

Accolades & Accomplishments 2002-2003 BRIDGES Alumnae Newsletter

“What would happen if one woman told the truth about her life? The world would split open.” Muriel Rukeyser

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GREETINGS!

WELCOME to the first NC State BRIDGES Alumnae newsletter. Thanks to each of you who provided me with information to share in the newsletter! My wish is that each of you will share your future accolades and accomplishments with me to be printed in the newsletter, which will be sent to each alumna on our campus, Chancellor Fox, Provost Oblinger, the Deans and Annette Madden. Keep an eye out over the next few months for the next call for accolades and accomplishments. As Assistant Vice Provost for Gender Affairs, I am committed to working with Provost Oblinger to prioritize continued financial support for women faculty and staff to participate in local, national and international women’s leadership programs.

As this is the first of many newsletters, I hope that each of you will feel free to send any feedback or suggestions regarding the newsletter to Frances_Graham@ncsu.edu. Enjoy the rest of your summer!

Frances D. Graham
Editor

CONGRATULATIONS!

PREMA ARASU
Class of 2001



“For me, I would have to say that the BRIDGES program helped me decide to apply for the Congressional Fellowship offered by the American Association for the Advancement of Science. I was one of two finally selected from 89 applications. It’s a terrific experience being in DC and doing science and health policy with Senator Ted Kennedy’s Subcommittee on Public Health.”

SUSAN BLANCHARD
Class of 1996

Promoted to Professor, 2002
Chair, Ad Hoc Committee on Undergraduate Program Review, 2002-2003
Fellow, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, 2003
Interim Associate Head and Interim Undergraduate Coordinator,
Department of Biomedical Engineering
(part of the strategic plan and goals I developed using Benchmarks in Bridges!), 2003

“Men, their rights, and nothing more; women, their rights, and nothing less.” Susan B. Anthony

MONICA T. LEACH
Class of 1999

- Harvard Management Development Program, Class of 2003
- CHASS Excellence Award, 2003



BARBARA RISMAN
Class of 1999

- President of Sociologists for Women in Society, a national feminist social science association, publishers of Gender and Society
- Co-chair a national interdisciplinary association Council on Contemporary Families, an organization whose goal is to bring new research and clinical expertise to public conversation and policy.
- Winner of the Feminist Lectureship Award from Sociologists for Women in Society. This award involves travel to several campuses across the country to share feminist research. Speaking engagements as part of this award included a convocation speech at Grinnell College, a plenary speech at a 20th anniversary Celebration of Women’s Studies at University of Florida, and a departmental seminar in the sociology department at Iowa State.

**JACQUELINE D.
ROSEBORO**
Class of 2002

- Received the George and Virginia Hyatt Extension Scholarship Award for Professional Development, 2002
- Received the Chairman's Award, Columbus County Board of Commissioners, 2002-2003
- Outstanding County Performance (Staff), Epsilon Sigma Phi, 2002

IDA W. SMOAK
Class of 2000



"I was promoted to Full Professor in the Department of Molecular Biomedical Sciences at NC State University on July 1, 2002. Department of Molecular Biomedical Sciences, College of Veterinary Medicine."

Nothing in life is to be feared. It is only to be understood." Marie Curie

MINDY SOPHER
Class of 1999

- Named Delta Gamma Women's Fraternity's first Professor of the Year on March 25, 2003.
- Diagnosed (for the 3rd time!) as CANCER FREE by my oncologist on April 3, 2003.
- Presented a guest lecture for UNC-CH pharmacology class of 2004, "Patient Care and New Cancer Drug Treatments"
- Published in ONCOLOGY TODAY in February 2003 with the cover article, "Xeloda and Cancer -- Living With It!"

"When I stand before God at the end of my life, I would hope that I would not have a single talent left, and could say, 'I used everything you gave me.'" Erma Bombeck

JENNIFER VAN HORN
Class of 2002

"Along with four other people, I am a winner of the Awards for Excellence from Finance and Business this year. There were 38 employees nominated this year for their outstanding efforts during 2002. I have the honor of representing Finance and Business along with the four other winners, at the University Awards for Excellence Luncheon on May 28th."

**KATINA WILLIAMS-
BLUE**
Class of 2002

"On March 17, I accepted a new position as Director of Business Continuity for NC State University. I am responsible for campus-wide business continuity/disaster recover planning."

NEVER CAN SAY GOODBYE ...

TERRY WALL
Class of 1993

Ended her tenure as Director of the Teaching Fellows May 2002. Terry and her husband, Dr. John Wall, have spent the last six months in England.

BERNADETTE WATTS
Class of 1997

Retired from NC State University in December 2002.

JENNIFER WILDER
Class of 2000

Accepted the position of Director, Residential Life at North Carolina Central University in February, 2003.

COMING UP!

- Wednesday, August 27, 5:00 - 6:30 -- Reception for New Women Faculty, Chancellor Fox's Residence
- Saturday, September 6, 11:30 - 4:30 -- Sally Ride Science Festival, McKimmon Center
- Wednesday, November 19, 6:00 - 8:00 pm -- BRIDGES Graduation, Friday Center
- "Where are they Now" ... Assessment of NC State BRIDGES Alumne