Four service award recipients personify excellence

“Excellence” is exhibited in many different ways at Marquette University, including among staff and administrators. To help celebrate, and encourage, excellence among employees, Marquette University annually honors staff and administrators who exemplify excellence in the work they do.

The 2011 recipients of the Excellence in University Service Awards are Mary Janz, Patricia Johnson, Rick Karabon and Danny Smith.

Mary Janz
Office of Residence Life

As associate dean for residence life, Janz leads the recruitment, development and evaluation of staff and programs within several residence halls. According to nominators, Janz’s most endearing quality is her caring and compassionate attitude toward students and workers. “She provides the perfect blend of challenge and encouragement, ensuring that she is populating the field of student affairs with professionals who are competent and committed,” said a nominator.

“Much of my work is with young, emerging professional staff,” Janz said. “I have a great opportunity and responsibility to help them learn and grow, helping them acquire good skills that they may take with them as they move up and perhaps on to other institutions.” Students and staff that she has mentored have gone on to institutions that include Clemson, St. Louis, George Mason, Creighton and Bradley universities, among others.

Trish Johnson
Department of Psychology and Center for Psychological Services

Johnson is enthusiastically cited by her nominators for her ability to deal with multiple tasks simultaneously, showing a positive attitude no matter the circumstances. “Our clinic is required to handle an emergency or two from time-to-time,” said a nominator. “Trish truly is amazing in emergency situations, always remaining calm and professional and ensuring that everyone involved is both physically and emotionally taken care of.”

“Knowing that they are, by definition, in some emotional distress, I strive to be welcoming and empathetic while also getting necessary information in order to make a proper disposition of the case,” said Johnson of CPS clients.

Johnson provides administrative support for the Center for Psychological Services and the Department of Psychology, supervising graduate student clinic assistants and providing secretarial support to department faculty.

Rick Karabon
School of Dentistry

Known throughout the School of Dentistry for his work ethic, helpfulness and humility, Karabon helps run the school’s simulation lab. His responsibilities include preparing the lab for first- and second-year dental students and their instructors. “I truly believe that it is impossible for anyone to do the job better than Rick does it,” said a nominator. “In an environment that

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The Lion in Winter to be performed beginning April 14

The Department of Performing Arts will present The Lion in Winter from April 14 to May 1. This black comedy features Henry II banishing his wife, Eleanor, from the castle and taking on a French mistress. Eleanor is temporarily freed for the holidays, however, and all three of their sons vie to inherit the throne. The play is produced in collaboration with the Milwaukee Chamber Theatre, so all performances will be at the Broadway Theatre Center’s Cabot Theatre, 158 N. Broadway. Tickets cost $15 if you show a Marquette ID when purchasing or picking up tickets, which are available by calling 414-291-7800 (mention “Marquette discount”).

“Ethics and immigration” is topic of Gathering Points lecture

Dr. Kristin Heyer, associate professor of religious studies at Santa Clara University, will discuss “Kinship Across Borders: Christian Ethics and Immigration” Tuesday, April 12, at 7 p.m. in the Weasler Auditorium for the Gathering Points lecture series. Heyer is an ethicist whose recent work has focused on Catholic social teaching and the relationship between faith and politics. The series features topics on the contemporary Catholic Church and is sponsored by Marquette and Church of the Gesu.

Haggerty Museum holding cultural identity panel discussion

In conjunction with The Truth is Not in the Mirror — Photography and a Constructed Identity exhibition, the Haggerty Museum of Art will host a cultural identity panel discussion with SNAP Milwaukee writers/artists Wednesday, April 6, at 6 p.m. in Eckstein 246. Panelists are Joe Ripenoff, moderator; Kate Brandt, performance artist; Amelinda Burchi, musician; John Ripenoff, visual artist; and Sarah Bucchi, filmmaker and video artist. The discussion will be preceded at noon by a Lunchtime Learning gallery walk-through with Wally Mason, director of the museum.

Priest to discuss LGBT issues for Faber Center lecture

The Faber Center for Ignatian Spirituality will host Rev. Paul Check, Catholic priest and executive director of Courage International, a Roman Catholic Apostolate, Wednesday, April 13. Father Check will speak about the Church’s position on LGBT issues, discussing “The Catholic Church and Homosexuality: severe or sensible?” The reception will begin at 3:30 p.m., followed by the 4 p.m. presentation and Q&A, in AMU 157. Register at 8-4545.
Deciphering 2,000 year-old texts
Orlov shares expertise of Jewish texts from the time of Christ
By Andy Brodzeller

Dr. Andrei Orlov, associate professor of theology, has dedicated his academic career to studying ancient Jewish writings, including some found in the Dead Sea Scrolls. Through a fellowship at the Institute of Advanced Studies at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Orlov will share his expertise as a member of an international research group examining the interaction between Jewish and Slavic traditions and cultures.

