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Let us know what's new by contacting **Judy Cates**, our newsletter editor, at [catesj@umsl.edu](mailto:catesj@umsl.edu).

## Join us for the Fall Picnic 2014

We hope you, your family and friends can join us for the **Annual Fall Picnic** on **Sunday, September 28th, 2014 from 12-3 pm** at the **Irv Zeid Citizen's Park Pavilion, 9100 Old Bonhomme Rd in Olivette**. The department will provide food and drinks.



**Donald J. Kridel**  
Chair, Department of Economics

## A Message from the Chair

First, the Department would like to send a fond farewell to **Bob Sorensen** (see page 2 for details); Bob just finished the third year of his Founder's Professorship and is now officially retired. We are still trying to convince him to teach a course this fall. We--and more importantly--the students will miss Bob in the classroom. (We hope to still see him at the Picnic and Alumni Party.)

The ERC received a well-needed facelift over the summer. Please feel free to stop by campus and have a look; we know many (most?) of you spent a tremendous amount of time in the ERC. It now looks better than ever (thanks to **Mike Allison** for managing the upgrade).

We had the best turn-out ever at the most recent Alumni Party (thanks to the efforts of **Anne Winkler** who handles "all things alumni"). The UMSL Economics Alumni Group on Linked-In (administered by **Josh Ulrich**) continues to grow; we now have 110 members.

Shrinking and (more importantly) uncertain state budgets continue to exacerbate the difficulty of successfully performing our task of provid-

ing economic education; the generosity of our alumni continues to play a large role in our ability to effectively serve our students. We thank you for your generosity.

We have some exciting news to report. The Certificate in Applied Econometrics and Data Analysis announced in last year's Newsletter was formally approved by CBHE in the fall. Our first two graduates (**Thomas Briggs** and **Alex Gable**) earned their certificates in May. This Certificate is also attracting students who are coming to UMSL for the sole purpose of earning the credential. And, for the first time, our MA students can now earn a Public Policy Evaluation Certificate (through PPA) with essentially no additional coursework.

Our alums are excelling in PhD programs (see page 4) and in the job market. Among the successes, alum **Laura (Darby) Rose** was recently hired by one of the leading economic forecasting firms, Macroeconomic Advisers.

Through the generosity of several donors (in particular **Tom Ireland**), we have been able to endow the Elizabeth Clayton Memorial Scholarship. This makes the scholarship

permanent and not subject to the whims of the budgeting process. (Please see page 4 which includes a brief bio of Professor Clayton.)

In terms of faculty news, it has been a very good year. We are excited to report that **Susan Feigenbaum** received the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Service. Susan's hard work on the pension and health insurance committees benefitted the entire UM system tremendously. **Lea Kosnik** was nominated by a student to give the talk for UMSL's first "Last Lecture series." (The concept of the "Last Lecture" stems from the nationally recognized 2007 "Last Lecture" talk given by Dr. Randy Pausch at Carnegie Mellon University.) **Anne Winkler's** and **William Rogers'** recent co-authored publication received the "Lawrence R. Klein" Best Paper Award for the best article in the *Monthly Labor Review* for 2013 by an author outside the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Please keep in touch. Also, we welcome your suggestions for next year's newsletter. Feel free to contact me at [krideld@umsl.edu](mailto:krideld@umsl.edu).



## Economics front office faces through the years...

L-R **Debra Garcia** (2002 to 2012), **Judy Cates** (2012 to present), **Gloria Axe** (1977 to 2002) at the December 2013 Holiday Party

## Bob Sorensen: A Hard Act to Follow

**After 43 years, Bob Sorensen is officially retiring and will become Professor Emeritus.**

**By the numbers:**

- **17 different courses taught from Fall 1970 through Fall 2013 (*Encore of Intermediate Micro in Fall 2014!*)**
- **2 times Department Chair**
- **14 years as Director of Graduate Studies**
- **12 years as Director of Undergraduate Studies**
- **25+ refereed journal articles**
- **1 year (1977) as a member of UMSL's championship intramural basketball team!**

Most likely, YOU took a course with **Bob Sorensen!** He has been called the "Jose Oquendo" of the Department (can play any position – see below) and is a department MVP (winner of the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching in 1990).

