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## SPRING SEMESTER COLLEGE EVENTS!

*At long last, the A&S Newsletter Press is again rolling!*

*Highlighted below are activities and events  
that are about to occur or have occurred during the academic year.  
We apologize in advance if any events or items have been inadvertently omitted.*

### **The Calendar of A&S Campus Events —All Events are Free and Open to the Public—**

- March 15** Dept. of Government and Politics:  
**Public Hearing - Environment Committee of the Connecticut General Assembly.**  
7:00 P.M., Schine Auditorium
- March 19** Dept. of Art and Design: **Student Art Exhibition**  
Opening Reception, 1:00-4:00 P.M.  
Exhibition runs through April 17  
Gallery for Contemporary Art
- March 20** Department of Mathematics: **"Blown Away: What Knot to Do When Sailing."**  
Sir Randolph "Skipper" Bacon III.  
7:00 P.M., University Commons
- March 21** FS^3: **"Christian Agape and Catholic Education."**  
Dr. Michael Ventimiglia, Assistant Professor of Philosophy.  
2:00-3:30 P.M., Faculty Lounge
- March 22** CCTEC: **"Women: Bonded and Free."**  
Eileen Gannon, OP, NGO Representative to the United Nations.  
4:00 P.M., Schine Auditorium
- March 29** IDEAL: **"Active and Engaged Learning: Ideas, Strategies, Concepts, and Projects for SHU Adjunct Faculty."** Presenters: Dr. Annette Bailey, Assistant Professor of Social Work; Dr. Debbie Danowski, Assistant Professor of Media Studies and English; Dr. June-Ann Greeley, Assistant Professor of Religious Studies; Dr. Mark Jareb, Assistant Professor of Biology; Dr. Andrew Miller, Assistant Professor of Media Studies and Digital Culture; Dr. Jason Molierno, Assistant Professor of Mathematics; Dr. Pilar Munday, Assistant Professor of Spanish; Dr. Alisha Walker, Assistant Professor of Psychology  
5:00-7:00 P.M., Faculty Lounge
- April 4** Dept. of EMFL: **"A Little-Known History of Discrimination: Franco-Americans in New English."** Prof. Vincent Morrissette, French and Italian.  
5:00 P.M., University Commons

- April 5** Department of Computer Science and Information Technology  
**Senior Project Presentations.**  
10:00-2:00 P.M., HC 110
- April 6** Dept. of History. **“China Today: Does the Past Matter?”**  
Dr. Jonathan Spence, Sterling Professor History at Yale University  
3:30-4:45 P.M., University Commons
- April 10** FS^3: **“The Biblical Ten Plagues in Egypt: A Discussion of Volcanism?”**  
Dr. Joel Block, Visiting Assistant Professor of Physics.  
3:30-5:00 P.M., HC 102
- April 10** Dept. of EMFL. **Poetry Reading**  
Janet Krauss, Fairfield University, and Prof. Michael Sweeney, SHU.  
6:30 P.M., Ryan Matura Library
- April 11** Dept. of Art and Design. **15<sup>th</sup> Annual Art Festival**  
Guest speaker: Award Winning Illustrator Jerry Pinkney. “The Art of Telling a Story.”  
10:30 A.M., Edgerton Center for the Performing Arts
- April 27** College of A&S **Undergraduate Research/Creativity Poster Session**  
Dr. Marlina Slamet, Associate Professor of Physics, Chair  
12:15-3:00 P.M., University Commons
- April 27** Dept. of Art and Design  
**Senior Portfolio Night.**  
4:30-8:30 P.M., Oakview
- April 27** Dept. of History  
**Senior Project Presentations**
- April 29** **Media Arts Exhibition**  
5:00 P.M., Media Studio
- April 30** Dept. of Music  
**Spring Concert**  
3:00 P.M., Edgerton Center for the Performing Arts

## A&S Faculty in the News:

**Nina Tarner**, Assistant Professor of Psychology was interviewed by Channel 12 as part of their segment involving forwarding e-mails. After SHU students were interviewed, Dr. Tarner was interviewed for a Psychologist’s perspective on the topic. The segment aired on March 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Brian Stiltner**, Associate Professor of Religious Studies, was interviewed by the PBS show Religion and Ethics Newsweekly concerning the ethical questions surrounding the war in Iraq. The segment is to air on Sunday, March 26, on Connecticut Public Television at 11:30 P.M. It will also air on Channel 13 (WNET NY) on March 25 at 6:30 P.M. and March 26 at 10:30 A.M.

