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Faculty Members Receive Health Hero Award

Three Stockton University faculty members and their partners in Live Healthy Vineland (LHV), a collaborative, multi-organization effort, recently received the first-ever "Population Health Hero Award - Multi-Stakeholder Collaboration Heroes" award from the N.J. Department of Health.

LHV includes a Healthy Food Network comprised of initiatives promoting farm-topantry, healthy corner stores, healthy restaurants, as well as school district well-being and worksite wellness. The overall project is designed to increase access to healthy foods and beverages, encourage and promote physical activity, and increase awareness and the use of resources that promote health among Latino families.

Stockton's M. Alysia Mastrangelo, professor of Physical Therapy; Betsy Erbaugh, assistant professor of Sociology and Women's, Gender & Sexuality Studies; and Kelly Dougherty, assistant professor of Exercise Science, are the evaluation team, working with the Cumberland-Cape-Atlantic YMCA, the Food Trust in Philadelphia, the

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NJPHK and the Vineland Health Department, where several Stockton alumni are among the employees participating.

Mastrangelo is the lead on the overall evaluation team, with Dougherty taking the lead on research related to corner stores and food pantries, and Erbaugh taking the lead on research related to promoting health among families with young children. This research receives \$45,000 a year of the three-year grant.



From L-R: A.J. Dunkle and Rob LaForgia, both Stockton graduates who work for the Vineland Dept. of Health; M. Alysia Mastrangelo, professor of Physical Therapy; Darrin Anderson, Stockton adjunct instructor and state deputy director, N.J. YMCA State Alliance; Betsy Erbaugh, assistant professor of Sociology and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies; Lisa Scheetz, co-grant administrator, executive director of Community Health and Partnerships, CCA YMCA.

Twenty-three corner stores are currently participating in the Healthy Food Network, offering customers access to healthy foods and beverages. Patrons are also being surveyed about their options and choices.

"Lack of access to purchase affordable, healthy foods is a prevalent problem in many communities," said Dougherty. "Helping a corner store owner to expand his or her inventory of fruit and vegetable offerings and making sure these changes are both profitable and sustainable will hopefully improve the overall health of the residents in that community by providing access to healthy foods options."

"Live Healthy Vineland is a partnership aiming to improve health for all citizens in the City of Vineland," said Mastrangelo. "This truly has been a collaborative process and Stockton is at the forefront of this community wellness grant."

Stockton Now E-zine Unveils New Mobile-Friendly Website

The Summer 2017 Issue of Stockton Now e-zine hit inboxes this week and is now available on a mobile-friendly website. The online magazine is published every fall, winter and summer by University Relations & Marketing.

The latest issue highlights initiatives supported by Stockton's STEM Collaborative and celebrates our "e-STEAMed" faculty, staff and alumnae who are paving the way in their respective careers. Check out our NEW look at <u>Stockton.edu/stocktonnow</u>.





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Faculty Receive Provost Faculty Opportunities Funding

The following faculty members have received support from the Provost Faculty Opportunities Fund for FY18:

Cristina Cummings, assistant professor of Biology, received \$1,999.07 for the Hydroponics Sustainability Study Setup project.

Jennifer Forestal, assistant professor of Political Science – Theory, received \$2,000 to attend the American Political Science Association Annual meeting and present original research, "Good Fences Make Good Neighbors?" and a paper, "On Propaganda & Digital Publics," and to chair a panel.

Deborah Gussman, professor of American Literature, received \$2,000 to attend and present a paper, "Travel and Transnationalism in Catharine Sedgwick's Periodical Writings," at the Society for the Study of American Women Writers International Symposium at the Université Bordeaux in Montaigne, France.

Amy Hadley, associate professor of Communication Disorders, received \$840 to co-present, "Assessing Effective Learning Outcomes in Cultural Competence," at the 2017 IUPUI Assessment Institute.

Kristin Jacobson, associate professor of American Literature, received \$2,000 to attend, present a paper and chair a panel at the Society for the Study of American Women's Writers conference at the Université Bordeaux in Montaigne, France, as well as to present papers at the American Studies Association annual conference and the Modern Language Association annual conference.

Zornitsa Kalibatseva, assistant professor of Psychology, received \$2,000 to attend and present three papers at the European Congress of Psychology in Amsterdam.

Jaemin Kim, assistant professor of Business Studies – Management, received \$782.50 to present research that investigated how a top management team's attention to environmental events affected a firm's environmental actions at the Academy of Management annual conference.

Margaret Lewis, professor of Biology, received \$2,000 to participate in the 2017 Society of Vertebrate Paleontology meeting as membership committee chair to learn of the latest advances in the field and coordinate funding/research plans with working groups.

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Gorica Majstorovic, associate professor of Spanish, received \$1,975 to attend and present a research paper at the American Comparative Literature Association annual conference at Utrecht University in the Netherlands; participate in the organizational meeting of the research group on Minor/Small Literatures; attend a conference sponsored by the Amsterdam Centre of Globalization Studies and the Amsterdam School for Cultural Analysis at University of Amsterdam.

Adam Miyashiro, assistant professor of Literature, received \$2,000 to participate in a round-table discussion about race and gender in medieval studies on the Decolonize the Middle Ages panel at the International Medieval Congress in England.