From 1970 to present Bob taught *all* of the following courses at UMSL:

- Introduction to Economics
- Principles of Micro
- Principles of Macro
- Money and Banking
- Intermediate Micro
- Intermediate Macro
- Economics of Sports
- Managerial Economics
- Business and Government
- Industrial Organization (undergraduate)
- Industrial Organization (graduate)
- Mathematics for Business and the Social Sciences
- Mathematical Economics
- Monetary Economics (undergraduate)
- Monetary Economics (graduate)
- Research and Writing Methods (graduate)
- Statistical Analysis for Management Decisions (MBA program)



L-R Retired Economics Professors **Robert Sorensen, Emilio Pagoulatos, Sarapage McCorkle, Herbert Werner, Kathy Phares** at the Alumni Party on April 11, 2014 at Market Pub House in the Delmar Loop

**But remember, while you may not find Bob in the classroom anymore, you can still catch up with him at the annual fall picnic and the spring alumni party!**

## Congratulations to Dave Sanders!



Dave Sanders (MA 2006), Adjunct Instructor in our Department since the Spring 2006 semester, has taken a full-time position as Economics Instructor at Saint Louis University. At UMSL, he taught numerous sections of Econ 1000 (Introduction to the American Economy), Econ 1001 (Principles of Microeconomics), Econ 1002 (Principles of Macroeconomics), two online "chat" courses, Econ 1003 (Microeconomics in the News) and Econ 1004 (Macroeconomics in the News), and electives including Econ 2650 (Law and Economics) and Econ 3800 (History of Economic Thought). We wish him all the best.

## Alumni Success 2014

**Pir Ahmad** (BS 1993, MA 1995) is Commercial Real Estate Advisor/Managing Director of Evalco, LLC in Washington, DC.

**Elise Barry** (BS 2012) is Operations Analyst at HDA, Inc.

**David Becker** (BS 2012) was recently promoted to Manager, Logistics Systems, at Unyson Logistics.

**Charles Biddy** (BS 2011) is back in St. Louis with his wife Marina. He is Project Supervisor/Estimator for Biddy Contracting.

**Amanda Boyd** (BS 2008) is an Accounting Associate at Rabo AgriFinance.

**Thom Briggs** (BS/MA 2013) will be entering the Economics PhD program at Colorado State in fall 2014.



**Ken Brockland** (BS/MA 2005) has been promoted to Compliance Info & Analysis Manager at Caterpillar in Peoria, IL. Ken and his family have recently returned from several years in the Far East (Japan and China).

**Brian Buckles** (MA 2005) received his PhD in Economics from UT-Dallas in 2013 and is teaching at University of Dallas and Dallas Baptist University.

**Sarah Calhoun** (BS/MA 2012) is an Analyst at ICF International in DC and pursuing her Master of Arts in Criminology, Law and Society at George Mason.



**Michelle Cissi** (BS 2014) was featured in the Sat/Sunday May 24/25 2014 issue of the *Wall Street Journal*. Upon graduation,

she was hired as Associate Policy Analyst in the Supervisory Policy and Risk Analysis Group at the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis.

**Chris Clark** (BS 1992) is now Director, Technical Product Strategy, at Manhattan Associates in Atlanta, Georgia.

**Mark Daffron** (MA 2012) has changed location and jobs. He is now employed as a Pricing Manager with Railex in Jacksonville, Florida.



**Marcus Deckert** (BS 2008) is Senior Actuarial Analyst at Nautilus Insurance Group in Peoria.

**Mindy DeMartino** (BS /MA 2013) is Derivatives Account Administrator at Private Investment Manager in Clayton.

**Melissa Kuster Deutsch** (MA 2011) is Senior Economic Analyst, Transfer Pricing at Baker & McKenzie.

**Perry Drake** (BS 1984) has returned to UMSL and is Assistant Professor and Academic Director in the College of Business. Perry is currently charged with building out the Digital and Social Media Marketing curriculum and programs at the university. He also co-wrote and published "Optimal Database Marketing" a guide to implementing marketing segmentation and targeting strategies.



**Maggie Evans** (BS/MA 2014) has taken a position at Summit Strategies as a Performance Measurement Analyst.

**Marcela Giraldo** (BS 2005), who received her PhD from University of Florida in 2010, is now Lecturer in the Department of Economics at Southern Methodist University.

**Kevin Heard** (BS 1998) is Senior Informatics Specialist at BJC HealthCare.

**Jared Hennings** (BS 2006) is now Project Manager at Sapient Government Services in Washington, DC.

**Brandy (Horan) Pessin** (MA 2013) is a Cost and Schedule Analyst with Boeing in Phoenix, AZ. Congratulations to Brandy on her recent marriage!

