

Profiles

FALL 2004

FACULTY AND STAFF PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

School of Arts and Humanities

DR. SCOTT BEARD, assistant professor of music, has performed at the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts, Buckingham's Choice in Frederick, Radford University, and Fairmont University. He was selected to open the 106th season of the Friday Morning Music Club in Washington, D.C., where he will be performing at the Sumner School Museum in downtown Washington. He was also honored with being selected as the conference artist for the Virginia Music Teachers Association, a group with a membership of nearly 800 teachers. Dr. Beard will be performing a concert, giving a lecture/recital on two-piano music with Dr. Lucy Mauro, and conducting a masterclass for talented high-school students. The conference will take place at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond. He also has several chamber music performances of Poulenc's *Wind Sextet* scheduled with the Appalachian Wind Quintet. He will also be the host coordinator for the West Virginia Music Teacher's Association State Conference which will take place at Shepherd in November. In addition, Dr. Beard has been nominated as West Virginia Music Teacher's Association Teacher of the Year.

SONYA EVANISKO, professor of art and chair of the Department of Art, organized and participated in a three-week journey in July through Peru with 13 art students and faculty. The travel was based in the old capital of Peru, Cusco, and in the ancient Quechua village of Ollantaytambo. During the travels students participated in workshops within the local villages to learn traditional techniques in ceramics, weaving, and basket making, as well as assisting a local family with tilling and planting food crops. The highlight of the study abroad travel was hiking the beautiful but strenuous Inca trail through the Andes Mountains for three days before arriving into Machu Picchu at sunrise. Several other major Inca constructions and ruins were visited during the travels as well. Evanisko is currently planning an exhibition of photographs, artwork, and documentation of the trip in an exhibit scheduled to open October 18 in the Department of Art showcases.

This summer Evanisko completed a new series of paintings and collages, some of which were exhibited in the Annual Faculty Exhibition this past September in the Frank Arts Center.

ETHAN FISCHER, adjunct English faculty member, has published a new volume of poetry, *Beached in the Hourglass*, from The Bunny and the Crocodile Press of Annapolis, Maryland. In connection with the publication of *Beached in the Hourglass* (available at regional bookstores including Shepherd University's), Fischer has scheduled readings and signings in Shepherdstown, Hagerstown and Frederick, Maryland, and Washington, D.C. Recently he read outdoors at the Blue Moon Cafe under the auspices of the University's Department of English; he also read and signed books at The Study at DuBose Gallery in Harpers Ferry. During

the summer Fischer again conducted workshops for young poets at The Arts Centre of Martinsburg. He continues to serve as chair of the West Virginia Young Writers Fiction Competition that culminated this year with writer-in-residence Fred Chappell's presentation of writing awards at the annual Appalachian Heritage Festival. He continues to serve also as vice president of West Virginia Writers, Inc.

Fischer has interviewed many prominent authors (such as Sharyn McCrumb, Jim Lehrer, and Fred Chappell) and published the interviews in *Antietam Review*, of which he is senior editor. Fischer's own poetry and prose have appeared most recently in the online magazines *St. Paul Arts & Press* and *Muse Apprentice Guild*, as well as in *The Pembroke Magazine*. He serves with Alan Tinkler as faculty advisor to *Sans Merci*, Shepherd's annual journal of the arts. Fischer's sleuth of the airways, Johnny Dime, the Poet of Crime, was heard again on the long-running Rumsey Radio Hour. Originating from Reynolds Hall, this radio program, coproduced by Fischer, has been heard in six states.

DR. DAHN HIUNI, assistant professor of art education, has had his article "Education, Activism, Performance Art; Sharing Metaphors for Cultural Work" published in *Education and Democracy* (Art Institute of Chicago, 2004).

