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Abstract

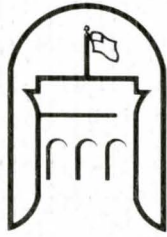
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Edward Baskerville, Professor of English; Louis Hammann, Professor of Religion; and Robert Trone, Professor of Religion retire from their positions as Gettysburg College faculty by the end of this academic year. We wish them a long and healthy retirement!

GRANTS AND AWARDS

Charlotte Armster, Associate Professor of German; Timothy Good, Associate Professor of Physics; and Donald Tannenbaum, Associate Professor of Political Science, have all been awarded grants from the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Charlotte will be using her award to expand her sabbatical research project on Holocaust studies to include a visit to Nazi concentration camps in Poland and Germany. Tim will also be using his grant for sabbatical research; he will be affiliated with the Department of Physics at West Virginia University. In addition, Tim has been invited for a period of research and lecturing at the University of Innsbruck, Austria. Don is going to Florence to study Machiavelli manuscripts in the *Biblioteca Nazionale* as part of his larger project on *Il principe*.

Amelia Trevelyan, Associate Professor of Visual Arts, has been accepted as a participant in an NEH Summer Institute on "The Maya World in Guatemala, Chiapas, and Yucatan."

PUBLICATIONS

Emelio Betances, Associate Professor of Sociology and Coordinator of Latin American Studies, co-edited with H. Spalding a section on "The Dominican Republic and the Caudillos" in the *NACLA Report on the Americas*. The two also co-authored the Introduction to this section.

Robert Bornstein, Associate Professor of Psychology, published an article titled "Dependent Personality Disorder in the DSM--IV and Beyond" in *Clinical Psychology: Science and Practice*. Bob also published a chapter entitled "Pharmacological treatments for Borderline Personality Disorder: A critical review of the empirical literature," in S. Fisher and R. P. Greenberg (Eds.), *Pharmacology Scientifically Reappraised* (New York: Wiley). Finally, Bob was the co-editor with Joseph M. Masling of *Psychoanalytic Perspectives on Developmental Psychology*.

Gabor Boritt, Fluhrer Professor of Civil War Studies, published an article on Abraham Lincoln in the paperback version of the second edition of *The Presidents: A Reference History* (Scribners). Gabor originally wrote the article and Matt Pinsker helped him edit it. Gabor also edited a book titled *Of the People, By the People, For the People and Other Quotations from Abraham Lincoln*.

Swift Dickison, Adjunct Assistant Professor of English, published an article titled "Sam Selvon's 'Harlequin Costume': *Moses Ascending*, Masquerade, and the Bacchanal Of Self-Creolization" in *MELUS*, The Journal of the Society for the Study of the Multi-Ethnic Literature of the United States.

Peter Fong, Assistant Professor of Biology, co-authored a paper with Deguchi and Kyoizuka, entitled "Characterization of serotonin receptor mediating intracellular calcium increase in meiosis-reinitiated oocytes of the bivalve *Ruditapes philippinarum* from central Japan." This paper has been accepted for publication in *The Journal of Experimental Zoology*.

Mathew Forstater, Assistant Professor of Economics, had his paper titled "Adolph Lowe and the Austrians" accepted for publication in *Advances in Austrian Economics*.

Robert Pitts, Professor of Management, published his case study "JimThompson Thai Silk Company" in the *Case Research Journal*. Bob's study won the 1995 Curtis E. Tate Outstanding Case Research Award.

Jack Ryan, Assistant Professor of English, published his essay "The Muddy Tablet" in the Winter issue of *ISLE*, the journal of Interdisciplinary Studies in Literature and Environment. The essay introduces a model for an integrative first-year writing class designed to promote student interest and combine American nature writing and field experience with the nuts-and-bolts of written communication.

Virginia Schein, Professor of Management, was one of the keynote speakers at a workshop titled "Pathways from Poverty" held in 1995 and sponsored by the Kellogg Foundation. The recent publication of this workshop features Virginia's presentation "Working From the Margins: Voices of Mothers in Poverty" and profiles her in "Dancing with Words--An afternoon with Virginia Schein."

Shirley Anne Warshaw, Associate Professor of Political Science, published a book titled *The Domestic Presidency: Policy Making in the White House* (Allyn and Bacon).

PAPERS PRESENTED

Bela Bajnok, Assistant Professor of Mathematics and Computer Science, gave an invited presentation titled "Spherical Designs" at the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena.

Leslie Cahoon, Associate Professor of Classics, presented a paper on "Tragic Undercurrents: the presence of Euripides in the song of Orpheus (Ovid's *Metamorphoses* 10-11)" at the annual meetings of the American Philological Association.

