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Abstract
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PUBLICATIONS


**Martha E. Arterberry, Chair and Associate Professor of Psychology**, and Catherine Craver-Lemley (Elizabethtown College) published the journal article "Visual imagery interference in a detection task" in *Spatial Vision*, Vol. 14 (2001): 101-119. This article describes the interaction between visual imagery and visual perception in adults. Prof. Arterberry published a second article with a different collaborator, Marc H. Bornstein of the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development. The article "Three-month-old infants' categorization of animals and vehicles based on static and dynamic attributes", in the *Journal of Experimental Child Psychology* Vol. 90 (2001): 333-346 reports on the first of a series of experiments on how young babies are able to group objects.

**Rossana Fenu Barbera, Visiting Assistant Professor of Italian**, recently published, *La donna che cammina. Incanto e mito della seduzione del passo femminile nella poesia italiana del primo Novecento*. Longo Editore: Ravenna, 2001. (The image of the walking woman: enchantment and myth of seduction of the feminine footstep in the 20th century Italian poetry). This book has been widely and warmly reviewed. Contemporary Italian novelist Giuseppe Pederiali described it as “a little masterpiece in both intelligence and good taste” in a review appearing in *Libero* (October 7th, 2001).

**Michael J. Birkner, Chair, Professor of History and Benjamin Franklin Professor of the Liberal Arts**, published "Eisenhower and the Red Menace," in *Prologue*, Vol. 33 (Fall 2001). Birkner's article, a fresh interpretation of Dwight Eisenhower's efforts to rein in communist-hunting Senator Joe McCarthy, was originally delivered as a lecture at the Herbert Hoover Presidential Library.

Robert E. Bohrer II, Assistant Professor of Political Science, published Decision Costs and Democracy: Trade-offs in Institutional Design (Aldershot, UK: Ashgate Publishing Limited, 2001). The book first examines the variety of democratic institutions in use around the world and how inclusive these institutions are. Then it examines how the level of inclusion affects political stability and economic performance.

Robert F. Bornstein, Professor of Psychology, and Megan R. Bartlett '99 published an article entitled "Has psychology become the science of questionnaires? A survey of research outcome measures at the close of the 20th century" in The General Psychologist Vol. 36 (2001): 36-40. This study was the first to quantify the base rates of different measures and methods used by research psychologists in the 1990s, assessing trends within and across psychology's subfields.

Vera Brusentsev, Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics, published "Cross-national variation in the labor market participation of married women in Australia, Canada and the USA," in The Economic Record (2001). She also published, "Australian Unemployment Protection: Challenges and New Directions," in National Social Policy Conference Refereed Volume Papers (2001). The second publication was co-authored with Wayne Vroman of The Urban Institute in Washington, DC.


Dan W. Butin, Assistant Professor of Education, is publishing "This Ain't Talk Therapy: Problematizing and Extending Anti-Oppressive Education" in the January Educational Researcher. The article explains how poststructuralist theory can help create less constraining and more enabling classroom environments.

Ron Guey Chu, Visiting Assistant Professor of Global Studies, has published a 4-volume sourcebook on Chinese human rights entitled, Qianbei tan renquan: Zhongguo
It contains more than 300 essays and primary sources written by Chinese scholars, politicians, writers, and human rights advocates over the past century. In addition to political and philosophical writings, it also includes essays, newspaper editorials, poems, short stories, and plays.

John A. Commoto, Chair of Environmental Studies and Professor of Environmental Studies and Biology, recently published "Dynamics of Spatial and Temporal Complexity in European and North American Soft-Bottom Mussel Beds" with Dutch colleague Norbert Dankers. The article appeared in Ecological Comparisons of Sedimentary Shores, Vol. 151 (2001): 39-59, part of the annual Ecological Studies series, (Berlin: Springer-Verlag). John was lead author on the paper, which he presented in Germany at an invited workshop of twenty marine scientists from Europe, Asia, New Zealand, and North and South America.

Thomas C. Conte, Visiting Assistant Professor of Political Science, co-edited an anthology, Theories of Democracy: A Reader, with Ronald Terchek of the University of Maryland (Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, 2001).

