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Mike Allen

Letter from the Chair

Greetings!

The ongoing efforts in the department continue to provide evidence of success. Two of the department's graduate students were each invited to be speakers

at national university events. Also, Leslie Harris, Erin Parcell, and Mike Allen all received funding for research.

The Personals section notes the addition of two children born to doctoral students in the program. As Chair, I have always been proud of the fact that our institution provides full health care coverage. I think we do a great job of supporting members of the department, as we were able to have each of them teaching online this semester to maximize their time at home with the newborns.

Research productivity continues with a research book by Sara VanderHaagen as well as a textbook by Terra Lennox and Mike Allen. Articles from departmental members were published in the *Children's Literature Association Quarterly* and *Marriage and Family Review*. This listing also provides papers presented at the Rhetoric Society of America, National Communication Association, Southern Communication Association, and the Midwest Popular Cultural Association.

Members of the department continue to make contributions across a variety of academic enterprises. Let us know what you are up to; we are always interested in hearing from alumni.

Congratulations!

Born to Brittnie Star Peck and Jonathan Dellinger, a son, Whalen Marion Dellinger, on January 3, 2019 at 6 lbs. 10 oz. All three are doing well.

Born to Comfort Tosin Adebayo and her husband, on December 6, 2018, baby Dara at 7 lbs. 14 oz. She reports that all four of the family are happy and looking forward to the new year.



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Accomplishments



Nathaniel Repay

Nathaniel Repay was the featured speaker for The Northern Illinois University Foundation's annual Scholarship Fundraiser, "The Red & Black Gala," on November 17, 2018. The event raised \$200,000 for scholarship support.

Jansen Werner and Leslie Harris were awarded the top paper in Public Address at the 2018 National Communication Association Convention.

Megan Orcholski was the F. Richard Breyer speaker for Campus Conversations on LGBTQ Issues at St. Lawrence College in New York.

Leslie Harris and Erin Parcell were awarded the Advancing the Discipline Grant for, "The Gun Violence Project: Mapping Narratives of Violence in Milwaukee," from the National Communication Association.

Andrew Cole (UW-Whitewater), Aimee Lau (Wisconsin Lutheran College), Rachel Davidson (Hanover College) and Jim Vining (Governor's State College) all came to speak at the Communication Graduate Student Council's forum for doctoral students, "Where Should I Work?"

Mike Allen was the Principle Investigator for the funded project, "Meta-Analysis of Problem Based Learning in Distance Education," sponsored by the National Research Center for Distance Education and Technological Advancements, U.S. Department of Education.

Maura Cherney was awarded the Outstanding Dissertation Award-Communication Technology Division, at the National Communication Association Convention in Salt Lake City, UT.



Megan Orcholski

Research

Allen, M., & Dilbeck, K. (2018). Meta-analysis. In J. Malthe (Ed.), *The International Encyclopedia of Communication Research Methods* (16pp). New York: John Wiley & Sons.

Emmers-Sommer, T.M., Allen, M., Schenbauer, K.V., & Burrell, N. (2018). Implications of sex guilt: A meta-analysis. *Marriage and Family Review*, 35, 417-437. <https://doi.org/10.1080/01494929.2017.1359815>

Harris, L. J., & Olson, K. M. (2018, May). *Coaching ambivalence: William Howard Taft's speech at the 1910 National American Woman Suffrage Association Convention*. Paper presented at the Biennial Conference of the Rhetoric Society of America, Minneapolis, MN.

Kim, S.Y., Richards, R., Ko, Y., & Cole, A.W. (2018, November). *Can CDC say "you, stop drinking soda": Source illegitimacy and psychological reactance*. Presented at the 104th annual National Communication Association, Salt Lake City, UT.

Kim, S. Y., Allen, M., Cole, A. W., Richards, R., Ko, Y. (2018, November). *Counter-attitudinal communication as a cause of psychological reactance: Evidence from intertwined model of psychological reactance (IMPR)*. Presented at the 104th annual National Communication Association, Salt Lake City, UT.

