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Abstract

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PUBLICATIONS

Yasemin Akbaba, Visiting Assistant Professor of Political Science, with co-authors Patrick James and Zeynep Taydas, published "One Sided Crises in World Politics: A Study of Oxymoron, Violence and Outcomes" in *International Interactions*, Vol. 32 (2006): 229-260. This article focuses on crises and seeks to extend understanding of the escalation process, outcomes, and legacy of crises in the international system.

Paul Austerlitz, Assistant Professor of Ethnomusicology in the Sunderman Conservatory of Music and Africana Studies, published a chapter titled "Jazz Consciousness" in *A Companion to African-American Studies*, edited by Lewis Gordon and Jane Anna Gordon (Blackwell, 2006). This chapter applies W. E. B. DuBois's concept of double consciousness to the study of jazz, race, and identity in the United States.

Bela Bajnok, Professor and Chair of Mathematics, published "On Euclidean Designs" in *Advances in Geometry*, Vol. 6 (2006): 423-438. This paper deals with a finite set of points in space which are placed in an optimal way so as to approximate the entire space.

Joel Berg, Adjunct Instructor of Interdisciplinary Studies, published "Meet Your New Officemate: Artificial Intelligence Could Alter Campaigning As We Know It" in *Campaigns & Elections*, Vol. 28 (2006): 32-36. Published as the magazine's cover story, the article looks at the application of artificial intelligence in political campaigns, both today and in the future.

Laurel A. Cohen-Pfister, Assistant Professor of German, co-edited with Dagmar Wienroeder-Skinner the volume *Victims and Perpetrators 1933-1945: (Re)Presenting the Past in Post-Unification Culture* (de Gruyter, 2006). The volume's seventeen essays explore the reevaluation of World War Two in contemporary German cultural memory. The research anthology was chosen as the second volume to appear in de Gruyter's Interdisciplinary German Cultural Studies Series.

Cohen-Pfister is also the author of two chapters in the volume above. The introductory chapter, co-authored with Dagmar Wienroeder-Skinner, is titled "History and Memory: Rethinking 1933-1945." It outlines the current memory debates on German wartime memory that influence both the formation of German national identity and German-European relationships in the present (pp. 3-26). The chapter "War, Rape, and Outrage: Changing Perceptions on German Victimization in the Period of Post-Unification" (pp. 316-36) compares reaction in the post-unification period to two texts that represent the mass rape of German women in Berlin in 1945, Helke Sander's documentary *BeFreier und Befreite* (1992), and the anonymous diary *Eine Frau in Berlin* (first German edition 1959; reprint 2003).

In addition, **Cohen-Pfister** published a translation of Harald Welzer's "The Collateral Damage of Enlightenment: How Grandchildren Understand the History of National Socialist Crimes and Their Grandfathers' Past" in the same volume (pp. 286-95).

John A. Commito, Professor of Environmental Studies and Biology, published "Fractal Characterization of *Mytilus edulis* L. Spatial Structure in Intertidal Landscapes Using GIS Methods" in *Landscape Ecology*, Vol. 21 (2006): 1033-1044. His co-authors were former Gettysburg College faculty member Thomas W. Crawford and **Ann M. Borowik '03**. The research utilized digital image analysis techniques to quantify the hierarchical spatial patterns of mussels in Maine's intertidal zone from scales ranging from millimeters to hundreds of meters. Their results indicate that the factors regulating spatially complex species abundance patterns in marine and terrestrial habitats may be similar across ecosystem types.

Ira Dworkin, Visiting Assistant Professor of English and Africana Studies, published "American Congo': Booker T. Washington, L'Afrique et l'imaginaire politique noir américain" (translated by Pierre Lannoy) in *Civilisations*, Vol. 55 (2006): 165-179. The article examines the career of educator Booker T. Washington in the context of transatlantic relationships between African Americans and l'Etat indépendant du Congo. While Washington is best known for his work in the US, this article suggests that his work related to Africa was consistent with his domestic program, and was part of widespread early 20th century African American interest in contemporary Africa.

Peter P. Fong, Associate Professor of Biology; Joseph J. Grzybowski, Professor of Chemistry; and Erin N. Barkdoll '05 published "Chemical and Coliform Bacterial Analysis of Springs and Creeks in Adams County, Pennsylvania" in *Journal of the Pennsylvania Academy of Science*, Vol. 80 (2006): 4-11. The paper documents the occurrence of various chemicals and coliform bacteria in springs and creeks in the Gettysburg National Military Park and Strawberry Hill Nature Preserve.

Sharon Davis Gratto, Professor of Music in the Sunderman Conservatory of Music and Music Education Coordinator, publishes a regular choral music review column in PMEA News, the journal of the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association. In "Reflections on the ACDA-PA Elementary Honor Choir Music at the Valley Forge Conference," Vol. 70 (2006): 30 and 32, Gratto reviewed the choral literature that she selected when she conducted the American Choral Directors Association of Pennsylvania's Elementary Honor Choir at the PMEA Convention in Valley Forge in April 2006. In "What's New? – Choral Review," Vol. 71 (2006): 52, she included highlights of several new choral publications, including a set of octavos for treble voices from the French film *Les Choristes*, a commissioned work for the 20th anniversary of the Frederick (Maryland) Children's Chorus, and a new arrangement of "My Favorite Things" from *The Sound of Music*.

Allen C. Guelzo, Henry R. Luce Professor of the Civil War Era and Professor of History, published *The New England Theology: From Jonathan Edwards to Edwards Amasa Park*, co-edited with Douglas A. Sweeney (Baker Academic, 2006).

Guelzo also published "A Contingent Somebody: Hannibal Hamlin's Claim for a First Reading of the Emancipation Proclamation" in *Maine History*, Vol. 42 (2006): 259-270. In addition, he published the Introduction to *Lincoln's Devotional: The Writings that Inspired Lincoln's Spirituality* (Religious Tract Society, Barnes and Noble, 2006). Guelzo also published "The Stuff of Democratic Life" in the *Wall Street Journal*, Nov. 22, 2006.

Barbara Schmitter Heisler, Professor Emerita of Sociology, contributed a chapter entitled “Transatlantic Discourse? Reflections on Comparing Immigration and Immigrant Integration in the United States and Germany” to *Safeguarding German-American Relations in the New Century: Understanding and Accepting Mutual Differences*, edited by Hermann Kurthen, Stefan Immerfall and Antonio Menendez (Lexington Books, 2006, pp. 157-176). The chapter critically explores the comparative scholarly literature in the United States and Germany, suggesting that although both countries have been viewed as “exceptional,” they have much in common.

Julia A. Hendon, Associate Professor of Anthropology, published “Textile Production as Craft in Mesoamerica: Time, Labor, and Knowledge” in *Journal of Social Archaeology*, Vol. 6 (2006): 354-378. Textile production in Mesoamerica before Spanish conquest has been seen as the full-time work of women but not as an occupational specialization. This view has impeded archaeological understanding of the significance of this activity because it does not fit into traditional theoretical paradigms. In this article, Hendon takes an alternative approach that considers textile production as a craft. She defines craft as a sociotechnical system that combines knowledge, technique, mastery of technology, and an educational process.

