

# Psych-e News

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHIATRY AND BEHAVIORAL NEUROSCIENCES



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## Upcoming Events

DPBN Chairman's Grand  
Rounds

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will resume  
September 16,  
2015

### I. Greetings from the Chair

On May 31, 2015, our department lost a dear colleague and friend, Jesse Bell, PhD. Dr. Bell joined Wayne State University Department of Psychiatry in 1986 and retired in 2013. He was the Director of our Psychology Training Program from 1993 until it ended in 2013. Dr. Bell leaves behind his wife and two daughters. Please keep the family in your thoughts and prayers.

### II. News from the Faculty

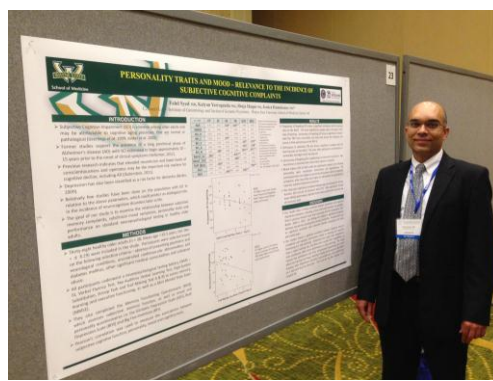
- **Drs. Sandra and Joseph Jacobson**, have been awarded a new R21 grant from NIAA in collaboration with Rajesh Miranda, Ph.D., Texas, A&M, "MicroRNAs as Biomarkers of Exposure and Effect in Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder."
- Senator Debbie Stabenow gave opening remarks (see link below) at the First Annual DWMHA Interdisciplinary Mental Health Conference: Raising the Bar, and commended our department's face to face and inpatient diversion programs. These programs were led by **Alireza Amirsadri, MD, Edward Mischel, MSW, Luay Haddad, MD, Manuel Tancer, MD and Cynthia L. Arfken, PhD.** <https://lfts.senate.gov/seos/1000/mpd/ui1906201584041c8848d9f2350b218d7cbc30ab86>

### III. Research Activities

The Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP) announced 30 undergraduate students chosen for support for the Spring/Summer-Fall 2015 award period. Mentored by **Shane Perrine, PhD, Arman Harutyunyan's** project "Behavioral sensitization to morphine in mouse model of PTSD" was selected. Also, mentored by the **BrAIN Imaging Research Division, Kristy Abraham's** project "Does impulsivity mediate brain network interactions in disorders of emotion regulations?" and Megha Jagannathan's project "Emotional memory in borderline personality disorder patients with and without major depressive disorder", were selected.

### IV. Office of Education and Training

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- Congratulations to **Fahd Syed, MD**, whose poster, "Personality Traits and Mood - Relevance to the Early Incidence Subjective Cognitive Complaints", was presented at the 2015 Annual Meeting, American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry, New Orleans, 3/28/2015, Authors: Fahd Syed, Shuja Haque, Jessica Damoiseaux, Kalyan Yarraguntla

- Just a friendly reminder to all residents, fellows and students, the use of all cell phones, tablets, laptops, and similar devices during lectures is strictly prohibited, unless it has been approved by the teaching/lecturing faculty member.

#### V. Clinical and Administrative

- The Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neurosciences has just been approved as a National Health Service Corp Loan Repayment Site. As a Loan Repayment Site, primary care medical, dental and mental/behavioral health clinicians can get up to \$50,000 to repay their health profession student loans in exchange for a two-year commitment to work at an approved NHSC site in a high-need, underserved area. The Department of Psychiatry will be able to recruit and retain qualified health care providers who care about patients living in communities with limited access to care and choose to work where they are needed most.

**WSUPG's reaccreditation survey with CARF is scheduled to be June 29, 2015 and June 30, 2015. Additional information will be sent out closer to the date.**



**"The least amount of judging we can do, the better off we are."  
- Michael J. Fox**