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## CHHS Board of Stakeholders Member recognized at Summit Awards

WKU recognized its top volunteers, alumni chapters, and alumni Thursday night (Oct. 28) at the annual Summit Awards ceremony. Claire Arnold, and active CHHS Board of Stakeholders member was one of the volunteers recognized during the ceremony.

Distinguished Service Medals to recognize the service of the University's top volunteers were presented to David G. Chandler, Gary Hairlson, and Howard Pincus.

Matt Coleman, of Nashville, Tenn., is the Young Alumnus of the Year and Heather Rogers, of Bowling Green, is the Alumnus of the Year.

The Summit Awards were presented at the Knicely Conference Center at WKU's South Campus as part of Homecoming activities.

The Barren County, Central Kentucky, Greater Louisville, Heartland, Music City and Warren County alumni chapters were recognized as Chapters of Distinction for their efforts in organizing alumni events, community service projects, student recruitment and special events.

University-wide volunteer of the year awards were presented to the following:

- Claire Arnold of Louisville, College of Health and Human Services Stakeholders Advisory Board Chair
- Brenda Bush of Glasgow, WKU-Glasgow Advisory Board
- David G. Chandler of Bowling Green, "New Century of Spirit" Campaign Cabinet
- Ronnie Clark of Franklin, College Heights Foundation
- Warren and Darlene Eisenstein of Glasgow, The Center for Gifted Studies Advisory Board
- Dick Frockt of Las Vegas, Nev., President's Board of Advisors
- Gary Hairlson of St. Charles, Mo., Journalism Workshop Volunteer
- Ron Hatcher of Bowling Green, WKU Museum Advisory Board
- Jan Hensley of Bowling Green, College of Education and Behavioral Sciences Advisory Board
- Glen Higdon of Owensboro, WKU Foundation Board
- Anna Jo Johnson of Bowling Green, WKU Libraries Advisory Council
- Brian King of Bowling Green, WKYU-PBS Volunteer
- Susie Likes of Bowling Green, WKU Public Radio Volunteer
- Joe Morel of Bowling Green, Young Alumni Council
- Renee Perkins of Glasgow, WKU Nursing Advisory Board
- Howard Pincus of West Palm Beach, Fla., National Alumni Association Board of Directors
- Greg and Sherry Ryle of Burlington, Parents' Advisory Council
- Lowell Shank of Bowling Green, Ogden Foundation
- Greg Stivers of Bowling Green, Hilltopper Athletic Foundation
- Yvonne Turner of Bowling Green, W-Club Board of Directors
- Leslie Watkins of Bowling Green, The Symphony Board of Directors
- Keith Williams of Bowling Green, Society of African American Alumni Executive Committee

**Social Work Faculty Attend CSWE Annual Program Meeting**

Dr. Saundra Starks

Portland Oregon was the location of the 2010 Council on Social Work Education's (CSWE) Annual Program Meeting (APM) whose theme was *Promoting Sustainability in Social Work*. The focus this year was on holding a "greener" annual gathering for social work educators and students as well as preparing them to better serve military personnel and their families. Western Kentucky University was well represented by the seven faculty members from the Department of Social Work who attended and presented papers. From October 14 -17, Drs. Cappiccie, DeRosiers, Gabbard, Owens, Starks, Sullivan and Villereal were actively networking, recruiting, facilitating and enjoying the camaraderie and opportunities to collaborate with fellow social work educators from across the globe.

The following papers were presented:

Cappiccie, A. & Desrosiers, D. (2010, October). Using adobe acrobat connect pro in the social work classroom.

Call, C., Owens, L.W. & Vincent, N.J. (2010, October). Social work leadership in the academy: Sustaining collaboration and mission.

Starks, S.H. & Davison, D. (2010, October). Black Feminist Leadership: Voices from the "Other".

Sullivan, D. & Collins-Camargo, C. E. (2010, October). Creating sustainable change in out-of-home care through peer consultation and collaboration.

In addition, several WKU faculty members were busy with board and committee assignments and responsibilities. Dr. Jay Gabbard is Associate Secretary General for membership on the board of the International Consortium for Social Development (ICSD) and staffed the exhibit hall booth for this group . Dr. Gary Villereal focused on the sessions on Social Work and the military. Dr. Saundra Starks, who serves on the Nominating Committee for CSWE, the Foundation Board for the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB), and the CSWE Council on the Role and Status of Women, attended meetings related to the work of the committees, assisted in staffing the annual Women's Networking Breakfast, and conducted business with the ASWB Foundation for Research on Regulation. As noted in the pictures, networking was also shared with a couple of Avatars present.

Dr. Saundra Starks & Dr. Jay Gabbard, professors in the Department of Social Work, network with a couple of Avatars.

**Public Health Student Receives Vivian Drenckhahn Scholarship Award**

Pragati Gole, a graduate student in the Department of Public Health, was awarded the Society for Public Health Education (SOPHE) 2010 Vivian Drenckhahn Scholarship Award. Gole, who is pursuing a Master of Public Health degree from WKU, will receive the award at SOPHE's 61st Anniversary Annual Meeting Awards Banquet on November 6, 2010 at the Denver Art Museum. This award is given to students who have demonstrated a commitment to addressing the public's health through a career in health education and academic excellence. Pragati was also required to include a written statement addressing issues impacting the future of health education and her perceived roles or desires for contributing to the resolution of these issues.

Vivian Drenckhahn Scholarship Award recipient
Pragai Gole

**Congratulations to Three Kinesiology, Recreation, and Sport Students**

Cody Sivley, an exercise science undergrad and graduate assistant in KRS began his Ph. D. at Purdue University. He recently presented his thesis work "Effects of Repeated Anaerobic Bouts on Immune Parameters" at the Midwest American College of Sports Medicine regional conference and won the award for best master's level presentation.

Rachel Zierten, a KRS undergraduate student, and Demetrice Kirkwood, a KRS graduate student, were nominated for awards at the upcoming Southeast American College of Sports Medicine conference to be held in Greenville, SC in February. Rachel is one of eight undergraduate students nominated throughout the region with her research "Helper T Cell Response to Supramaximal Exercise in Untrained Individuals". Demetrice is one of eight graduate students nominated with her research "Exercise-induced Apoptosis of Lymphocytes Does Not Depend on Anaerobic Training Status".