Eleanor J. Hogan, Associate Professor and Chair of Asian Studies, and **Midori Yonezawa Morris, Luce Junior Professor of Japanese Language and Culture and Assistant Professor of Japanese**, translated a Japanese story entitled “Persimmon Sweets” by Nogami Yaeko (1885-1985). The translated work appears in *The Modern Murasaki: Writing by Women of Meiji Japan*, edited by Rebecca L. Copeland and Melek Ortobasi (Columbia University Press, 2006, pp. 301-310). The work displays many aspects of life in Tokyo during the Meiji Restoration, in particular perspectives on marriage. The translation was quite challenging for a variety of reasons, including the nuances of the terminology and kanji used at the time. The translated work is preceded by an overview of the author and work contributed by Hogan (pp. 293-300).

John W. Jones, Professor of Music and Director of the Sunderman Conservatory of Music, published a chapter entitled “Composers as Partners” in the Festschrift *Mary E. Hoffman Symposium on Music Education: Inheriting A Legacy*, edited by Mark L. Meacham and published by Lebanon Valley College (2006, pp. 181-187). The article, which was originally presented as a paper at Lebanon Valley College’s Mary E. Hoffman Symposium on Music Education in 2004, explores the relationship between composers and a variety of commissioning bodies.

Florence Ramond Journey, Assistant Professor of French and Francophone Studies, published a book entitled *Voix/es Libres: Maternité et Identité Féminine dans la Littérature Antillaise* (Summa Publications, 2006). The book focuses on young female protagonists who question or defy the conventional restraints of motherhood. Drawing on Francophone works from the Caribbean, Journey explores the rebellion of these young women against an oppressive patriarchal structure that enables them to unearth, through their mothers’ stories, an extensive female genealogy, thus empowering them to tell their own stories. Through the analysis of the theme of exile, both literal and figurative, Journey shows that female characters fight displacement – associated with separation from the mother or from a substitute mother and caregiver – by seeking out other women in the community to act as surrogate mothers or mentors.

Journey also published an article entitled “The Island and the Creation of (Hi)Story in the Writings of Michelle Cliff and Jamaica Kincaid” in *Anthurium: A Caribbean Studies Journal*, Vol. 4 (2006), URL: http://scholar.library.miami.edu/anthurium/volume_4/issue_1/journey-theisland.html. This article examines the ways the history of the island is presented by female protagonists in relation to their personal story. Through the works of Anglophone Caribbean authors Michelle Cliff and Jamaica Kincaid, the article analyzes how colonial and postcolonial history is written, or re-written, by female characters. Both authors express the links between grandmothers’ wisdom and the importance of the (is)land as if to reassert the symbolic need to be physically connected—even if ever so loosely—to the country of origins.

Brooks Kaiser, Associate Professor of Economics, published “The National Environmental Policy Act’s Influence on USDA Forest Service” in *Journal of Forest Economics*, Vol. 12 (2006): 109-130. This paper uses new data from Forest Service Environmental Impact Statements and Environmental Assessments to examine Forest Service preferences and choices shaped by NEPA-required interaction with the public. This paper presents the first empirical inquiry using actual harvest plans.

In addition, **Kaiser** published “On the Garden Path: An Economic Perspective on Prevention and Control Policies for an Invasive Species” in *Choices*, Vol. 21 (2006): URL: <http://www.choicesmagazine.org/2006-3/invasive/2006-3-03.htm>. Economists currently use the term invasive species to denote species that arrive in a new ecological setting and spread, creating ecological and economic damages. The problem facing invasive policy managers is to select strategies that minimize the overall invasive species-related costs over time, including prevention and control expenditures and damages. This article aims to highlight the connection between prevention and control in decisions to best utilize scarce resources to fight invasive species.

Kaiser also published “Impacts of Non-Indigenous Species: Miconia and the Hawaiian Economy” in *Euphytica*, Vol. 148 (2006): 135-150. Concepts and tools from economic theory that may improve policy decisions pertaining to invasive species are explored through the specific example of *Miconia calvescens* in Hawaii. *M. calvescens* is an ornamental tree introduced to several Pacific Islands over the last century.

Kaiser and co-authors Kimberly Burnett, Basharat A. Pitafi, and James A. Roumasset published “Integrating Prevention and Control of Invasive Species: Lessons from Hawaii” in *Agricultural and Resource Economics Review*, Vol. 35 (2006): 63-77. Invasive species change ecosystems and the economic services such ecosystems provide. Kaiser and her co-authors sought to explain policy outcomes as a function of biological and economic factors, using the case of Hawaii and the examples of *Miconia calvescens* and brown treesnakes (*Boiga irregularis*) to illustrate.

Finally, **Kaiser** and **Brendan Cushing-Daniels, Assistant Professor of Economics**, published a chapter entitled “Environmental Kuznets Curves: Environmental Wealth and Spending” in *Environmental Economics and Investment Assessment*, edited by K. Aravossis, C. A. Brebbia, E. Kakaras, and A. G. Kungolos (WIT Press, 2006, pp. 233-242). The existence of an environmental Kuznets curve (EKC) – a pattern of pollution that rises and then falls with higher levels of real gross domestic product per capita – remains controversial. Kaiser and Cushing-Daniels matched empirical evidence on EKCs with theoretical underpinnings and investigated the roles of endowments, spending, and technology. Their results supported the hypothesis that at higher incomes, environmental quality is a luxury good. The authors suggested a framework for understanding the appearance of EKCs by conceptualizing EKCs as a moving frontier of what people have (endowment), what people want (demand), and what is feasible (technology/supply).

Elizabeth R. Lambert, Professor of English, published a chapter entitled “Burke’s Irish Connections in England” in *Edmund Burke’s Irish Identities*, edited by Sean Patrick Donlan (Irish Academic Press, 2006, pp. 56-68). This is the first collection of essays to focus on Edmund Burke’s complex relationship to his native Ireland. Lambert’s article fleshes out the extent to which Burke’s public and private life in England was both hampered and helped by the on-going stream of Irish relations and connections into his London home and his county estate in Beaconsfield.

Bruce A. Larson, Assistant Professor of Political Science, published “The Price of Leadership: Campaign Money and the Polarization of Congressional Parties” with co-authors Eric Heberlig and Marc Hetherington in *Journal of Politics*, Vol. 68 (2006): 989-1002. The authors demonstrate that the leadership selection system in the U.S. House, which now gives significant weight to fundraising, helps to explain the continuing ideological polarization of the congressional parties. Challenging the ideological middleman theory of party leadership—which predicts that parties will select legislative leaders from the ideological median of the party—Larson and his co-authors show that members will select ideological extremists over ideological centrists as leaders when extremists compile a better party fundraising record than centrists.

Larson, with co-authors Diana Dwyre, Eric Heberlig, and Robin Kolodny, published a chapter entitled “Committees and Candidates: National Party Finance after BCRA” in *The State of the Parties: The Changing Role of Contemporary Parties*, edited by John Green and Daniel Coffey (Rowman and Littlefield, 2006, pp. 95-112). This chapter evaluates the impact of the 2002 Bipartisan Campaign Finance Reform Act (BCRA) on congressional party campaign finance.

Laurence A. Marschall, W.K.T. Sahm Professor of Physics, published “The Eclipsing Binary V1061 Cygni: Confronting Stellar Evolution Models for Active and Inactive Solar-Type Stars” in *The Astrophysical Journal*, Vol. 640 (2006): 1018-1038. Guillermo Torres, Claud H. Lacy, **Holly Sheets ’03**, and Jeff A. Mader were co-authors on the paper. This important analysis of a multiple-star system, including extensive observational work conducted by physics major Holly Sheets using the Gettysburg College Observatory, determines the physical properties of the three stars in the system to high precision and tests these against current models of stellar structure.

