The view from the chair

After 11 years of service as Chair of the Department of Psychology, Harvey Marmurek has been able to take a well deserved transition leave and will be back in the next academic year with a “regular” work load — more teaching and research, and less admin work. As an experimental psychologist, Harvey worked hard to understand accreditation and training standards (two site visits in his term) and to find solutions to CP:ADE needs. We express our appreciation for all his efforts.

The straight-backed wooden piano chair, which some of you may remember my office in room 517 of the Mackinnon Building, and then room four double 07 of the new Mackinnon building extension, somehow moved again and found its way on January 3rd to the lucky 4013 of the Chair’s office with my butt upon it.

The view IS different here—out onto close to 15,000 enrolments in our undergraduate courses, 1200 psychology honours majors, 92 graduate students, 4 graduate fields of specialization in psychology, and 32 full-time faculty members (half of whom have been hired in the last 7 years) and some 20 sessional instructors including those at the University of Guelph-Humber. The few constants in my work life are the Centre for Psychological Services on whose advisory Committee I continue to be a member, albeit wearing a different hat, the graduate students I supervise, a graduate course I teach, and putting together this newsletter. It was an honour to have been DCT for the past 9 years and to see the programme grow to become among of the most desired in Canada.

I am happy to announce that Michael Grand is now the Director of Clinical Training. Michael will bring his years of experience in the programme to this role and capably lead it through the next CPA self-study and accreditation site visit in early 2014. Mary Ann

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From left to right: CPA Gift membership recipients Kevin Noble, Kristy Boughton, Alexa Kane, Lila McCormik, Sophia Fanagouriaki, Julia Wreford, and Pam Taylor

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The Applied Child Psychology program of 1981 from the University of Guelph presented a concise program for a Master of Arts in Psychology on a time line that fit well with my circumstances. I was married and had two daughters, Rebekah (3 years) and Marieka (1.5 years) and a leave of absence from my position as a family counsellor for 24 months. Although there were other offers, I knew I was particularly interested in child development and applied issues. I was even more certain this was the program for me when it came with a teaching assistantship to help support tuition and books. So off we went from Saskatchewan in a station wagon loaded down with clothes, food, toys and diapers. And as they say, the rest is history! Over the past 27 years I have had several opportunities to return to the University of Guelph and visit with professors Grand, Evans, Frankie, and Baron. It was always a pleasure to see the department humming with the discussions and activities of students.

Rebekah went on to finish a BA in English from the University of British Columbia and Marieka is presently completing her doctoral studies in cultural anthropology at Carleton University in Ottawa. When I was moving my third daughter Rosanna to Hamilton for her program in Diagnostic Imaging in 2003, I insisted we take a trip to Guelph to show her and her younger sister, Elizabeth, its memorable sites. They humoured me by agreeing to visit the psychology department of the University of Guelph.

This year Rebekah, who lives in Nanaimo BC, launched Karen and I off on a new adventure – grandparenting! Nico Sax Hargrave was born January 14, 2010 to Rebekah Sax and Thor Hargrave. Grandma Karen had a flight already planned and left to support the new family during that first week home. I was so excited to receive pictures of Karen holding little Nico nestled under her chin. I was even more excited when I had my opportunity to begin grandparenting in February. After a week of cooking, cleaning, baby holding and attempts to soothe them all, I was exhausted and realized just how out of practice I was to meet the challenge of child rearing at 57. Karen and I both agreed that child rearing is meant for the young. Each month brings new developmental highlights for Nico and his parents. Although we try to visit every few months, we are so pleased to visit Nico weekly over the internet and catch up on all the news of his budding personality. David.

We love hearing from you and receiving your contributions to this newsletter. Do send SUBMISSIONS for the NEWSLETTER—photos, musings, announcements—anything you think will be of interest to readers of this newsletter. Next Deadline September, 2011.

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LAST CHANCE to COMPLETE REUNION SURVEY at http://portal.psychology.uoguelph.ca/wss/hennig/cpade_f09.html.
Thank you to those of you who have already replied. We plan to start planning soon.