# Publication News:

*Congratulations to the following A&S faculty authors of books and articles published thus far in academic year 2005-2006:*

## Recent Book Appearances:

**Thomas Curran**, Associate Professor of History. *Educational Reform in Republican China: The Failure of Educators to Create a Modern Nation*. Chinese Studies Series, Volume 40. Lewiston, NY: The Edwin Mellen Press, 2005.

**Charlotte Gradie**, Professor of History, and Jan Sweet. *Images of America: Haddam 1870-1930*. Charleston SC, Chicago IL, San Francisco CA: Arcadia Publishing, 2005.

**Richard Grigg**, Professor of Religious Studies. *Gods After God: An Introduction to Contemporary Radical Theologies*. New York: SUNY Press, 2006.

**Robert McCloud**, Assistant Professor of Computer Sciences. *Flash MX 2004: For Web Developers and Designers*. Wilsonville, OR: Franklin, Beedle & Associates, 2006. **Sandra Honda**, Associate Professor of Computer Science, was a contributing author for the book.

**Gary Rose**, Professor of Political Science, ed. *Public Policy in Connecticut: Challenges and Perspectives*. Fairfield, CT: Sacred Heart University Press, 2005. The publication includes articles written by the following A&S faculty: Jennifer Mattei, Biology; Gary Rose, Political Science; Brian Stiltner, Religious Studies; Nicole Cauvin, Sociology and Elaine Davis, Social Work; Pearl Jacobs, Criminal Justice; Steven Michels, Political Science.

**Louise Spence**, Professor of Media Studies and Digital Culture. *Watching Daytime Soap Operas*. Wesleyan University Press, 2005.

## Recent Articles:

**Rachel Bowman**, Assistant Professor of Psychology, "Stress-Induced Changes in Spatial Memory are Sexually Differentiated and Vary Across the Lifespan," *Journal of Neuroendocrinology*, 2005, Vol. 17.

**James Castonguay**, Associate Professor of Media Studies & Digital Culture, "Intermedia and the 'War on Terror'" in *ReThinking Global Security: Media, Popular Culture, and the "War on Terror."* Eds. Andrew Martin and Patrice Petro. Rutgers University Press, 2006.

**Frances Grodzinsky**, Professor of Computer Science, and Herman Tavani. "Threat to Democratic Ideals in Cyberspace: Lessons Learned from the Verizon v. RIAA Case," *IEEE Technology and Society*, Fall 2005.

**Peter Loth**, Associate Professor of Mathematics. "Pure Extensions of Locally Compact Abelian Groups," *Rendiconti del Seminario Matematico della Universita di Padova*, forthcoming in Vol. 115 (2006).

**Jason Molierno**, Assistant professor of Mathematics, Shaun Fallat, Stephen Kirkland and M. Neumann. "On Graphs Whose Lapacian Matrices Have Distinct Integer Eigenvalues," *The Journal of Graphy Theory*, 2005.

# A&S Committee Activities & Reports:

*In addition to the two forthcoming seminars listed above,*

**FS^3** (Faculty Scholarship Seminar Series) sponsored the following very well attended events this academic year: **“Liberal Arts Education, Technology, and the Modern University,”** Jack Jalbert, Professor of Philosophy; **“Religion Is Government: Frances Willard’s Evangelical Politics and Late 19<sup>th</sup> Century American Nationalism,”** R. Bryan Bademan, Assistant Professor of History; **“Limulus ployphemus: A Model Organism to Promote Science Literacy & Conservation,”** Jennifer Mattei, Associate Professor of Biology; **“Celebration of Faculty Artists and Readings by Faculty Poets,”** Jack de Graffenried and Jon Walker, Assistant Professors of Art and Design, Dhia Habboush, Professor of Chemistry, and Richard Magee, Assistant Professor of English. **“The Foreign Eight-legged Essay: The Failure of Educational Reform in Republican China,”** Thomas Curran, Associate Professor of History. The committee: Kevin Blount, June-Ann Greeley, Rick Magee, Steve Michels, Claire Paolini, Marlina Slamet, Alisha Walker.

