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FROM THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES

From OUCARES Program Coordinator Stephanie Laubach:

I have been with OUCARES for just over two years and it has been my pleasure to watch our programs for people with autism grow and develop over that time. Notably, OUCARES has put a large focus on offering supports for teens and adults with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASDs). We are still running programs for children and younger teens as well, but our original younger families are getting older and there is an obvious lack of services for these teens and adults. OUCARES is trying to help fill this gap.



I am very proud to be a part of the team that offers these innovative and quality services for the older populations of individuals with ASD. For example, in summer 2015, OUCARES offered the first camp of its kind, a life skills camp for 12 adults with autism, to teach them important independent living skills like money management, cooking, and job preparedness.

In 2016, we have a number of **Evening Enrichment events** planned to inform the community about issues related to adults on the spectrum, and we are collaborating with SEHS graduate students in career counseling to offer a Career Prep Workshop for adults with ASD. These are just a few of the great things we are planning. Please stop by the OUCARES offices to learn more about our programs and to see how you can get involved to help improve the lives of people impacted by ASD. I look forward to seeing you soon.

IN THE NEWS

Excellence in Mentoring Faculty Award - Call for Nominations

The School of Education and Human Services is pleased to introduce the Excellence in Mentoring Faculty Award to be awarded to two full-time faculty members annually who have demonstrated excellence in mentoring in one of these three areas: teaching, scholarship or service. The two full-time faculty mentors selected to receive this award will each receive an additional \$500.00 to support their professional development activities in the 2016-17 academic school year.

Submit parts one and two of the nomination application to **Dr. Chaunda L. Scott** (<mailto:cscott@oakland.edu?subject=Faculty%20mentoring%20award>), Chairperson of the SEHS Excellence in Mentoring Faculty Award Committee, by March 18, 2016 at 5 pm.

The award will be announced on Friday April 1, 2016 in the SEHS newsletter. For additional information on how to nominate a mentor, view the **complete form** (<https://www.oakland.edu/upload/docs/SEHS/Newsletters/FACULTY%20MENTORING%20AWARD%20SEHS%2016-17%20NOV%2019.docx>).



UPCOMING EVENTS

OUCARES Evening Enrichment - January 21, 2016

OUCARES will be hosting an Evening Enrichment session, titled, *Navigating Oakland County Community Mental Health, Services & Supports for Individuals with ASD*, on Thursday, January 21, 2016 in the Lake Michigan Room of the Oakland Center from 6-7:30pm.

This presentation will include discussions on the aspects of the Community Mental Health system which pertain to individuals with ASD and their families:

- Explanation of the Public Mental Health system
- Eligibility process and determination for OCCMHA Services
- Information on Medicaid and MI Child Autism Benefit

This event is designed for individuals with autism, parents and caregivers of individuals with autism, as well as educators, therapists, social workers, or anyone interested in learning about this topic.

Please RSVP by emailing **OUCARES** (<mailto:oucares@oakland.edu?subject=Evening%20Enrichment>) or calling 248-370-2424.



SEHS Healthy Living Network Lunch Meeting - January 28, 2016

SEHS is pleased to sponsor the fourth Faculty and Staff Healthy Living Network Lunch Meeting. The purpose of the meetings is to promote healthy living, eating and exercise tips within the SEHS community.

The next meeting will be Thursday, January 28, 2016 from 11:30am - 12:30pm in 480K Pawley Hall. The guest speaker will be Dr. Jennifer Wenson from the department of Organizational Leadership.

For additional information, contact **Dr. Chaunda L. Scott** (<mailto:cscott@oakland.edu?subject=Healthy%20Living%20Lunch%20Meeting>).



Black and African American Centered Research Symposium - February 3, 2016

In celebration of Black History Month 2016, the SEHS Black Faculty Network and the ERL will sponsor its second Black and African American centered Research Symposium on Wednesday, February 3, 2016, from 4-6:30pm in the ERL.

All SEHS faculty and students are invited to share their completed or in progress Black and African American research at this symposium. SEHS faculty, staff, students, the OU community and the public are invited to attend this event.

For additional information, contact **Dr. Chaunda L. Scott** (<mailto:cscott@oakland.edu?subject=research%20symposium>).



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If you do not wish to have your birthday announced, please contact James Silvestri at jmsilves@oakland.edu (<mailto:jmsilves@oakland.edu?subject=Birthday%20exclusion>).

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Welcome to the SEHS Bulletin, where faculty and staff can share news and celebrate the wonderful things happening in SEHS. The bulletin is the perfect place to share information about your publications and awards, special projects and committee news, as well as announce events.

All are welcome to send items for inclusion. If you choose to do so, please ensure that your items are print ready, that you include all related links, and that you have permission to publish any photos being submitted. Please put "SEHS Bulletin" in the subject line and email your information to:

sehs@oakland.edu (<mailto:sehs@oakland.edu?subject=SEHS%20Bulletin>).

If you have questions about the bulletin, feel free to email James Silvestri at jmsilves@oakland.edu (<mailto:jmsilves@oakland.edu?subject=SEHS%20Bulletin>).



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