By now you should have received 4 newsletters. If not, or if you know of an alumnus/alumna who has not, spread the word to them and contact evans@psy.uoguelph.ca.
Photos of Pride and Joy

Left: a son, Ryan Jason, born January 11, 2011; to Melissa Wells-Cave ('10), husband Jason Cave, and brother Brayden.

Right: a son, Samuel Benjamin, born November 12, 2010 to Andrea Spooner ('05) and husband Dan Walters.

Transitions & Congratulations!

REGISTRATION as PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATE December 2010
Mandy Gobatto ('89)

REGISTRATION as PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATE December 2010
Melanie Parkin, ('09)

INTERNSHIPS GAINED
Cailey Hartwick at Calgary Children's Hospital starting September 2011
March Schiffman, Hinks Dellcrest Centre, Toronto, starting September 2011

NEW PORTFOLIOS January 2011
Michael Grand, Director of Clinical Training
Peter Hausdorf, Associate Chair
Mary Ann Evans, Chair

PhD DEGREE CONVOCATIONS
October 2010
Gillian Stanley: The role of cortisol and parenting in selective mutism and anxiety disorders. (Advisor Mary Ann Evans; External Examiner Jonathan Goldman, University of Waterloo. Gillian is currently working in Psychological Services at the Ottawa Public School Board

FACULTY ADDITIONS
Kieren O'Doherty joined the Department and Applied Social area this fall but CP:ADE students will likely quickly find him with his expertise in community engagement & public deliberation; social & ethical implications of genetics/genomics; qualitative methods; discourse analysis; risk & uncertainty; and human agency.

SAVE THE DATE

Summer Institute, June 16 and 17, 2011 University of Guelph
Diagnosis and service planning for older adolescents, young adults, and adults with developmental disabilities
Presenter: Dr. Yona Lunsky, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health.

A seminar on legislation regarding for individuals with pervasive developmental delay and developmental delay, implications for psychological assessments, diagnostic and assessment issues best practices, and special challenges such as dual diagnosis and autism spectrum disorders. Contact bkenyon@uoguelph.ca
2009-2010 Publications (continued from last newsletter)


Tune in next issue for a personal account of Michael’s journey to and in writing this book.


PHOTO CHALLENGE

and the winners are....

“Way too easy — the Henry Moore sculpture outside the Ontario Gallery of Art” responded Nancy Freeman (’91) and Valerie Temple (’02) who also suggested the Star Gate SG-1 film set. Lest you attribute their accuracy to being avid art affectionados (which they may well be), Drs Freeman and Temple both work at Surrey Place Centre, in Toronto just blocks away from the AGO. This is a community-based agency for individuals living with a developmental disability and internship setting for psychology students.

Do you have a photo of you that you could contribute, with a “Where?” for the next photo challenge....

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Psychologists Infancy and early Childhood Program
Temporary fulltime 12 month contract
Salary: $38.04- $48.21/hour; 36/25 hr per week

The Infancy and Early Childhood Program is currently recruiting for a Psychologist. We are looking for an individual with demonstrated education and experience in providing a range of psychological services including assessment, consultation, individual or family therapy, counselling for parents and group work for young children and their families. You are skilled in intellectual and developmental assessment and treatment of infants and young children with diagnosed or suspected developmental or related disabilities and have an independent working style and the ability to participate as a member of an interdisciplinary team. In addition you will be committed to parent education, health promotion, service development and educational and research activities related to services. You hold a Ph.D in psychology and are registered as a Licensed Psychologist in the Province of Ontario with clinical experience in a variety of settings. Experience working with infants and young children with developmental disabilities and their families and on an interdisciplinary team are required as well as excellent communication and interpersonal skills. Experience with multicultural environments is an asset. Regular and consistent attendance at work is also required.

If you are interested in the opportunity, please forward your resume to Human Resources, hr@surreyplace.on.ca, quoting file #1113-320 by 4:30 pm on April 5, 2011.