**IDEAL** (Involvement of Departments in Engaged and Active Learning), in addition to the workshop scheduled for March 29, sponsored the following workshops on Active and Engaged Learning Techniques: (1) **“The View From the Front Lines: The Rapidly Changing World of Educational Technology and Its Impact on Teaching at SHU,”** featuring Kirk Bartholomew, Assistant Professor of Biology, David Demers, Instructional Technology, Andrew Miller, Assistant Professor of MSDC, James Santomier, Associate Professor of Sports Management, Michael Trimble and Robert Tullonge, Information Technology. (2) **“Plagiarism: The Discussion Continues...”** featuring Jeff Cain, Associate Professor of English; Frances Grodzinsky, Professor of CS/IT, and Gerald Reid, Professor of Sociology. (3) **“Active and Engaged Learning: A Student Perspective,”** featuring SHU students and faculty. The committee: Annette Bailey, Debbie Danowski, June-Ann Greeley, Mark Jareb, Andrew Miller, Jason Moliterno, Pilar Munday, Claire Paolini, Alisha Walker.

**The URI Committee** (Undergraduate Research/Internships) has awarded 35 individual grants for materials and travel to undergraduate students in support of their fall and spring research projects and presentations. Student applications for summer stipends to conduct research under the supervision of a SHU faculty member are due by April 14, 2006. Please urge your students to apply. The committee: Eid Alkhatib, Kevin Blount, Jim Castonguay, Maureen Conard, Debbie Danowski, Sue Deschenes, Pearl Jacobs, Mindy Miserendino, Jason Moliterno, Barbara Pierce, Grant Walker.

**A&S Rules Committee** has drafted a Constitution and By-laws based on the A&S Governance Structure Proposal that was recommended by the A&S faculty and approved by the Board of Trustees. The draft was recommended favorably by the A&S College Council at its March 15<sup>th</sup> meeting. The draft will be circulated to the A&S faculty shortly and will be discussed at a College Assembly to be held on the afternoon of Faculty Institute Day (April 18<sup>th</sup>). Time and place to be announced. The committee consists of Rose Marie Kinik, Dom Pinto, Gary Rose, and Claire Paolini.

**A&S Sub-committee on Faculty Performance Review** continued its work over the summer and into the fall on improving and refining the Faculty Performance Review document used last year on a pilot basis. The revisions, after favorable recommendation by the A&S College Council, were brought to the A&S faculty through a series of hearings and finally recommended favorably by the College Assembly. The committee consisted of David Curtis, Rose Marie Kinik, Kathy LaFontana, Dom Pinto, and Claire Paolini.

**CxC (Communications Across the Curriculum)** gave two workshops.

The first was called "**More Writing, Less Work**," and dealt with ways to get more writing into courses without creating too much extra paper load for the instructor. A second workshop, given in conjunction with the IDEAL Committee, discussed the problem of plagiarism from several different angles. More recently, The Committee for Communications Across the Curriculum has been busy working on plans that will support the proposed Core Curriculum Courses. Departments that have begun work on these courses are invited to contact Jeff Cain if they would like to consult about effective ways to accomplish the writing and speaking objectives that are part of the new core. CxC, as always, sees itself as a resource for faculty. Another CxC workshop, on good ways of setting up and evaluating oral presentations, is planned for April (date and time TBA). The CxC committee consists of Jeff Cain (Director), Annette Bailey, Jim Castonguay, Debbie Danowski, Jason Moliterno, Jackie Rinaldi, Jerry Reid, Marlina Slamet, Amy VanBuren, Sandy Young, Frances Grodzinsky, Hema Gopalakrishnan, and Steve Michels.

