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# AUBURN HILLS STUDENTS RECEIVE AWARDS

Two students from the Auburn Hills campus were recently recognized by professionals in their fields of study. Congratulations to nursing student Bethany Guay and interior design student Vanessa Docherty.



Vanessa Docherty, awarded "Outstanding Student"

**QUARTER OF** 

Interior design instructor Betsy Cole was very impressed with Vanessa Docherty's work and brought it to Program Director Ann Jacob's attention. Ms. Jacob agreed and nominated Vanessa for the National Kitchen and Bath Association's Outstanding Student award, which it selects annually from among its members. The NKBA awarded Vanessa \$100.

"I am happy to receive this award," Vanessa says. "Baker College has been a great place for me to grow both personally and professionally."

Ms. Guay was awarded the "Outstanding Board Member of the Year" award at the Student Nurses' Association Convention held in Lansing in February. She is currently the



Bethany Guay (right) , awarded "Outstanding Board Member of the Year"

Secretary of the SNA for Baker College of Auburn Hills. Nursing faculty Linda Macera-DiClemente nominated Bethany for the award. She praised Bethany's efficiency and leadership, and noted, "Bethany has worked very hard with the Student Nurses' Association at our campus while maintaining a very intense nursing program."

# **GRADUATION DEADLINES**

Students must apply for graduation early in the quarter in which they will finish all requirements (including the work experience requirement). Applications for graduation are online at <a href="https://www.baker.edu/graduation">www.baker.edu/graduation</a>. Please observe the following deadlines for the Auburn Hills campus:

 COMPLETION:
 DUE DATE:

 Fall 2014:
 November 1, 2014

 Winter 2015:
 February 1, 2015

 Spring 2015:
 April 10, 2015

 Summer 2015:
 August 1, 2015\*\*\*

**APPLICATION** 

# **UNDER CONSTRUCTION!**

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) has reported there will be construction along the I-75/ University Drive interchange. The bridge over I-75 will be replaced and construction will be done along University Drive from Opdyke Road to Cross Creek Road. Some of the improvements will include a multi-use path, new signs, new traffic signals, streetscape enhancements, decorative lighting, and landscaping improvements.

Construction is set to begin in April and is estimated to be finished in December. During this time, alternate routes are highly advised. If you are using I-75 to reach the Baker College of Auburn Hills campus, consider using the M-59 exit if driving from the South, or the Lapeer Road exit if you are driving from the North. Please see the Campus Safety Office for additional alternate routes.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Summer graduates wishing to participate in the annual commencement ceremony must apply by the spring deadline.

### JOIN MTAM!

If you are interested in mobile technology and/or leadership development opportunities, Baker College's student chapter of Mobile Technology Association of Michigan (MTAM) is a great opportunity. Benefits include: Special members-only events, Student Rates, Internship opportunities with member companies and more. For more information about MTAM, you can go to http://www.gomobilemichigan.org. Spring meetings are being scheduled so contact Toni Knuth (Faculty Advisor) at toni.knuth@baker.edu if you are interested.



# STUDENT SURVEY RESULTS

During the Winter Quarter we invited students at Baker College of Auburn Hills to participate in a survey to assess satisfaction with various areas on campus. We were very pleased to have received responses from 569 students (23% response rate). Thank you to those students who completed the survey – we value your thoughts and appreciate your participation!

The survey asked students to rank their satisfaction with 18 different areas on campus - from registration to food service. The following items received the highest ratings of satisfaction:

- Campus Cleanliness 95% Highly Satisfied or Satisfied
- Campus Safety 89% Highly Satisfied or Satisfied
- Library 87% Highly Satisfied or Satisfied

The areas receiving the lowest satisfaction scores fell in the following areas:

- Cost of Food at the Bistro 52% Highly Satisfied or Satisfied
- Availability of Classes 61% Highly Satisfied or Satisfied
- Hours of Operations at Bistro 62% Highly Satisfied or Satisfied

# CLUB DESIGN TO HOST PAINTING PARTY

Come and join a painting party sponsored by Club Design! Have fun painting a landscape portrait. You will receive step-by-step instructions and all the supplies needed to complete a canvas of your own. When you are done you will leave with a one-of-a-kind creation.

