

CEE Program Updates 2005

January 2005

- On Thursday, January 6, *Access*, will be distributed via the *La Crosse Tribune*. To heighten awareness of UW-L outreach programs, 15 second commercials are running this week on WKBT-TV and WXOW-TV to promote the publication and the learning opportunities for the community.
- Continuing Education has received a \$17,000 EDvantage grant from UW-Extension to support an Information Security Program, developed by **Computer Science** professors **Kasi Periyasamy** and **Dave Riley** in collaboration with Continuing Education, the **Small Business Development Center**, and the Tri-State Area Technology Group. The project's goal is to strengthen the local economy by improving the quality and quantity of professional development opportunities for information technology professionals.
- Continuing Education, the Small Business Development Center and the College of Business Administration will offer the **Healthcare Management Certificate** program, January 26-March 30, using **distance education** technology. Funded by an EDvantage grant from UW-Extension, the program will originate from the **Health Science Center** with receive sites in **Tomah, Whitehall** and **Sauk City**. The program is full with 46 healthcare professionals enrolled.
- Six new ME-PD **Learning Community** sites have been established this semester in **La Crosse, Hudson, Berlin, Verona, Watertown** and **Beloit**, enrolling more than 180 new students. CEE administers the program in partnership with the School of Education and Learning Quest.

February 2005

UW-L Offers College Prep Programs for Youth and Adults:

- **Sixteen high school students** are participating in the **ACT Prep Course**, a new pre-college program designed to raise student test scores by enhancing test-taking skills and strengthening their academic preparation. The course meets six Saturdays, February 5-March 12 on the UW-L campus.
- UW-L is again offering the **Self-Sufficiency Program** this semester at the **Hamilton Family Learning Center**, La Crosse. The Self-Sufficiency Program is a free college-prep program for low-income adults interested in learning how to succeed in college. This outreach program is offered by the **Women's Studies Department** and supported by Continuing Education.

March 2005

- Two Gerontology Certificate workshops, *Caring for the Self: Therapeutic Use of the Arts*, March 11 and *Ethical Issues in the Care of the Elderly*, April 2 are designed to enhance the knowledge and skills of those who work with older adults.
- A workshop for human service professionals, *Mental Health Assessment and Diagnosis: Review for Human Service Workers*, March 31-April 1, will be lead by Dr. Vince Fish from UW-Madison.

April 2005

- **Women in Leadership Forum**, a series of six, three-hour sessions presented by exemplary women leaders in Wisconsin, begins **Thursday, April 14** and runs through May. This series was developed by a

campus and community committee (Ellen Alexander, Patricia Anderson, Petra Roter, Christina Trombley, Penny Tiedt and Marjorie Troka) in partnership with Chancellor Hastad and local businesses and community organizations to recognize the essential role women play in the transition to the next economy.

- More than **70 high school girls** will attend **College Survivor**, an event to encourage the pursuit of post-secondary education, **April 15** on campus. This program is offered in collaboration with the Girls Scouts of Riverland Council and Campus Girl Scouts.
- **Kid's College** was attended by 243 fifth and sixth graders on Friday, April 8. In partnership with the **Mississippi Valley Gifted and Talented Network**, this program offers opportunity to explore challenging, hands-on courses in a university environment.
- **Substitute Teachers Workshop** was attended by 21 educators on Saturday, April 16. Developed in partnership with the **Clinical Field Experience** office, this workshop focused on practical techniques used by successful teachers.
- Thirteen individuals attended **Experiencing Diabetes...Through the Eyes of the Elderly**, an elective for the Gerontology Certificate Program, April 16.

May 2005

- More than 70 educators, students, performers and trumpet enthusiasts attended the **Trumpet Festival** held on campus May 6-8, developed by **David Cooper, Music**. A "standing room only" concert concluded the festival, featuring Adolph Herseth, Doc Severinsen, Charles Lazarus and Cooper.
- Thirty-three individuals attended **The Dancing Heart: Vital Elders Moving in Community**, an elective for the Gerontology Certificate Program, April 22. Led by Maria DuBois Genne, known for her work with elder day programs throughout the Twin Cities, the workshop was designed to help caregivers encourage elders to explore their creativity.
- The 20th **Wisconsin Health Education Network** annual meeting takes place May 16 in Middleton. Developed and led by **Professor Gary Gilmore, Health Education and Health Promotion**, the meeting will draw more than 70 health practitioners to address the impact of the overweight and obesity epidemic in our state and nation.