**Alta Jadamba** (BS 2010) now holds the position Chief Accountant, Wagner Asia Leasing in Mongolia.

**Brian Jenkins** (BS 1996) is now Director of Finance at Ameristar in St. Charles, Missouri.

**Aaron Johnson** (BS 1994, MA 2000) was featured in an article in the *Albany Herald* (Georgia). <http://www.albanyherald.com/news/2014/feb/21/on-the-job-with-aaron-johnson/>

**Marisa Klein** (BS 2012) is working as a Search Specialist at Maxus while pursuing her Economics MA at UMSL.

**Li Li** (MA 2006) completed his PhD in Economics at Georgetown University in December 2013.

**Aaron Lombard** (BS 2013) is now working as a Broker for Davidson Surface/Air. He is returning for the UMSL MA Economics program in Fall 2014.

**Terrence Madlinger** (BS 2013) is a Research Analyst at Cassidy Turley.

**Jared McCutcheon** (BS 2013) is now employed as Securities Operations Service Specialist at Wells Fargo Advisors.

**Quentin McGuffey** (BS 2013) is Securities Operations Specialist at Wells Fargo Advisors.

**Nick Michniok** (MA 2012) is Senior Pricing Analyst at WJ Bradley Mortgage Capital Corporation in Denver.

**Victor Potapov** (BS 1998, MA 1999) has been promoted to Director of Analytics at Rogers Communications in Toronto.

**Brian Preslopsky** (BS 1997) is Project Manager/Senior Economist at Econometrica Incorporated in Washington, DC.

**Mat Reidhead** (BS/MA 2006) is Vice President of Research & Analytics, Hospital Industry Data Institute, Missouri Hospital Association. He recently co-authored a timely article relevant to the federal health care debate in the journal *Health Affairs*. The online version of the article,



"Adding Socioeconomic Data To Hospital Readmissions Calculations May Produce More Useful Results" can be found at <http://content.healthaffairs.org/content/33/5/786.full.html>

**Laura (Darby) Rose** (BS 2009, MA 2012) has accepted a position as Economic Analyst at Macroeconomic Advisers.



**Matt Rose** (MA 2012) has taken a new job as Pricing & Estimating Specialist at Boeing.

**Martha Salinas** (MA 1993) was promoted to Senior Vice President, Multi Service Technology Solutions, Inc, in Overland Park, KS.

**Michael Thomas** (MS 2005) will begin a tenure track position in the Economics and Finance Department of the Heider College of Business at Creighton University in Fall 2014. (Michael's wife, also an economist, was hired at Creighton as an associate professor.) Previously, Michael received a PhD in Economics at George Mason and most recently was a clinical professor at Utah State. While at Utah State, Michael appeared on John Stossel's TV show; the link can be found on his [web-site](#).

**Gaurav Tiwari** (MA 2006) was promoted to Assistant Vice President of Global Markets at State Street in Boston. He was recently asked by the George W. Bush Institute to share his experience as an immigrant to the US. <http://www.bushcenter.org/blog/2013/09/04/title-needed>



**Gaurav Tiwari with Susan Feigenbaum & Anne Winkler in Sept. 2013**

**Josh Ulrich** (MA 2006) is now Senior Quantitative Programmer & Analyst at DV Trading.

**Marcela Williams** (BS 1998) has a new job at the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank. She is now Vice President, External Communications, Industry Relations, and Public Outreach.

**Craig Young** (BS 2013) is a Business Intelligence Analyst II at Unyson Logistics.

## Alumni Award

**Jesse Wolfersberger** (MA 2009) received the 2014 UMSL Department of Economics Alumni Award. The award is given to an alumnus who has shown consistent and exceptional support of the Economics Department and its activities. Jesse has been instrumental in recruiting and hiring UMSL students for internships and full-time positions.



## Alumni Who Have Received Doctorates

Following the lead of other economics departments around the country, we have compiled a list of UMSL Econ Alums who have gone on to get doctoral degrees. [http://www.umsl.edu/~econ/pdfs/UMSL Alums who got PhDs in Economics 2014.pdf](http://www.umsl.edu/~econ/pdfs/UMSL_Alums_who_got_PhDs_in_Economics_2014.pdf). If you are missing from the list or see any needed corrections, please e-mail [catesj@umsl.edu](mailto:catesj@umsl.edu) and we'll make the change. By our count, 41 alums earned doctoral degrees, and 29 of those were in economics.