DR. BRUCE KELLEY, associate professor of music; DR. MICHAEL AUSTIN, associate professor of English and interim director of graduate studies; DR. ANNA DEVITO, associate professor of HPERS and interim dean of the School of Education and Professional Studies; and DR. RUTH CONLEY, assistant professor of biology, have been selected to present a joint paper at the national Lilly Conference on College Teaching, in Miami, Ohio, November 18-20. Their research will examine the application of L.D. Fink's paradigm on learning to diverse disciplines and is an outgrowth of the research completed by the participants through the University's Teaching Fellowship program during the summer of 2003.

DR. JAMES LEWIN, associate professor of English, presented a paper titled "The Essex of Evil" at the West Virginia Shakespeare and Renaissance Association (WVSRA), Marshall University in April. Dr. Lewin and a group of student editors attended a media workshop this summer sponsored by the Associated Collegiate Press and the College Media Advisors (ACP/CMA) in Washington, D.C.

CARLOS RUBIO, adjunct faculty member in the Department of English and Modern Languages, has received the Book of the Year Award, sponsored by *ForeWord Magazine*, for his novel *Dead Time/Tiempo Muerto*, published by Gival Press in 2003.

DR. SYLVIA BAILEY SHURBUTT, professor of English, presented a paper at the Twenty-Seventh Annual Appalachian Studies Conference, March 26, at Cherokee, North Carolina. The conference session Literature of the Appalachian Environment featured Dr. Shurbutt's paper "Where Mountain Meets Atom Within the Healing Circle: The Writing of Awiakta."

Dr. Shurbutt also attended the Fourteenth Annual International Conference on Virginia Woolf in London, June 23-26, supported by a Shepherd University mini grant. She received a West Virginia Humanities Council Summer Research Grant to begin work on a collection of essays, *Voices from the Misty Mountains: Talking from the Fringe*. The book will explore the writing of several Appalachian writers who have come to Shepherd University to serve as Appalachian Heritage Writers-in-Residence and to accept the annual Appalachian Heritage Writer's Award. Dr. Shurbutt's essay "Living Voices" appeared in the spring 2004 volume of *Phi Kappa Phi Forum*.

Dr. Shurbutt coordinated a consulting assessment team that evaluated the English Education Program; the assessment was supported by a Department of Education Teacher Quality Enhancement Grant, coordinated by DR. DOUGLAS KENNARD, associate professor of education, and funded by the West Virginia Department of Education to align professional education content courses in the secondary programs with the state Department of Education Content Standards.

DR. MARK SNELL, director of the George Tyler Moore Center for the Study of the Civil War, and DR. BRUCE KELLEY, associate professor of music, have published *Bugle Resounding*, a collection of essays on music of the Civil War era. The book was premiered at Shepherd University by a special concert of period music that interspersed comments from the editors with performances by faculty from both the history and music departments, as well as Acoustic Shadows, a professional period ensemble.

DR. JOHN E. STEALEY III, professor of history, is on a full-year sabbatical leave, working on three projects: final preparation of manuscript and securing illustrations for "Porte Crayon's Mexico" to be published by the Kent State University Press; the study of post-Civil War West Virginia and the Constitutional Convention of 1872; and a biography of a United States Civil War soldier, who reflected unusual mountain loyalism and valor.

In July Dr. Stealey concluded his editorship of the *Magazine of the Jefferson County Historical Society* (Vol. LXIX, December 2003, 72 pp.). He had edited the periodical for 24 years (issues) and had written several articles for it. This year he presented a West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals case (1885) that involved the Shenandoah Valley Railroad's crossing at Potomac Cliff, Shepherdstown. His introduction reviewed the corporate history of the Norfolk Southern Corporation and its association with Jefferson County.

For the forthcoming third volume of the *Dictionary of Virginia*, sponsored by the Library of Virginia, Dr. Stealey prepared a biographical sketch of George Clendinen (1746-1797), frontiersman and founder of Charleston, West Virginia.

DR. LINDA TATE, associate professor of English, gave a lecture titled "Voices from the Front Porch: The Appalachian Story" in September as part of Shepherd's Faculty Research Forum. Her presentation was based on an essay titled "Southern Appalachia," published in June as part of Blackwell's *A Companion to the Literature and Culture of the South*. The volume showcases the work of leading Southern studies scholars, each of whom

was invited by editor Richard Gray to contribute an essay in the scholar's area of expertise.

