I. Greetings from the Chair

A warm thank you to all those that participated in the Transition to Independence Program’s (TIP Wayne State) Holiday Food Drive! DPBN donated over $200.00. TIP Wayne State is a campus support program for WSU students who are currently in or have aged out of the foster care system. Many of these students are attending college with little to no support. In addition, because most full-time college students are not eligible to receive food stamps, many TIP Wayne State’s students are in need of food assistance.

With the holidays so close upon us, I would like to take the time to wish each of you and wonderful and safe holiday and a very Happy New Year. Please join us on Wednesday, December 21st 12:30pm – 2pm for the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neurosciences Holiday Celebration - Tolan Park 2nd Floor Conference room. I hope to see you all there!

II. News from the Faculty

- **Kathleen Moore, PhD** – was the recipient of the 2016 Wayne State University School of Medicine College Teaching Award. Dr. Moore was recognized at the award ceremony November 1st.
- **Drs. Joseph and Sandra Jacobson’s** FASD research in South Africa was highlighted by Fogarty International Center @ NIH this past summer. Please see the link below for the full article. Their RO1 Grant, “Cape Town Neural Bases of Eyeblink Conditioning”, has produced 33 publications to date. [https://www.fic.nih.gov/News/GlobalHealthMatters/may-june-2016/Pages/niaaa-fetal-alcohol-research.aspx](https://www.fic.nih.gov/News/GlobalHealthMatters/may-june-2016/Pages/niaaa-fetal-alcohol-research.aspx)
- **Alireza Amirsadri, MD, Cynthia Arfken, PhD and Edward Mischel, MSW**, received a Flinn Foundation Grant for their project, Expanding Access and Quality of Care with Telemedicine for the Seriously Mentally Ill. This grant will show that there is a need for telemedicine, even in an urban area due to transportation problems, mobility problems, and other problems that patients face.
- **Preeya Taormina, PhD** - whose paper, Barriers to Live Donor Kidney Transplants in the Pediatric Population: A Single Center Experience, was accepted for publication in *Pediatric Transplantation*, The Official Journal of the International Pediatric Transplant Association
- **Mark Greenwald, PhD** was awarded a four-year competitively renewed grant from the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) of the National Institutes of Health to explore whether the opioid addiction treatment medication buprenorphine can decrease the magnitude and/or duration of responses to stressors faced by recovering addicts. “Biobehavioral Studies of Opioid Seeking: Effect of Buprenorphine/Naloxone Dose on Experimental Stress Reactivity and Opioid Abstinence” is the third phase of a project initially funded by the NIDA in 2003.

III. Research Activities

- **Mike Lisieski (MD/PhD student)**, currently working in Dr. Perrine’s lab, will be attending the 27th Annual Meeting and Scientific Symposium of the American Academy of Addiction Psychiatry in Bonita Springs, Fl this December 8-11, 2016. Mike was selected to receive one of AAAP’s Medical Student, Resident or Fellow Travel Scholarships (provided by NIDA, NIAAA and
Professional Risk Management Services, Inc). Additionally, Mike presented an oral presentation at the 20th annual Graduate Student Research Day at the WSU-SOM on October 7th and was selected for the second best oral presentation.

- **Tatianna Gore**, WSU undergraduate student, who has been mentored by Dr. Shane Perrine for the last 2 years, recently presented at the 2016 Annual Biomedical Research Conference for Minority Students (ABRCMS) in Tampa Florida. She was awarded on her Social and Behavioral/Public Health Oral presentation, “Traumatic stress exposure during adolescence increases resilience to fear-based behaviors during adulthood.

### IV. Office of Education and Training

- Shama Faheem, MD former CAP Fellow, whose paper, “DISRUPTIVE MOOD DYSREGULATION DISORDER (DMDD) AND IT’S EFFECT ON BIPOLAR DISORDER” was accepted for publication in *Annals of Clinical Psychiatry*. This paper was based on the research Dr. Faheem conducted during her fellowship at Hawthorn, with the support of Drs. Petti, Diwadkar, Mellos, Klisz-Hulbert and Balon.

### V. Going Above and Beyond

As part of the Student Neuroscience Society, students from the Translational Neuroscience Program are very active in bringing neuroscience activities to Detroit Public School Students. This year, TNP students conducted brain awareness outreach events in K-12 classrooms at Cass Technical High School and Wayne Elementary in the Detroit Public School system. In total, these outings reached more than 200 Detroit students this year. Dr. Perrine, assistant professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neurosciences, recently lead his lab members in presenting an interactive activity about the brain and the five special senses to kindergarten classes at Winchester Elementary School. His laboratory staff also volunteers at Gleaner’s Food Bank periodically, packaging food to be distributed to local food pantries and hunger relief agencies.

A special thanks to Dr. Shane Perrine and his program for going outside the lab to help the community!
Happy Holidays

Wishing you and your families a wonderful holiday and best wishes in the 2017.

Sincerely,
Your Psych-E-News Rockstars,
Julie Giroux and Michelle Caton

"Seeing is believing, but sometimes the most real things in the world are the things we can’t see." — Polar Express - The Conductor (Tom Hanks)
Please join us for the 2016

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHIATRY
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HOLIDAY
PARTY

December 21
12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Tolan Park – 2nd floor conference room

Lunch will be provided.

Please R.S.V.P. by December 16, 2016
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