Thomas W. Crawford, Assistant Professor of Environmental Studies, recently published “A multi-scale analysis of LULC and NDVI variation in Nang Rong district, northeast Thailand” in Agriculture, Ecosystems, and Environment, Vol. 85 (2001): 47-64. This research uses digital landcover maps derived from satellite imagery and spatial analytical methods within a geographic information system (GIS) to examine multi-scale relationships between landuse/landcover (LULC) and vegetation characteristics. He also published, “Patterns of change in land use, land cover, and plant biomass: separating intra- and inter-annual signals in monsoon-driven northeast Thailand” in GIS and Remote Sensing and Applications in Biogeography and Ecology (Dordrecht: Kluwer Academic Publishers, 2001). This research examines spatial and temporal dynamics of land characteristics and plant biomass estimated from satellite imagery.

Christopher R. Fee, Assistant Professor of English, recently published Gods, Heroes, and Kings: The Battle for Mythic Britain (Oxford 2001). Medievalist Christopher Fee and veteran myth scholar David Leeming unearth the layers of the British Isles’ unique folkloric tradition to discover how this body of seemingly disparate tales developed.

Rebecca H. Fincher-Kiefer, Associate Professor of Psychology, published an article entitled “Perceptual Components of Situation Models” in Memory and Cognition (March, 2001). The work examines the hypothesis that the comprehension of a text may involve cognitive processes (visual imagery) similar to those that would be used in the actual perception of the events described in the text.

Edward Freed, Retired Professor of Religion, published The Stories of Jesus’ Birth: A

Robert R. Garnett, Professor of English, published an article titled "Oliver Twist's Nancy: The Angel in Chains" in Religion and the Arts Vol. 14:4 (April 2001). The essay argues that Charles Dickens, though scarcely a religious thinker, found himself as early as his second novel, Oliver Twist, wandering beyond the benevolent, sentimental, demystified Christianity to which he nominally subscribed, into an ambiguous moral frontier – represented by the prostitute Nancy – where spiritual and physical worlds intersect.

Daniel R. Gilbert, Jr., David M. LeVan Professor of Ethics and Management, has published "Corporate Strategy and Ethics, as Corporate Strategy Comes of Age" in The Blackwell Handbook of Strategic Management (Oxford: Blackwell Business, 2001): 564-582. Also recently appearing in print were the text of his addresses "Authorities and Business Ethics" and "Sustainable Learning and the Liberal Arts Education." These were delivered at a symposium at the International Association for Business and Society in Sedona, Arizona (March, 2001).

Cecil Conteen Gray, Assistant Professor of Religion, recently published Afrocentric Thought and Practice: An Intellectual History (Trenton: Africa World Press, 2001).


Thane S. Pittman, Professor of Psychology, and his co-authors published, "Product aversion following a missed opportunity: Price contrast or avoidance of anticipated regret?" in Basic and Applied Social Psychology, Vol. 23, (2001):149-156. This is a continuation of his work on the phenomenon of inaction inertia, which refers to the case
in which inaction leads to more inaction. This article applies the concept to consumer psychology.


Janet M. Powers, Global Studies Coordinator and Associate Professor of Interdepartmental and Women's Studies, has had three new poems recently accepted for publication. Already published are "Time of Too Much Thinking" in the Antietam Review, XXI (2001):53 (Runner up in the Review’s 2000 Poetry Contest) and "Enlightenment: for Miyako" in Mediphors, Vol. 15 (2001): 62. A third one, "Zeffirelli’s Clown," will be published in 2002 in a special Film issue of a third poetry journal, Footprints.

Kathryn Rhett, Assistant Professor of English, has recently published two poems in Crazyhorse, Vol. 60 (Fall 2001). Entitled "Embarcadero" and "Proofreader," both are set in San Francisco, where she used to live. She has published an essay, "The Travelers," in The Massachusetts Review, Vol. 92:2 (Fall, 2001) which is about growing up in a traveling family. She also wrote a review of a new poetry collection by Cleopatra Mathis. The review appeared in Provincetown Arts, Vol. 16 (2001).


