lot of mentor recruiting; I'm very passionate about that. I also love to do volunteer work; it's something I've done my entire life.

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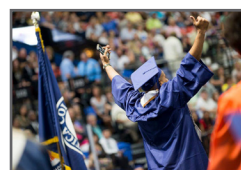
- Linda Stewart



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DPT graduates proudly don their new white coats, symbolizing their transition from classroom to clinic. *05/15*

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HR NOTES

Welcome

Alison Franklin, *Director of Counseling and Student Development*

New Titles

Trisha Barone, *Assistant Vice President of Constituent Relations*

Nertila Gegollari, *Assistant Registrar/Schedule*

Samantha Gleba, *Success Coach*

Kristen Holt, *Assistant to the Registrar/Readmission Specialist*

Meredith Lopata, *Senior Administrative Assistant, Office of the Executive Vice President and Chief Advancement Officer*

John Johnsen, *Acting Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs*

Mary Amanda Reeder, *Director of Transfer Services*

Retirees

Anne Flynne, *HRIS Administrator*

A reminder that summer hours and business casual attire are in effect as of Monday, June 15, and will continue through Friday, August 14.

Business hours during this period of time will be from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Employees will be paid through 5:00 p.m. each of these days.

Please be sure to note the change in hours for this time period on your voicemail greetings.



PSAC NEWS

PSAC held a reception (pictured above) to celebrate the launch of the new Kudos Card program. Employees can recognize their peers, supervisors, or employees that they supervise by filling out a simple online form at utica.edu/kudos. The recognized employee will receive an e-card; the employee's supervisor will also be notified, and the employee will be eligible for a monthly prize drawing.

Visit utica.edu/kudos to recognize a colleague today! **06/01**

Jaime Evanoff, direct appeals coordinator, and Brandy Gray, institutional research assistant, have been re-elected for one-year terms on the Professional Staff Advisory Council (PSAC) Nominating Committee.

In the near future, the Nominating Committee will conduct an election for an open at-large member position on the PSAC Executive Committee, for a term ending May 31, 2017. If you are interested in being a member of the Executive Committee, please contact Kris Mather, PSAC president, at kemather@utica.edu.

NAME CHANGES COME TO NCFC, ECM

As summer begins, a number of Utica College programs and centers are undergoing name changes. The Northeast Cyber Forensics Center (NCFC) will now be known as the Northeast Cybersecurity Forensics Center. While its mission remains the same, an update to the name of the center will better align the name with the work it does.

In addition, the online master's degree program in Economic Crime Management will now be called Financial Crime and Compliance Management in order to more accurately reflect the nature of the program.

"The new name better describes what our students learn," said Suzanne Lynch, program director. "The high-quality curriculum and goals of the program remain the same; the name change simply assists graduates in relating and articulating all they've learned in the classroom to their careers."

AROUND CAMPUS



A

D. The newest cohort of Young Scholars, Class of 2021, at the annual Welcome Reception. 05/06

E. UC students from around the globe capture memories at the annual International Dinner. 04/22



B



C

A. The Welcome Center is taking shape. Located just off the College's Burrstone Road entrance, the new facility is positioned to greet prospective students and their families as well as housing the admissions office.

B & C. Construction of the Todd and Jen Hutton Sports and Recreation Center is under way.



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Q: I understand that you do a lot of volunteer work for a charity called Safe and Sound with Amaya. How did you get involved in that?

A: Many years ago, I lost my son in a "tipping" accident- an accident that could've been prevented. Safe and Sound with Amaya is an amazing nonprofit organization that provides free anti-tip straps to secure furniture and create a safe environment for children. I attended a health expo here at Utica College, which is how I connected with the organization originally. It was started by Scott and Deborah Deming, who lost their granddaughter, Amaya, in a similar accident. Every 14 days a child dies from a falling television or other furniture accident. That is too many lives lost, especially now that Safe and Sound is providing free anti-tip straps to ensure no other family has to lose a child this way. Now, I'm able to help my favorite charity by getting the Young Scholars students involved.

Q: How are the Young Scholars able to contribute to Safe and Sound?

A: All Young Scholars are required to do volunteer work and service learning projects. So, I asked my friend, Deborah, the education and outreach coordinator of SAS, to do a presentation for the Young Scholars. She asked the students if they wanted to help. The students were excited, so I provided the materials and they put together bags containing an anti-tip strap (essentially a giant zip tie), brackets, screws and instructions for how to install and secure furniture. Safe and Sound helps the students in the program complete their requirement for community service and the students are able to help Safe and Sound save lives. It's kind of a pay-it-forward story.

Q: What is your message to parents that have never heard of Safe and Sound?

A: My son died just feet away from me, and there was nothing I could do to save him, but this — this little 46-cent anti-tip strap - could have. I use my loss as a way to get people to understand that these children don't have to die. It's so important to me to get that word out in any way that I can.

Q: How can people get involved with Safe and Sound with Amaya?

