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Mary Myers Announces Retirement

Mary Myers, administrative specialist in the Department of Sport Management, has announced her retirement effective Sept. 19.

Mary has served as the department's administrator since 1999, and as such, she has frequently assisted students, faculty, alumni, and campus colleagues with a range of issues. Mary has invested significant time working with both the Sport Management Student Association (SMSA) and the Sport Management Alumni Association (SMAA). For the last four years, Mary has also provided administrative support for the Department of Educational Leadership. She also serves as the assistant executive director for the Sport and Recreation Law Association.



Mary was recognized for her excellence on the job when she received the 2011 President's Award for Distinguished Service/Classified last spring. She is also the two-time recipient of the College of Education's Outstanding Non-Instructional Staff Award (2003, 2008).

"I have completely enjoyed my years at WSU," Mary said. "I've experienced many things I would never know about and learned more than I can tell you. I've made friendships that I hope will last the rest of my life. And I've thoroughly enjoyed working with the students and watching them progress toward their goals. My life is much more complete for having known them."

Mary added that she is retiring now because of opportunities associated with the state's early retirement program. She is in good health and looks forward

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to maintaining her involvement in the department by volunteering with SMAA.

Dr. Clay Stoldt, department chair, said, "Mary has been nothing less than a leader in our department, college, university and profession. Her contributions have extended well beyond her job description, and it's difficult to describe the amount of respect and affection we have for her. We certainly wish her the best and look forward to staying in contact with her for years to come."

Plans are being made for a retirement celebration, and details will be communicated as soon as they are finalized.

Alumni Reunion Planned for April 2012

The Sport Management Alumni Association (SMAA) has announced its first-ever alumni reunion, scheduled for April 20 and 21, 2012 on the WSU campus. All sport management alumni are invited to attend the event, which will celebrate the 20th anniversary of the founding of the M.Ed.-Sport Management degree.

Details regarding the event schedule and registration process will be released in the coming months. Preliminary plans call for the event to begin early Friday afternoon the 20th and continuing through Saturday night. The reunion will feature a number of professional development sessions and two social events, including a WSU baseball game.

Sport Management Student Association Launches 2011 Membership Drive

The Sport Management Student Association (SMSA) has launched its 2011-12 membership drive, and all sport management students are invited to join. The annual membership fee is \$20, and members receive multiple benefits including a weekly report on jobs and internships available in the field, a WSU sport management umbrella, and invitations to a number of members only events.

SMSA has already made plans for two September events. The first is a social event Sept. 14 when members will meet before attending that evening's WSU volleyball match against Oklahoma. The group will then go out together after the volleyball match.

The second is a volunteer event in which SMSA members will work on a Habitat for Humanity house the afternoon of Sept. 30. Details regarding how to sign up are forthcoming.

It's easy to sign up for SMSA. Brochures are available in the sport management office (HC 109) and payments (cash or checks) can be given to the front office staff person.

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Drew Haden and Jenny Hromek at the SMSA booth for COE Welcome Fest on August 24.

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If you enjoy this e-newsletter, you may want to follow WSU Sport Management by visiting the department's Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/WichitaStateSportManagement>. The page features news updates on the latest happenings in the department, news regarding job changes by our alumni, and information regarding jobs and internships in the field. Two of the department's faculty members are also on Twitter. You can follow them @rosswsusmgt and @claystoldt.

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