Dr. Tate was the recipient of a summer stipend from the Shepherd University Foundation. The stipend supported her ongoing work on a new book, tentatively titled *Reading and Writing the Self to Wellness*. She is writing the book in collaboration with DR. JENNIFER SOULE, professor emerita of social work.

In October Dr. Tate collaborated with DR. PATRICIA DWYER, dean of teaching, learning, and instructional resources, on a presentation at the annual meeting of the International Society for Exploring Teaching and Learning. Their presentation, "The Role of Digital Stories in Helping Students Interpret Literature," was based on a course they team-taught during the spring semester, Ethnic Literature of New York City.

Dr. Tate is one of the four coleaders of the newly launched University Teaching and Learning Roundtable. As part of that initiative, she has served as the campus liaison with the national organization, the Teaching and Learning with Technology Group (previously a division of the American Association of Higher Education). Dr. Tate serves as president of the Shepherdstown Public Library Board of Trustees.

NERISSA YOUNG, visiting assistant professor of mass communication, moderated a town hall meeting at the Society of Professional Journalists (SPJ) national convention September 9-11 in New York City. The guest speaker was Danny Schechter, former CNN and ABC News producer, who discussed his new documentary *WMD: Weapons of Mass Deception*. The film examines the news media's role in covering the war in Iraq.

Young has been an SPJ member since 1991 and serves as chair of the Project Watchdog Committee and as a member of the national ethics committee. SPJ is the nation's oldest and largest journalism organization with headquarters in Indianapolis, and about 200 chapters in cities and on campuses. Its main missions are freedom of information, ethics, and encouraging excellence within the profession.

School of Education and Professional Studies

DR. KATHLEEN B. GABERSON, professor of nursing education and chair of the Department of Nursing Education, made the following presentations: "Packing for Your Career" at the Association of periOperative Registered Nurses (AORN) Multispecialty Conference, Washington, D.C., September 19; "Improving the Clinical Evaluation Process" at Holy Family University School of Nursing, Philadelphia, August 30; "Aseptic Technique, Understanding the OR" at AORN Congress Student Session, 51st Annual AORN Congress, San Diego, March 24; and "You, Too, Can Write" at the 51st Annual AORN Congress, San Diego, March 22.

Dr. Gaberson attended the AORN Congress Education Planning Committee, June 12 and 13, in Denver. She represented Shepherd's Department of Nursing Education at the West Virginia Association of Deans and Directors of Nursing Education meeting, Flatwoods, June 2 and 3, and at the Evaluation Review Panel Meeting of the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission, Miami Beach, June 9. She was inducted into Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society in April 25.

DR. ELLEN SALLEE, associate professor of education, is serving as West Virginia Reading Association director of District III and was chair of a Saturday Seminar, The Comprehension Dimension, a one-day conference for teachers and pre-service teachers from the area. The event was held at Shepherd University on October 9 and approximately 100 persons registered for the seminar.

Dr. Sallee has been selected to present two workshop sessions at the West Virginia Reading Association annual conference to be held at the Greenbrier Resort in December. Her topics are Vocabulary: Making Words Count and Strategies Count: A Look at Some Strategies Used by Proficient Readers. The conference is attended by K-higher education instructors throughout West Virginia and surrounding states. She will be accompanied by eight teacher education students.

Dr. Sallee will be participating in a Reading Higher Education Symposium at Stonewall Jackson State Park in November. The symposium, sponsored by the Marshall University June Harless Center for Rural Education Research and Development and the West Virginia Department of Education, involves invited faculty from higher education institutions throughout West Virginia.

DR. JAMES B. TUTTLE, assistant professor of education, has published three encyclopedia articles, "Bandwagon Effect," "Bellwether," and "Push Poll," in *Encyclopedia of American Parties and Elections*, Sabato, L. and Ernst, H. (eds.), Facts on File, Inc. He made a presentation titled "When reconstructionism meets research writing across the curriculum: Optimizing connections in the university curriculum" at the annual meeting of the International Society for Exploring Teaching and Learning, Baltimore, Maryland, October 14-16.