Jon H. Marvel, Assistant Professor of Management, with co-authors Gary R. Weckman and Richard L. Shell, published an article entitled “Decision Support Approach to Fleet Maintenance Requirements in the Aviation Industry” in *Journal of Aircraft*, Vol. 43 (2006): 1352-1360. This paper discusses a decision support system approach to modeling jet engine life and predicting maintenance requirements for engine restoration.

Brian P. Meier, Assistant Professor of Psychology, with co-authors Benjamin M. Wilkowski and Michael D. Robinson, published “Agreeableness and the Prolonged Spatial Processing of Antisocial and Prosocial Information” in *Journal of Personality*, Vol. 40 (2006): 1152-1168. The studies in this article examined the attention processes of agreeableness. The experimenters asked participants to encode stimuli with a prosocial and antisocial meaning and then assessed the speed with which the participants could spatially disengage attention from such stimuli. As expected, individuals low in agreeableness exhibited difficulties disengaging from antisocial stimuli, whereas individuals high in agreeableness exhibited difficulties disengaging from prosocial stimuli. These findings suggest that attentional processes likely contribute to agreeableness-related outcomes such as anger and aggression.

Todd W. Neller, Associate Professor and Chair of Computer Science, with co-authors Zdravko Markov, Ingrid Russell, and Neli Zlatareva, published "Pedagogical Possibilities for the N-Puzzle Problem" in the *Proceedings of the 36th ASEE/IEEE Frontiers in Education Conference (ASEE/IEEE, San Diego, CA, Oct. 28-23, 2006)*. In this paper, Neller and his co-authors describe NSF-funded artificial intelligence (AI) curricular development work with a unifying theme of machine learning. In particular, they present several pedagogical possibilities for the N-puzzle problem, the rich challenge it offers, and their experiences using it.

Rutherford V. Platt, Assistant Professor of Environmental Studies, published an article entitled "Are Wildfire Mitigation and Restoration of Historic Forest Structure Compatible? A Spatial Modeling Assessment" in *Annals of the Association of American Geographers*, Vol. 93 (2006): 455-470. Platt's co-authors were T. T. Veblen and R. L. Sherriff.

Janet M. Powers, Professor Emerita of Women's Studies and Interdisciplinary Studies, published *Blossoms on the Olive Tree: Israeli and Palestinian Women Working for Peace* (Praeger, 2006). This book gives an account of women on both sides of the divide, the quality of their lives, political marginalization by their respective governments, and peace-building work they are doing in tandem.

Sarah M. Principato, Assistant Professor of Environmental Studies, published "Late Quaternary Glacial and Deglacial History of Eastern Vestfirðir, Iceland Using Cosmogenic Isotope (³⁶Cl) Exposure Ages and Marine Cores" in *Journal of Quaternary Science*, Vol. 21 (2006): 271-285. Her co-authors were Áslaug Geirsdóttir, Guðrún Eva Jóhannsdóttir, and John T. Andrews. This article represents the first quantitative ages regarding the terrestrial glacial and deglacial history of Vestfirðir, Northwest Iceland. ³⁶Cl exposure ages and other terrestrial field-based evidence are compared with marine cores and seismic studies.

Rajmohan Ramanathapillai, Assistant Professor of Philosophy and Peace and Justice Studies, published "Peace through War: The Contemporary Relevance of Hegel's Philosophy of War" in *Journal for Peace and Justice Studies*, Vol. 15 (2005): 21-42.

Michael L. Ritterson, Associate Professor of German, published a website entitled "Manfred Geier: What Makes Intelligent People Laugh" for *Litrix*, edited by Heike Friesel and Despina Kobothanassi (Goethe-Institut, 2006), URL: <http://www.litrix.de/buecher/sachbuecher/jahr/2006/menschenlachen/enindex.htm>. The website includes an English translation of excerpts from, and an accompanying review of, Geier's book, subtitled "A Concise Philosophy of Humor." The Goethe-Institut, a German cultural information agency, publishes online a continuing series of reviews and sample texts from current German fiction, non-fiction, and children's literature as an information service to the international publishing trade. This is the fourth translation Ritterson has prepared for Litrix.de in the category of non-fiction.

Ritterson also translated into English Aleida Assman's "Limits of Understanding: Generational Identities in Recent German Memory Literature." The translated chapter appears in *Victims and Perpetrators: 1933-1945: (Re)Presenting the Past in Post-Unification Culture*, edited by **Laurel Cohen-Pfister** and Dagmar Wienroeder-Skinner (de Gruyter, 2006, pp. 29-48). Assmann writes on cultural memory of the Nazi period, with particular reference to recent and contemporary writers Max Frisch, Günter Grass, Martin Walser, and Uwe Timm.

Timothy J. Shannon, Associate Professor of History, published a website entitled "The Indians of Pennsylvania," (Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, 2006), URL: <http://www.explorepahistory.com/story.php?storyId=26>. This web site is one of several narratives of Pennsylvania history included in ExplorePAhistory.com, an interactive web site for teaching and learning about Pennsylvania history sponsored by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.

Barbara A. Sommer, Assistant Professor of History and Coordinator of Latin American Studies, published "Cracking Down on the Cunhamenas: Renegade Amazonian Traders under Pombaline Reform" in *Journal of Latin American Studies*, Vol. 38 (2006): 767-791. The 1750 Treaty of Madrid prompted Portuguese civil and ecclesiastical authorities to strengthen crown control of Amazonia. As described in this article, The Lisbon Inquisition collaborated by prosecuting the infamous Pedro de Braga, a powerful interethnic intermediary, who was condemned for practicing indigenous rites and accepting multiple wives from tribal chiefs.

Eileen M. Stillwaggon, Associate Professor of Economics, was invited by *The Lancet* to contribute, with co-authors from the U.K., Israel, and the U.S., a comment titled "Neglected Tropical Diseases and HIV/AIDS," which appeared in the November 25, 2006 issue, Vol. 368: 1865-1866.

Yan Sun, Assistant Professor of Visual Arts, published a three-volume catalogue in Chinese and English, 《汉水出土商代青铜器》 (*Shang Bronzes from the Hanzhong*, Bashu Press, 2006). The catalogue was co-edited with Cao Wei. The volumes catalog 443 bronzes, including vessels and weapons dated from ca. 1400 BCE to mid-11th c. BCE, from the Hanzhong area in southern Shaanxi in northwestern China. This is the first catalogue devoted to the comprehensive study of the bronzes in this region. Sun's field research for this project is supported by a two-year grant from the Chiang Ching-Kuo Foundation.

Sun also published "Colonizing China's Northern Frontier: Yan and Her Neighbors during the Early Western Zhou Period," *International Journal of Historical Archaeology*, Vol. 10 (2006): 159-177.

In addition, **Sun** published a chapter entitled 〈当地传统和外来影响：从三星堆和新干看地方青铜文化形成的不同模式〉 ("The Style of the Bronzes from Sanxingdui and Xi'gan and the Formation of Regional Bronze Casting Traditions during the late 2nd millennium BCE"), co-authored with Hongyu Yang, in *Archaeology in the New Century*, edited by Hsu Cho-yun and Zhang Zhongpei (Zijincheng Press, 2006, pp. 497-517).