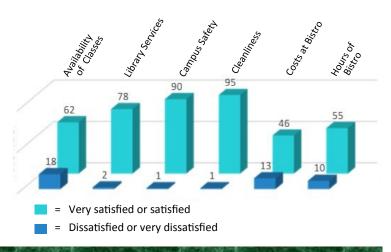
- When: Wednesday, April 29th, 2015
   There are two times to pick from: 3-5pm or 6-8pm.
- Where: This event will be taking place in the Atrium.
- Cost is \$20 per person. This is a prepaid event. Tickets can be purchased in room 204 or from Ann Jacob in the Tech Building.

For more info, please contact jeanette.wummel@baker.edu.

The vast majority of the areas received dissatisfaction ratings below 10%. In addition, we were pleased to also receive many narrative comments from students. This is helpful in providing specific details in regards to experiences that are particularly positive or negative. All of the data is being reviewed by the campus departmental heads to determine the nature and degree of any appropriate actions. We are working with our outside food vendor that runs the Bistro to consider the responses relevant to their operations.

Again, we appreciate the candor and participation of the Auburn Hills students who participated in the survey.

### Dr. Karsten Campus President, Baker College of Auburn Hills



#### **NEW SMOKING POLICY**

Starting at the beginning of the Fall 2015 quarter, Baker College of Auburn Hills will be implementing a new smoking policy:

- Smoking will only be allowed while in privately owned vehicles.
- Smoking will continue to be allowed in the smoking area near the dumpsters on the Southeast corner of the campus property.

Smoking will not be allowed anywhere else on campus, including outside of vehicles in the parking lot, under the Northside awning, near the Northwest door at the Technology building, or near any building or building entrance.

#### SUMMER INTERNSHIP NEWS

Registration to attend the mandatory orientation for a summer 2015 Work Experience (internship/externship) is taking place now. The Work Experience Orientation is an informational session regarding the internship process and expectations. Please see your academic advisor to receive Work Experience course approval and obtain registration instructions. The deadline to register for an orientation session is April 10.

#### **NEW BISTRO HOURS**

In order to best serve its customers and to keep costs to a minimum, the Baker Bistro will be open these hours, April 6 - June 13:

- M-Th 10:30am 8:30pm
- F-S Closed

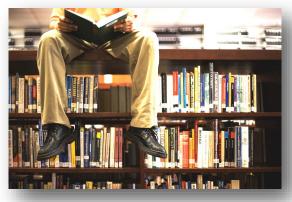
The Bistro will then close for the summer and will reopen Sept. 28.

#### **HEAD START**

The Head Start program, now conveniently located right on campus at the technology building, still has some spots available for 3-5 year olds. This program is free for income-eligible Baker students. The program features High Scope curriculum and has half-day and full-day options. For more info, please contact Kathy at KathyC@olhsa.org or call (248) 470-8019.

## LEARNING CENTER UPDATE

Starting this spring quarter, the Writing Center and ESL (English as a Second Language) tutors will be moving from their current office to the Learning Center. This move will allow for easier scheduling



for staff and students. It will provide more services and better availability to the student body. Students may still receive two appointments per class per week and have the option of walking in for writing help.

Further renovations are planned for the summer when the Learning Center and the Library will be combined to form the Academic Resource Center, or "ARC," for short. Stay tuned to *The Voice* for updates!



# AH STUDENT RECOGNIZED BY MCLAREN

A vascular student from Baker College of Auburn Hills recently received a high honor from McLaren Oakland, where she is doing her clinical rotation. LeAnn Vanmoen was honored by the Manager of Cardiovascular Services, Michelle Hosang, as "Student of the Year." She also received a certificate for "Excellent Execution of a Venous Doppler" from McLaren's Technical Director of Vascular, Lori Milosevic, and Vascular Preceptor Sonya Abdal. Congratulations, LeAnn, for a job well done!