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## **A&S Retirements:**

**Marian Calabrese**, Associate Professor of English, and **Carol Schofield**, Associate Professor of Biology, retired in December. **Ted Gutswa**, Associate Professor of Art and Design, will retire in May after 25 years of service to the University. **Loretta Winter**, Academic Department Assistant for History; Government & Politics; and Philosophy/Religious Studies, will retire in April after 25 years of service to the University.

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## **Staff News:**

Congratulations to **Catherine Gaccione**, Academic Department Assistant for Sociology, Social Work, and Criminal Justice, for receiving the Outstanding Service Award.

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## **Student News:**

**Brianna Fava and Jenna Malloy**, both senior psychology majors, made presentations at the Annual Meeting of the American Psychological Association in Washington, DC. Jenna's presentation was given at the Psi Chi Award Ceremony where she received a National Convention Research Award.

**Matthew Semel**, Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice, reports that the SHU Mock Trial Team (Joseph Rea, Natalie DiDonna, Tiffany Willshaw, Kara Simpliciano, Vincent Contino, Jillian Hoxie, and Nicholas Passalacqua) competed for the first time at the regional tournament at St. John's University.

**Peter Loth's** students Christopher Crutchfield, Christopher Fontana and Tariq Lescouflair received as a team participating in the 2006 Mathematical Contest in Modeling (MCM) the Final Designation of Honorable Mention.

# Faculty Development



## Activities:

**Eid Alkhatib**, Associate Professor of Chemistry, is scheduled to present "Seasonal Variation of Nitrate Loading to Long Island Sound," at the ACS National Meeting in Atlanta, GA.

**Joseph Audie**, Instructor of Chemistry, is scheduled to present "A Novel, Fast and Effective Free Energy Function Applied to the Protein-protein Poching Problem" at the ACS National Meeting in Atlanta, GA.

**R. Bryan Bademan**, Assistant Professor of History, presented a paper, "'Christian Civilization' in American Thought," at Global Christianity: Challenging Modernity and the West in Waco, TX. He will also present "Religion Is Government: Frances Willard's Christianized Nationalism" at the Conference Competing Kingdoms: Women, Mission, Nation & American Empire in Oxford, UK.

**Annette Bailey**, Assistant Professor of Social Work, presented a paper, "Therapeutic Coaching for Parents with Spinal Cord Injuries/Disorders: Enhancing Parental Efficacy," at the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of American Association of Spinal Cord Injury Psychologists and Social Workers in Las Vegas, NV. She also served on the membership committee.

**Mark Beekey**, Assistant Professor of Biology, and **Twan Leenders**, Visiting Assistant Professor of Biology, made presentations at the "Shaped by Water" exhibit in the Gallery of Contemporary Art at SHU: "Life Within" and "Biodiversity in the Tropics" respectively. Mark will also represent the University at the New England Educational Assessment Network meeting (NEEAN) at the University of Massachusetts. He is scheduled to present at the Evolution 2006 conference at Stony Brook University, NY.

**Kevin Blount**, Assistant Professor of Mathematics, gave a talk titled "An Introduction

to Residuated Lattices," at the Math Department at SUNY New Paltz.

**Rachel Bowman**, Assistant Professor of Psychology, presented "Sex-dependent Effects of Short Term Restraint Stress on Anxiety and Cognitive Functioning Are Task-specific" at the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience in Washington, D.C.

**Jeff Cain**, Associate Professor of English, served as Program Chair for the NEPCA conference (The Northeast Popular Culture Association), held at Sacred Heart last October. Roberta Staples, Professor of English, and Marian Calabrese, Associate Professor of English, were local arrangements co-chairs, and Rick Magee, Assistant Professor of English, was Assistant Program Chair. Several members of the English Club (The Literati) also assisted with registration, setup, and technology. Jeff Cain was elected President of NEPCA for 2006-2007. He will also give a paper as part of a panel on Sports/Recreation and Art at the National American Cultural Association/Popular Culture Association meeting in Atlanta GA.