A: Anyone can get involved. This organization relies solely on non-paid volunteers. The website is www.safeandsoundwithamaya.org.

COMMENCEMENT 2015

A. Samuel Feitelberg (center) is presented with an honorary doctor of science degree by Trustee Ronald Cuccaro (left), and President Todd Hutton (right). Feitelberg was honored for his pioneer work in physical therapy education.

B – E. Utica College conferred master's and doctoral degrees on 650 students during the annual graduate commencement. 05/17

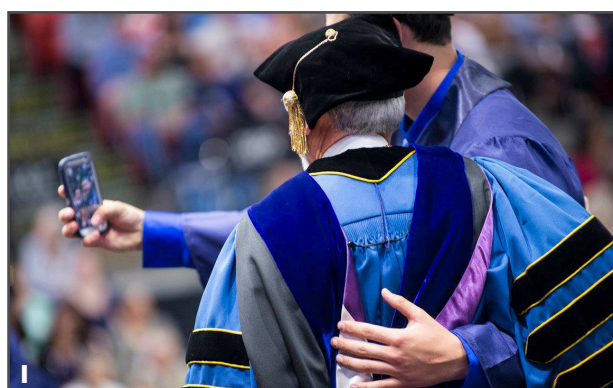


F. Gwen Ifill, moderator and host of Washington Week on PBS and best-selling author, gave the keynote address at the undergraduate commencement ceremony.

G – I. Hundreds of new graduates crossed the stage during the annual undergraduate commencement.

J. Professor emeritus Joe Bialek was one of the original faculty at UC on Oneida Square. He was present at the first, and here at the 66th, commencement ceremonies. Once a Pioneer, always a Pioneer!

K. Bryant W. Buchanan, Ph.D., professor of biology, was honored with the prestigious Virgil Crisafulli Distinguished Teaching Award. 05/18



EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION



LEFT: UC employees and auxiliary service personnel gather for this year's annual Employee Recognition Ceremony. 05/29

BELOW:

(TOP ROW, FROM LEFT) 5 Years of Service, 10 Years of Service, 15 Years of Service.

(SECOND ROW, FROM LEFT) 20 Years of Service, 25 Years of Service, 30 Years of Service.

See the full gallery at utica.edu/recog2015.



ABOVE (FROM LEFT): 2015 Professional Staff Advisory Council Excellence in Professional Service Award recipients: Jason Rose, Gil Burgmaster, Robert Cross (not pictured: Cora Bruns).

RIGHT: Wellness Coordinator Caren Summers and President Hutton present Lynn Guca (far right) with the 2015 Health and Wellness Participation award - a new Fitbit!

(not pictured) 2015 Excellence in Fostering a Diverse Campus Community Award recipient Alane Varga.

See the full gallery at utica.edu/recog2015.



KUDOS

Annette Becker, associate professor of nursing, presented her paper titled “Personal Transformation Experienced in Registered Nurses Who Recently Graduated from an RN to BSN Program” at the American Association of Colleges in Nursing Baccalaureate Education Conference in Baltimore last year.

Hossein Behforooz, professor of mathematics, has reviewed as a referee a paper titled “On Local Integro Quartic Splines” for the Journal of Applied Mathematics and Computation, Elsevier, May 2015.

Suzanne Lynch, professor of practice in Economic Crime and director of the Financial Crime and Compliance Management program, spoke at the “Mastering Anti-Money Laundering and Know Your Customer” conference in New York City. The conference is sponsored by “The Banker,” the world’s premiere banking and finance resource read in more than 180 countries worldwide and “Financial Times Live,” a finance company known for global conferences. At the conference, Lynch shared her expertise in economic crime with attendees as part of a panel discussion on identity and customer validity.



The Mohawk Valley Society for Human Resource Management (MVSHRM) presented **Lisa Green**, assistant vice president of Human Resources and Personnel Development (above), with the Ursula Flagg Award for Excellence in Human Resources during an annual awards breakfast on May 19. Presented in memory of Ursula Flagg, a dedicated human resources professional and leader in the

community, the award is given to honor an individual who exemplifies excellence both in their professional and personal life.

James Norrie, dean of the school of Business and Justice Studies, gave the keynote address at a pan-Caribbean financial services conference in Port of Spain, Trinidad, titled “There is No Longer Any Cyber Backwaters: Cyber Security in the Age of the Insider Threat.” He represented Utica College as the only educational institution invited to present on its strong cyber security program at this “Banking on the Future 2015” event. He followed up by presenting a workshop for financial services institutions, demonstrating best practices against the rising threat of social engineering by insiders.

Christopher Riddle, assistant professor and chair of philosophy and director of the Applied Ethics Institute, gave a talk at the Henry Janssen Memorial Conference in Philosophy at San Diego State University. The annual conference explores contemporary philosophical perspectives, this year focusing on life and death. Riddle’s talk was titled “On Disability and Death: the Moral Permissibility of Euthanasia.”