Katherine Whitcomb, Lecturer in English, recently published a collection of poetry entitled Saints of South Dakota & Other Poems (Bluestem Press, 2001). Poet Lucia Perillo selected the collection as the winner of the Bluestem Award.
PROFESSIONAL PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

Tahera Aftab, Distinguished Visiting Professor of Women's Studies, presented a paper, “Women Responding to Women’s Issues in South Asia: Women Doing Development for Women in Pakistan” at the thirtieth annual meeting of the Mid-Atlantic Region Association for Asian Studies (October 26-28, 2001).

Rebecca Bergren, Director of Off-Campus Studies, delivered two papers recently. “Study Abroad Models” was given as an invited paper at Roanoke College’s conference on Globalizing Education at Liberal Arts Colleges: Best Practices, Models for the Future (November 2-4, 2001). At the NAFSA: Association of International Educators conference in Pittsburgh (November 14-17, 2001), Bergren presented "SECUSSA at 30" a historical review of the NAFSA section for US Students Abroad.

Robert F. Bornstein, Professor of Psychology, gave a presentation on “Dependent and Avoidant Personality Disorders: Diagnosis, Assessment, and Treatment” at a conference entitled Assessing and Treating Personality Disorders: A Gathering of Leading Experts in Orlando, Florida (November 2-5, 2001). The talk was part of a three-day educational workshop for physicians, law enforcement personnel, and mental health professionals.

Judith Allen Brough, Chair and Professor of Education, presented two papers at the National Middle School Association Annual Conference in Washington, D.C. (November 2-3, 2001). The first paper, “Transition from Elementary to Middle School” presented data from a study of over 600 middle school students and their concerns about the move from elementary to middle school. The second, "Motivation for At-Risk Young Adolescents" provided information from interviews with urban, rural, and aboriginal middle school students and their teachers in the U.S. and Australia.

Vera Brusentsev, Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics, delivered a paper, "Australian Unemployment Protection: Challenges and New Directions," at the National Social Policy Conference, Sydney (July 4-6, 2001). Coauthor of this paper was Wayne Vroman, The Urban Institute, Washington.

Dan W. Butin, Assistant Professor of Education, presented “Ethnocentric and Proud of It: Richard Rorty, Clifford Geertz, and Multicultural Education” at the annual meeting of the American Educational Studies Association in Miami, Florida (Nov. 1 - 4, 2001). The presentation questioned the epistemological stance of multicultural education.
John A. Commito, Chair of Environmental Studies and Professor of Environmental Studies and Biology, gave an invited seminar titled "Power-Law Evidence for Scale-Invariant Spatial Structure and Dispersal Dynamics in Dense Assemblages of Marine Suspension-Feeders" at the French National Museum Marine Laboratory in Dinard, Bretagne (August 3, 2001). He presented empirical and computer simulation results demonstrating that seafloor bivalve populations obey scale-free power-law distributions, as do the hydrodynamically controlled fluxes of sediment and invertebrate organisms within these populations. The research completed investigations begun with Environmental Studies and Biology students Holly Celico ('98), Craig Johnson ('98), Brian Rusignuolo ('98), and Emily Celano ('00).

Thomas C. Conte, Visiting Assistant Professor of Political Science, delivered a paper, "Democracy without Parties?: Reflections on the Pluralization of Politics," at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association in San Francisco (August 30-September 2, 2001).

Thomas W. Crawford, Assistant Professor of Environmental Studies, presented a paper entitled, "Spatial complexity, pattern metrics, and land use" at the Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, Southeastern Division in Lexington, Kentucky (November 18-20). The paper reviews ideas emerging from complexity theory and applies them to conceptualize and quantify the spatial complexity of land use patterns using a study site in northeast Thailand.

John A. Commito, Chair of Environmental Studies and Professor of Environmental Studies and Biology, was the annual Visiting Master Instructor in the Department of Animal Biology, University of Palermo in Italy. He was invited to give two lectures on his research to graduate students and faculty. He also spent a week in the department discussing research projects and visiting field sites with marine ecology graduate students.