**James Castonguay**, Associate Professor of Media Studies and Digital Culture, will present a paper, "Web Wars," at the Cultural Studies Association Conference in Washington, DC. He also presented "Intermedia and the War on Terror: Documenting War in the Digital Age" at the Society for Cinema and Media Studies in Vancouver, BC, where he also co-facilitated a workshop.

**Thomas Curran**, Associate Professor of History, presented a paper, "The Socially Disruptive Effects of Modern Educational Reform in Early 20<sup>th</sup> Century China," at the Meeting of the History of Education Society in Baltimore, MD. He also presented "The Foreign Eight-legged Essay: The Impact of China's Decision to Replace the Imperial Examination System with a Foreign Educational Model" at the International Conference on the Imperial Examination System in China.

**Debbie Danowski**, Assistant Professor of English and Media Studies, presented a paper on Women's magazines at the Popular Culture Conference in Albuquerque, NM.

**Elaine Davis**, Associate Professor of Social Work, attended the Baccalaureate Program Directors' Annual Conference in Austin, TX.

**Suzanne Deschenes**, Assistant Professor of Biology, attended the 9<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Environmental Mutagens in San Francisco, CA.

**Mark Edwards**, Instructor of MSDC, recently directed and wrote several productions performed in the Edgerton Center for Performing Arts by "The On The Edge" theatre company, a group composed of SHU alumni and founded in 2005.

**Gregory Golda**, Instructor of MSDC, delivered a presentation about his recent trip to Mississippi with SHU faculty, staff, and students. He and MSDC students are working on a documentary about the trip entitled "Pushing Back the Wave: Sacred Heart University Responds to Hurricane Katrina."

**Hema Gopalakrishnan**, Assistant Professor of Mathematics, attended the MAA-NES meeting in Durham, NH.

**Frances Grodzinsky** co-chaired the International Conference on Computer Ethics and Philosophical Enquiry at the University of Twente in the Netherlands and presented a paper on "P2P Networks: Implications for Intellectual Property and Privacy in the Verizon v. RIAA case." She also presented two papers at Ethicomp 2005 in Sweden: "The Ethical Implications of the Messenger's Haircut: Steganography in the Digital Age" and "Internet and Productivity: Ethical Perspectives on Workplace Behavior," co-authored with Andra Gumbus in Management.

**June-Ann Greeley**, Assistant Professor of Religious Studies, presented a paper, "Spots of Passion and the Clarity of Being Human: Resonances of Pole's *Eloisa to Abeland* in the film 'Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind,'" at NEPAC, The Northeast Popular Culture Association Conference held at SHU. For Black History Month & Women's History Month at SHU, she presented "Pattern of Resistance: The Response of Enslaved African Women in the Plantation South."

**Ted Gutswa**, Associate Professor of Art and Design participated in the New Haven Annual City-Wide Open Studios exhibit. He also presented a one-man show at Brick Walk Fine Art in West Hartford, CT.

**Dhia Habboush**, Professor of Chemistry, is scheduled to present at the ACS National Meeting in Atlanta, GA.

**Sandra Honda**, Associate Professor of Computer Science, and **Robert McCloud**, Assistant Professor of Computer Science, presented "Interactive On-line Remediation for College Students" at the Hawaii International Conference on Arts and Humanities in Honolulu, HI. Prof. Honda also made a presentation at the International Conference on Teaching and Learning in Jacksonville, FL.

**John Jalbert**, Professor of Philosophy, delivered a paper, "The Role of the Humanities in a Technological World," at the Humanities and Technology Association Annual Conference in Salt Lake City, UT.

**Pearl Jacobs**, Associate Professor of Criminal Justice, presented a paper, "Preventing Security Breaches in Business," at the American Society for Business and Behavioral Sciences in Las Vegas, NV.

**Mark Jareb**, Assistant Professor of Biology, presented "Development of a Neuron Culture System from Embryonic Chick Forebrain for Physically Separating Axons from Cell Bodies and Dendrites" at the Society for Neuroscience 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C.

