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The Newsletter of the Department of Public Administration

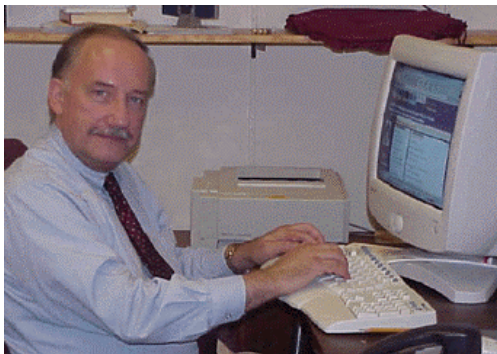
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Our deepest sympathies and heartfelt prayers go out to everyone affected by the Tuesday, September 11, attack on America. We extend our sincerest admiration and appreciation to the rescue teams for their tireless efforts.

Message from the Chair



James Fatula, PhD
Chair, Department of Public Administration

I know that many of you were expecting to see **Ann Altmeyer's** kind face in this column, and I am obviously not Ann! I was appointed chair at the beginning of the summer, when Ann decided to "step down." I want to acknowledge the dedicated and faithful service and leadership that Ann has provided to the department, the program, and to students. Those who have had "dealings" with Ann know what I am talking about. Ann, thank you for all you have done!

I appreciate the confidence that my faculty colleagues have placed in me. I am blessed to have such colleagues, and to have the very able assistance of the office manager, **Anne Canale Stalnecker**.

In the coming months, we will be seeking your feedback on a number of issues, such as additional electives you would like to see, and

your views about SUNY Learning Network online courses.

Please feel free to contact me at jfatula@brockport.edu or (716) 395-5080. Your success is very important to us.

Spring 2002 News

The Department of Public Administration will be offering two new elective courses this spring:

- 1) PAD 663 *A Leadership Roundtable*, offered by **Ann Altmeyer**, meets Wednesdays, 5:30 to 8:30 pm, at the SUNY Brockport MetroCenter. This is a seminar-type course where leaders from government, health and information management introduce students to increasing complexities, organizations and management challenges to be met as partnering, privatization, mergers and acquisitions develop. This seminar is designed to increase student behaviors and values required to create, lead and adapt to them and their formation. *PAD 663 may be substituted for the core course, PAD 682 Organizational Behavior, for the spring 2002 semester.*
- 2) **Gregory Saxton, PhD**, will be offering his new elective, *PAD 664 Nonprofit Advocacy and Government Relations*, on Mondays from 5:30 to 8:30 pm at the SUNY Brockport MetroCenter. This course addresses the origin, growth and future of the nonprofit sector's

relationship to the government sector, both in the United States and internationally. Students will review the historical and current partnerships with and regulation by government entities. The course will examine the nonprofit organization's advocacy role on behalf of its mission and beneficiaries as well as the scope of permitted lobbying and political activities. The class also will examine the state's role in regulating speech by nonprofits and government funding of service delivery through religious-based organizations. Students will gain a deeper understanding of the political and legal environment of nonprofit organizations as well as how to succeed in this environment via the design of appropriate advocacy and lobbying strategies. The course will make extensive use of the Internet.

Our tentative three-semester schedule is available at:

www.brockport.edu/pubadmin/schedule.html

Spring registration begins October 29 for matriculated graduates and December 10 for nonmatriculated students.

Welcome!

Gregory Saxton, PhD, assistant professor, is the newest faculty member in the Department of Public Administration. Saxton holds a PhD in Political Science from Clairmont Graduate University in California, a master's in public policy from Clairmont, and a Master of Arts in Political Science from McGill University in Montreal, Canada. Saxton's areas of specialty are public policy, civil society, nonprofit management and nonprofit activism. Formerly, he was a visiting assistant professor of public administration at Virginia University and an instructor in the Department of Political Science here at SUNY Brockport. Welcome, Greg!

Meet Our Adjunct Faculty

The Department of Public Administration is fortunate to have an experienced, dedicated team of adjunct faculty. We are pleased to introduce both our new and veteran faculty members.

Michael Bierley, MPA '87, is vice president for senior services at Strong Health, Strong University Center. Bierley joined the department this semester to teach *PAD 613 Health Care in America*. Bierley also has served as a member of our PA Advisory Board since its inception.

Reese Davis will begin teaching *PAD 633 Managed Health Care* in spring 2002. Davis is director of education and health promotion for Blue Cross/BlueShield of the Rochester area.

Stephen Gary is currently teaching *PAD 619 Financial Administration of Health Care*. Gary is director of finance and operations at Strong Health Primary Care Network.