Roy A. Dawes, Chair and Associate Professor of Political Science, participated in the Southern Political Science Association 2001 annual meeting in Atlanta, Georgia (November 7-10, 2001). He served as chair of the panel "State Legislative Election Politics" and as a discussant on the panel "The Development of U.S. State Government: Institutions and Politics."

Daniel G. Drury, Assistant Professor of Health & Exercise Sciences, delivered a paper entitled, "Research 101: A Complex Process Made Simpler" presented to attendees of the 2001 conference of the Mid-Atlantic Regional Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine in Bushkill, Pennsylvania. This presentation was attended by over 100 graduate and undergraduate students interested in conducting research in the field of Exercise Science.
Christopher R. Fee, Assistant Professor of English, presented a paper titled “Eating a Holy Family into House and Home: Modeling the Heavenly Banquet in the Old English *Andreas, Daniel, and Guthlac*” at the Eighth International Medieval Congress in July. This is the largest academic medieval conference in Europe, and is held every year at the University of Leeds, England. This paper focused upon acts of consumption that affect a spiritual transformation through destructive production.

Fee also participated in a session at Leeds entitled “Technology & Pedagogy Workshop and Round-table Discussion: Crossing the Great Divide(s): Interdisciplinary Electronic Collaboration in Medieval Studies,” in which he demonstrated a multimedia work-in-progress that is being utilized by his fall 2001 senior seminar on the Vikings in Britain. This project comprises an electronic encyclopedia that includes digital documentary footage and interactive panoramic images from selected archaeological and cultural sites, placed in context by traditional research text written by the students in the seminar.

Rebecca H. Fincher-Kiefer, Associate Professor of Psychology, and departmental colleague Prof. Bob D'Agostino presented a poster entitled, "Visuospatial Resources are Required for Predictive Inferences but not for Bridging Inferences" at the November 2001 annual meeting of The Psychonomic Society in Orlando, Florida. This poster explored the hypothesis that perceptual processes are used when anticipating text events during reading, but are not used when connecting sentences for the purpose of text coherence.

Scott Hancock, Assistant Professor of History and African American Studies, delivered the paper "Manifesting a Black Destiny: African Americans and Africa during the Early Republic Era" at the annual Society for Historians of the Early American Republic in Baltimore (July 21-23, 2001). He presented a related paper at the Comparative Black History conference on Diaspora Paradigms at Michigan State University in East Lansing (Sept. 20-23, 2001). These papers argue that northern antebellum African American leaders viewed themselves as the vanguard of the people of the African Diaspora, thereby simultaneously linking with and distinguishing themselves from Africa and African-descended peoples.

Caroline A. Hartzell, Associate Professor of Political Science and Coordinator of Latin American Studies, presented a paper titled "Power Sharing in the Post-Civil War Environment: Fostering Stability and Timely Elections" at the annual American Political Science Association meeting in San Francisco (August 30-September 2, 2001). Using data from civil war settlements negotiated between 1945 and 1999, the authors measure the extent to which power-sharing agreements on the part of previously warring parties increase the likelihood that peace will endure.
Laurence A. Marschall, W.K.T. Sahm Professor of Physics, presented a colloquium "The Search for Extrasolar Planets" to the physics department of Vassar College (November 5, 2001). He was also a featured speaker at a Workshop for New Physics Faculty, sponsored by the American Association of Physics Teachers in College Park, Maryland (November 9, 2001) where he spoke about resources for undergraduate astronomy teaching. Marschall and Gettysburg Colleagues Dick Cooper and Glenn Snyder conducted a workshop for 25 amateur astronomers on "Electronic Imaging with CCD's" at Gettysburg College, November 2001, in collaboration with the Harrisburg Amateur Astronomical Society. Dick Cooper also recently ran teacher workshops on Project CLEA software.