**Efim Kinber**, Associate Professor of Computer Science, presented with Sanjay Jain a paper, "Learning Multiple Languages in Groups," at the Annual Conference on Algorithmic Learning Theory, ALT 2005, in Singapore.

**Rose Marie Kinik**, Assistant Professor of Mathematics, is scheduled to participate in the International Conference on College Teaching and Learning in Jacksonville, FL.

**Peter Loth**, Associate Professor of Mathematics, presented "Pure Exact Sequences of Locally Compact Abelian Groups" at the 2005 Eastern Section Meeting of the American



Mathematical Society in Annandale-on-Hudson, NY, and "Splitting Pure Extensions of LCA Groups" at the Joint Mathematics Meetings in San Antonio, TX.

**Christel Manning**, Associate Professor of Religious Studies, presented a paper, "Another Generation of Seekers," at the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting in Rochester, NY

**Mark Mascia**, Associate Professor of Spanish, presented "Outpouring of Emotion and Satire: Lope de Vega's Use of Two Spanish Rivers in Earlier and Later Sonnets" at the 2005 Conference of the Society for Renaissance and Baroque Hispanic Poetry in Miami, FL.

**Claire Marrone**, Associate Professor of MFL, is scheduled to present a paper, "Contemporary Biographies of a Nineteenth-Century Activist," at the American Association of Teachers of Italian (AATI) meeting in Genoa, Italy.

**Jennifer Mattei**, Associate Professor of Biology, received funding from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation to train teachers how to become research assistants (with their students) concerning horseshoe crab ecology in Long Island Sound. In partnership with the Maritime Aquarium, she is running a pilot program this spring with a full program to be run in the spring of 2007.

She received a second grant from the Wildlife Trust involving teacher training and high school students at The Sound School starting this spring. The students will learn how to gather data and study the ecology of the breeding population of horseshoe crabs in New Haven Harbor. This work will include training in the utilization of sonar tags and receiving equipment to track the movement of hsc in the harbor.

Her third grant from the CT state DEP involves horseshoe crab research at Milford Pt. and teaching young students that participate in the CT Audubon Coastal Center late spring and early summer programs. Her undergraduate research assistants help the Audubon naturalist to teach kids how to measure and tag horseshoe crabs and why it is important. She has been running this program for 6 years.

The SoundWaters program, running out of Stamford, CT, will also be running a horseshoe crab ecology program this spring.

She also presented "*Limulus polyphemus*: A Model to Promote Science Literacy and Conservation," at the Ecological Society of America Annual Meeting in Montreal, Canada.

**Robin McAllister**, Associate Professor of English, presented a paper and chaired a section at the 2006 International Conference on the Fantastic in the Arts in Ft. Lauderdale, FL.

**Steven Michels**, Assistant Professor of Political Science, presented "A Tale of Two Crolys: Equality and the Promise of America" at the Northeast Political Science Association Conference in Philadelphia, PA.

**Andrew Miller**, Assistant Professor of Media Studies and Digital Culture, participated in a panel, "Fair Use, Intellectual Property, and Copyright" at the Society for Cinema and Media Studies Annual Conference in Vancouver, BC.

**Jason Moliterno**, Assistant Professor of Mathematics, presented "Teaching the Big Picture in Calculus" at the MAA meeting in Durham, NH. He made a presentation, "Applied Projects in Linear Algebra," at MathFest 2005 in Albuquerque, NM. He presented preliminary findings of recent work at the National Joint Meetings of the American Mathematical Society and Mathematical Association of America Conference in San Antonio, TX. He will attend the Mathematical Association of America Meeting of the Northeast Section in Boston, MA. He will also represent the University at the New England Educational Assessment Network meeting (NEEAN) at the University of Massachusetts.

**Claire Paolini**, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, presented a paper, "Spaniards on the Italian Front," at the meeting of AATI (American Association of Teachers of Italian) in Washington, D.C. She also presented at a panel, "Integrating the Liberal Arts," at AAC&U (American Association of Colleges and Universities) in Washington D.C. She is scheduled to present "Coming of Age in the Spanish Civil War" at the IV International Conference of Asociación Hispánica de Humanidades in Madrid, Spain.

