## IN BRIEF: THIS WEEK AT THE CENTER FOR ETHICS\*

Friday, March 4, 2012



The Center for ETHICS\* at the University of Idaho offers study, intervention, outreach, consultation, and leadership in developing and advancing the theory, knowledge and understanding of character education including moral and ethical reasoning, moral development, ethical leadership, and ethical application. The Director of the Center is Dr. Sharon Kay Stoll <a href="http://www.educ.uidaho.edu/center\_for\_ethics">http://www.educ.uidaho.edu/center\_for\_ethics</a> Newsletter is on hiatus; but weekly or twice monthly updates will be sent out to keep our supporters abreast of what is occurring at the Center. This is a brief synopsis of the week's happening while Newsletter.

- Dr. Beller, from WSU, received an award for *Excellence in Collaboration and Networking* for her work with the SMARTKIDS program as well as the Kinetic Cougs group, which she initiated, where students work in the community and with Schweitzer Engineering conducting Community Health and Wellness Fairs.
- Dr. Beller, from WSU, was awarded a College Faculty Funding Award for \$8,225 to develop an interactive approach to teaching math and science concepts through human movement. Students will use various climbing, tumbling, and other movement skills to learn about concepts such as fulcrums, levers, pulleys, force, gravity, rays, math patterns, angles, and so forth. A quasi-experimental design will be used and students will be evaluated on cognitive and motor skills on a regular basis throughout the term.
- Doctoral candidate Tom Grant was a panel member of the Oppenheimer Ethics Symposium on Journalism and Social Media at the University of Idaho on April 26. The panel discussion focused on the topic "Did You Just Tweet That? The Perilous Marriage of Social Media and Sports Journalism." Tom was also quoted in The Argonaut, "What I find is this [social media] confuses personal and professional rules of the media world. It also leaves no time for complex ethical thought."
- Dr. Pete Van Mullem posted several pod casts from Central Washington University's *Coach Homeratha Lecture Series* on "Becoming a Coach" at p.e.links4u.org (<a href="http://www.pelinks4u.org/">http://www.pelinks4u.org/</a>). Dr. Dave Brunner has three lectures posted; *Standards of Performance*, *Mental Toughness*, and *Thoughts on Coaching*.
- Five of Dr. Stoll's master's students in HPRD 570 and 580, finished a nine month research project. Yesterday they presented their final work in a research poster agenda in REN 125. All were IRB approved. The goal is submit these for presentation and or publication.
  - Wold, L. (2012). Changes in physical profiles and self-esteem over a season of recreational ice hockey participation.
  - Wagner, M. (2012). The effect of electronic communication devices on perceived risk taken by climbers the Western United States.
  - Fennell, M. (2012). A social intervention: Service learning effects on self-esteem of Division I athletes.
  - Beezley, T. (2012). The effects of a wilderness backpacking trip on personal growth among women.
  - Huffaker, C. (2012). Perception of athletic trainers as to the occurrence of athletic injury and the athletic trainer's suggestions to overcome fear of reinjury.
- The Center for ETHICS\* and The World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) are working on a collaborative education project, Competing with Honor: To Dope or Not to Dope. One of the projects goals is to educate high-level athletes on the value competing drug free. Upon successful completion of the initial project the course will become part of WADA's educational curriculum.

If you would like to have your athletes participate in the project please contact Dr. Stoll at (<u>sstoll@uidaho.edu</u>). Teams Currently Participating

Idaho Vandals Women's Soccer Team

Washington State University Cougar Men's Basketball Team