LeAnn Vanmoen, awarded "Student of the Year" by McLaren Oakland

# PTA STUDENTS NETWORK WITH PROFESSIONALS

Six physical therapist assistant students from the Auburn Hills campus spent a day preparing for future jobs and networking with professionals in their field. Accompanied by the program's Clinical Coordinator, Dr. Jennifer Dickson, the students attended the Michigan Physical Therapy Association Student Conclave held in Bay City on March 27. The group participated in educational sessions, did mock interviews, had their resumes reviewed, and networked with professionals from area hospital systems and clinics in the exhibit hall. Dr. Dickson said of their experience, "It was great to be well represented at the Conference and the students who attended found it a valuable experience!"



Left to right: Jamie Mouton, SPTA, Dee Smiley, SPTA, Shelley Bleicher, SPTA, Ben Ducharme, SPTA, Rony Tabbilos, SPTA, and Anton Gonzales, SPTA.

# SONOGRAPHY PROGRAMS GO 3-D

The health science department is excited to now offer students a new state-of-the-art ultrasound imaging machine. Primarily used for scans of the heart, the machine gives students the capability to turn and manipulate images in three dimensions, making it much easier for them to see any pathologies or medical problem.

## MEDICAL ASSISTANTS GET PINNED

The Medical Assistant program of Baker College of Auburn Hills held its first annual pinning ceremony for the Class of 2015 on March 20. A good sized crowd of family and friends turned out on the sunny, early spring morning to show their support for the 17 graduating students.

Program Director, Dr. Wilsetta McClain, hosted the event and gave words of encouragement to the new graduates as their final classes are now behind them and they begin to venture out into the professional field. Instructor Teresa Karle recited the Medical Assistant's Creed and Pledge.



Dr. McClain awards graduate Veronica Martinez

The guest speaker was graduate Leslie Wood, who was elected as "Outstanding Classmate" by her fellow classmates.

The highlight of the ceremony was the pinning. Each graduate had selected a mentor or someone special to them to pin their Medical Assistant pin on their uniform. Pinning is a time honored tradition in the health science field. The tears were flowing as each graduate shared this special moment of accomplishment with those



Graduate Leslie Wood receives her pin

they admire who had helped them to reach their goal.

The class held a fun mock election of their fellow classmates. The winners were announced at the ceremony and each received a certificate.

Outstanding Classmate:
Most Likely to be a Surgeon:
Most Likely to be a Soccer Mom:

Class Motivator:

Most Likely to be a Teacher: Nancy Evola
Most Likely to Take Over the World: Megan Murphy

Leslie Wood Veronica Martinez Jasmine VanGilder

Erica Lewis Nancy Evola



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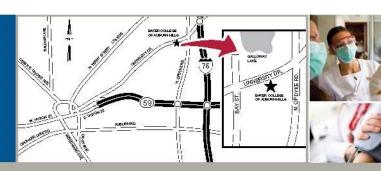
- Ask the Physician
- Senior Services
- Helicopter One
- Fun Activities for Children
- · Prizes and Giveaways

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- AUBURN HILLS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
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### INTERIOR DESIGN NEWS

The interior design program at Baker College of Auburn Hills was recently awarded \$500 from the NKBA (National Kitchen and Bath Association). The NKBA award recognized Baker for several categories including its press coverage, high scores on submitted work and getting its annual reports in on time. Program Director Ann Jacob is to be commended for her hard work and participation in this national organization encouraging the interior design students to be involved.

The interior design program was also recently honored by the Mt. Clemens Rotary Club by being invited to be the guest speaker for the Club's March meeting. Ann Jacob and instructor Cynthia Schroud presented the redevelopment project students designed for an historical home last year. The home is a landmark in that community with its prominent location, stately pillars and other unique architectural features. It was a great opportunity for the students to gain real world experience on a big project. The Rotary was also treated to a video that highlighted the design process and the students' experience.