## Alumni Board

Recent comings and goings: **Lauren Block Dickens** (BS 2008/MA 2008) has joined the Board, replacing **Ryan Metcalf** (BS 2001), who just finished his term.



Continuing Board members are **John Kovac** (BS 1997) and **Josh Ulrich** (BS 2005/MA 2005). The Board provided suggestions for the course content for Econ 4900/5900 (see more on page 8) and offered insights on how to better market the degree to prospective students (the department is working on this).

## Departmental Giving

### January 2013-June 2014

Alumni—especially economics graduates—want to know that their gifts to their alma mater are well spent. The Department of Economics would therefore like you to know that you can give directly to the department to support its teaching, research, and outreach activities. Among other things, the department uses gifts to fund scholarships, to award prizes for essay competitions, to employ and train students as research assistants, and to support the research of our very own economics faculty.

We'd like to thank those of you who have been giving so generously over the years. For those of you who have never considered making a gift to the department, we hope you will consider doing so in the future. Please know that when you give directly to the Department of Economics, every dollar supports activities of our department.

***A warm thank you to our alumni and others for their continuing generosity!***

### Department of Economics Gifts

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### Economics Alumni Scholarship

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### Robert Loring Allen Memorial Scholarship in Economics

Welz, Bruce Allen

### Elizabeth Clayton Memorial Scholarship

Childress, Kelly A.  
Winkler, Anne E.

### How can you help?

Please make your check payable to the UMSL Department of Economics, or you can give online at the link below. You can designate your gift is for us by typing "Economics Department" in the "Other" field.

[https://fusion.umsl.edu/devsystems/University\\_Relations/makegift1.cfm](https://fusion.umsl.edu/devsystems/University_Relations/makegift1.cfm)

Mail to Department of Economics, c/o Don Kridel, UMSL, One University Blvd., 408 SSB, St. Louis, MO 63121.

Gifts made to the Economics Department are tax deductible. In addition to our alumni, we welcome business and corporate gifts. We are grateful for gifts in any amount.

### ***The Elizabeth M. Clayton Memorial Scholarship is now endowed!***

The department is grateful to the donors who made this possible, with a special thanks to Tom Ireland.

#### ***About Elizabeth Clayton***



Elizabeth joined the Department of Economics in 1968 after receiving her Ph.D. from the University of Washington (Seattle). She was professor of economics from 1968 until she retired in 1992. She also

served as Associate Vice Chancellor for Research at UMSL. Elizabeth Clayton won the "triple crown" in economics as the first female professor hired, first female promoted and granted tenure, and first female to serve as department chair.

During her career, Elizabeth was also a fellow at Harvard University Law School, the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, and Moscow State University. She passed away in June 1999 after a battle with cancer.

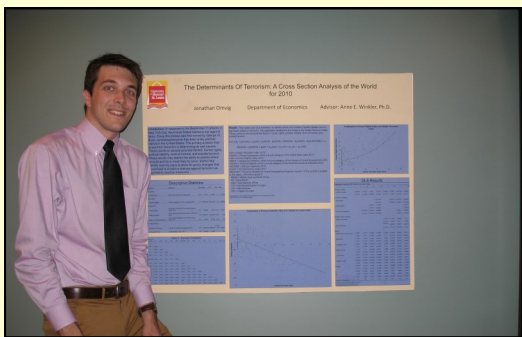
Elizabeth inspired many students and was a valued colleague in the department. Her scholarship is awarded to economics majors who demonstrate academic excellence.

## Student Success

### POSTERS:

**Jonathan Omvig** (BS/MA student) presented his poster titled "The Determinants of Terrorism: A Quantitative Cross Sectional Analysis of Terrorist Activity Globally in 2010" at UMSL's 2014 Undergraduate Research Symposium (URS). He received the URS Award for Outstanding Poster in Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences.

Congratulations, Jonathan!