Dr. Tuttle received a mini-grant to continue his research on an assessment and self-assessment tools project. This project explores paradigms for design and attempts to gauge potential efficacies of using assessment and self-assessment tools in courses as a means of promoting reflective student and instructor practice, triangulating instructor assessment, and providing a course-specific rubric for student evaluation of course. On behalf of the Jefferson County School Board, Dr. Tuttle designed and revised a template for the West Virginia School Building Authority in September that will be reviewed for further revision and possible adoption by the West Virginia legislature.

Dr. Tuttle's committee appointments include Faculty Research Forum (he will serve as chair spring 2005), Admissions and Credits Committee, Technology Oversight Committee, Professional Education Unit Committee, and TLT Roundtable.

KEN TYLER, head men's basketball coach and assistant director of athletics, and the men's basketball team participated in the United Way Day of Caring on September 14. Coaches and players spent the day at Shepherdstown Day Care Center performing many tasks, including painting, weeding, cleaning, and loading over 2,000 pounds of sand into the play area.

TAMARA WARE, instructor of nursing education, presented a continuing education program titled "Anticipatory Guidance: A Role for the Pediatric Nurse" at Shenandoah Valley Medical Center (SVMC) in Martinsburg on September 8. She is currently developing a self-study continuing education series for SVMC pediatric nurses on anticipatory guidance from birth to adolescence to prepare the pediatric nursing staff for the new transition in their role as a pediatric nurse.



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School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics

DR. JASON BEST, associate professor of astrophysics, presented the talk "The Universe: Past and Present" as part of the Morgan County Observatory Foundation Astronomy Day Indoor Star Show Lecture Series on April 10. Dr. Best also attended the 24th Central Pennsylvania Consortium Astronomers' Meeting at Gettysburg College in May. In late May, he conducted a weeklong research trip to Penn State University's University Park campus to gather data for a follow-up study to his previously published work in astronomy education. In June Dr. Best spoke to West Virginia Public Radio about the transit of Venus across the face of the Sun; Dr. Best also cohosted public telescopic observations at the James Rumsey Monument of the transit on the morning of June 8.

DR. JOHN C. LANDOLT, professor of biology, made one oral presentation and coauthored two poster presentations at the annual meeting of the West Virginia Academy of Science held at Concord University. He was named president of the West Virginia Academy of Science. He coauthored two poster presentations at the annual meeting of the Mycological Society of America hosted by the University of North Carolina-Asheville. Dr. Landolt coauthored a paper published in the journal *Systematics and Geography of Plants*, National Botanic Garden of Belgium, and coauthored another paper that has been accepted for publication by this same journal. He coauthored a paper describing 10 new species of slime molds accepted for publication by the journal *Mycologia*.

Dr. Landolt helped conduct a workshop on slime molds hosted by the Discover Life in America Foundation in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. He reviewed four chapters and a supplement for a general biology text prepared for publication by McGraw-Hill and reviewed a paper submitted for publication to the journal *Mycologia*.

Dr. Landolt has been invited to participate in the annual meeting (to be held at the University of Arkansas) of researchers conducting an NSF-sponsored Planetary Biodiversity Inventory of Eumycetozoa and has been reappointed to affiliate professor of biology and wildlife at the University of Alaska-Fairbanks.

DR. CLARISSA MATHEWS, assistant professor of environmental studies, coauthored a paper titled "Habitat manipulation of the apple orchard floor to increase ground-dwelling predators and predation of *Cydia pomonella* (Say) (Lepidoptera: Tortricidae)," Clarissa R. Mathews, Dale G. Bottrell, and M.W. Brown, *Biological Control* 30: 265-273. This summer she began the first phase of a project investigating the manipulation of insect natural enemies in apple orchards with extrafloral nectaries, funded by the USDA CREES National Research Initiative (Co-PI, \$250,000). Dr. Mathews presented work on extrafloral nectaries and biological control in peach at the International Conference on Integrated Fruit Production in Trento, Italy, in September.