# NURSING STUDENTS **WELCOME "AUSTIN"**

The nursing department is pleased to have received a heart and lung new mannequin this past winter. Called an Auscultator. students have fondly nicknamed him "Austin" for short. With its special remote stethoscope, students are able to hear 16 different lung sounds and 12 different heart sounds. This gives them more of a real world Jennifer Wilhelm demonstrates the new experience than reading



heart and lung machine in the nursing lab.

textbook descriptions of sounds. Other programs will be able to share in the new technology including respiratory care and medical assisting. Welcome aboard, Austin!

# **CONGENITAL DISEASE LECTURE ON APRIL 16**

Baker College of Auburn Hills is excited to host a special presentation by Dr. Julie Sommerfield, Pediatric Staff Cardiologist of Children's Hospital of Michigan. The lecture will be held on April 16 from 12:30-3:45pm in the All Purpose Room. The lecture will include an introduction to pediatric echo and physiology, pediatric views, and basic CHD.

The cost is \$20 payable at the door (\$10 for Baker graduates and employees of affiliated sites), and 2.0 CME credits will be offered through the SDMS.

Registration is required. To reserve a seat, please go to: http://goo.gl/forms/gyvcciOI2Q or call (248) 276-8294. Light refreshments will be served.

# DIGITAL MEDIA LAB GETS UPGRADE

Over spring break, the digital media lab in Room Tec6 has been upgraded with all new Apple MAC PRO computers, enhanced displays and scanners and a complete rebuild of classroom software.

## DENTAL CLEANINGS AVAILABLE

Dental Hygiene students need your assistance! For a low, minimal cost you can get your teeth cleaned. Patients are needed in the Dental Hygiene Clinic. Please call (248) 276-6664 to make an appointment today.

## PEDIATRIC ECHO SEMINAR

There is an exciting opportunity for children ages 2-12: Cardiac Sonography students will be providing free scanning for children on April 16, 2015 starting at 4:00pm. Parents may email Leigh Tennant Itenna02@baker.edu to make an appointment.

# AH STAFF PARTICIPATE IN "CLASH OF THE CAMPUSES" FITNESS CHALLENGE

For the winter quarter, Auburn Hills campus president, Dr. Pete Karsten, laid down the gauntlet to all the Baker campuses to a weight loss challenge. Five campuses rose to his challenge and 57 Auburn Hills faculty and staff quickly signed up for what became known as the "Clash of the Campuses" fitness challenge. All participants were weighed during week 1 of the quarter and again during week 10 to see who would have the highest percentage of total weight loss.

Under the direction of "Coach" Sarah Case, the Auburn Hills campus started the contest with a big kick-off event featuring an inspiring guest speaker, fitness trainer Ahdi Dasuqi. Throughout the quarter, staff could be seen briskly walking around campus on their lunch breaks and in between classes, checking their pedometers and comparing their numbers of steps. To keep the momentum going, they held a healthy recipes potluck luncheon at the half way point. The staff finished off the contest on March 25 with an awards ceremony that included some special guests - dancing instructors from the Arthur Murray Dance Studio.

The Auburn Hills campus finished strong with a combined total weight loss of 95.7 pounds! The Graduate Online School won the campus challenge. As Dr. Karsten would say, "All the losers are



Pictured left to right: Ann Jacob, Chris Hoerauf, Jen Dasuqi, Dr. Sarah Case

winners!" Congratulations to all those who participated. Dr. Karsten plans to continue with a Persistence Challenge that will keep participants maintaining their new healthy habits and/or losing weight for the next 6 months.