Daniel D. McCall, Assistant Professor of Psychology, presented "Perseveration and Infants' Sensitivity to Cues for Containment" at the Meetings of the Society for Research in Child Development, in Minneapolis. He also presented 'Preschoolers' Problem-Solving Strategies: Variations in Skill with Jigsaw Puzzles” with coauthor Robert B. Thompson.

Thane S. Pittman, Professor of Psychology, gave several presentations on the concept of inaction inertia at European conferences over the summer. He presented “Avoidance of regret and procrastination: Escalating costs and inaction inertia” and “Anticipated regret and the accumulation of losses: Inaction inertia in the stock market” at the Biannual Conference on Subjective Probability, Utility, and Decision Making, in Amsterdam, The Netherlands (August 19-22, 2001). He also presented, “Counterfactual thinking and the dark side of opportunity” as an invited paper at the Centre for Economic Policy Research Conference on Psychology and Economics in Brussels, Belgium (June 8-10, 2001). Recently he has been asked to speak about inaction inertia at Princeton University where he is spending his sabbatical – and at the University of Texas, Austin.

Jonelle Pool, Assistant Professor of Education, presented "Scaffolding in Field Experience Reflections" with Gettysburg College students Erica Affleck (03), Jared Peatman (02), Stephanie Reis (02), and Gettysburg graduates, Molly O'Keefe (01) and Elizabeth Walsh (01) at the 30th Annual Teacher Education Assembly of the Pennsylvania Association of Colleges and Teacher Educators in Grantville, PA (November 1-2, 2001). Their presentation demonstrated new methods for increasing learning about teaching practices from classroom observations.

Pool was also an invited roundtable discussant on “high stakes testing” at the Conference on English Education Colloquium's 2001 conference in Baltimore, Maryland (November 19, 2001). The session explored how English/language arts teaching, teacher preparation, and teacher professionalism has been affected by high stakes testing practices.
Janet M. Powers, Global Studies Coordinator and Associate Professor of Interdepartmental and Women's Studies, chaired a panel entitled "Women Responding to Women's Issues in South Asia" at the thirtieth annual meeting of the Mid-Atlantic Region Association for Asian Studies at Slippery Rock University (October 27, 2001). In addition to chairing the panel, Prof. Powers presented a paper entitled, "Decolonization as Dialogue: Working Toward Transnational Feminism."

Michael L. Ritterson, Associate Professor of German, took part in two sessions at the 24th Annual Conference of the American Literary Translators Association, Raleigh, NC (October 24-27, 2001). In the German section of Bilingual Readings he presented excerpts from his translation of the novella, Der Tod des Kleinhauslers Ignaz Hajek (The Death of the Tenant Farmer Ignatz Hajek) by the contemporary Austrian writer Josef Haslinger.

Ritterson was also a panelist, with four translator colleagues, on the topic: "Mother-Tongue-Tied? Translating Out of Your First Language," in which panelists and audience considered whether, and under what circumstances, we can successfully reverse typical practice and translate from our first language into one not originally our own.

Virginia E. Schein, Professor of Management, presented a paper at the European Group for Organizational Studies Conference, held in Lyon, France (July 5-7, 2001). Her paper, entitled "Think Manager-Think Male: A Global Perspective," reviewed her research over the past 25 years in five different countries on gender stereotypes and requisite management characteristics. This research is recognized internationally as a foundational basis of the field of gender and management. She also served as a discussant for the "Expert Panel on Innovative Qualitative and Quantitative Methods Applicable to Careers Research," at the Academy of Management Annual Meeting in Washington, DC, August, 2001.

Stephen M. Siviy, Associate Professor of Psychology, presented a paper at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience in San Diego (November 10-15). The title of the paper was "Stress, Novelty, and the Relative Playfulness of Juvenile Fischer-344 and Lewis Rats." Student co-authors on the paper were Nicole J. Love (Psychology major, '01), Brian M. DeCicco (Biology and Classics major, '01), and Sara B. Giordano (Mathematics and Physics major, '01).