DR. ROBERT WARBURTON, associate professor of chemistry, was awarded \$30,000 in funding by the WV-INBRE Outreach Core for his proposal titled "Proteomics of murine H-2Kb mutant antigenic peptides."

School of Business and Social Sciences

KAREN GREEN, assistant professor of social work, attended the 26th Annual International Symposium of the Association for the Advancement of Social Work with Groups in Detroit in October. Green presented her paper "In the Middle: Bridging the Gap between Student and Group Worker," which discusses the social work program's approach to teaching group practice. Each year the juniors in the Social Work Methods II class design and lead educational and mutual aid groups for at-risk youth in the Jefferson County Public Schools.

DR. HANG YUL RHEE, distinguished professor of international relations, organized the conference the Impact of 2004 Presidential Election on the Chinese, Japanese and Korean Politics, Economics and Societies held in Arlington, Virginia, August 6-8. Many scholars, professors, and U.S. government officials participated, and 20 papers were presented. The selected papers will be published in the 2004 winter edition of the *International Journal of Korean Studies*. Dr. Rhee delivered the opening speech and served as the moderator of the panel Election Impact on Regional Powers Surrounding Korean Peninsula.

Dr. Rhee delivered a speech at the East Asian Society meeting in Washington, D.C., on September 17. The speech was focused on the solution of nuclear danger created by North Korea. This was reported in the September 20 issue of *Korea Times*.

Dr. Rhee was invited by the Council on Korean-U.S. Security Studies to be a chair of the panel Enhancing U.S.-Korea Cooperation in the Future. He presented the paper "Korea-U.S. Bilateral Relationship: Amity and Anti-Americanism" in Seoul, South Korea, October 4-7.

The theme of this year's conference will focus on the various aspects of the U.S.-ROK bilateral relationship. While the formal military alliance has endured for 50 years and in some respects the American-Korean relationship is closer than ever, developments in the recent months and years, such as U.S. troop repositioning and episodes of anti-Americanism, have raised doubts about the future direction of bilateral relations. Moreover, changes in the global security environment with onslaught of new threats (terrorism, WMD) and perennial threats (North Korea) create new uncertainties and challenges for the U.S.-ROK alliance.

DR. PATRICIA T. STEALEY, associate professor of family and consumer sciences, participated in the West Virginia Association of Family and Consumer Sciences annual meeting held at Stonewall Jackson Resort, March 25-27. Three students accompanied her to this meeting. She is the West Virginia Foundation representative to the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences.

Dr. Stealey also participated in the West Virginia American Association of University Women Convention held at South Charleston, April 30-May 1. The program was titled AAUW-WV: Purpose, Power, and Progress. She serves as the West Virginia representative to the Legal Advocacy Fund.

Libraries and Information Sciences

ANN HENRIKSSON, reference government documents coordinator, coauthored a presentation titled "Substance Not Sound Bites: Election and Voting Information for Students, Citizens, and Children" at the West Virginia Library Association's spring meeting on March 25. The bibliography created for the presentation is on the library's Web site at: <http://www.shepherd.edu/libweb/ElectionsWVLA.htm>. She critiqued the following publications for the publisher Bernam Press: *The Almanac of American Education*, *Social Change in America: The Historical Handbook*,

2004, and *The United States Government Internet Manual*. She attended the West Virginia Library Association's annual Government Documents Roundtable meeting in Salem in May. Her article "Strategies to Ensure Collection Currency" appeared in the June issue of *West Virginia Libraries*.

Teaching, Learning, and Instructional Resources

DR. PATRICIA DWYER, dean of teaching and learning, has been accepted to be a consultant-evaluator for the Higher Learning Commission (formally North Central Association). In this role, she will be part of a team making site visits to institutions seeking accreditation.