“This is one of the most prestigious fellowships in Jewish studies,” said Dr. Susan Wood, chair and professor of theology. “It is a reflection of Andrei’s established reputation and expertise that he was invited to join this research group. His work has had a noticeable impact in the field of Second Temple Judaism and Christian Origins.”

“The group was interested in my knowledge of afterlife in Jewish traditions in Slavic religious literature,” said Orlov. “And what role Jewish texts played in various Christian doctrines.”

According to Wood, Orlov represents a new generation of scholars from the former Soviet Union who works in Jewish and Slavonic studies.

He will bring to the group his expertise on pseudepigrapha — ancient Jewish religious writings with disputed authorship written between 200 B.C. and 200 A.D. that are not included in the Hebrew or Catholic Bibles. These writings were neglected for most of the 20th century, said Wood, due to the communist rule. Orlov, who left for Jerusalem in March, will spend six months working with colleagues from the Hebrew University, St. Petersburg University, Stockholm University, Bar-Ilan University and North-Western University.

According to Orlov, Jewish traditions influenced Slavic Christians during the beginning of the second millennium. He said these influences created ideological differences that created divisions that played a crucial role in the social and political histories of several Slavic countries, including Russia.

In addition to working on this research project, Orlov will use the fellowship to gain insight and get advice on Slavonic pseudepigrapha, his latest research interest.

Nursing conference to commemorate the first 75 years
By Tim Olsen

The 75th anniversary celebration of the College of Nursing will culminate in a big way Friday, July 29, when the college hosts its “75th Anniversary Conference: Toward Greater Excellence” in the Alumni Memorial Union.

“The conference is an opportunity for us to share just a glimpse of alumni successes, celebrate our past and look to the next 75 years of Marquette nursing education,” said Dr. Margaret Callahan, dean of the College of Nursing.

The conference will include a number of plenary and breakout sessions, highlighted by the keynote address from Peggy Troy, Nurs ’74, president and CEO of Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin. Troy will discuss “Improving the Health of Milwaukee Children.”

Some of the other topics of potential interest to the Marquette community include:

• “Reducing Infant Mortality in African Americans” by Kelli Jones, Nurs ’95 and Grad ’05, clinical instructor of nursing.
• “Enhancing Clinical Decision Making” by Mary Paquette, Nurs ’82 and Grad ’03, nursing simulation technology and Learning Resource Center director; and Dr. Marilyn Bratt, assistant professor of nursing; and
• “The Convergence of Quality and Technology” by Dr. Norma Lang, Grad ’84 and ’74, Wisconsin Regent Distinguished Professor and Aurora Distinguished Professor of Healthcare Quality and Informatics at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

Registration information for the conference, organized by Bratt, Weis and Dr. Madeline Wake, Raynor Chair and university professor, will be posted to the college website, Marquette.edu/nursing, later this spring. The $50 cost will include the conference, materials and lunch.

Meet Your Dentist Day
The School of Dentistry and the Tri-County Community Dental Clinic in Appleton hosted a “Meet Your Dentist Day” for kindergarteners from three Oshkosh elementary schools Friday, March 4. While the children waited for their appointments, they participated in group learning activities with Marquette dental students such as (L to R) Jason Pendleton, Timothy Harmon and Carmen Perez.

The clinic recently started providing care for children from area school districts one extra day per week with the help of dental students. Two operators are used full-time by four Marquette students working under the supervision of area dentists trained as providers, allowing the clinic to expand its capacity and see more children, many of whom have multiple cavities or other dental issues. For dental students, this is an opportunity to work with children and learn about acute dental problems first-hand.

Dr. Andrei Orlov will spend six months as a fellow at The Institute of Advanced Studies at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, which supports research groups in the fields of physics, life sciences, mathematics, economics and Jewish studies.
All stressed out and no place to go – until now

By Tim Olsen

Since there’s enough of it to affect us year-round, there’s really no need to limit attention to stress to a single month. April is, however, National Stress Awareness Month, and the Employee Wellness Committee is trying to help Marquette employees cope with that stress.

“According to employee health risk assessment data, stress reduction is one area in which we haven’t made much headway yet,” said Dr. Paula Papane, associate professor of physical therapy and chair of the Wellness Implementation Committee. “We don’t know if our employees feel stressed from job-related issues versus family and personal issues, so we’re planning to conduct research to get an idea of the causes to better address it.”