June 2005

- **Six of 10 individuals** who completed the **Self-Sufficiency Program (SSP)** offered at the Hamilton Family Learning Center this year have been **admitted to UW-La Crosse** for Fall 2005. An outreach program of the **Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Department**, the SSP is a free college-prep program for low-income adults interested in learning how to succeed in college. Continuing Education will continue financial support for the Hamilton SSP during the 2005-06 academic year.
- The **International Death, Grief and Bereavement Conference** takes place on campus **June 5-8**. Developed in partnership with the Center for Death Education and Bioethics and led by **professor Gerry Cox, sociology**, the conference will draw more than 105 professionals and those dealing with grief from throughout the United States.

- **Basic Plant Identification**, part of the Wetland Delineation workshop series, takes place on campus **June 6-8**. The workshop was developed by **associate professor Tim Gerber, biology**, in response to requests from past participants.
- The **Arabic and Persian Immersion Program**, an eight-credit UW-Madison program, is being held on campus June 11-August 6. Thirty-five adults from across the country will learn Arabic or Persian, stay in Baird Hall and eat authentic ethnic meals prepared by Chef Mohammad.
- The 5th Biennial **Violence Intervention and Prevention (VIP) Institute**, developed by professors **Gary Gilmore** and **Leslie Oganowski**, health education and health promotion, takes place on campus June 15-16.
- CEE's summer pre-college programs kick off with **Environmental Explorers**, June 14-15 and **Harmony Explosion Camp**, June 9-12. More than 90 middle and high school youth will attend.
- Professor emeritus Jim Gallagher will lead 15 individuals on a walking tour, "**Exploring the Heart and Sole of Ireland**," June 14-22.
- Additional CEE youth programs taking place on campus this month are **Girls in Science**, attracting 64 upper elementary and middle school youth, June 25-26 and the **USA Cycling Camp**, attracting 35 young adult cyclists, June 20-24.
- **Jennifer Terpstra**, associate professor, **Art**, will use the natural setting of the Kickapoo Valley Reserve to teach **Mixed Media Art**, a credit course for teachers, June 27-July 16.

July 2005

- The 12th annual **Washburn Academy**, a partnership between UW-L and CESA #4 designed to improve K-12 classroom instruction in science, math and technology, will result in 320 enrollments from the two academy weeks held July 11-15 in Holmen and July 25-29 in Onalaska.
- The 14th annual **Young Scholars** program was held July 11-15, offering 112 students hands-on experiences primarily in the arts and sciences through inquiry, creativity and problem solving. Twelve UW-L faculty and academic staff taught classes for the program.

August 2005

- **Access**, our semi-annual catalog of UW-L outreach programs and related news, will be distributed Thursday morning via the *La Crosse Tribune*.
- **Jazz on the Mississippi** will attract 50 seniors from across the country. This **Elderhostel** program is offered in conjunction with the 20th annual Great River Jazz Fest, August 3-8.
- **Five Wetland Delineation Training workshops** were offered this summer for 113 natural resource professionals. Partners included the **UW-L River Studies Center**, **Wisconsin Department of Administration Coastal Management Program**, **Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources**, and other state and federal agencies. A Basic Hydric Soil Identification workshop was offered for the second time and filled with 18 participants.
- Five new ME-PD **Learning Community** sites have been established this semester: two sites in **Manitowoc** and **Fort Atkinson**, and one in **Tomah**, enrolling more than 140 new students. CEE administers the program in partnership with the School of Education.
- A group of **20 Learning in Retirement** members are traveling to **Tanzania, East Africa**, September 10-23, to take part in an African safari. In addition to seeing wildlife, they will visit a farm, a native village, a

hospital, an orphanage and the Leakey Museum. Emeritus professor **Burt Altman** and his wife Alma organized this study tour.

- In collaboration with the **School of Psychology** and **Viterbo University**, a “**Substance Abuse, Adolescents and Communication Strategies**” workshop will be offered Friday, September 9, from 1-4 p.m. at the Cleary Alumni & Friends Center and is open to the public. Cost for the 3-hour program is \$50 (\$25 student rate).

