

MTPA SPRING MEETING

Middle Tennessee State University - State Farm Lecture Hall
April 2001

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Oakley Ray

"How the Mind Hurts and Heals the Body -- The Revolutionary New Science of
Psychoendoneuroimmunology"

PAPERS:

The Relationship Between Self Monitoring and Awareness in Romantic Dating Relationships

Alissa Flory
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Testing the Three Leading Theories of Social Facilitation

Eric Gauen
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Perfectionism: Relationships to Personal Responsibility and Achievement Striving

Rose Brummett & Jacquelyn Pennings
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The Relationship Between Self-Esteem and Conformity

Danielle Taylor
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Political Stereotype Violations

Randy Word
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The Relationship Between Racial Views and Crime Sentencing

Meghan M. Kibler
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The Perception of Self-Confidence Within Individuals

Marsha G. Zurawicki
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The Relationships Among Procrastination, Low Self-Efficacy, and the Inability to Delay Gratification

Luther C. Tanley
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The Effects of Gender, Marital Status, Race, and Citizenship on the Tenure Status of Junior College Faculty

Akari Yamagami
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Developing a Psychology Statistics Lab Manual: Attitudes Towards Statistics

Rose Brummett & Joshua Peterson
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Do "You Know" What I Mean?: Evaluating the Perceptions of Tag Questions

Ashley E. Lovell
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It Can Happen to You: How to Increase Smokers' Sense of Health Vulnerability

Jared Thompson & Dustin Thoman
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POSTERS:

The Relationship Between Family and Traditional Day Care and Toddlers' Receptive and Productive Language Development

Robin Rushing
Middle Tennessee State University
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Effects of Cell Phone Use on Concentration

Keith Heyboer, Kristin Childress, & Natsuko Tatsuta
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Music and Memory

Dustin Brown, Katty Connelly, Mark Nicks, & Stephanie Styll.
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Spelling Errors by Children with Dyslexia

Susan Usery
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Interference of Bipartisan Words in the Stroop Effect

Leslie Peck & Amber Hennessy
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Gesturing and Word Recall

Kelly Harris & Briana Bailey
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The Effects of Hand Gestures on Humorous Communication

Laura Barnes & Charmaine Woods
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Met-O-4-ically Spaced Out

Jonathan Glover, Gerardo Blanco, Francis Hennessy, Rosemary King, & Andrea Quinton
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I Can't Think When I'm Sitting On My Hands

Sarah Scrivener, Shannon Aplin, Ereke Bruce, Jessica Richerson, & Kelly Allison
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Personality Differences in Communicative Gestures

Tara Appleton & Kari Davis
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Spatial Strategies in Comprehension

Tashauna Buchanan
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The Effect of Self Monitoring on “Leaking” Behavior

Nathaniel Mills & Dylan Kennedy
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Attractiveness & Workout

Ashlee Blanks, Brian Campbell, Stephanie Collier, & Holly Rittenberry
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Gender Differences in Risk Perception

Bobby Bruton, Serah Mitchell, Suzanne Williams, & Chris Wheeler
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I'll Do Better Next Time: Examining Factors Underlying Habitual Academic Optimism

Jeffrey Kuban
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Can You Help Me Please?

Cheyann Videon & Jennifer Hutson
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Out of the Nest: Religiosity Over Time

Chad Hughes
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Social Desirability and the TEOSQ

Raymond Miller & Shannon Predovic
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Grade Inflation Expectations at MTSU

Jessica Oldham & Sean Little
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Compliance with Requests in the Computer Lab

Wanasha Hairston, Jennifer Mays, & Laura North
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People Are Not Territorial in the Parking Lot at Night

Ryan Sanders & Amber Clark
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Is Territoriality Instinctive? The Behavior of Children on Playground Slides

Jennifer Hood & Julie Robinson
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Is There Always a Relationship Between Type A Personality and Perfectionism?

Robert Parker, Joseph Dunkleman, Lisa Aven, David Shetler, Whitney Johnson, & Rhiannon Thomas
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Initial Construction and Psychometric Testing of a Homophobia Scale

Antonia Edwards, Sharlet Anderson, & Amy Yerka
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Internalized Homophobia Among Young Gay Males

Laura Strain
Western Kentucky University
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Eating Attitudes and Behaviors of Female Team Athletes

Ginger Hannah
Middle Tennessee State University
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Variables Predicting Dropout From A Child Abuse Prevention Group Parent Training Program

Heather Watkins
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The Effects of Pet Ownership on Stress

Jennifer Pryor
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The Influence of Television Programming on the Perception of Relationship Satisfaciton

Kenneth R. Olney & Crystal T. Henson
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Does a Green Environment Cause Inward Looking?

Sepra Pratt & Elizabeth Reed
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Mood and Memory

Merri Austin & Noah Moot.
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Effects of Performance Anxiety on Perceptions of Performance and Participation within

Collaborative Work-Groups

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Affinity for Fat in Restrained and Unrestrained Eaters

Shereen Haj-Hassan
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Campus Safety

Daniel Ortega, August VanderWerff, Sholanda Grant, & Katrina Bratcher
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