Sun published a chapter entitled "Cultural and Political Control in North China: Style and Use of the Bronzes of the Yan at Liulihe during the Early Western Zhou Period," in *Contact and Exchange in the Ancient World*, edited by Victor Mair, (University of Hawaii Press, 2006, pp. 215-237).

Sun's chapter entitled 〈西周时期的柳叶形短剑〉 (Willow Leaf-Shaped Bronze Swords of the Western Zhou Period) appeared in *Bashu Wenhua Yanju (The Studies of Bashu Culture)* 3, edited by Duan Yu (Bashu Press, 2006, pp. 113-122).

Kevin D. Wilson, Assistant Professor of Psychology, and M. J. Farah published "Distinct Patterns of Viewpoint-Dependent BOLD Activity During Common Object Recognition and Mental Rotation" in *Perception*, Vol. 35 (2006): 1351-1366.

Wilson also published "Implementing an Undergraduate Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging Laboratory Course in a Liberal-Arts Setting" in *Teaching of Psychology*, Vol. 33 (2006): 268-271.

REVIEWS

Ann Harper Fender, Professor of Economics, published a review of John Jubetkin's *Jay Cooke's Gamble: The Northern Pacific Railroad, the Sioux, and the Panic of 1873* (University of Oklahoma Press, 2006) in *Economic History Services*, July 24, 2006, URL: <http://eh.net/bookreviews/library/1097.shtml>. The author of the book came across a yearbook for the Union College class of 1865 at his fraternity house in the late 1950s. Some fifty years and a successful business career later, he decided to write about the class. In his research for that first book, he discovered that one member of the class was part of the surveying crew for the Northern Pacific Railroad, a job that brought the surveyor into uncomfortable contact and conflict with the Sioux. For faculty that bemoan our impact on student lives, the story of how the book came to be written is reassuring.

Allen C. Guelzo, Henry R. Luce Professor of the Civil War Era and Coordinator of Civil War Era Studies and Professor of History, published a review of John Channing Briggs' "Lincoln's Speeches Reconsidered" (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2005) in *Indiana Magazine of History*, Vol. 102 (2006): 281-283.

Michael L. Ritterson, Associate Professor of German, published a review of *Ich-Erzählen: Anmerkungen zu Wilhelm Raabes Realismus*, by Nathali Jückstock-Kießling, in *German Studies Review*, Vol. 29 (2006): 450-51.

Deborah A. Sommer, Associate Professor and Chair of Religion, published a review of Thomas Selover's *Hsieh Liang-tso and the Analects of Confucius: Humane Learning as a Religious Quest* (New York: American Academy of Religion and Oxford University Press, 2005) in *Journal of Asian Studies*, Vol. 65, No. 3 (August 2006): 611-612.

Charles J. Zabrowski, Professor of Classics, completed a review for CHOICE (Current Reviews for Academic Libraries, Review No. 44-1969) of *Figuring Genre in Roman Satire* (American Philological Association, American Classical Studies, Vol. 50, Oxford University Press, 2006).

PROFESSIONAL PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

Matthew H. Amster, Assistant Professor of Anthropology, presented a paper entitled "Hyped Media or Media Hype? Visually Documenting Local Responses to the Introduction of the Internet in Highland Borneo" at the American Anthropological Association annual meeting, San Jose, CA, November 15, 2006. He was also chair of the panel, entitled "Mass Mediation and Ethnographic Analyses in Southeast Asia." Amster's paper examined the relationship between the introduction of the Internet in this part of Borneo and various media accounts, and argues that one of the project's biggest impacts has been as a story in itself. This is illustrated visually through a series of short ethnographic film clips by the author that highlights some of the more ironic responses to and practical uses of the Internet in this remote location.

Paul Austerlitz, Assistant Professor of Ethnomusicology in the Sunderman Conservatory of Music and Africana Studies, presented a paper, "New Views on Merengue in the Dominican Republic, Venezuela, and Haiti," at the ¡Merengue! Visual Rhythms/Ritmos Visuales conference held at the Museo del Barrio, New York, NY, October 7, 2006. The paper considers the African and European influences on merengue music in three Caribbean countries.

Bela Bajnok, Professor and Chair of Mathematics, gave an invited presentation entitled "The Ubiquity of Spherical Designs" at George Washington University, Washington, DC, on November 10, 2006. A spherical design is an arrangement of a set of points on the surface of the sphere in the most uniform way. Bajnok's talk discussed how this concept appears in important applications throughout various branches of mathematics as well as science.

John Barnett, Director of Collection Development, presented a poster entitled "Collecting and Celebrating Scholarship: The Gettysburg College Authors Program" at the PALINET Annual Conference 2006 in Harrisburg, PA, on October 24. Barnett's co-authors were **Cynthia Gibbon, Reference and Instruction Librarian**, and **Gale Baker, Reserves and Collection Development Assistant**. This poster session presented ideas and ways of building coalitions in communities to celebrate local scholarship and creativity.

Barnett also gave a presentation entitled "This is the World Calling: The Global Voices and Visions of International Internet Radio and Television" at the Pennsylvania Library Association annual conference in Pittsburgh, PA, November 12, 2006. He described the availability of programming on the internet from international broadcasters (BBC World Service, Deutsche Welle, Radio France International, etc.) that might be suitable for educational purposes and discussed how libraries might point users to such content.

Mark D. Berg, Visiting Policy Expert and Adjunct Instructor of Political Science, was a panelist at the Pennsylvania Planning Association's Annual Conference in Harrisburg, October 22-24, 2006. Other panelists discussing "Citizen Planners: What Are They Planning?" included State Senator Mike Waugh, State Representative Ron Miller, Penn State Professor Emeritus Stan Lembeck, and Shrewsbury Township Supervisor Patrick Fero. Berg described the difficulties in being a municipal planner in Pennsylvania, given its fragmented structure of government.

Michael J. Birkner, Professor of History and Benjamin Franklin Chair in the Liberal Arts, spoke on "Pennsylvania Politics from 1946-1966" in the state Capitol on October 2, 2006 at a symposium marking the 100th anniversary of the Capitol Building. His talk and the others tracing politics in the Keystone state since 1906 were broadcast live on PCN and later rebroadcasted several times.

Birkner gave one of three invited lectures at the Eisenhower Presidential Library on October 13, 2006, marking the 50th anniversary of Dwight Eisenhower's re-election to the presidency. The title of Birkner's talk was "The Status Quo Election."

Birkner also presented a paper, "'You're Not Going to Kill a Black Man Today': George Paris and Free Spaces in Southern Alabama, 1935-1950," at the annual meeting of the Oral History Association in Little Rock, Arkansas, on October 27. Birkner's paper, based on oral history work done in Alabama, tells the story of a black Alabamian's efforts to negotiate the system of white supremacy in the deep South before the Civil Rights movement gained traction.

Judith Allen Brough, Professor and Chair of Education, with co-authors Sherrel Bergmann and Larry Holt, presented a session at the National Middle School Association's annual convention in Nashville, TN, on November 3, 2006. The session was entitled "Teach Me. I Dare You," and was based on the research in their book of the same title, a 2006 Eye On Education publication. The session presented research and strategies about teaching and motivating at-risk disengaged youth.

Brough was also invited to speak about this research at the annual conference of The Delaware Valley Minority Student Achievement Consortium, a consortium of twenty-two school districts and the University of Pennsylvania's Graduate School of Education. The conference was held in Philadelphia on November 6 and 7, 2006.