Cynthia Harris, MPA '97, is senior project manager for corporate information security, Xerox Corporation. Harris teaches *PAD 620 Management Information Systems* in spring 2002.

Joseph Kelly teaches *PAD 665 Introduction to Computers*. Kelly is also a lecturer for the Department of Education and Human Development at SUNY Brockport.

Alexander Kralles, MPA '94, is director of finance at Eastman Kodak Company. Kralles will again be offering *PAD 644 Supervision Skills* in spring, and *PAD 661 Creating an Empowered Organization* in summer 2002.

Gary Metz '87 and **David Monk** '89, MPA, CASAC, CAC, addictions counselors, CPP

have been team-teaching their summer elective course, *PAD 624 Managerial Issues in Drug Use and Abuse*, for the past several summer sessions. Metz is a faculty member in the Department of Health Sciences. Monk is currently the associate director of law enforcement education programs for Monroe Community College's Public Safety Training Center.

Mark Peterson is president of Bishop Kearney High School in Rochester. Peterson joined the department spring 2001 to teach *PAD 629 Fundraising and Development*, which will again be offered on Saturdays in spring 2002.

Floyd Tucker, PhD, is a consultant /contractor in the human resources field and teaches *PAD 685 Human Resource Management* course.

John Phillips, PhD, professor emeritus, takes a break from his retirement activities to instruct our project paper seminars in the summer.

Neil Rowe, Esq., will continue to teach *PAD 622 Legal Aspects of Public Administration*. Rowe is deputy director, NYS Mental Hygiene Legal Service.

Student and Alumni News . . .

Ron Adams '00 was elected to a third term as president of the Greater Rochester Chapter of the American Society for Public Administrators (www.aspanet.org). In March 2001, Adams presented a paper at the annual ASPA national conference with Professor **Edward Downey** and **Carl Ekstrom**, a former visiting assistant professor at SUNY Brockport. Adams was also selected to be a member of our PA Advisory Board and was admitted to Pi Alpha Alpha, the national honor society for public affairs and administration. (More information about the

honor society is available at: www.brockport.edu/pubadmin/current/PiAlphaAlpha.html).

Roberta T. Ames '89 is employed by the Monroe County Public Safety Laboratory in downtown Rochester.

Paula P. Bryant '00 is communication and membership director at the Carlson MetroCenter YMCA in Rochester (www.rochesterymca.org).

Three new members have joined our PAD Advisory Board: **Rob DiCarlo**, **Daniel Sargent** and **Paula Smith**. The Advisory Board provides valuable input that will help to ensure that our program will be kept at the forefront of professional and technological change. **Rob DiCarlo** '90 is currently senior associate for career services in the Office of Career Services at SUNY Brockport. **Dan Sargent** '91 is technology support coordinator at the SUNY MetroCenter. **Paula Smith** '90 is assistant director for central services for the Rochester Public Library/Monroe County Library System.

Cynthia Elliott '95 is assistant to the executive director at the Baden Street Settlement in Rochester.

Constance L. Herrera '00 is marketing communications manager at Monroe Community College.

David Keefe '81 currently serves as director of fleet services for the City of Rochester and is an adjunct instructor for Monroe Community College's new Public Administration program, teaching a course in public-sector finance. Keefe is also a member of our Advisory Board.

Janice Kisiel '97 has been promoted to corporate marketing coordinator for Robson & Woese, Inc., consulting engineers. In this position, Kisiel is responsible for all of the marketing activities in their four offices in

New York and North Carolina. The firm provides professional services to educational, health-care, institutional, military and government clients, as well as others.

James Lampert '98 was recently promoted to budget and finance division chief of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration in the U.S. Department of Transportation in Washington, DC.

John O'Keefe '97 worked for a year as a budget examiner for New York state before relocating to Boston to work in Republican politics. In Boston, he started out as a legislative aide in the House of Representatives, then moved over to administration where he now works as director of legislative affairs and executive assistant to the commissioner for the Massachusetts Highway Department. O'Keefe stated, "In my current position, the policy classes have paid huge dividends and allowed me to move up the ladder very quickly, while in a general sense, the management classes have also been very helpful! I think my track has been a little different than most MPA graduates, but I must say the degree has been invaluable and I am very glad I did it."

After receiving his MPA in '97, **Brian Piscioti** went on to earn a graduate degree in secondary education from LeMoyne College in Syracuse. Piscioti has taught seventh-grade social studies at West Middle School in Auburn, NY, since September 1999, where he also coaches varsity track and field.

Kimberly Reynolds '95 recently accepted a new position as director of the Finance and Clinical Division, Clinical Services Medicine, at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.

