

Selected Faculty Achievements

- Associate professor **Brian Bride** and the findings from his study in the journal *Social Work* about post-traumatic stress disorder among social workers were the subjects of stories in *Newsweek* magazine, *Stanford Social Innovation Review*, and *NASW News*. In addition, Bride co-edited a special issue of *Clinical Social Work Journal* on Compassion Fatigue and he published numerous articles in journals including “Correlates of Secondary Traumatic Stress in Child Welfare Workers,” in the *Journal of Evidence-Based Social Work* and “Measuring Compassion Fatigue” in the *Clinical Social Work Journal*.
- Dean **Maurice Daniels’** Civil Rights documentary, *Donald L. Hollowell: American Freedom Fighter*, was previewed by the National Bar Association’s 82nd Annual Convention Opening Session in Atlanta in July. Daniels also led a panel on “Leadership Skills & Tools in a Diverse Environment” during a leadership seminar sponsored by the Council on Social Work Education earlier in the year. The title of the two-day conference in Charleston, S.C. was “Building Leaders in Social Work Education: Pathways to Success.”
- Associate Provost for Institutional Diversity **Cheryl Dozier** co-authored along with Associate Dean **Nancy Williams** and former Director of Field Education **Mimi Sodhi** the article “Out of the Maelstrom of Katrina: Finding Our Voices a Year Later” in the summer 2007 edition of the journal *Reflections: Narratives of Professional Helping*.
- Associate professor **Alberta Ellett** recently had an article published in the *Journal of Evidence-Based Social Work* titled “Linking Self-Efficacy Beliefs to Employee Retention in Child Welfare: Implications for Theory, Research and Practice.”
- **Michael Holosko**, the Pauline M. Berger Professor of Family and Child Welfare, has co-edited two new books. One book is titled *Information Technology and Evidence-Based Social Work Practice* published by Haworth Press and the title of the other book is *Youth Empowerment and Volunteerism: Principles, Policies and Practices* published by the City University of Hong Kong Press.
- **June G. Hopps**, the Parham Professor of Family and Children Studies, presented the keynote address at the Harvard School of Education, Institute of Educational Management conference in Cambridge, Massachusetts.
- Associate professor **Stacey Kolomer** was presented with an award for leadership in teaching gerontology at the Georgia Gerontology Society meeting in September. Kolomer received the Marietta Suhart Award, which is given to an individual with demonstrated ability to educate para-professionals, professionals and other persons working with older adults; proven leadership and vision in gerontology by development/expansion of educational programs and services; and recognized ability to touch as well as to teach learners.
- Assistant professor **Tony Lowe** along with professor **Larry Nackerud** and associate professor **Ed Risler** recently received funding from the Department of Labor for their proposal titled “Employers’ Perspective on New Immigrants’ Impact in Georgia.” This project will capture employers’ perspectives of foreign-born immigrant labor from various industries across the state.
- Assistant professor **Tony Lowe** along with **June G. Hopps** and **Letha See** published the paper “Challenges and Stressors of African American Armed Service Personnel and their Families” in the *Journal of Ethnic and Cultural Diversity in Social Work*.
- After a five year appointment, associate professor **Ed Risler** was re-appointed to the Board of Juvenile Justice by Governor Perdue for four more years. The Department of Juvenile Justice Board establishes policy and provides leadership in developing programs to rehabilitate children committed to the state’s custody. Risler also serves as vice chairman of the board.
- **Letha (Lee) See**, who is Professor Emerita in the School, recently published a new edition of her classic text, *Human Behavior in the Social Environment from an African American Perspective* with the Haworth Press. The book has a new introduction by former Surgeon General, Dr. Joycelyn Elders. SSW faculty members **Tony Lowe**, **June G. Hopps**, and **Rufus Larkin** contributed chapters to the book.
- **Susan Strickland**, a temporary assistant professor in the School, was appointed by Governor Perdue to the Sex Offender Registration Review Board. Strickland serves as chairwoman of the board, which is responsible for risk assessment of all convicted sex offenders in Georgia.
- Associate professor **Betsy Vonk** is the first author of the textbook, *Research Techniques for Clinical Social Work*, which was published earlier this year by Columbia Press. Vonk is also a co-editor of a new book titled *International Korean Adoption: A Fifty-Year History of Policy and Practice* published by Haworth Press.
- Interim associate dean **Nancy Williams** was awarded one of ten international Scholarship of Engagement grants for this year from the Office of the VP for Public Service and Outreach at UGA. Her project is titled, “Linking Global Education with Local Community Needs through Service-Learning” focused on reestablishing a course in Xalapa, Mexico.