From 2008, when HRA data was first collected at Marquette, to 2010, the top five health risks to employees have stayed the same. The percentage of employees categorized with a health risk related to each category, however, has dropped — with “stress” dropping the least.

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Upcoming stress-related programming and resources include:

- **Stress or Success Program**, Tuesday, April 5, noon to 1 p.m. in Raynor Library Beaumier Suites, presented by Marty Berner, Marquette Neighborhood Health Center nurse manager. The presentation will cover techniques for managing mental and emotional health. Space is limited. Call 8-7305 to register.
- **Chair massage**, Monday, April 18, and Thursday, April 28, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Straz Tower Rec Plex. Cost is $5 per 10 minutes. Call 8-7778 to schedule an appointment.
- **Yoga class**, Wednesdays, May 18 to July 13, 4:45 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in Crarez 050. The class, for beginners and intermediates, covers basic yoga poses that participants can take into their everyday life. Cost is $40 for eight weeks. Call 8-7928 to register.
- **Ergonomic resources** — The Office of Risk Management provides ergonomic guidance and will review employee workstations upon request. See http://bit.ly/MUergonomics for more information.
- **Plus**, the Faber Center for Ignatian Spirituality has regular offerings on spiritual health. See www.marquette.edu/faber for more information.

Physical therapy students are also holding their Massage-A-Thon through Friday, April 8, at Schroeder Health Complex 397. Cost is $7 for every 15 minutes, up to 60 minutes. E-mail massageathon11@gmail.com for an appointment.

See www.marquette.edu/chs/wellness/ for more information.

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**Take 5**

The five most common first names, including variant forms and spellings, of Marquette male employees according to Human Resources:

1. John — 74
2. Michael — 72
3. Robert — 50
4. James — 47
5. Steven — 47

Suggestion submitted by Stacy Tuchel, marketing office associate, Office of Marketing and Communication.

“Take Five” is a brief list concerning an interesting aspect of Marquette life. E-mail your list suggestions to marquettematters@marquette.edu.

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On the Side

Yvonna Rosa-Collins — Embalmer

By Louise Walker

Yvonna Rosa-Collins uses her biology knowledge not only as an anatomical laboratory coordinator for biomedical sciences in the College of Health Sciences at Marquette, but also as an embalmer outside of work. Rosa-Collins holds a funeral director license through Feenick Funeral Home and has been licensed since 1998, embalming for more than 15 years — either before or after work at Marquette.

Rosa-Collins, the first licensed Latin fema exh obitis embalmer in Wisconsin, chose to work as an independent contractor, or trade embalmer, as a way to give back to families something they lost — the image they had of their loved one, she said.

As a trade embalmer, Rosa-Collins is called when a death occurs and the deceased’s family grants embalming permission. She works carefully to prepare the deceased for a public or private viewing. Preparing the deceased for viewing is a process involving the disinfecting, bathing, embalming, dressing, cosmetic enhancement and casketing of the body, which can take around five hours. Cosmetic treatments ensure that the Service looks as beautiful as possible so family members have a blessed final goodbye, according to Rosa-Collins. “I love to hear from bereaved families that because of what I did for their loved ones, making them look beautiful and peaceful, their journey to find closure will be that much easier,” she said.

Submitted by Rosemary Bass, administrative assistant for technology, Law Library.

“On the Side” offers a glimpse of faculty and staff interests outside of Marquette. E-mail your story suggestions to marquettematters@marquette.edu.
Business incubator
New Kohler Center space gives entrepreneurs room to grow

By Christopher Stolarski

When the Kohler Center for Entrepreneurship moved from Straz Hall to the fourth floor of the 707 Building, Tim Keane wanted a place where Marquette entrepreneurs would not only have useable office space, but also a venue where they could truly work together.

“Business incubators come in a variety of flavors,” said Keane, director of the Kohler Center, citing examples at Arizona State University and a local Milwaukee incubator, Spreenklr. The former boasts 24/7 access, primarily for software startups, in an academic setting, the latter is a for-profit model.

Keane, who said he’d also like to see faculty and staff take advantage of the incubator, said Hallberg and Novotny are in the space almost daily, and word has started to spread. Both he and Hallberg noted that other students have come in to talk about innovation and entrepreneaship at Marquette.

“A lot of students are coming up with very creative projects, but they don’t really know where to take them,” said Hallberg, who in 2009 won the university’s annual Business Plan Competition. “The incubator is a great place for them to get guidance about how to transform their ideas into sustainable products or services that will truly be of value.”

Still in its infancy, the Kohler Center incubator’s true value hasn’t yet been realized. Hallberg, though, has already found some intangible benefits.