### AWARDS:

#### Simon Kuznets 2013

Undergraduate: Santina Grzac  
Graduate: Stephanie Buckley

#### Thorstein Veblen 2013

Undergraduate: Harun Nukic  
Graduate: Trung Duong Minh Ly

#### Elizabeth M. Clayton Memorial Scholarship

Undergraduate: Aaron Michael Lombard  
Graduate: Margaret Elizabeth Evans,  
Marisa Klein

#### Sharon G. Levin Economics Scholarship

Graduate: Michelle Cissi

#### Economics Merit Award

Margaret Elizabeth Evans

## Looking to Hire?

Let Don Kridel, Department Chair, ([krideld@umsl.edu](mailto:krideld@umsl.edu)) know about internships and job opportunities, and he will work with faculty to identify high-performing students.

### INTERNSHIPS:

**Nick Book** (BS/MA student) has an Internship with the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis.

**Brandon Giesege** (BS/MA student) has an Internship with the St. Louis Regional Chamber.

**Raheel Langrial** (MA student) is attending the 8-day Hyman P. Minsky Summer Seminar at the Levy Economics Institute of Bard College.

**Greg Nelson** (BS/MA student) is working as an intern at Cassidy Turley.

### RECENT GRADUATES:

#### August 2013

##### **BA/BS Degrees:**

Thomas Mitchell Briggs  
David F. Deguire  
Kevin Michael Ferrell  
Quentin Daniel McGuffey  
Jackson Elliott Suhre  
Kyle Micheal Thelen

##### **MA Degrees:**

Thomas Mitchell Briggs  
Trung Duong Minh Ly

#### Fall 2013

##### **BA/BS Degrees:**

Nicholas Mark Baker  
Randy Charles Bush  
Melinda Demartino  
Aaron Michael Lombard  
Terrence Brennen Madlinger  
Jared Alan McCutcheon  
Anthony Daniel Neiswander  
Stephen Shannon  
Chancellor T. Thomas  
Warrad A. Warrad

##### **MA Degrees:**

Melinda Demartino

#### Spring 2014

##### **BA/BS Degrees:**

Brad Bennett  
Michael Vincent Cassidy  
Michelle Cissi  
Margaret Elizabeth Evans  
Hao Feng  
Jordan M. Franks  
Alexander J. Gable  
Nick Lee Glunz  
Michael Christopher Mueller  
Sidra Naseer  
Jonathan Christopher Omvig  
Paul Peanick  
George Joseph Szwed

### **MA Degrees:**

Michael Vincent Cassidy  
Margaret Elizabeth Evans

### **Certificates:**

#### **Certificate of Applied Econometrics and Data Analysis**

Thomas Mitchell Briggs  
Alexander J. Gable

## A New Direction for NABE and ODE (the Econ Clubs)

This year **William Rogers** began an experiment with the NABE/ODE econ clubs. Students are undertaking voluntary research projects on the local economy under his supervision. These projects allow economics majors and graduate students to practice their statistical and econometric techniques on local data and to learn how to do project work. Two groups are finishing the first of two reports this summer. One project, led by **Stephanie Buckley**, is trying to determine if property assessments in some Saint Louis County school districts are regularly over or under estimated, while the other project, led by **Melissa Maxwell**, is trying to identify the spatial match between unemployment and job growth in the Saint Louis metro area. The projects both have a home on GitHub (<https://github.com/>) and the final reports will be posted on the department's website. **Greg Nelson** was especially helping in getting these projects started. The lessons learned this year will help make future group projects more successful.

The 2013-2014 NABE (National Association for Business Economics) president was **Gregory Nelson**.

## Center for Entrepreneurship and Economic Education

The Center continues to impact the region, offering 61 activities that reached almost 2,600 people in the past year. 2013-2014 saw several new programs and initiatives, as well as many successful ongoing programs.

Over the past year the Center has been spearheading a new program, Mad City Money, in partnership with the Missouri Credit Union Charitable Foundation. Mad City Money is a hands-on simulation for high school students that teaches money management and decision-making skills in a fun, realistic experience. More than 550 students participated in a Mad City Money simulation in the past year.

In March 2014 the Center organized its 18<sup>th</sup> annual Economic Literacy Conference for K-12 educators. In recognition of the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of St. Louis this year, the theme of the conference was St. Louis –

250 Years of Economic History. UMSL faculty Fred Fausz (History), Terry Jones (Political Science), and Sarah Copper-smith (Education) were featured speakers. The conference featured sessions on local economic history resources. **Barb Flowers** presented on the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis.

*Barbara Flowers (BS 1990, MA 1999), Senior Economic Education Specialist at the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis.*



The Center's annual Meet Me in Missouri Competition for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students was held in May 2014. More than 240 students participated in the exciting competition that focuses on economic concepts and the role of entrepreneurs in Missouri history.