Emily Van Duyne, assistant professor of Writing & First-Year Studies, received \$1,500 to present the paper, "Gaslight," at Sylvia Plath: Letters, Words and Fragments, an international Plath conference, at Ulster University.

Jongbok Yi, assistant professor of Asian Philosophy, received \$1,120 to learn how to perform a Japanese tea ceremony at Princeton Chanoyu in Princeton, N.J.

Nearly Two Dozen Stocktonians Attend, Present at ADP Conference

Faculty, staff, students and alumni attended and presented at the American Democracy Project (ADP), The Democracy Commitment (TDC) and NASPA Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education's Civic Learning & Democratic Engagement National Meeting, which was held June 7-10 in Baltimore, Md.

Of the 21 Stocktonians in attendance, 15 presented at the conference. Presentation topics included Stockton's strides in local service-learning and civic engagement initiatives.

"Our commitment as a University to civic engagement stands out nationally when we are able to attend, participate and actively involve ourselves in meetings such as CLDE. This truly shows that Stockton is at the forefront of continuing our civic responsibility as a steward of place in our community," said Daniel Fidalgo Tomé, who served on the planning committee for CLDE. As of the June meeting, he is now officially the chair of the American Democracy Project Steering Committee for the next year.

The ADP is a network of more than 260 state colleges and universi-



ties focused on public higher education's role in preparing the next generation of informed, engaged citizens for our democracy. Stockton is a founding member institution of the network, which formed in 2003.

The Stockton Delegation who participated at the national meeting included: Daniel Fidalgo Tomé, Diana Strelczyk, Erin O'Hanlon, all of Service-Learning; Rona Whitehead, adjunct instructor, graduate student in Social Work and former Activist-in-Residence; Oliver Cooke, associate professor of Economics; Daniel Douglas, director of Strategic Communications; Carra Hood, assistant provost for Programs & Planning; Merydawilda Colón, executive director of the Stockton Center for Community Engagement; Jessie Finch, assistant professor of Sociology; Jennifer Forestal, assistant professor of Political Science - Theory; Claire Abernathy, assistant professor of Political Science/American Politics); Kaite Yang, assistant professor of Psychology; JY Zhou, internationalization specialist; and Eileen Conran-Folks, director of Kramer Hall and Manahawkin locations. Students who participated are Sparkle Prevard, a Sociology/Anthropology major; Flor Cruz-Morillo, a Health Sciences major; Bryan Gonzalez-Mejia and Jessica Paszko, both Political Science majors. Alumni who participated are Elizabeth Alexander, Caroline Fanning, and Parth Thakkar, all of the Class of 2017.

David Carr Captures Beauty in 'Seasons of Stockton' Photo Project



Photo of Lake Fred by David Carr. View more of Carr's photos here.

David Carr spent the last year roaming the main campus in Galloway with a purpose. Coming to campus at all hours of the day and night, Carr photographed scenes in a variety of perspectives and lighting to capture the natural beauty of our University located in the Pinelands National Reserve.

"Stockton's campus is like a national park in miniature," explained Carr, who shared his "Seasons of Stockton - Photographic Journey" with the University community during an on-campus presentation in April.

"I hope that my images will make the Stockton family more sensitive to the beauty that surrounds them and how that beauty evolves through the kaleidoscope of seasons," he said.

The project caps a long career in higher education for Carr, who is retiring as professor of Political Science and director of Research & Policy Analysis in the William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy. A native of San Diego, Carr arrived at Stockton in 1992, where he served as dean of Social & Behavioral Sciences, vice president for Academic Affairs, provost and executive vice president.

In his retirement, Carr's journeys will continue. He looks forward to traveling with his wife, Bev, to France and Britain, as well as some of their favorite southwestern haunts. He may venture far from Stockton, but his love for the University will be preserved through <u>his photos</u>.

Stockton Congratulates Theresa Bartolotta on Next Endeavor

Theresa Bartolotta, dean of the School of Health Sciences, has accepted a tenured professor position in the Department of Speech-Language Pathology at Monmouth University. There she will work in a funded program dedicated to providing support to families of Rett Syndrome, an opportunity that is particularly meaningful to her as she continues to care for her daughter who suffers from Rett Syndrome. She will be able to continue her research in this area and work closely with faculty and students.



Theresa Bartolotta

Bartolotta has served as the Dean of Health Sciences at Stockton for the past three years. During that time, the School of Health Sciences experienced an enriching period of significant growth and the school has blossomed because of her focused attention on empowering her faculty in ways that allow them to best serve Stockton students. Students have benefited from study abroad experiences focused on the health sciences. Under her leadership, the Exercise Science and the Transcel program have

been initiated. New programs in Respiratory Therapy and the Doctor of Nursing Practice are in the pipeline. An expansion in Manahawkin that features Stockton's health science programs is in progress and the new Health Science Center will be completed before the end of 2017. During Bartolotta's tenure, the school earned and maintained accreditations for programs that are highly competitive and bring much prestige to Stockton.

"I'm extremely proud of Theresa Bartolotta's work and feel so privileged to have had the chance to know her and to bear witness to her extreme professionalism, her immense dedication, and her daily kindness," said Provost Lori Vermeulen.

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• July 5: Board of Trustees Meeting

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