Carolyn S. Snively, Professor of Classics, presented a paper, "Recent Investigations at Konjuh," at a conference entitled "Justinian and the Sixth Century in Macedonia," held at the Macedonian Academy of Sciences and Arts in Skopje, on July 4, 2001. In her lecture, given during the final week of excavation by the Gettysburg College-Museum of Macedonia Project working at Konjuh, Professor Snively showed slides of the latest discoveries and offered very preliminary conclusions about the strategic role of the site in 6th century Macedonia.
Barbara A. Sommer, Assistant Professor of History, delivered a paper entitled "A Unified Civil Society: Pombal's Vision of a Portuguese Amazonia," at the annual Latin American Studies Association meeting in Washington, D.C. (September 6-8, 2001).

Kristin J. Stuempfle, Co-Chair and Assistant Professor of Health and Exercise Sciences, presented three posters at the American College of Sports Medicine Annual Meeting in Baltimore, MD (May 2001). Two of the posters focused on portions of a four-year longitudinal study of body composition of the Gettysburg College football team. The third poster was titled "Dietary Intake, Gastrointestinal Symptoms, and Cognitive Function during the 2000 Iditasport Human Powered Ultra-Marathon." The Iditasport is a 100-mile ultramarathon that is held in Alaska each February where participants either bike, run, ski or snowshoe.

Stuempfle presented additional findings in a paper entitled "Hyponatremia in the Iditasport Human-Powered Ultra-Marathon" at the American College of Sports Medicine Mid-Atlantic Regional Chapter Annual Meeting in Bushkill, Pennsylvania (November 2-3, 2001). At this meeting, Dr. Stuempfle also served as the Chair of the Research Committee, the group responsible for selecting the winners of awards.

Donald G. Tannenbaum, Associate Professor of Political Science, served as a discussant at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association in San Francisco (August 30-September 2, 2001). The panel was titled "Research in Biopolitics." The papers reviewed by Tannenbaum addressed aspects of the relationship between biology and politics, an emerging area of political studies. Tannenbaum also delivered a paper, "Why Machiavelli?" before a panel titled "Machiavelli" at the annual meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association in Philadelphia (November, 2001).

Currie K. Thompson, Professor of Spanish, delivered a paper, "Remaking Argentina: From Tango to Kilómetro 111," at the annual meeting of the South Central Modern Languages Association in Tulsa, Oklahoma (November 1-3, 2001).

Christopher Mark Wessinger, Assistant Professor of Psychology, recently presented two posters at the Annual Society for Neuroscience meeting held in San Diego (November 10-15, 2001). One poster, entitled “Functional MRI Investigations of Cross-Form Encoding” was co-authored with two of his previous senior thesis students, both of whom have gone on to graduate school in psychology. The other poster was entitled “Superordinate and Basic Level Categorization Differences Imaged with Functional MRI.” These posters both used functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI) techniques to view the brain in action during picture encoding and object categorization, respectively.
John R. Winkelmann, Associate Professor of Biology, attended the North American Symposium for Bat Research in Victoria, British Columbia (October 24-27, 2001). He chaired a session on ecology, and presented a paper entitled, "Home Range and Movements of an Obligate Nectarivore, Melonycteris melanops (Pteropodidae) on the Island of New Britain." In addition, he coauthored the following papers: "Flight Durations and Time Budgets of Three Pteropodid Species: Does Lunarphobia Affect Activity in New Guinea?" (presented by Dr. Frank Bonaccorso, Papua New Guinea National Museum); "Movement Patterns for Two Sympatric Bare-backed Fruit-bats (Pteropodidae: Dobsonia) on the Island of New Britain, Papua New Guinea: A Preliminary Study" (presented by Deanna Byrnes, University of Wisconsin); and "Fruit Bats, Fig Wasps and the Reproductive Ecology of Figs" (presented by Dr. Elizabeth Dumont, University of Massachusetts).