Sara Scanga, associate professor of biology, was featured on the New England Botanical Club’s website as a previous Graduate Student Research Award winner. Her extensive research in the field and her publications were honored on the site’s “Where are they now?” page.

Please send information, and photos, for KUDOS to source@utica.edu.



UC employees teamed up with the F.X. Matt Brewing Co. and the United Way of the Valley and Greater Utica Area, Inc., volunteering at Saranac Thursday, 05/28 (A-B) and the first Utica Brewer's Roots Festival, 05/30 (C-D)



IN THE NEWS...



UC Admissions Counselors showing their school spirit.

- *WKTV News Channel 2* interviewed **Dave Fontaine**, director of physical education and athletics, about the groundbreaking for the new Todd and Jen Hutton Sports and Recreation Center. *4/30*
- *The Observer-Dispatch* and *WKTV News Channel 2* covered the College's Holi celebration. One of *OD* photographer Mark DiOrio's pictures was picked up by the *Associated Press* and posted on websites including *The Baltimore Sun*. *5/1, 5/29*
- *WUTR Eyewitness News* reporter Marc Barraco interviewed **Jeff Gates**, vice president for student affairs and enrollment management, and **Daniel Shanley**, senior assistant director of admissions, about prepping for college and about UC's encouraging enrollment numbers for Fall 2015. *5/11*
- **Bryant Buchanan**, professor of biology, spoke with *WKTV News Channel 2*'s Keith Hunt about the nocturnal behavior of frogs. *5/11*
- *WKTV News Channel 2* interviewed news anchor and author Gwen Ifill, UC's undergraduate commencement speaker. The ceremony was also covered by the *Observer-Dispatch*, and featured on *uticaod.com*'s ISpy. *5/17*
- Gwen Ifill's UC commencement address was chosen by *Yahoo News* as the #1 best piece of advice given to grads this year. Her speech was posted on *Time.com*, *PBS*, and a host of other major news outlets. *5/27*
- **UC's Northeast Cybersecurity Forensics Center** was credited in law enforcement blogs for assisting with the investigation of a 41-year-old California man. The suspect was convicted on federal child exploitation charges, and sentenced to 60 years in federal prison.
- *The Morning Times*, Sayre, Pennsylvania, featured a story on **Dave Owen**, recent inductee into the UC Pioneer Hall of Fame for his four-year career at UC in both basketball and baseball, earning MVP honors, an ECAC scholarship, and was recognized as a NYS College Division All Star. *5/28*
- *The Shelburne News* (Vermont) published a story on UC's honorary degree recipient, **Samuel B. Feitelberg**, a pioneer in physical therapy education. *5/28*

UPCOMING EVENTS/TRAINING

Please visit utica.edu/hr/training for updates and to register.

For Health and Wellness events, visit utica.edu/hr/wellness

June

06/09/- UC Admissions Hosts NYSACAC Conference. UC Campus
06/12/15

06/11/15 Implementing "Clickers" for Mac. 11:00 a.m.; TBA

06/18/15 Making the Transition from Staff to Supervisor* (Pryor)
OFF-CAMPUS

06/24/15 Transfer Orientation

06/25/15 Mistake-Free Grammar and Proofreading* (Pryor)
OFF-CAMPUS

July

07/04/15 Holiday. College closed in honor of Independence Day

07/09/

07/10/15 How to Excel at Managing and Supervising People
(Pryor) OFF-CAMPUS

Check out HR's new page for training and development:

utica.edu/hr/trainingopp.cfm

AROUND CAMPUS



C-D. Assemblyman Anthony Brindisi, an outspoken advocate for education, speaks to graduating teachers at an education reception. **05/07**

E. Health studies students were honored for their academic achievements and community service during the health studies awards presentation. **05/05**

F. PT students volunteered this past semester to work with MS patients in the "Free from Falls" program.

G. Students were honored at the annual Student Recognition Awards Brunch. **04/19**

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Stay on track this summer with fun programming from the UC Health & Wellness Committee.

Pre-registration may be required for some events.

Visit utica.edu/hr/wellness/ for more information and to register.

06/16/15 Beach Volleyball Game vs GKG and Masonic.
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.; Utica College

06/23/15 Beach Volleyball Game vs Presbyterian Home and MVHS. 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.; Utica College

06/30/15 Beach Volleyball Game vs GKG and Masonic.
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.; Utica College

07/07/15 Beach Volleyball Game vs Presbyterian Home and MVHS. 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.; Utica College

ZUMBA with Doreen

Starts June 16

12:00 - 12:45 p.m.

Dance Room,
Clark Athletic Center.

*Every Tuesday and Thursday
through July 2*

Tai Chi

Starts June 29

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Boehlert Conference Room.

*Every Monday through
August 3*

A-B Utica College inducted Kim Adriance '81, Dave Owen '71 and Charles A. Gaetano H'04 into the Pioneer Hall of Fame at the Clark Athletic Center Gymnasium. The evening also included a recognition of senior student-athletes and a senior awards presentation. **5/13**

See all photos at: ucpioneers.com/galleries