Laurel A. Cohen-Pfister, Assistant Professor of German, gave a paper at the German Studies Association Conference in Pittsburgh on September 29, 2006 on "The Aesthetics of Memory: Tanja Dücker's *Himmelskörper*." The paper discussed how the novel *Himmelskörper* portrays familial memory of World War II and the Nationalist Socialist era, and in particular, how third-generation postwar Germans process these memories.

Roy A. Dawes, Associate Professor of Political Science, participated in a panel presentation in Omaha, NE entitled "Poverty and Race: Amplifying Inequalities" with Brad Ashford, Director of the Omaha Housing Authority. The presentation was co-sponsored by Nebraska Methodist College and College of St. Mary with the Corporation for National and Community Service. It was part two of a three-part series called "What the Waters Revealed: Katrina's Lessons for Omaha."

Elizabeth M. Duquette, Assistant Professor of English, gave a paper, "Policing the Borders of Allegiance," at the American Studies Association meeting in Oakland, CA, October 12-15, 2006. The paper examined the use of loyalty oaths in the United States, and pointed to some theoretical concerns about allegiance such oaths raise.

Sharon Davis Gratto, Professor of Music in the Sunderman Conservatory of Music and Music Education Coordinator, presented a conference break-out session entitled "The Four Nations Ensemble at Eisenhower Elementary School: Case Study of an Artist-In-Residence Program" at the meeting of the International NETWORK of Schools for the Advancement of Arts Education in Miami, Florida on October 14, 2006. The session consisted of a report on the 3-year residency at Gettysburg College by the Four Nations Ensemble, a professional chamber music group that also made concert presentations to a treatment group of elementary children in the Gettysburg Area School District.

In addition, **Gratto** gave a workshop for choral music educators at Central Dauphin High School, Harrisburg, PA, on October 17, 2006. This was a choral workshop and reading session on treble voices for directors of middle school choirs whose students were participating in an all-state honor choir that was held simultaneously at Central Dauphin High School.

Allen C. Guelzo, Henry R. Luce Professor of the Civil War Era and Coordinator of Civil War Era Studies and Professor of History, spoke on "The Lincoln We Have Lost" in Gettysburg, PA on November 19, 2006. He delivered the talk at the Lincoln Cemetery ceremony commemorating the anniversary of the *Gettysburg Address*.

Caroline A. Hartzell, Associate Professor of Political Science and Coordinator of Globalization Studies, presented a paper at the University of California at Davis conference on "Reopening the Black Box of War" held at UC Davis on October 27-28, 2006. The paper, written with **Robert Bohrer, Associate Professor of Political Science**, was titled "Civil War and Institutional Choice and Change." The paper focuses on the relationship between civil war and changes in the sizes of countries' winning coalitions.

Florence Ramond Journey, Assistant Professor of French and Francophone Studies, presented a paper entitled "Globalization and Literature, or Do Economic Trends Affect Contemporary Literature?" at the 2006 Romance Studies Colloquium held at the University of Oregon, Eugene, October 19-21, 2006. Edouard Glissant's *Traité du Tout-Monde* (1997), which attempted to theorize global movements of ideas, people, and goods from a humanistic perspective, offered a mapping of the twenty-first century novel. From a theory influencing heavily the economics of our time, globalization started to enter the literary field. Journey's paper answers the following questions: does literature matter? How does it shape leading ideas in our contemporary world? Are the ideas of globalization and literature compatible?

Journey also presented a paper at International Conference: Boundaries and Limits of Postcolonialism: Anglophone, Francophone, Global, held at Florida State University's Winthrop-King Institute for Contemporary French and Francophone Studies, November 30 – December 2, 2006. Journey's paper, "Embracing Globalization: Caribbean Literature and Contemporary Global Theories," is part of the discourse on the evolution of the Caribbean identity, focusing on the expression of women's identity and their relationship to a "home" in contemporary Caribbean literature. Using specific examples from French, Spanish, and English-speaking women authors, Journey examines the notion of a "literature of globalization" from a gendered perspective.

Jennifer S. A. Leigh, Assistant Professor of Management; Cynthia Gibbon, Reference and Instruction Librarian; and Joy Beatty gave a workshop on "Information Literacy for Management Majors and Their Professors" at the National Organizational Behavior Teaching Conference at Nazareth College, Rochester, NY, on June 16, 2006. Integrating information literacy (IL) skills into a management curriculum requires interdisciplinary partnering between academic librarians and management educators. This session reviewed the information literacy field, provided "hands-on" strategies for enhancing information literacy within preexisting courses, and facilitated dialogue on philosophical and ethical issues pertaining to IL.

Leigh and **Gibbon** also gave a presentation entitled "Information Literacy and the Introductory Management Classroom" on August 15, 2006 at the Academy of Management in Atlanta, GA. They offered an evolving case example that illustrates the incorporation of information literacy skills and concepts into an introductory management course. Implications and suggestions for management educators were explored.

Yahya M. Madra, Visiting Instructor of Economics, and co-author Ceren Ozselcuk, presented a paper at The Zizek Conference: Did Somebody Say Ideology? Slavoj Zizek in a Post-Ideological Universe, held at the School of European Studies, Cardiff University, Wales, on September 15-16, 2006. This was a small, plenary-style conference on the various aspects of the work of Slovenian philosopher Slavoj Zizek. The paper, entitled "Economy, Surplus, Politics: Some Questions on Zizek's Political Economy Critique of Capitalism," was an assessment of the political economy aspects of his influential work.

John H. Marvel, Assistant Professor of Management, gave a presentation with co-author Charles R. Standridge entitled "Why Lean Needs Simulation" at the Winter Simulation Conference in Monterey, CA, December 4, 2006. Lean methods have become the standard approach to the resolution of design and operational issues in production and other systems. However, the lean approach has deficiencies. The deficiencies that simulation can address were presented, discussed, and illustrated.

Todd W. Neller, Associate Professor and Chair of Computer Science, was a co-author of a poster presented by Ingrid Russell and Zdravko Markov at the Eleventh Annual Conference on Innovation and Technology in Computer Science Education at the University of Bologna, Italy, June 26-28, 2006. The poster, "Teaching AI through Machine Learning Projects," presented their NSF-funded artificial intelligence (AI) curricular development work.

Luke Norris '06 gave a presentation entitled "A Revisitation: Wildavsky's Two Presidencies Thesis and the Strategic Use of Presidential Signing Statements" at the Spring Fellows Conference at the Center for the Study of the Presidency, Washington, D. C., April 7, 2006. Aaron Wildavsky's two presidencies thesis—a central element in examining executive-legislative relations—is revisited in light of the strategic use of presidential signing statements as a tool for presidents to usurp power from Congress. This paper argues that the strategic use of presidential signing statements by the Bush administration is repositioning and strengthening the power of the presidency relative to Congress, and thus should be incorporated into any future analyses of Aaron Wildavsky's two presidencies thesis.

Norris and Kenneth F. Mott, Professor and Chair of Political Science, gave a panel presentation entitled "Waning Judicial Oversight of School Desegregation: Two Case Studies" at the Midwest Political Science Association National Conference in Chicago, IL, April 21, 2006. Dramatic re-segregation of public schools has coincided with relaxed judicial supervision in recent years. Case studies involving Boston and Charlotte reflect the extent to which those changes are related.