#### **Fitness Challenge Top Winners:**

Most Exercise Minutes: Ann Jacob, Director of Interior Design

Kelly Molloy, Dir. of Dental Assisting

Highest Percentage of Weight Loss, Men:

Chris Hoerauf, Admissions Advisor

Highest Percentage of Weight Loss, Women:

Jen Dasuqi, Admissions Advisor

# SPRING 2015 APPLICATIONS FOR LIMITED ENROLLMENT PROGRAMS

Applications will be available for pickup in the Health Science Office (Room 209) of Baker College of Auburn Hills starting the first week of the Spring 2015 Quarter. Students will need to bring one picture ID when picking up an application.

All applicants except dental will need to make an appointment with the Health Science Advisor in the Academic Office (Room 204) by going online to http://jessicalaurinec.youcanbook.me or by visiting the Academic Office during open walk-in hours (times are available in the Academic Office).

Complete details for the application process are available in the Health Sciences Office.

#### LIMITED ENROLLMENT PROGRAM APPLICATION DATES

LPN to ADN Nursing Cohort - Fall 2015 Start

Begins Monday, April 6 Ends Friday, May 8, at 4:00pm

Respiratory Care Program

Begins Friday, April 10 Ends Friday, May 8, at 5:00pm

Dental Hygiene

Begins Monday, April 6 Ends Friday, May 8, at 5:00pm

 Cardiac Sonography (CAS), Diagnostic Medical Sonography (DMS), and Vascular Ultrasound (VAS)

Begins Friday, April 10 Ends Friday, May 8, at 5:00pm

LATE APPLICATIONS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED

### ADJUNCT FACULTY OF THE QUARTER

Baker College of Auburn Hills would like to congratulate Gregory Schultz, Sheryl Bone, and Laura Strait as the Adjunct Faculty of the Quarter for Winter 2015.

Gregory Schultz was nominated by a student who said that he is "there for his students at all times. He's always helpful and makes sure we understand the material." His supervisor writes that, "Gregg has been an asset to the legal studies faculty since he joined Baker. Gregg teaches Employment Law in the BSLS program and originally stepped in when the previous instructor left with just a few weeks to go before the start of the quarter. After getting glowing reviews from his students that first quarter, he has made the class his own and brings a wealth of personal experience and knowledge to his discussions."

**Sheryl Bone** has been nominated by a student who came into the office asking what could be done so that she could take Sheryl again. She absolutely gushed discussing Sheryl's expertise, and claimed that she looked forward to class every week because Sheryl made it so enjoyable. Sheryl's supervisor states that

"Sheryl is always willing to do whatever is needed, sub at the spur of the moment, lead a PD, mentor new faculty, and always with a great attitude. She is also an outstanding instructor." Baker is lucky to have her.

Laura Strait "has an incredible amount of expertise" writes her Program Director, "She brings to the Baker classroom the passion, knowledge base and dedication to ensure all of our early childhood students are exposed to how vitally important it is to understand the special needs arena. Her stories are true, heart wrenching and impact our students to better understand." Laura's students reached out. wishing to thank Laura for her recent demonstration of dedication: After going through a personal emergency, she insisted on coming into class to explain the end of the quarter assignment. A student asked her, "Why did you come? You should be home resting!" and Laura told them, "I'm right where I'm supposed to be." Thank you, Laura!

Congratulations to our three outstanding instructors! We appreciate your excellence!



**Gregory Schultz** 



Sheryl Bone



# DENTAL HYGIENE TO HOLD FUNDRAISER

All friends, family and supporters of Baker College of Auburn Hills Dental Hygiene are invited to participate in their fundraising event on **Sunday**, **May 3**, **2015**. Everyone is invited to gather at Buffalo Wild Wings in Rochester (1234 Walton Rd), for lunch, dinner, or a snack. On this day, 20% of purchases\* accompanied by the certificate below will be donated to Baker College of Auburn Hills Dental Hygiene.

# Baker College of Auburn Hills Dental Hygiene Fundraiser

**Sunday, May 3, 2015** 

Present this certificate to your server at the time of your order and 20% of your purchases\* will go to support



# Baker College of Auburn Hills Dental Hygiene.

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