

Today is July 27, 2018

Summer Stories

Dear Colleagues:

Indeed, it will be a summer to remember. We mourn the loss of our Advisory Committee Chair Dr. Phyllis Staplin, Larry Cotlar (The voice of Drake broadcasting) and former governor Robert D. Ray. Sympathy to Provost Mattison and Library Dean Henshaw whose mothers died two weeks ago. The flash flood-damaged homes, buildings, yards, cars and many, many essential and personal possessions were lost entirely.

Amid the loss, I can point to an equal measure of "goodness". We hosted the 5th annual workshop for Standards-Based Grading at the Iowa Events Center. Collier-Scripps Hall was buzzing with Kids attending the first ever Spanish STEM Camp for St. Anthony's Elementary students. The event was organized by Tom and Becky Buckmiller and taught by Marisol Guerra, a member of the SOE National Advisory Council.

For the last 4 days, we were the sponsor for 40 educators attending the Open Source Science Education workshop dealing with national science curriculum. Trainers from Texas and Rhode Island were here in collaboration with the DE and Great Prairie AEA. Lisa Morlock hosted another exciting event...the confab called SCBWI ...Society of Children's Books Writers and Illustrators. Lisa is an author and we're glad she invited others to Drake.

When we designed and opened this building, we planned our office, classroom, conference areas and storage for the purposes traditionally needed. We had no way of knowing that Collier-Scripps Hall would become THE place on campus for special events. Well over 300 family, friends and dignitaries from across the US and Asia were gathered here to honor Governor Ray after the funeral. And then...we added neighbors! There are currently 10 staff members from Technology Support, Health and Safety working from our building. They are welcome, up and running because YOU made them welcome and happily adjusted some of your work-spaces. The Promenade is nearly finished and...it's time to think creatively about special events in the good weather days of autumn.

Send your stories and announcements to Catherine as she prepares the next edition. Until then, enjoy your time away or your break from the usual routine.

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Leadership Student Co-Authors Article

The article "Condoning Free Loafers: What Do Role, Care, and Justice Have to Do with it?" just came out in the *Journal of Academic Ethics*. Dr. Cris Wildermuth reports: "I'm particularly proud of this article because I'm the second author – the first author was an MSLD student, now an alumna. This project was her Capstone research. Kaela and I worked for about a year after she finished her Capstone project to actually get it ready, do the inevitable required revisions, etc." This link should allow any colleague to see the article: <https://rdcu.be/3b6E>

Student ID Numbers

A month ago we were celebrating Aggie Jones' retirement, and now we are grieving it. It's an all-hands-on-deck situation in the Dean's area until she is replaced. If you have a student issue, Catherine Gillespie respectfully requests that you please, please, please include the student's ID number in the request (in the same way, if you ask a student to make their own request, remind them to include their ID number to save us time and confusion). Thank you very much!

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