LeFebvre, L., LeFebvre, L., Allen, M., & Griffin, D. (2018, November). *Training the butterflies to fly in formation: Reducing public speaking stressors and anxiety*. Paper presented at the National Communication Association Convention, Salt Lake City, UT.

LeFebvre, L., LeFebvre, L., Allen, M., Bucker, M.M., & Griffin, D. (2019, April). *From Caterpillars to Butterflies: Student Fear Transformation Throughout the Introductory Speaking Course*. Paper presented at the Southern Communication Association convention, Montgomery, AL.

Lennox, T.R., & Allen, M. (2018). *Business and Professional Communication* (3rd ed.). Saddle River, NJ: Pearson.



Kathryn Olson

Olson, K. M. (2018). Recovering productive pity to motivate Americans to corrective action on Africa's Ebola crisis: Lessons from Kenneth Burke and Senator Christopher Coons. In R. A. Lake (Ed.), *Recovering Argument* (pp. 182-187). New York: Routledge.

Olson, K. M., & Crust, N. (2018, November). *Preempting blame: Redefining public and private responsibility in the Reagans' September 14, 1986 'War on Drugs' address*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Salt Lake City, UT.

Olson, K. M. (2018, May). *Transferable inventional resources for rhetorically defining and contesting conservatism: Barry Goldwater's 1981 Senate speech "To Be Conservative"*. Paper presented at the Biennial Conference of the Rhetoric Society of America, Minneapolis, MN.

Orcholski, M. (2018, November). *Intercultural Pedagogy: Bridging the Gap for International Students in the Public Speaking Course*. National Communication Association Convention, Salt Lake City, UT.

Orcholski, M. (2018, November). *Mindfulness Matters: A Collaboratory Dialogue*. National Communication Association Convention, Salt Lake City, UT.

Orcholski, M. (2018, November). *Black Women, Beal and the Shifting of Enemyship*. National Communication Association Convention, Salt Lake City, UT.

Orcholski, M. & Jagiello, K. (2018, November). *Playing with Labels: LBGTQ+ Visibility in Relationship to the Acronym*. National Communication Association Convention, Salt Lake City, UT.

Repay, N. (2018, October). *Nazis vs. Snowflakes: Emphasis-framing and media manipulation of the marketplace of ideas*. Midwest Popular Culture Association Annual Conference, Indianapolis, IN.

Repay, N. (2018, October). *The oldest man in folk rock speaks – Father John Misty as carnival priest and Bakhtinian social critic*. Midwest Popular Culture Association Annual Conference, Indianapolis, IN.

Richards, R. (2018, November). *Sexting as playful sexual communication: An investment model perspective*. Presented at the 104th annual National Communication Association, Salt Lake City, UT.



Sarah Riforgiate

Riforgiate, S. E. (2018, November). *Puzzled by communication theory? Playing with puzzle pieces to promote teamwork and theory understanding*. Paper accepted to the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Salt Lake City, UT.

Pratt, S., & Riforgiate, S. E. (2018, November). *Dialectic tensions and role negotiation: Experiences of post-deployment among married military mothers*. Paper panel accepted to the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Salt Lake City, UT.

Riforgiate, S. E. (2018, November). *Imagining careers through internships: Requirements, protocols, and pragmatics*. Paper panel accepted to the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Salt Lake City, UT.

Riforgiate, S. E. (2018, November). *The pedagogical "art" of play: Using visual art to enhance theoretical understanding*. Discussion panel accepted to the annual meeting of the National Communication Association, Salt Lake City, UT.



VanderHaagen, S.C. (2018). A Tale of Two Wheatleys: The shifting values of Twentieth-Century historical fiction in the biographical novels of Shirley Graham and Ann Rinaldi. *Children's Literature Association Quarterly*, 43(3), 240-262.

VanderHaagen, S.C. (2018) *Children's Biographies of African American Women: Rhetoric, Public Memory, and Agency*. Columbia, SC: University of South Carolina Press.

Werner, J. and Harris, L. (2018, November) *Recognition, shame, and racial justice: Black American Appeals for Inclusion at the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition*. Paper presentation at the National Communication Association Convention, Salt Lake City, UT.

Sara VanderHaagen

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