VoonChin Phua, Assistant Professor of Sociology, and co-author Allison Caras presented a paper, "Designing Men: Comparative Personal Brandings between White American and Brazilian Online Rent Boys," at the Inter-Disciplinary Net 3rd Global Conference: Critical Issues in Sex and Sexuality in Krakow, Poland, November 28 – December 2, 2006. Their paper uses theoretical frameworks from two disciplines, marketing and sociology, to examine online sex workers' advertisements. The authors compare and contrast marketing strategies used by both groups and the degree ethnicity is emphasized as an aspect of personal branding.

Sarah M. Principato, Assistant Professor of Environmental Studies, with co-author **Tess Barton '06**, presented a poster entitled "Holocene Climate Variability Interpreted from Peat Deposits on Northwest Iceland" at the Geological Society of America annual meeting in Philadelphia, PA, October 22-25, 2006. This study provided evidence for climate fluctuations over the last 10,000 years and interpreted Neoglacial cooling as early as 5,300 years ago.

Rajmohan Ramanathapillai, Assistant Professor of Philosophy, gave an invited lecture entitled "War and the Environment" at the Indian Institute of Science, Centre for Ecological Sciences in Bangalore, India, on June 23, 2006.

Ramanathapillai also spoke on "Gandhi's Legacy" at the Bharatiya Temple in Montgomery Ville, Pennsylvania on October 8, 2006 .

Kathryn Rhett, Associate Professor of English, gave a presentation, "The Nonfiction Narrator," at the Writers Conference at Penn held at the University of Pennsylvania. Her lecture, delivered on October 15, 2006, invited writers to consider the characterization and role of the narrator in literary nonfiction, including discussion of the narrator as heroic figure, narrative stance, and the relationship among the narrator, form, and content in nonfiction.

Michael L. Ritterson, Associate Professor of German, gave an invited paper, "Raabe and Translation," at the Raabe International conference in Maynooth, Ireland, September 7-9, 2006, a conference observing the 175th anniversary of the birth of the German writer Wilhelm Raabe. The study reviews the history of translations of Raabe's work into English, notes particular problems confronting his translators, and offers suggestions for incorporating more of his writings into college-level literature courses in the English-speaking world.

Virginia E. Schein, Professor of Management and Psychology, presented a paper, "Incubators of Hope and Change: The Functions of Work-Related Group Participation for Poor Women in Developing Countries" on October 23, 2006 at the Business as an Agent of World Benefit Conference in Cleveland, Ohio. The paper describes her research with eight women's groups in Nicaragua, including microenterprise groups, sweat shop workers and several co-operatives.

Donna Skekel, Serials Librarian, and Ronalee Ciocco, Reference/Web Services Librarian, gave a poster session entitled "Keeping Up with the Joneses: What's New in Library Catalogs" at the PALINET Conference in Harrisburg, PA, October 24, 2006. The poster highlights what library users want in an online catalog, which changes will improve the search interface and search results, what libraries are currently doing to implement catalog innovations, and where library catalogs are headed as technology improves and more interoperability and customizations become possible.

Carolyn S. Snively, Professor of Classics, presented a paper entitled "Investigations at Golemo Gradište, Konjuh, 2005-2006" at the 19th meeting of the Macedonian Archaeological Scientific Society, held in Del evo, Republic of Macedonia, October 25-28, 2006. Recent excavations in the lower city have begun to provide an outline of a 5th and 6th century town with irregular city blocks and frequent destructions and rebuildings.

Barbara A. Sommer, Assistant Professor of History and Coordinator of Latin American Studies, gave a presentation, "Indigenous Leadership and Social Organization in Eighteenth-Century Amazonia and the Andes," at a conference, Andes, Amazon, and their Transformations: Comparisons, Connections, and Frontiers, held at the University of St. Andrews, Kingdom of Fife, Scotland, September 20-23, 2006. Her paper explores the persistence of early European attitudes towards the Inca of the Andes and the lowland forest peoples of the Amazon among twentieth-century scholars. Despite evidence of strong indigenous leadership in colonial Portuguese Amazonia, historians have downplayed their roles while highlighting similar figures in the Peruvian highlands.

Deborah A. Sommer, Associate Professor and Chair of Religion, presented the paper "Wengezhong de pi Kong yundong he Kongzi xingxiang de bianyan" (Images for Iconoclasts: Depictions of Confucius in the Cultural Revolution) at Historical Truth and Collective Memory: International Conference for the 40th Anniversary of the Cultural Revolution. The conference was held at the College of Staten Island, the City University of New York, and the Queens Library International Resource Center, May 12-14, 2006 and was sponsored by the Foundation for China in the 21st Century. Sommer was interviewed about her presentation by the Paris office of Radio France Internationale for a Chinese-language program on the conference that aired on May 23.

Sommer also presented the invited lectures "Images for Iconoclasts: Confucians vs. Legalists in the Cultural Revolution" and "Beyond the Analects: Unknown Faces of Confucius" at the University of Pittsburgh on November 27, 2006. The lectures were sponsored by the departments of History, History of Art and Architecture, and East Asian Studies.

Divonna M. Stebick, Lecturer in Education, and Joy Dain, Literacy Coordinator from Carroll County Public Schools (Westminster, MD), gave an interactive presentation entitled "Planning Instruction for Readers NOT Reading" at the Keystone State Reading Association's 39th Annual Conference, Seven Springs, PA, October 22-25, 2006. Their research explored the analysis of observation and assessment of instructional practices and student behaviors in literacy classrooms.

Stebick also gave an invited presentation entitled "An Electronic Teacher Education Program Review Process" at the Pennsylvania Fall Deans' Forum in Hershey, PA, on October 25, 2006. Stebick's research included working with members of Gettysburg College's Instructional Technology & Training Team (Gavin Foster, Steve Lewis, and James Rutkowski) to survey the 90+ teacher education institutions in the state of Pennsylvania, recording a work flow describing the assessment process used to approve Pennsylvania teacher education programs, prioritizing the process' functionality requirements, and proving out a decision matrix for possible vendors.

Mary Margaret Stewart, Professor Emerita of English; Elizabeth R. Lambert, Professor of English; and Temma F. Berg, Professor of English, co-hosted the thirty-seventh annual meeting of the East-Central American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies at Gettysburg College. Held from October 26 to 29, the conference attracted scholars from as far away as California, South Carolina, Illinois, and Texas and from nearby. In fact, four members of the Gettysburg College faculty presented papers: **Mary Margaret Stewart** presented a paper entitled "Reading John Trumbull's Painting of the Surrender of General Burgoyne to General Gates at Saratoga, October 17, 1777"; **James P. Myers, Jr., Professor of English**, presented "Lt. Daniel-Marie Chabert de Joncaire, the Affaire du Canada, and Mythologizing the French-and-Indian War"; **Elizabeth Lambert** presented "Of Swine and Mobs: Misinterpreting Burke on the French Revolution," and **Temma Berg** presented "Discordia Concors: Thomas Rowlandson's Vauxhall Gardens." A great time was had by all!

Eileen M. Stillwaggon, Associate Professor of Economics, was invited to speak at a conference titled HIV/AIDS Interventions in Developing Countries: Using Cost-Benefit and Cost-Effectiveness Analysis to Help Guide Policy and Action, sponsored by the Harvard AIDS Initiative, Harvard School of Public Health, Boston, September 13-15, 2006. Her paper, "Coming to Terms with Complexity: Spillovers, Increasing Returns, and Health Economics," addressed the interaction effects of epidemic dynamics and the inadequacy of the tools of health economics to evaluate disease interventions under conditions of complexity. She proposed three ways that the tools of cost-effectiveness could be enhanced to make health policy more effective.

