

Have you ever wondered who that professor was at some of the different events that are held on campus? Often times, as students we will see professors at different events held around campus that we don't know but see quite often. Dr. Kristina Key is an Assistant Professor in the English Department with high hopes for her students and for the St. Andrews Community. In her short time that she has been here, Dr. Key has helped start a new Southern Studies program, helped students attain their academic goals, and help strengthen the English Department.

Key received her Bachelors Degree from John Brown University in 1994 studying English. Furthering her academic endeavors she went to the University of Tulsa in Oklahoma, where she received her masters in 1996 studying English with an emphasis in women writers. Dr. Key received her PH.D in 2003 from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, where she studied American Literature with an emphasis in women studies. When St. Andrews invited her to come teach, she wanted to work in a small environment where the teacher to student ratio is small and most rewarding.

She hopes that the new Southern Studies program will grow into a vibrant program. The Southern Studies program will allow students the opportunity to study the primary things, in which makes the south such a unique place. By studying the literature and history of the south it will create numerous opportunities for students looking to go to graduate school and other fields of interest. "I hope that it is something that others can benefit from and become something that the community can appreciate," Key said. Along with the new Southern Studies program, students will often see Dr. Key at various athletic events around campus as she is becoming more acclimated to the St. Andrews community.

She will often go to the different athletic events on campus. "I love college athletics," Key said. "It's hard to press for a favorite sport, I love it all." She loves going to volleyball, basketball and lacrosse games. Key loves going to the lacrosse games because she never knew anything about it until after coming to St. Andrews. Along with the different athletic events that are held on campus, she also likes to see what the equestrian teams are doing close by at the equestrian center.

Furthermore, Key loves to read from her favorite playwright, Beth Henley, and enjoys listening to new and old Americana music. She tries not to miss a show when some of her favorite musicians are in driving distance. Some artists that she likes to see include Lucinda Williams, Gillian Welch and Donna the Buffalo. Along with reading and listening to music, she loves to travel and goes camping whenever she can get the chance.

There are many improvements happening around campus; however, Key hopes that there are more events held on campus or in the Laurinburg area on the weekends. Frequently, there isn't a great deal going on around campus or in the Laurinburg area on the weekends. She hopes to hear more about the enjoyments that happened on the weekends from students.

While Key has an open door to all of her students, she will help any student attain academic goals. As a professor, she has high hopes for her students and any future students that may cross paths with her, "I hope they are happy and good contributing members in society. Students here are bright, I hope they figure out what they want to be and become who they want to be."

## **Disabilities Services: A Fresh Perspective On An Old Idea**

**By TaShanuna Jones and Allison Kappadahl**

Dr. Marijanet Doonan brings a breath of fresh air to St. Andrews and especially to disability services. The whole attitude in this department seems to have changed. It is friendlier and kinder and