Kathleen Cain, Associate Professor of Psychology, with Maryann Gallagher '96, Caroline Staneck '97, and G.F. Myers, presented a paper titled "Shame and patterns of mother-child interaction among two- and three-year-olds" in a symposium on Socialization of Individual Differences in Achievement Motivation, presented at the biennial meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development, Washington, D. C.

Derrick Gondwe, Professor of Economics, presented a paper at the University of North Dakota Tricollege, entitled "The Environment and Nutrition from the Third World Economic Perspective."

Mathew Forstater, as a member of the Program Committee, organized three sessions for the Eastern Economic Association meetings in April: "Gender, Class, Environment, and Development" (which included participation from, among others, **Derrick Gondwe, Eileen Stillwaggon**, and **Kristen Nelson**); "Soft Currency Economics: Toward Full Employment and Price Stability" (which included a paper presentation by Pavlina Tcherneva '97); and "Interpretive Economics" in which Mat presented a paper on "Interpretive-Structural Economics." Mat also presented an invited paper on "The Critique of Economic 'Laws' and the Development of an Interpretive-Structural Economics" at the Kress Seminar in the History of Economic Thought at Harvard. Both of his papers on Interpretive-Structural Economics seek to extend the possible contributions of interpretive social science to economics through emphasizing the way in which historically changing socioeconomic and technological structure both shape and are shaped by human inter-subjectivity and human behavior.

Barbara S. Heisler, Professor of Sociology, presented a paper entitled "Contexts of Immigrant Incorporation: Locating Dimension of Opportunities and Constraints in the United States and Germany." The paper was presented at a conference on Immigration and the Welfare State: Germany and the United States in Comparison, at the Free University of Berlin. Barbara's paper applies a model of immigrant incorporation, developed by Alejandro Portes in the context of the United States, to the German context. By transposing this model to the German case, her article explores the similarities and differences that shape the context of immigrant incorporation at three levels, the level of reception (immigration and reception policies), the level of civic society and public opinion, and the level of the immigrant community. The papers presented at this conference will be published in a forthcoming book.

Steven James, Assistant Professor of Biology, presented a paper titled "A novel zinc finger in the *Aspergillus nidulans* nimO gene is required for asexual development" at the 19th Fungal Genetics Conference in Pacific Grove, CA. This paper, in a poster format, featured the research accomplishments of three Gettysburg College students, Bryan Kraynack '96, Scott Wade '97, and Brett Forshey '97. This biennial meeting draws together a worldwide community of molecular biologists whose research focuses on the biology and pathology of fungi.

Laurence Marschall, Professor of Physics, was invited to present his paper "Bringing the Universe into the Laboratory: Project CLEA Contemporary Laboratory Experiences in Astronomy" at the 3rd Australian Conference on the use of Computers in Physics Education on the theme, "A Diversity of Approaches."

Karmen MacKendrick, Assistant Profesor of Philosophy, presented a paper entitled "Immemorial Silence" to the French Research Group at the University of Sussex School for European Studies in Brighton, England.

Shabbir "Apollo" Mian, Assistant Professor of Physics, together with A.Y. Hamad and J.P. Wickstedt, presented a paper titled "Nonlinear Optical Properties of Praseodymium and Vanadium Doped Alkali-Silicate Glasses" at the 1997 March Meeting of the American Physical Society, in Kansas City. Apollo also presented a paper with **Tim Good** and Jason G. Smith '98 on "Investigation of the Nonlinear Optical Properties of Solids and Liquids Using the Z-scan Technique" at the Society of Physics Students Meeting - Zone 4, at Western Maryland College.

Jose Rafael Pernía, Instructor of Spanish, presented a paper titled "Selena y la culture hispana en los Estados Unidos" at the Universidad Iberoamericana de Huelva, Spain.

Thane Pittman, Professor of Psychology, gave two research presentations in Israel, one to the Behavioral Science faculty (Psychology, Sociology, and Anthropology) on "Intrinsic and extrinsic motivational orientations in interpersonal relations," and the other a joint presentation with Professor Orit Tykocinski of Ben Gurion University to the Psychology faculty at Hebrew University in Jerusalem on "The consequences of doing nothing: Inaction inertia as a result of an initial failure to act."

Jack Ryan presented a panel paper at the Conference on College Composition and Communication, entitled "Environmental Composition: Practice, Rhetoric, and Grammar," which telescoped from holistic course design to environmental journalism to grammar reflecting thematic content. All of the sections revolved around American environmental writing.

Virginia Schein co-chaired a roundtable on "Women, Work and The Third World" at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Industrial and Organizational Psychology in St. Louis.