September 2005

- The fall program schedule kicks into full swing for Learning in Retirement members. Beginning Sept. 13, those registered for “Theatre Tour” will be lead through a theater production from beginning to end including auditions, rehearsals and opening night. “Bridges of Madison County & Amana Colonies,” a two-day tour through the eastern portion of Iowa is scheduled for Sept. 15-16. To inquire about LIR membership or for more information about these programs, contact us at (608) 785-6506.
- A Gerontology Certificate workshop, “Foundation of Gerontology” will be taught by Professor Sara Sullivan, psychology, Sept. 17 and 24 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. The workshop is open to all.
- More than 35 ME-PD Learning Community facilitators and leadership team members will convene Sept. 23-25 in the Cleary Alumni & Friends Center for a professional development weekend. The focus will be on adult learning theory, meeting the achievement needs of diverse learners, and program development and assessment. Keynote speakers include Nancy Lockett and Lisa Snyder.
- “Community and Schools Working Together to Address Bullying,” part one of a three-part series on bullying prevention; will be held Sept.29 using distance education technology. The program will originate from the Wing Communication Center with receive sites at Westby, Sparta, and Norwalk-Ontario-Wilton school districts.
- Fifty-three individuals are heading to Chicago this weekend to take part in the “Chicago Art & Theatre Tour” organized by the School of Arts and Communications. The group will attend the Broadway musical “Wicked” and visit the Art Institute of Chicago to view the Toulouse-Lautrec and Montmartre exhibits.
- CEE Program Assistant Susan Larkin has received an Award for Exceptional Service from the University of Wisconsin-Extension. She accepted this award at the Extension awards banquet in Madison on September 22.
- The CEE Annual Report will be distributed on campus and to community partners this week, highlighting selected programs offered and partnerships formed this past year. Assistant Professor, Sara Sullivan, Psychology is this years featured faculty.

October 2005

- “Protecting Your Investments,” a Learning in Retirement (LIR) class, will be offered Mondays beginning Oct. 17-Nov. 7 on campus. The LIR organization has continued to expand course offerings for its nearly 200 members. Eleven classes are offered this fall on such topics as Music Theatre, American Literature, Chinese Tao Philosophy and Birding.
- A Learning in Retirement class, *American Literature*, offered Wednesdays, Oct. 26-Nov. 23 on campus, will be lead by professor emeritus Robert Treu.
- A Gerontology Certificate elective workshop, “Medicare Part D and Other Prescription Drug Programs,” will be offered Oct. 26 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

- A workshop for human service professionals, "Spirituality and Type Retreat," Oct. 28-29, will be lead by Sandra Krebs Hirsh and Jane Kise, recognized international authorities on the Strong Interest Inventory and the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator.
- "Instant Piano for Hopelessly Busy People," a beginning course in chord piano techniques, will be offered Oct. 29 from 9 a.m.-noon at Cartwright Center.
- Two classes for Learning in Retirement members are offered this week. *Beginning Genealogy: The Web and Beyond*, Nov. 1 and the first of a three-part series, *Environmental Issues*, Nov. 3.
- In partnership with the La Crosse school district, a credit course for teachers, *Middle School Philosophy in Practice*, will be offered Nov. 3.
- *Motheread/Fatheread Family Literacy Institute*, a partnership between Continuing Education/Extension and the Wisconsin Humanities Council, designed to strengthen parent and children by sharing stories, will be held Nov. 8-11 in Madison.

November 2005

- The *2005 Wisconsin Lower Extremity Symposium and Workshops* take place Nov. 11-12, the result of a long-term partnership with the Physical Therapy Department and Gundersen Lutheran Sports Medicine developed by Professor George Davies. A distinguished faculty of orthopedic surgeons, physical therapists, and athletic trainers will present recent advances in orthopedic and sports injuries. More than 80 physical therapists from throughout the U.S. are expected to attend.
- *What Is Working and What Isn't*, part two of a three-series program on bullying prevention, will be offered Nov. 10 at the Cleary Alumni and Friends Center.
- Ann Pooler, RN, Ph.D. will lead the *Respecting the Dignity of Risk*, an elective for the Gerontology Certificate Program Nov. 11. Pooler is a nurse consultant at the Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services where she advises on best practices in long-term care, mental health and substance use disorders.
- More than 550 ME-PD Learning Community students and alumni, school district administrators, and UW-L faculty and staff convened **Nov. 12-13** at the La Crosse Center for the **8th annual Learning Community conference**, developed by CEE and the School of Education. Jane Elliott, known for her controversial and startling, "Blue Eyes/Brown Eyes" experiment, was one of the keynote speakers.
- Dr. Diane Heacox, author and associate professor of education at the College of St. Catherine, MN, will present a workshop, "How to Reach and Teach All Learners," on Nov. 29 for teachers and other school professionals. She will also offer an evening program for parents, "Supporting School Success," Monday, Nov. 28 at 6:30 p.m. in the Cleary Alumni & Friends Center. Cost for the evening program is \$10.