Stillwaggon was also invited to speak at the conference, Rapid Impact: Integrating the Neglected Tropical Diseases with Malaria and HIV/AIDS Control, October 26-27, 2006, at the George Washington University in Washington, DC. The conference was the occasion for the announcement of the new World Health Organization treatment guidelines for tropical diseases and the new focus on integrating disease control. Stillwaggon was asked to explain the findings of recent research on interactions between HIV and tropical diseases in her talk, titled "Neglected Diseases and HIV Prevention: Obstacles to an Integrated Policy."

Stillwaggon was also invited to present her work in the Research in Progress series of the Center for AIDS Research, Harvard Medical School, at Brigham and Women's Hospital, November 6, 2006. Her talk, "HIV Cofactors, Increasing Returns, and Health Economics," addressed the biological information and the new methods that are required in order to model effective disease interventions.

Currie (Kerr) Thompson, Professor of Spanish, presented a paper entitled "Two Takes on Gender in Argentine Film Noir" at Memories of Modernity: An International Conference on Hispanic Cinemas, hosted by the State University of New York at Stony Brook, November 10-11, 2006. The paper examined the progressive treatment of gender in two Argentine crime films from the 1950s, contrasting those films with US noir, which frequently portray women in a negative manner.

Yan Sun, Assistant Professor of Visual Arts, delivered an invited lecture entitled "Art Historical Studies of Bronze Age China in the United States" at the Shaanxi Normal University, Shaanxi, China, on May 22, 2006.

Elizabeth Richardson Viti, Professor of French and Coordinator of Women's Studies, presented a paper at the 14th International Simone de Beauvoir Conference in Rome, Italy, September 15-17, 2006. The paper, entitled "La femme sur la femme: Making Simone de Beauvoir Relevant in Today's Classroom," examined ways in which *The Second Sex* could be appropriately integrated into the literature classroom.

Richardson Viti also presented a paper at the Romance Studies Colloquium held at the University of Oregon in Eugene, October 19-21, 2006. Entitled "Speaking the Unspeakable: Annie Ernaux and the Politics of Desire," the paper focused on the many ways in which the contemporary French writer transgresses taboos associated with female sexuality.

Michael Wedlock, Associate Professor of Chemistry, and **Krista Kane '07**, presented a poster, "Photodissociation Dynamics of Thiirane," at the 232nd National Meeting of the American Chemical Society in San Francisco, CA, September 10-14, 2006. This work presents experimental measurements of the resonance Raman spectrum of thiirane, a small molecule in which a ring composed of two carbon atoms and a sulfur atom opens upon excitation by ultraviolet light. The resonance Raman spectra demonstrate that the important initial motion of the molecule upon excitation is stretching of the carbon-sulfur bonds.

Janelle Wertzberger, Director of Reference/Instruction, with Nancy Goebel, Lisabeth Chabot, Nancy Magnuson, Terry Ballard, and Steven Bell, participated in a webcast sponsored by the College Libraries Section (CLS) of the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL), a division of the American Library Association (ALA), on November 16, 2006. This webcast, broadcast from each participant's office, was an encore presentation of a live program presented at the American Library Association's annual meeting in New Orleans in June 2006. The program featured a panel of college librarians who highlighted successful initiatives achieved without a lot of staff resources. Wertzberger spoke about internships at Musselman Library, particularly the Barbara Holley Library Internship, which is a one-year, full-time, paid internship for a recent college graduate interested in a career in library or information science.

Kevin D. Wilson, Assistant Professor of Psychology; Katherine R. Gamble '06; and James Taylor '09 presented a poster entitled "Differential saccadic suppression during misoriented object recognition and mental rotation" at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience, Atlanta, GA, October 16-19, 2006.

Randall K. Wilson, Associate Professor and Coordinator of Environmental Studies; Stuart Brown '06; Emily Chessin '06; David Conrad '06; Samantha Linton '06; Lauren Rapoza '06; and Andrew Ziegler '06 presented a research poster at the 12th International Symposium on Society and Resource Management in Vancouver, Canada from June 3-8, 2006. The project was entitled "Re-thinking Urban Sprawl in Rural Pennsylvania: Mitigating Ecological Impacts through Spatial Analyses." The project used Geographic Information Systems technology to measure the impacts of a proposed 2500 unit subdivision development in Adams County in terms of air and water quality, storm water runoff, and carbon sequestration. Employing environmental planning principles, an alternative design was then proposed. The research earned the students the Gettysburg and Adams County Chamber of Commerce Environmental Stewardship Award for 2005 and was named runner-up as the best research poster at the conference, which is the largest international venue of its kind.

John R. Winkelmann, Professor of Biology; Christine Brocia '07; and Anya Valdes-Dapena '07 co-authored a paper and a poster documenting the ecological relationships of Epauletted Fruit Bats and Sycomore Fig Trees in South Africa. The paper was presented by Valdes-Dapena at the 36th Annual North American Symposium for Bat Research in Wilmington, North Carolina, October 18-21, 2006. The poster was presented by Brocia at the CPC Undergraduate Science Research Symposium at Dickinson College, November 4, 2006. The presentations were based on six weeks of field research in Kruger National Park in June and July of 2006. This project documented the dependence of Epauletted Fruit Bats on Sycomore Figs as a dry-season food source, and the primary role of the bats in dispersing fig seeds.

Charles J. Zabrowski, Professor of Classics, delivered a paper at the Fourth International Conference on the Book, held at Emerson College, Boston, MA, October 20-22, 2006. The paper was entitled "When Not to Judge a (Manuscript) Book by Its Cover (or the Hands in It): The Case of the Codex Vaticanus Ottobonianus Graecus 210 (Ba) of Aeschylus."

Zabrowski delivered another paper, "Evidence for an Independent Textual Tradition of Aeschylus's Tragedy the 'Persae' in Manuscripts of Thessalonican Provenance" at the Thirty-Second Annual Byzantine Studies Conference, held at the University of Missouri, St. Louis, November 10-12, 2006.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

John Barnett, Director of Collection Development, was elected to the board of directors of IDS, the Interlibrary Delivery Service of Pennsylvania. IDS is a statewide initiative that provides a cost-effective and efficient delivery service for interlibrary loan materials throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Joel Berg, Adjunct Instructor of Interdisciplinary Studies, on behalf of the Pennsylvania Newspaper Association Foundation, has been developing online resources designed to help journalists around the state better cover disasters and financial issues. His work is supported by grants from the Heinz Endowments and the Pennsylvania Department of Health.

Emelio R. Betances, Associate Professor of Sociology and Latin American Studies, was a guest discussant at a colloquium on Sociability, Violence, and Neoliberalism at the Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales in Buenos Aires, Argentina, November 8-10, 2006. He commented on papers dealing with riots in Argentina, France, and Chile. He was also a discussant on a paper about social fragmentation and violence in the Province of Tucumán, Argentina.

William D. Bowman, Associate Professor and Chair of History, attended the international interdisciplinary conference in Vienna, Austria on October 12-13, 2006. The conference, Viennialit, brought together artists, authors, and scholars who work on or make their living in Vienna, Austria and who habitually work in the English language. Among the conference's sponsors were the British Embassy and the Austrian branch of UNESCO.