**Ed Papa**, Associate Professor of Philosophy, led the discussion and presented on Kierkegaard's critique of Kant's Philosophy of Religion at the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies' Philosophical Roundtable.

**Domenick Pinto**, Associate Professor of Computer Science, was nominated by a former student as one who has shaped and inspired the student's current achievements in the 9<sup>th</sup> edition of *Who's Who Among America's Teachers (2004-2005)*. He also represented SHU at the Connecticut Technology Summit held in Hartford, CT. He is scheduled to present "Hands on, Online, and Blended Learning...A Comparative Study" and "Flash.One Two Three...An Easy Start" at the International Conference on College Teaching and Learning in Jacksonville, FL.

**Gerald Reid**, Professor of Sociology and Anthropology, received the 2005 SHU Scholarly Achievement Award. He served as chair and discussant in the section, "Iroquoia and Beyond: Perseverance and Adaptation in Changing Borderlands," at the 2005 Annual Conference of the American Society for Ethnohistory in Santa Fe, NM. He also presented "'It is Our Custom': Kahnawake's Council of Clan Chiefs in the Late 19<sup>th</sup> and Early 20<sup>th</sup> Centuries" at the Conference on Iroquois Research in Rensselaerville, NY.

**Marlina Slamet**, Associate Professor of Physics, presented "Wave Function Arbitrariness of Noninteracting Fermion Model in Quantal Density Functional Theory (QDFT)" at the APS March Meeting in Baltimore, MD.

**Louise Spence**, Professor of Media Studies, exhibited three pieces of pottery in the display case of ArtWorks in New York City. She presented a two part paper, "Michael Moore, The Know-it-all who Knows Nothing: Authorial Voice and Performance", at the Northeast Popular Culture Association Conference at SHU and at the Hawaii International Conference on Arts & Humanities.

**Brian Stiltner**, Associate Professor of Religious Studies, coordinated the Pedagogy Interest Group and served as an anonymous reviewer of papers presented for the Society of Christian Ethics Annual Meeting in Phoenix, AZ. He attended the Conference on Faith and Freedom: 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Vatican II and Declaration on Religious Liberty in New York City. He also attended a panel sponsored by the Fordham Center on Religion and Culture.

**Nina Turner**, Assistant Professor of Psychology, is scheduled to present "Environmental Cues Provide Information About Dietary Intake" at the International Conference on Comparative Cognition in Melbourne, FL.

**Christina Taylor**, Associate Professor of Psychology, attended the conference on Anxiety Disorders: Children, Adolescents and Adults in Boston, MA.

**Matthew Semel**, Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice, attended the American Mock Trial Association Teams meeting in West Des Moines, IA

**Anahit Ter-Stepanian**, adjunct faculty member in the Department of Art and Design, presented "Mass Celebrations in Soviet and Post-Soviet Public Spaces" at the NEPCA Conference. She also presented "Visualizing the Word and Verbalizing the Image in Early Russian Avant-Garde" at the Conference of Modernist Studies in Chicago.

**Mary Treschitta**, Instructor of Art and Design, presented a talk, "The Struggles of an Artist," at the SHU Faculty Art Exhibit.

**Michael Ventimiglia**, Assistant Professor of Philosophy, received the 2005 SHU Teaching Excellence Award. He attended the American Philosophical Association Meetings in New York.

**Alisha Walker**, Assistant Professor of Psychology, is scheduled to present "Physical and Relational Victimization in Adolescence: A Longitudinal Examination of Sex Differences and Behavioral Correlates" at the 2006 Society for Research on Adolescence Biennial Meeting in San Francisco, CA.

**Jonathan Walker**, Assistant Professor of Art and Design, attended the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference of the New England Board of Higher Education in Mystic, CT.

**Sandra Young**, Associate Professor of English, is scheduled to attend the Conference of College Composition and Communications meeting in Chicago, IL.