“When you’re launching a startup, it’s on your mind all day, every day,” he said. “There are so many things that have to go right for you to be successful. Having other entrepreneurs around helps mitigate that stress and makes the startup a lot more fun.”

Excellence in Service

is congested with constant stress, he allows his personable and sunny demeanor to lift us all up when we’re having rough days.”

“Servicing these future dentists and interacting with faculty, staff and students is by far the most enjoyable part of my 27 years working for Marquette,” Karasboch said. “I feel my service helps the students on the ground level of their dental education in support of the overall mission of the university.”

DAN SMITH
Information Technology Services

Smith, deputy chief information officer, oversees e-mail, Lync, PeopleSoft, Oracle e-business, D2L and IT-related projects. “It is amazing to me how dependent organizations are on technology, and Marquette is no different,” said Smith, who was commended for his leadership, technical expertise and problem-solving abilities by nomi-nators. “I enjoy helping people understand how to use new technology to make their jobs easier or more efficient, as well as the ‘keeping the lights on’ aspect of IT Services.”

An example of this occurred on Marquette’s Feb. 2 “snow day” when the air conditioning systems of the data center failed, threatening to shut down the hub of the university’s informa-tion technology. “After working over the phone with numerous departments and his own staff, Dan trudged in to assist, climbing over furniture and using a sledge hammer to help open stuck windows in a valiant effort to cool the data center,” said a nominator.

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Casper Lecture to honor Rev. John Donnelly, S.J.

“Standing for Mass, Seated for Sermon: An Unexpected Liturgical Consequence of the Protestant Reformation” will be the subject of the Rev. Henry W. Casper, S.J., Lecture for the Department of History. Dr. Raymond Merttzer, professor of history and the Daniel J. Krumm Family Chair in Reformation Studies at the University of Iowa, will deliver the lecture at 7:30 p.m., Monday, April 11, in Cudahy 001. This year’s lecture is being held in honor of Rev. John Patrick Donnelly, S.J., professor of history, who is retiring at the end of this semester.

Teachers of the Year in Cuba’s Cultural Imaginary,” about the changing role of the teacher as a cultural figure in Cuba, as seen through contemporary Cuban literature and film. Unruh is a professor of Latin American literary and cultural studies at the University of Kansas. Register at http://bit.ly/AMUWBeboilm11.

ESPN writer to give Axthelm Lecture

Chris Broussard will deliver the College of Communication’s Pete and Bonnie Axthelm Memorial lecture, “The Decision: Journalism, Gossip or Entertainment,” at 5 p.m. Tuesday, April 9, in Helfaer Theatre. Broussard is an award-winning journalist who works as a senior writer for ESPN The Magazine and ESPN.com. Though he covers all sports, his specialty is basketball, particularly the NBA. He regularly serves as an NBA analyst on SportsCenter, Outside the Lines, ESPN’s First Take, NBA Fastbreak, NBA Coast to Coast, ESPN News and Mike and Mike In the Morning.

AMUW chair to discuss role of teachers in Cuban culture for Boheim Lecture

Dr. Vicky Unruh, 2010-11 AMUW Women’s Chair in Humanistic Studies, will give the Distinguished Eleanor H. Boheim Lecture at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 7, in the Raynor Library Beaumier Suites. Unruh will present “Impromptu Lessons: The Teacher in Cuba’s Cultural Imaginary,” about the changing role of the teacher as a cultural figure in Cuba, as seen through contemporary Cuban literature and film. Unruh is a professor of Latin American literary and cultural studies at the University of Kansas. Register at http://bit.ly/AMUWBeboilm11.

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Coming together is a beginning.
Keeping together is progress.
Working together is success.

Henry Ford

What they, and the Kohler Center, have in common is work space, a collaborative environment and mentoring opportunities.

Since moving in mid-January, the center already has two tenants. SMUG Coffee (www.smugcoffee.com) produces travel mugs equipped with technology so they can be used to pay for purchases at coffee shops, and the Sister Maria Rosa Coffee Company (www.sistermariacoffee.com) sells organic Honduran coffee to Milwaukee-area businesses, fund-raising groups, schools and parishes. Sister Maria Coffee is run by Kate Novotny, Arts ’10, a student in the Graduate School of Management; SMUG is headed by Chris Hallberg, Arts ’09.

“I couldn’t have been happier when Tim offered me the space,” Hallberg said. “At the time, I was working out of my apartment. Now I have a place to go every day with like-minded people to kick ideas around.” The time is right for Hallberg to have dedicated space to grow his business. He’s currently negotiating with one of the largest mug suppliers in the industry about licensing the SMUG technology, he said.

For more information about the Kohler Center’s business incubator, contact Tina Quealy, assistant director, at 8-7357.