Pamela W. Schenk '94 is the director of conferences for the Gravure Association of America, Inc., in Rochester (www.gaa.org).

Theresa Sinopoli '01 and **Suzette Russ** '01 have recently been appointed New York State

Public Management interns. This competitive program brings individuals with the capacity for inspired leadership to careers in NYS government. The PMI attracts individuals from graduate programs across the country. (More information is available at: www.cs.state.ny.us/pmi/pmimain.html.)

Adam Standish '00 was recently promoted and has taken on the task of coordinator of the Office of SUNY Brockport Scholarship. Standish previously was an admissions advisor at SUNY Brockport for the past two years.

We'd love to hear from you! Please send your news for the next issue of PA Notes to acanale@brockport.edu.

Faculty Activities

Wendy J. Wright, PhD, has had a paper accepted for presentation at the Association for Budgeting and Financial Management Conference to be held in January in Washington, DC, entitled "State Economic Development Agencies: Do They Matter?" Wright was also elected vice-president of the Rochester Chapter of ASPA (www.aspanet.org), and serves as the SUNY Brockport chapter advisor for Pi Alpha Alpha Honor Society.

Gregory Saxton, PhD, recently attended the 97th meeting of the American Political Science Association in San Francisco, where he presented a paper entitled "American Politics, Comparative Politics, and International Relations: Conflicts and Security, Policy and Groups." Saxton also chaired a panel, "Cooperative Solutions: Mediation and Compromise."

Edward H. Downey, DPA, is working on an e-government symposium for Public Administration and Management. Downey presented two papers at the American Society

for Public Administration (ASPA) national conference in March 2001 entitled "Preparing Public Administration Students for E-Government in the New Century." These papers will be available on our Web site soon (www.brockport.edu/pubadmin).

Jim Fatula, PhD, co-authored two monographs for the Center for Governmental Research in July 2001 with Don Pryor and Kim Hood entitled "Re-thinking the Niagara County Department of Social Services: Preparing DSS for the Future," and "Evaluation of Broome County's Community Reinvestment Programs."

Faith Prather, PhD, will be on sabbatical in spring 2002. Her core course, *PAD 682 Organizational Behavior*, will not be offered that semester. The department is allowing the elective course, *PAD 663 A Leadership Roundtable*, to be substituted for PAD 682 for spring 2002 semester, or students may wait until the fall 2002 semester to take Prather's course.

Certificate Programs

Did you know that the Department of Public Administration has four certificate programs?

Three post-master's certificates are available in general public administration, health care management and information management systems. Applicants must already possess a master's-level degree and must meet minimum MPA admissions standards. The certificate in nonprofit management is available to students who have already completed a baccalaureate degree and meet minimum MPA admission standards. More information is available at: www.brockport.edu/pubadmin/certificate.html.

Congratulations MPA Graduates!

May and August 2001 graduates

Jeffrey Archer	Matthew Kubelle
William Bigham	Nathaniel Lorenz
Stephen Billings	Richard Mamorella
James Buckheit	Jeffery McCann
Cathy Callahan	Jennifer McDermott
John Clark	Tania Murray
Deborah Cummings-	Margaret Pettis
Brown	Lori Polizzi
Bonnie DeFeo	Rodger Porter
Richard Downs	Joseph Richardson
Leah Dyer	David Rogers
Stephen Ersteniuk	Suzette Russ
Deborah Fuest	Daniel Sarnoff
Seth Hoffer	Theresa Sinopoli
Shelia James	Yolanda Tolbert
Patricia Johns	Angela Veltre
Jennifer Jones	Timothy Walsh

A Few Notes. . .

- If you anticipate completing MPA requirements in December 2001 or May 2002, please be sure to fill out a Graduation Data Card immediately!
- Please let us know if you have recently changed your address, name, employer or position so that we can keep in touch with you. E-mail current information to acanale@brockport.edu.
- We encourage you to visit SUNY Brockport's Alumni and Friends Web site and take a moment to update your records: www.brockport.edu/alumni/alumdir.html.



Pi Alpha Alpha Fall Meeting

The Department of Public Administration's chapter of the Pi Alpha Alpha Honor Society will be meeting this fall. Pi Alpha Alpha (PAA) is the national honorary society for the field of public affairs and administration. The purpose of PAA is to encourage and recognize accomplishments in public affairs and administration, and foster integrity, professionalism and effective performance in the conduct of government and related public service activities. To be eligible for Pi Alpha Alpha, you must have at least a 3.75 cumulative GPA and 30 completed credits in the program. Details about the fall meeting will be in the mail shortly. For questions about your eligibility, contact Dr. Wendy Wright, chapter advisor, at wwright@rochester.rr.com.

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