**Grant Black** served as part of a team of educators led by **Mary Suiter** (BA 1985) that developed Math in the Real World, a new educational resource from the national Council on Economic Education. Math in the Real World will offer high school teachers and students nationwide dynamic, interactive resources to teach math concepts through real-world lessons based in economics and personal finance. The lessons and activities will be available online and as a mobile app.

The Center is excited to begin a new teacher-training program in Saudi Arabia. The program will begin in August 2014 and will continue for three years. It will provide training on entrepreneurship education to a group of K-12 teachers in Saudi Arabia. Grant Black and Barb Flowers will lead the training. The program is a partnership between the Center, UMSL's International Studies and Programs, and the Entrepreneurship Institute at King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia.

## Faculty News

**Max Gillman**, who began his new faculty position at UMSL last August, taught Principles of Macro and Masters Monetary Theory, published a paper on tax evasion/reduction in the *Journal of Human Capital*, and in 2013 edited the *Collected Papers in Monetary Theory* by Robert E. Lucas, Jr. As a visiting scholar to the St. Louis Fed Bank since September 2013, Gillman is enjoying the close-knit UMSL community and the St. Louis experience. He is hiring Tamas Csabafi as his Research Associate starting in August.

**Clinton Greene** is enjoying giving advice (whether they want it or not) to students at various stages of education and career as assistant undergraduate advisor. He is writing about how forecasting does and does not correspond to the experiments used in the physical sciences to demonstrate reliable knowledge. And he is working on how to put money back into modern models of inflation.

**Tom Ireland** is still acting as an economic consultant for attorneys and is still working seven days a week when he is in St. Louis. Over the past year, he has published three

papers in journals for forensic economists and vocational experts.

**Lea-Rachel Kosnik** greatly expanded her professional presence, becoming an Associate Editor of the *Environmental and Natural Resource Economics Encyclopedia*, and accepting responsibilities as Midwest representative for the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists – all this in addition to teaching Grad Micro for the first time!

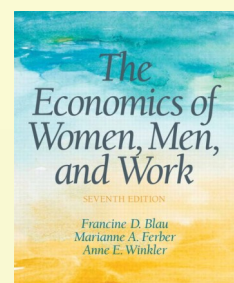
**Don Kridel** continues to serve as Chair of the Department and as Director of Graduate Studies for the department. Don is currently interested in automating analytics and applying econometric techniques to real-time decision-making, especially as it applies to mobile advertising. Don's paper "Recommender Systems as a Mobile Marketing Service" was published in the *Journal of Service Science and Management*. On the personal side, Don plans to visit Austin and its many Honky-tonks again this fall.

**Sharon Levin** continues to serve on the S&E Human Resources Expert Panel (HREP) of the National Science Foundation's National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics (NCSES). She also accepted an invitation from the National Academy of Engineering to serve as a member of the Committee on the Status, Role, and Needs of Engineering Technology Education in the United States. In addition, she submitted a major grant proposal to National Institutes of Health entitled "Investigating the scientific workforce in the biomedical and behavioral sciences;" Anne Winkler is co-principal investigator on this pending project.

**Dave Rose** has been busy presenting his work every month or so. Stockholm, Ecuador, and the Galapagos Islands were among the more exotic destinations. He is now on sabbatical thanks to generous support from the Earhart Foundation and the John R. Templeton Foundation, to write a book titled *Why Culture Matters Most* for Oxford University Press.

His younger son, **Chris**, graduated from Mizzou in May with a B.S. major in Economics and minors in Math and Business.

**Anne Winkler** is finishing her three-year term as a board member of the Committee on the Status of Women in Economics (CSWEP), a committee of the American Economic Association (AEA). <http://www.aeaweb.org/committees/cswep/> She worked to improve the CSWEP website and organized career development and mentoring activities at the AEA and MEA meetings. Anne and **William Rogers** continue to work on projects on the recent economic crisis and living arrangements. This fall, Anne is using the 7<sup>th</sup> edition of her co-authored textbook in Econ 2410: Work, Families, and Public Policy.



# Events

## Alumni Party 2014

Thanks to all the Alumni, Faculty, Graduate Students and Friends who joined us for the **Annual Alumni Party** on April 11th at the Market Pub House in the Delmar Loop. Turn-out was wonderful and included alums from the 1970s to present!