Eileen Stillwaggon, Assistant Professor of Economics, presented a paper on "Sustainable Development: Poverty and Health" at the Eastern Economic Association meetings.

Elizabeth Richardson Viti, Associate Professor of French, presented a paper entitled "He Said, She Said: A Feminist Approach to Teaching the Twentieth-Century Novel in the Twenty-First Century" at the Fourteenth Annual International Colloquium on Twentieth-Century French Studies held at Ohio State University. The title of the conference was "Old Pathways, New Beginnings, Reassessments."

Shirley Anne Warshaw presented a paper titled "The Clinton White House Staffing Structure for Domestic Policy" at the Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Organization in Chicago.

Toni Wein, Assistant Professor of English, presented a paper entitled "When Everything New Is Old Again: Horace Walpole's Heroic Bequests" at the 11th De Bartolo Conference on Eighteenth-Century Studies "Commemorating Burke, Walpole, and Wollstonecraft" at the University of South Florida.

Robert Winans, Professor of English, presented a paper entitled "African American Syncopation in Minstrel Banjo Tunes as a precursor to Ragtime" at the Conference on Antebellum Culture and the Banjo, taking place at the University of Virginia.

PROFESSIONAL DISTINCTIONS

Peter Fong has been appointed as Editorial Advisor for the journal *Marine Ecology Progress Series*.

Caroline Hartzell, Assistant Professor of Political Science, is one of four associate editors of the four-volume *Encyclopedia of U.S. Foreign Relations* published by Oxford University Press.

PERFORMANCE AND CREATIVE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

James Agard, Associate Professor of Visual Arts, displayed his steel sculpture in a three-artist show entitled "Three Views" at Gallery 1 of School 33 Art Center in Baltimore.

Jack Ryan helped organize The Owen Roizman film festival which included five feature films and a public talk by Mr. Roizman '58, a five time academy award nominee in cinematography.

WORKSHOPS, STUDY GROUPS, AND TASK FORCES

Under the auspices of the *Central Pennsylvania Consortium* Gettysburg College hosted two conferences in April. The Annual Women's Studies Conference was titled "Voicing Differences: Feminism, Diversity, and Social Change" and included presentations by **Jean Potuchek** on "Controversy and Discussion in the Women's Studies Classroom" and **Liliane Floge** on "Shared Faculty Positions from an Institutional Perspective." The Annual African American Studies Conference was on the theme "Sankofa: African American Studies in the Continuum and the Next Millennium" with presentations by **Deborah Barnes**, **Oty Laoye**, and **Cecil Gray** who gave the Payne Lecture.

Joseph Donolli, Associate Professor of Health and Exercise Sciences, is speaking on "Emergency Action Planning" at the Pennsylvania Athletic Trainers Society.

A group of faculty will participate in a five-day *Jewish Studies Summer Workshop* aimed at developing a team-taught Introduction to Jewish Studies course as well as exploring what goes into a Jewish Studies program and examining potential models for a program at Gettysburg. Participating faculty are: **Charlotte Armster, Temma Berg, Robert Bornstein, Leonard Goldberg, Cheryl Goldman, Carey Moore, and Toni Wein**. Pamela Nadell, Director of Jewish Studies at American University, will participate as a consultant.

Sam Mudd, Professor of Psychology, attended an NSF Chautauqua Short Course on "Retaining Minority Students in the Engineering, Mathematical and Natural Sciences Educational Pipeline: Pre-College through Graduate Degrees." The workshop was run on a highly interactive basis under the direction of Mel Webb, an authority on this issue.

Tim Warren Hardy, Adjunct Instructor in Management, with students Joyce O'Neil '98 and Tracey Rinehimer '98, presented a report on an AICPA task force.

DEPARTMENT CHAIRPERSONS

The following have been appointed as new department chairs for 1997-98: **Sherman Hendrix**, Department of Biology; **William Parker**, Department of Chemistry; **Judith Brough**, Department of Education; **Gareth "Lefty" Biser**, Department of Health and Exercise Sciences; **Philip Bobko**, Department of Management; and **Michael Matsinko**, Department of Music.

DEPARTMENTAL REVIEWS

The following departments underwent external reviews during the 1996-97 academic year. Madeleine Joullie of the University of Pennsylvania and Thomas Stephenson of Swarthmore College reviewed the **Chemistry Department**. Keith Anderson of St. Olaf College and Hans-Jakob Werlen of Swarthmore College reviewed the **German Department**. Harriet Pollatsek of Mt. Holyoke College, Arnie Ostebee of St. Olaf College, and Charles Kelemen of Swarthmore College reviewed the **Department of Mathematics and Computer Science**.



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