Administration

L. SCOTT DERBY, resident manager, has written an article titled "So Now You're an RA: Getting the Most Out of Pre-Service Training," available online at www.reslife.net/html/so-now_0804a.html.

IRENE KENNY, resident manager, has written an article titled "Confrontation: It's All About the Attitude," available online at www.reslife.net/html/tools_0804a.html.

RACHAEL MEADS, director of student development/assistant director of the College Center, received \$8,900 in grant support from the West Virginia Division of Culture and History with approval from the West Virginia Commission on the Arts for the Performing Arts Series at Shepherd (PASS) programs for the 2004-05 season. She also successfully applied for funding support from the Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation ArtsConnect program to support the Rennie Harris Puremovement and Ballet Folklorico Quetzalli de Veracruz visits in spring 2005 which were awarded \$5,500. She also received support from the PennPAT Arts Touring program for an additional \$4,000 in support for the Rennie Harris program.

In February she attended the National Association of College Unions International Conference in Washington, D.C. In addition to her work with the Performing Arts Series at Shepherd and student development and leadership programs, Meads currently serves on the First Year Experience Task Force, the Student Life Council, the Appalachian Writer-in-Residence Committee, the Advisement/Registration Committee, oversees the Peer Leadership and Orientation Training Scholarship Program (A-Team), and is a designated advocate on the Sexual Harassment Task Force. In October Meads coordinated the 17th annual Student Leadership Conference at Shepherd. She regularly conducts training sessions for student clubs, organizations, and employees.

JOY PHILLIPS, assistant director of the College Center and director of commuter affairs, was presented with the Student Affairs Learning, Assessment, and Diversity Award in September. This award recognizes her commitment to student learning and diversity through her efforts with commuter and non-traditional students. Phillips copresented a round-table session, with THOMAS C. SEGAR, director of multicultural affairs/ADA coordinator, titled "Multicultural Affairs Roundtable: Critical Questions and Meaningful Answers" at the American College Personnel Association's Annual Convention in April. She also attended the Annual Professional Conference of the Association of College Unions International Conference in February, as well as the Event Management User's Conference held in August.

In addition to her role in the College Center, Phillips is a designated advocate for the Shepherd Sexual Harassment Task Force and adjunct professor in the Department of Psychology.

DON ROHEL, College Center director and director of conference services, received the Distinguished Staff Emeritus Award from California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, where he was the Associated Students, Incorporated director of operations from 1984 until his retirement in 2000. In addition, he attended the 84th Annual Professional Conference of the Association of College Unions International (ACUI) Conference in Washington, D.C., in February with more than 1,000 delegates from the United States, Canada, Great Britain, Australia, and New Zealand. He currently serves ACUI as an educational coordinator member of the ACUI Region 4 Leadership Team. In his position as College Center director at Shepherd, he serves on the Building and Grounds Committee and the Safety Committee as well as a member of the Administrative Council.

THOMAS C. SEGAR, director of multicultural student affairs/ADA coordinator, served as a cluster facilitator for the LeaderShape Institute in Champaign, Illinois, in July. The LeaderShape Institute is a nationally recognized weeklong leadership enhancement experience for college students. Cluster facilitators are selected through a competitive application process.

Segar recently published an article, "Creating and Cultivating Community Connections" (available online at: http://www.reslife.net/html/tools_0804c.html) for ResLife.Net, an Internet-based service for college and university residence life/housing staff. He also created an online diversity training module for resident assistants, "The Four Paths Toward Diversity," which is available on ResLife.Net.

DR. RICHARD STEVENS, assistant vice president for student affairs/director of residence life, had his research titled "Understanding Gay Identity Development Within the College Environment" published in the March/April issue of the *Journal of College Student Development*.

Community and Technical College

JOYCE WILLIAMS, adjunct professor, has organized the Maryland/D.C. Chapter of Forensic Nurses. It is the 23rd chapter of the International Association of Forensic Nurses. She is president of the chapter. Meetings are held monthly consisting of business meeting followed by an educational presentation.