L-R Laura (Darby) Rose (BS 2009, MA 2012), Lauren Dickens (BS/MA 2008), Steve Most (BS 2012), Elaine Most



L-R Quentin McGuffey (BS 2013), Aaron Lombard (BS 2013), David Becker (BS 2012), Craig Young (BS 2013)

Grad students Alex Tuchel-Vehyl, Raheel Langrial, Craig Young (BS 2013)



L-R David Arana (MA 2005), Maggie Evans (BS/MA 2014), Thomas Briggs (BS/MA 2013)



L-R Susan Meyers (guest of Kirk McClean), Kirk McClean (BS 2010), Charles Biddy (BS 2011), Marina Biddy

L-R Clinton Greene, Terrence Madlinger (BS 2013), Mindy DeMartino (BS/MA 2013)

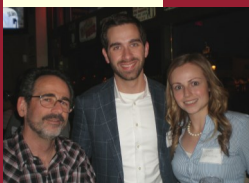


L-R Ryan Metcalf (BS 2001) & Bill Nieman (BS 1991, MA 1994)

L-R Clinton Greene, Michael Allison, Terrence Madlinger (BS 2013)



L-R Susan Feigenbaum, Michael Allison



L-R Anne Winkler, Ryan Davis (guest of Santina), grad student Santina Grzac

L-R Quentin McGuffey (BS 2013), Craig Young (BS 2013)



L-R David Rose, son Matt Rose (MA 2012)



## Fall Picnic 2013



Master chef & dept. chair Don Kridel mans the BBQ while Matt Rose, Marty Lueken, Laura (Darby) Rose look on.



L-R Grad students Thom Briggs, Steve Shannon



Special thanks to William Rogers, who coordinates the annual picnic & always prepares the most wonderful spread for all to enjoy.



L-R Econ students Tobi Wilkins, Svetlana Kogan



Clinton Greene, Dave Rose



## Career Day 2014

Many thanks to **Amy Lampe** (BS 2007), Major Project Manager, St. Louis Development Corporation, and **Greg Nelson** (current BS/MA student), Intern at Cassidy Turley, for speaking with students about their job search and work experiences.



We hope you and your family and friends can join us for the upcoming **Annual Fall Picnic** on **Sunday, September 28, 2014** from **12-3 pm** at the **Irv Zeid Citizen's Park Pavilion** at **9100 Old Bonhomme Rd** in **Olivette**.

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## Curriculum Developments

### NEW CERTIFICATES

#### Certificate in Applied Econometrics and Data Analysis

This Certificate can be obtained as a free-standing certificate or can be completed while working on a BS or MA in Economics.

[http://www.umsl.edu/~econ/pdfs/Certificate in Applied Econometrics and Data Analysis.pdf](http://www.umsl.edu/~econ/pdfs/Certificate%20in%20Applied%20Econometrics%20and%20Data%20Analysis.pdf)

#### Graduate Certificate in Policy Analysis and Evaluation

This Certificate is offered through the Public Policy Administration Program and can be completed alongside the MA Economics degree for policy-oriented students.

[http://www.umsl.edu/~econ/pdfs/Combine UMSL MA and PP Eval Certificate.pdf](http://www.umsl.edu/~econ/pdfs/Combine%20UMSL%20MA%20and%20PP%20Eval%20Certificate.pdf)

#### Certificate in Actuarial Studies

A number of quantitative courses offered by the Department help satisfy the prerequisites for the Certificate in Actuarial Studies and help fulfill the VEE requirements in Economics and Applied Statistics. These courses have received approval of the Society of Actuaries (SOA).

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### NEW COURSES

30 students (the course maximum) signed up for **Econ 4900/5900: Statistical Software Tools for Data Analysis: Applications for Social Sciences and Business** taught by **Michael Allison** in summer 2014. In this course, students learn about applications of Excel, Access, and two statistics packages, R and SAS. To demonstrate real-world business applications, Mike invited three alums to co-teach: **Jeremy Loscheider** (MA 2007), **Ryan Metcalf** (BS 2001), and **Josh Ulrich** (BS/MA 2005).



**Jeremy Loscheider**   **Ryan Metcalf**   **Josh Ulrich**

**Max Gillman** is planning to teach a new undergraduate Economics course in spring 2015: **Monetary Policy in Historical Perspective**. The course will be cross listed with History and the Honors College.