Charles J. Zabrowski, Chair and Associate Professor of Classics, made a presentation at the Second Annual Symposium on Creativity sponsored by the Institute for Right-Brain Research, at the W. Dale Clark Library in Omaha, Nebraska (October 7th, 2001) entitled "Ancient Greek 'Mousike' and Modern Eurhythmics." The presentation was accompanied by a musical practicum (the music being of his own composition) with lyrics in classical Greek and English. He also delivered a paleographical paper entitled "The Text of Aeschylus's 'Septem adv. Thebas' in the Codices Vaticanus Barberinianus Graecus 135 (Se), Vaticanus Graecus 1360 (Sg), and Vaticanus Graecus 912 (Sn)" at the Twenty-Eighth Annual Manuscripta Conference, held under the auspices of the Vatican Microfilm Library at Saint Louis University in Saint Louis, Missouri (October 12th-13th, 2001).

PROFESSIONAL DISTINCTIONS AND AWARDS

Daniel G. Drury, Assistant Professor of Health & Exercise Sciences, was elected to a three-year term as President-Elect of the Mid-Atlantic Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM). The Mid-Atlantic Chapter of ACSM has over 800 members and includes professionals from Pennsylvania, New York, Maryland, Delaware, Rhode Island and West Virginia.

Caroline A. Hartzell, Associate Professor of Political Science and Coordinator of Latin American Studies, received the Street Award at the XXII Annual Meeting of the Middle Atlantic Council of Latin American Studies, held in Washington, DC. The Street Award, presented for the best paper at the previous year's conference, was awarded to two people this year. The paper for which Caroline received the prize was "Latin America's Civil Wars: Conflict Resolution and Institutional Change."
Todd W. Neller, Assistant Professor of Computer Science, was a winner of the July 2001 national Games Magazine Contest "Transcendental Language." The challenge was to find an assignment of letters to digits (as on a phone keypad) with which one could "spell" the first fifty digits of pi with the fewest, longest words. This fulfills his long-time dream of winning a Games t-shirt.

David F. Petrie, Co-Chair and Instructor in Health and Exercise Sciences, received the Bronze Award of Appreciation at the Annual Meeting of the National Strength and Conditioning Association in Spokane, Washington (July 12, 2001). This award is in recognition of loyalty, support and promotion of the NSCA Certification Commission's Credentials of Distinction. Professor Petrie has hosted the Commission's Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist Exam at Gettysburg College the last three years.

Kristin Stuempfle, Co-Chair and Assistant Professor of Health and Exercise Sciences, was elected as Vice-President of the Mid-Atlantic Regional Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine. The Mid-Atlantic Chapter of ACSM has over 800 members and includes professionals from Pennsylvania, New York, Maryland, Delaware, Rhode Island and West Virginia.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Tahera Aftab, Distinguished Visiting Professor of Women's Studies, chaired the Opening Session of a conference entitled "Writing Women In: Developing Research Tools for the New Millennium" at Mount Saint Vincent University in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada (September 5-12, 2001). She is also a founding member of the International Network of Women's Studies Journals. The first meeting was held in September 2001, in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Judith Allen Brough, Chair and Professor of Education, was a visiting scholar in New South Wales, Australia, October 4-20, 2001. She keynoted a state-wide middle school conference at Charles Sturt University, then followed up with school visitations, consultations, and interviews throughout the state. She worked in conjunction with ACEA, the Australian School Administrators Association, and with the New South Wales Department of Education and Training. The focus of her work was the establishment of Australian middle schools and means of meeting educational needs of young adolescents.

Dan W. Butin, Assistant Professor of Education, received a Service Learning Course Integration grant from the Pennsylvania Campus Compact. This grant will be used in his Social Foundations of Education course (ED 209) to integrate service learning and allow students to construct enrichment activities at El Centro, a local community organization.
focused on helping youth from diverse economic and cultural backgrounds.

John A. Commito, Chair of Environmental Studies and Professor of Environmental Studies and Biology, was invited to serve as the external examiner on the doctoral thesis committee of Stanislaus Dubois, a marine science graduate student at the University of Paris (Sorbonne), who is investigating the spatial and temporal dynamics of seafloor animal populations in the Baie du Mont Saint-Michel.

Roy A. Dawes, Chair and Associate Professor of Political Science, participated in the Southern Political Science Association 2001 annual meeting in Atlanta, Georgia (November 7-10, 2001). He served as chair of the panel “State Legislative Election Politics” and as a discussant on the panel “The Development of U.S. State Government: Institutions and Politics.”