Judith Allen Brough, Professor and Chair of Education, served as the outside reader for a dissertation committee through Immaculata University's Graduate Division of Education. The dissertation, by Alan E. Moyer, principal of E. H. Markle Intermediate School in Hanover, PA, is entitled *Gauging the Existing Leadership Effectiveness of Middle School Teacher Team Leaders for the Formation of a Professional Learning Community* and was successfully defended on May 5, 2006. This qualitative study was designed to provide a more comprehensive description of leadership skills and behaviors of practicing teacher leaders.

Brough also served on the steering committee of the Adams County Young Women's Leadership Conference for the third year. This all-day conference, held on the Gettysburg College campus on October 10, 2006, provided workshops for all the seventh grade girls in Adams County. Workshops were themed around Wellness, Empowerment, Leadership, and Learning. This year, all the seventh grade boys in the county were treated to an afternoon session and a presentation was organized that evening for parents of middle school students. The boys' conference and the parents' presentation were held in the Majestic Theater.

Allen C. Guelzo, Henry R. Luce Professor of the Civil War Era and Coordinator of Civil War Era Studies and Professor of History, attended the National Council on the Humanities Meeting in Washington, DC, November 15-17, 2006.

Caroline A. Hartzell, Associate Professor of Political Science and Coordinator of Globalization Studies, along with Matthew Hoddie of Texas A&M University, received a \$5,000 award from the International Studies Association to fund the workshop "Enforcing Peace: Exploring Paths to Stability in Deeply Divided Societies." The workshop, which will be held concurrently with the International Studies Association Annual Meeting on February 28 - March 3, 2007, is intended to serve as the basis for an edited book.

Yahya M. Madra, Visiting Instructor of Economics, was among the chief organizers (along with Jack Amariglio, Vin Lyon-Callo, and John Roche) of The Sixth International Conference of the Journal of Rethinking Marxism 2006. He organized two of the plenary sessions ("The Power of Left Media" and "Rethinking Communism") and chaired one ("Rethinking Communism"). The conference attracted approximately 700 participants (500 of them registered!). He also designed the brochure and the poster for the conference.

Deborah A. Sommer, Associate Professor and Chair of Religion, co-chairs the Columbia University Seminar on Neo-Confucian Studies for the current academic year. The Seminar's membership consists of scholars of Chinese studies from the northeastern United States who meet monthly at the Heyman Center for the Humanities at Columbia to discuss recent scholarship on Chinese intellectual history.

Eileen M. Stillwaggon, Associate Professor of Economics, was named an officer of the International AIDS Economics Network, a worldwide organization of 9,000 economists and other professionals from universities, UNAIDS, WHO, World Bank, other international organizations, bilateral aid agencies, and non-governmental organizations. She is one of three officers of the organization.

Jocelyn A. K. Swigger, Assistant Professor of Piano in the Sunderman Conservatory of Music, served on the jury of the final round of the World's Most Wanted Piano Competition in Atlanta, Georgia, Wednesday, October 25, 2006.

Donald G. Tannenbaum, Associate Professor of Political Science, chaired a panel on "Biology and Politics: Recent Research" at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association in Philadelphia, PA on September 1, 2006.

Michael R. Wedlock, Associate Professor of Chemistry, has been appointed to the International Activities Committee of the Division of Chemical Education of the American Chemical Society for a term from January 2007 to December 2009. The International Activities Committee interacts with, learns from, and contributes to international efforts that are concerned with the teaching and learning of chemistry throughout the world.

John R. Winkelmann, Professor of Biology, was elected to a three-year term on the Board of Directors of the North American Symposium for Bat Research at the annual meetings of the society in Wilmington, North Carolina, October 18-21, 2006. He will also serve as Chair of the Student Awards Committee.

AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS

In November, The Society for Ethnomusicology awarded its 2006 Alan Merriam Prize, which is given annually "to recognize the most distinguished, published English-language book monograph in the field of ethnomusicology," to **Paul Austerlitz, Assistant Professor of Ethnomusicology in the Sunderman Conservatory of Music and Africana Studies**, for his book entitled *Jazz Consciousness: Music, Race, and Humanity* (Wesleyan University Press, 2005).

The Journal of Algebra and its Applications lists a paper by **Kathi Crow, Assistant Professor of Mathematics**, as one of its top five accessed papers. The article, "Simple Regular Skew Group Rings," appears in 2005 (Vol. 4, 127-137).

An essay entitled "Relief" by **Kim Dana Kupperman, Managing Editor, The Gettysburg Review**, received an honorable mention in the *Pushcart Prize XXXI 2007: Best of the Small Presses* anthology (Pushcart Press, Wainscott, NY). The essay was originally published in *Hotel Amerika*, and recently reprinted in *Best American Essays 2006*.

Safe House, by **Paul Leeper, Community Service Officer, Safety and Security Services**, was one of four plays nominated for the 2006 Mystery Writers of America Edgar Award for Best Play. *Safe House*, produced by the Tennessee Stage Company, is an amusing intrigue that peers into the world of four spy handlers. Previous nominees for the award have included Ira Levin, Larry Gelbart, Anthony Shaffer, and Agatha Christie.

Sharon Davis Gratto, Professor of Music in the Sunderman Conservatory of Music and Music Education Coordinator, was the guest conductor for the culminating evening concert at all-day choral festival in Blackfoot, Idaho, on November 3, 2006. The evening concert program included a variety of multicultural choral music. The SATB choir consisted of 320 middle school students in grades 7, 8, and 9 from the Blackfoot School District in southeastern Idaho.

John W. Jones, Professor of Music and Director of the Sunderman Conservatory of Music, composed "Bel Air Blue and White," a European-flavored parade march. The work was commissioned by the Bel Air (Maryland) High School Reunion Band and premiered on August 6, 2006.

Jones also composed "Mount Gretna," commissioned by the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association District 7 in memory of past president and composer Rodney D. Miller. The music was premiered on November 12, 2006 by the PMEA District 7 Elementary Honors Band.

Kathleen Sasnett, Assistant Professor of Voice and Opera in the Sunderman Conservatory of Music, was the soprano soloist in Schubert's "Magnificat" and Rutter's "Gloria" with the Mercersburg Choir and Orchestra. She also performed "Rejoice" from Handel's Messiah with the Orchestra on December 2, 3, and 4, 2006.

In addition, **Sasnett** performed as guest artist with the Heisey Wind Ensemble for its Christmas Concert on December 9, 2006. She performed with Dr. James Moore, baritone, voice professor at Howard University in Washington, D.C., and Dr. Russell Mikkelson, conductor.

Jocelyn A. K. Swigger, Assistant Professor of Piano in the Sunderman Conservatory of Music, performed the Schumann concerto in a minor with the Orchestra Sinfonica de la Ciudad de Asuncion, with conductor Leon Burke, in the Banco Central in Asuncion, Paraguay, July 6, 2006. She also performed Mozart's concerto in A major K. 488 with the chamber orchestra of the Stael Rufinelli Escuela de Ingles y Musica with conductor Lito Barrio at the Brazilian Embassy, also in Paraguay, June 29, 2006. For the concert at the Brazilian Embassy, she also played continuo in Bach's second Brandenburg concerto and the piano part in Artie Shaw's clarinet concerto.

Swigger also performed the Saint Saens sonata for bassoon and piano with bassoonist Nicolasa Kuster in the Jesuit Hall of the Hotel Ruze, Cesky Krumlov, Czech Republic, July 30, 2006.



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