Welcome to all new and returning students starting their 2014 Fall term in the Department of Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology.

We also welcome Joel Blok who is temporarily filling the staff position of Graduate Program Secretary, while Susie Njugent is on personal leave.

Congratulations to faculty members who have been promoted: Drs. William Cupples (Tenure), Daniel Marigold (Tenure & Promotion to Associate Professor), James Wkeling (Promotion to Professor) and Michael Walsh (Promotion to Senior Lecturer).

Congratulations to former faculty members on their prestigious achievements: Professor Emeritus, H Einberg, who recently received the Order of BC, and Professor Dan Weeks on his recent appointment as President of the University of Northern BC. (see further details below).

GLEN TIBBITS

2ND ANNUAL BPKicKOff

New or transfer students – The BPK Student Association (BPKSA) is excited to invite you to attend a tour of BPK Labs, SFU Recreation, and more! The day is packed with BPK activities that will give you the inside scoop on how to get the most out of your degree.

Date: Thursday, September 11th, 2014
Time: Check-in begins 11:30 a.m.
RSVP at: www.bpksa.org/bpkickoff

HAL WEINBERG RECEIVES ORDER OF BC

Order of BC photo and news release

Victoria, BC - In front of family, friends, and distinguished guests, Dr. H ALENBERG, BPK Professor Emeritus, together with twenty-two other exceptional civic leaders, was honoured this past July 22, 2014, at Government House with the Province’s highest form of recognition, the Order of British Columbia.

“The Order of British Columbia is the Province’s most prestigious accolade,” said Lt.-Gov. Judith Guichon, Chancellor of the Order. “For 25 years, we have publicly recognized those who have dedicated themselves to bettering the lives of their fellow citizens. These recipients exemplify the positive difference one person can make in a community and are an inspiration to all British Columbians.”

DANIEL WEEKS NAMED UNBC’S NEW President

Photo & news release courtesy of UNBC

Daniel Weeks named as UNBC’s new President on July 29, 2014

Dr. Daniel Weeks has been the Vice-President, Research at the University of Lethbridge for the past five years. Prior to that, he served in numerous academic roles over 16 years at
Simon Fraser University, including Chair of the Department of Psychology, Founding Member of the Institute for Health Research and Education, and the Graduate Program Chair of the School of Kinesiology. Dr. Weeks has also held visiting academic positions at McMaster University, and Purdue and Auburn Universities in the United States.

“I grew up in Northern Ontario in a place very similar to Prince George, and my wife, Fay, and I are eager to begin this next chapter in our lives,” says Dr. Weeks. “I have spent a good portion of my career in British Columbia, and both understand and respect UNBC’s mission and the pledge it has made to the people of the region it serves. Those who make up UNBC’s community - our students, faculty, staff, alumni, and more - all play a pivotal role in defining UNBC’s future successes. I am excited to meet all of them and begin work in an environment that fosters creativity, scholarship, teamwork, innovation, and leadership. The same excitement extends to the many people outside of the university - donors, government officials, other educational providers, and more, who all play critical roles in fostering and enabling UNBC’s success.”

Dr. Weeks holds a PhD in Experimental Psychology from Auburn University, with his research covering a broad range of topics in the areas of health and behavioural sciences, including human perception and performance, developmental disabilities such as Down Syndrome, and cognitive neuroscience. He is the recipient of the Distinguished Research Service Award from the Canadian Down Syndrome Research Foundation and US National Down Syndrome Society, and is a Fellow of Sigma X, and an International Fellow of the National Academy of Kinesiology.

The Chair of the UNBC Board of Governors says, “Dr. Weeks is an accomplished academic and an inspired leader, and he is passionate about the North. The Board and the UNBC community look forward to working with him as UNBC celebrates our 25th anniversary and pivots into our next quarter century.” See video interview at: http://www.unbc.ca/releases/34718/daniel-weeks-named-unbc-s-new-president

Terry Fox Day at SFU will be held this year on Wednesday, September 24, 2014. The purposes of the event are:

- to celebrate the memory of Terry Fox, who was an SFU Kinesiology student
- to raise money for the Terry Fox Foundation to help find a cure for cancer
- to enhance community spirit at SFU

**EVENTS SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 24TH**

**11:30 am: Gather in Convocation Mall**

**11:40 - 11:45: Opening Ceremony**

**PRESIDENT PETTER** will present a gold medal and a plaque to the 2014 Terry Fox Gold Medal winner, JEREMY PEARCE. Read Jeremy’s story here.

**11:45 – 11:50: Warm-up, led by SFU Fitness instructors**

**11:50 - 11:55: Walk/Run begins!**

The President will invite the walk/run participants to follow the Piper to the Terry Fox Statue where the 4.5 km run and 2.5 km walk will begin. Participants can either walk a 2.5 km course or run a 4.5 km course.

For more information on the Terry Fox Day event

In my capacity as captain of Team BPK, I invite all BPK undergraduate students, graduate students, faculty, and staff to:

**Participate in either the 4.5 km run or 2.5 km walk.**

If you are planning to participate in the walk/run, please register for the event by Tuesday, September 23 at 4:30 pm:

1. Go to the online registration form.
2. Answer “Yes” to the question “Do you wish to be part of a team?”
3. On the scroll down menu, select TEAM BPK

**IMPORTANT:** Participants should register online if they want to be counted in the final tally for our team for the largest team award, and towards SFU’s overall participation count. The official team size count is going to happen at 5:00 pm on Tuesday, September 23. However, if you don’t officially register as a BPK team member before September 24, you can still come out and participate in the walk/run on September 24, but you won’t be counted in our team numbers for the largest team award.

