# East Central UNIVERSITY

### College of Education and Psychology

#### **Newsletter**

September 2010

# Happenings Since the Last Newsletter

The 2009-10 academic year provided many opportunities for the College of Education and Psychology.

In the spring of 2010 we inducted three new members into the ECU Educators Hall of Fame. Dr. Joe Parsons who spent a career at ECU as a faculty member and administrator, Dr. Donnie Nero, currently President of Conners State College, and Dr. Jimmy Scales, Superintendent of Chattanooga TN public Schools were honored at the 2009 induction ceremony. Our thanks to Bob and Janice Diamond for funding the renovation to the hall to allow us to honor our graduates.

I am pleased to report that in the fall of 2009 we dedicated a living memorial to the Horace Mann Lab School that served a valuable part in the history of East Central University. A Horace Mann Society Monument and scholarship fund helped us celebrate

nearly 50 years of a very special connection of that public school and higher education partnership. Approximately \$24, 000 was raised for the memorial project and scholarship.

On another front, Dr. Bill Osborne, Dean, and Ms Pamla Armstrong, Registrar, had an opportunity to enjoy a twoweek trip to Nanjing China thanks to the financial support of the Song Quing Ling Foundation International Education Center. All expenses for the trip for both individuals were paid by foundation. The trip afforded the ECU representative an opportunity to share information about ECU with several universities in and around Nanjing China. The April 2010 trip was a follow-up to a trip to China by Dr. Osborne in July of 2009. During the first trip Dr. Osborne gave a lecture to approximately 400 Chinese educators and met with several education leaders.



East Central University is a special place for alumni, faculty and staff. I have been blessed to both attend and now work at ECU. One of the greatest strengths of this university is its' people. I have included on this page one of my favorite quotes from Walt Disney regarding the value of "people" and I hope it is as meaningful to you as it is to me.

"Once a Tiger, always a Tiger."

Dr. Bill Osborne

Dean, College of Education and

Psychology

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#### Dr. Jack Green and Dr. Karin Perry join the faculty

In August of this year the Education Department welcomed Dr. Jack Green and Dr. Karin Perry to the Education Department faculty.

Dr. Green comes to us from Missouri Southern State University where he served as the Assessment Coordinator for Teacher Education. He holds a doctorate in Ed Leadership from Saint Louis University, Saint Louis, Missouri.

We also extend a welcome to Dr. Karin Perry, Director of the Westward Expansion Library media grant. Karin completed her doctorate in the field from the University of Oklahoma this summer. Dr. Perry will serve as the grant director and also serve as a faculty member in the Education Department.



The Tomb of Sun Yat Sen, Nanjing, China

"You can dream, create, design and build the most wonderful place in the world but it takes people to make a dream a reality."

Walt Disney





### East Central University Mission Statement

East Central University's mission is to foster a learning environment in which students, faculty, staff, and community interact to educate students for life in a rapidly changing and culturally diverse society. Within its service area, East Central University provides leadership for economic development and cultural enhancement.

#### Mission of the College of Education and Psychology

The Mission of the College of Education and Psychology is to provide quality programs that prepare students to enter careers in the fields of Education, Psychology, and Kinesiology.

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#### **Psychology News**

We are pleased to report that Mark Klippenstine, Assistant Professor in the Psychology Department is now Dr. Mark Klippenstine. Mark successfully defended his dissertation last year and we congratulate him on the accomplishment.

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Ms Pamla Armstrong, ECU Registrar meets with a representative of the Changzhou Institute of Technology to discuss international education and to provide information about ECU programs and opportunities for international students.



### ECU College of Education and Psychology

# Dr. Bill Osborne and Ms Pamla Armstrong Visit China



Dr. Osborne provides information to Nanjing Normal University students

In April of 2010, Dr. Bill Osborne, Dean, College of Education and Psychology and Ms Pamla Armstrong, ECU Registrar traveled to China to meet with selected universities in the Nanjing Province to discuss possible partnerships for international student and faculty exchanges. The trip was sponsored and paid for by the Song Quing Ling Foundation International Education Center located in Nanjing. The purpose of the trip was to explore the possibility of establishing partnerships with selected universities in the area. Although initial discussions were promising it is clear that additional time and efforts must be devoted to this to fully develop working partnerships.

During the trip Dr. Osborne and Ms Armstrong visited with representatives of Nanjing Normal University, Nanjing University of Science and Technology, Changzhou University, Xiaozhuang University, and Nanjing Arts Institute

While in Jiangsu Province, Dr. Osborne and Ms Armstrong were taken to scenic sites including the Purple Mountain sanctuary where the Sun Yat Sen Mausoleum is located. They also had an opportunity to walk on parts of the Great Wall for the City of Nanjing which is about 20 miles long and completely encircles a large section of the city. A shopping trip to the area surrounding the Confucius Temple was a highlight of the visit



The trip afforded a wonderful opportunity for cultural learning by the ECU travelers and by Chinese educators visited during the trip. China is making gigantic leaps into the 21st century but still maintains many ties to the past and still uses a massive amount of people power to help meet needs. The history and beauty of the country and the friendliness and enthusiasm for learning demonstrated by the students and university representatives will be remembered by Dr. Osborne and Ms Armstrong for a lifetime.



Nanjing Normal University students learn about ECU.



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