Daniel Drury, Assistant Professor of Health & Exercise Sciences, served as a thesis advisor and co-author for three presentations presented at the fall 2001 Mid-Atlantic Regional Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine in Bushkill, Pennsylvania. The titles of the research projects were: “The Effects of Various Active Recovery Intensities Upon Muscular Performance and Cardiovascular Parameters”; “Effects of Lumbar Orthosis on Respiratory Parameters During Incremental Workloads”; and “The Effects of Acute Magnet Exposure Upon Selected Neuromuscular Parameters of the Elbow Flexors Following Induced Muscle Injury.” At this same meeting, Dr. Drury also moderated the Clinical and Exercise Science Symposium entitled “The Spread of Obesity Epidemic: Genes, Sloth, or Behavior.”

Sharon Davis Gratto, Associate Professor of Music, presented a breakout session titled "Global Voices in Song: Technology for Teaching Multicultural Choral Music and an Elementary /Higher Education Partnership" at the annual conference in New Orleans, LA of the International Network of Performing and Visual Arts Schools (October 31-November 4, 2001). Professor Gratto also chaired the conference research symposium featuring Dr. Warren Hodge, Associate Professor of Educational Leadership at the University of North Florida, and she was a speaker at a pre-conference session for arts school counselors concerned with preparing their students for college admission.

Michael L. Ritterson, Associate Professor of German, was one of thirteen participants in a two-week seminar to study current directions on the German literary scene. The seminar was organized jointly by the American Association of Teachers of German and the German Literature Institute in Leipzig (DLL). The seminar was conducted in July 2001 at the DLL, the only writers' academy of its kind in Germany.

John E. (Jack) Ryan, Associate Professor of English, served as a judge for the Pennsylvania Film Festival, which took place in Scranton, PA (September 12-16, 2001). The film festival
featured movies either shot or set in Pennsylvania. This year’s festival also presented a retrospective of the late Jason Miller’s screen work, including *The Exorcist*.

**Eileen M. Stillwaggon, Assistant Professor of Economics,** has received a grant from the Bureau of International Labor Affairs of the U.S. Department of Labor to devise a workplace HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment program for Caribbean countries. The plan will integrate legal protection for HIV+ workers with workplace and community education to prevent HIV/AIDS. The project will also estimate the costs of discrimination against HIV+ workers and will propose a system of workplace clinics that “mainstream” HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment.

**John R. Winkelmann, Associate Professor of Biology,** and his principal collaborator, Frank J. Bonaccorso, of the Papua New Guinea National Museum, completed a radiotelemetry study of White-bellied Rats in Gulf Province, Papua New Guinea. The project was solicited and funded by World Wildlife Fund to provide baseline ecological data for a keystone species that will be used to assess the impact of sustainable logging on coastal mangrove forests.

**CREATIVE ACTIVITIES, ACCOMPLISHMENTS, AND PERFORMANCES**

*Jeffrey Fahnestock, Sharon Davis Gratto, Andrea Henry, Michael Matsinko, and Robert Natter* -- all faculty members in the Music Department -- presented two performances of a program of Baroque music in October, 2001. One performance was at Bucknell University and the other was at the Gettysburg Lutheran Seminary as part of the “Music, Gettysburg” concert series.

*Sharon Davis Gratto, Associate Professor of Music,* was guest conductor for the Cumberland County High School Choral Festival in Camp Hill, PA (November, 2001), and for the Baltimore County Public Schools Middle School Choral Festival in Towson, MD (December, 2001).

**SPECIAL UPDATES**

**Edward Freed** recently provided an update on his scholarly activities since retiring from the Department of Religion in 1986. Prof. Freed has continued to be an active scholar since retiring from full-time teaching, completing three manuscripts, two articles and several book chapters. His most recent book is entitled *The Stories of Jesus’ Birth: A Critical Introduction* (Sheffield: Sheffield Academic Press, 2001). Another book manuscript is currently under review.
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