Fundraise for the Terry Fox Foundation as a member of TEAM BPK.

Go to the SFU Terry Fox Day website at http://www.sfu.ca/terryfox/donate.html

On this page, instructions are given for making either an online donation, an in-person donation on event day, or a donation in the few days following the September 24 event day on behalf of Team BPK. There will be donation tables in Convocation Mall from 11:15 am to 1:30 pm on September 24. For your donation to count towards the Team BPK fundraising goal of $2,500, you should select “Online Donations” and follow the steps. Our registered team name at the Terry Fox Foundation is SFU - Team BPK. You can also collect pledges as cash or cheques and submit this money to me for Team BPK.

**NOTE:** Once you’ve made your online contribution, you’ll be immediately issued a tax receipt.

Many volunteers are needed on September 24 to make this event successful. Select “Get Involved” on the SFU Terry Fox Day website to get detailed information about volunteering. Volunteers will officially count as members of Team BPK, if they register as team participants at the Terry Fox Day website as described above. On the registration web form, for the question, “Which event will you participate in?” select the 2.5 km walk, even though you won’t actually be doing this. If you are interested in volunteering, please go to http://www.sfu.ca/terryfox/getinvolved/volunteer.html

On September 24th, Team BPK members should meet in Convocation Mall in front of the main entrance to the Library by 11:20 am for a team photograph and to get your BPK Team ribbon to wear.

This year is the 34th anniversary of Terry’s Marathon of Hope run across Canada. It would be great to see a huge BPK turnout at the walk/run! Team BPK, formerly called the Kinesiology team, won the award for the team with the largest number of participants from 2001-2004, from 2008-2011, and in 2013. In 2013, we had 194 Team BPK members, our largest team ever! Our goal for the 2014 Terry Fox Day Event is to have over 200 team members!

Last year, we were the number three fundraising team at SFU, raising $2,150. We have been the number one fundraising team in a number of past years. Our team goal for 2014 is to raise $2,500 for cancer research. For Terry Fox himself, the most important aspect of his Marathon of Hope run across Canada was fundraising for cancer research, so that cancer could eventually be cured and people’s suffering would stop.
Trends in HPV-Related Head and Neck Cancers in British Columbia, Canada. Dr. BILL ROSS, Professor Emeritus, gives an update on his company, Rosscraft Innovations, a Canadian based anthropometric instrument design, manufacturing and marketing company. Manufactured are precise anthropometric measuring instruments, for measurement of size, shape, proportion and composition for monitoring growth and fitness in both genders of all ages.

From its inception in 1981, the mission of Rosscraft Innovations is to help make people participants and witnesses in research in the service of human kind providing both the tools and learning materials for assessing human physique and monitoring change with growth, exercise and nutrition. See more info at: www.rosscraft.ca

**PUBLICATIONS**

**BROWN, S.** Current Health Issues, 2014, SFU Publications. STEPHEN BROWN announces that his recently published text is to be used in selected offerings of BPK 140 in 2014-3. It is a major revision of the 2013 Custom CourseWare used in BPK 140C and 140FIC (Fraser International College). Exam questions and answers, learning activities, and answers to study questions are available. Copies are available through Allison Jones, ajonesa@sfu.ca.

P BAWA, KE JONES and RB STEIN. Assessment of Size Ordered Recruitment. Frontiers of Human Neuroscience, 8: doi: 10.3389/fnhum.2014.00532


**BPK CO-OP CORNER**

To date, BPK Co-op has 42 students participating in co-op work terms for the fall semester with students still interviewing for fall positions. We are poised to break our fall placement record of 43. This is after a very busy summer semester with 60 placements, two less than our record in 2007.

Of the 42 placements this fall semester, 5 are international, which is also high for our program as we usually placed approximately 5 students in international placements per year.

Biomedical Physiology major, IAN RUIZ-ROMERO will be in Mexico City working as a Medical Intern/Anesthesiologist Assistant.

Kinesiology student, NICK CRIVICI will be working in Barcelona Spain as an English Language Assistant.

Three BPK co-op students are leaving for Nepal on Sept 10 to participate in a Medical Internship Program with PSA Nepal Partnership for Sustainable Development. These three students represent each of the three majors in BPK.

Behavioural Neuroscience student EVAN HUTCHEON will be working with one other member of the SFU group conducting research and writing a report for the Nepal Health Research Council under the supervision of a medical doctor.

Biomedical Physiology student EVA HABIB and Kinesiology student CASSIE SMITH will either be doing research with Evan or will working with a medical Doctor in a hospital setting as an assistant. The students will be staying with a host family either in Kathmandu or a short distance outside of the city. While in Nepal the students will be blog about their experience.

Their stories will be shared in a future edition of BPK Pulse. For more BPK Co-op student stories please visit: http://www.sfu.ca/coop/programs/bpk/home.html

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