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## C O L L E A G U E S !

Please allow me to thank everyone of you for a productive fall semester. Your continued efforts in delivering a quality educational experience are not going unnoticed. We are constantly setting pace in achieving remarkable results in moving the institution to the next level. The addition of quality graduate and undergraduate programs, a record success in achieving specialized accreditations, increasing enrollment through impressive recruitment and retention strategies, placing our graduates in professional schools in great numbers, and implementing many new initiatives to enhance the success of our students at Southern Utah University and beyond their undergraduate experience is a result of your devotion to your profession and our students. I applaud your tireless efforts and congratulate you on a job well done.

This semester we will be embarking on the implementation phase of our newly adopted strategic plan. This plan will play a significant role as a blueprint of our activities and aspirations for the next five years. Every unit of the campus will be engaged in aligning their respective plans along the articulated university ones. The plan promises to give us focus, a renewed energy, and pronounced direction to bring our forces together to position the university for more prosperity and competitive advantage. We need to actively become engaged in assimilation of the university's strategic plan in our respective areas of instruction, scholarship, and service.

Last semester I was selected by our regional accreditation, The Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, to go through their evaluators' workshop training in Seattle, Washington. It was apparent that a renewed and explicit focus on assessment of learning outcomes is sweeping the nation in defining the landscape of our activities

within the academy. This emphasis on assessment will become even more pronounced in their future campus visitations and accreditation of the programs to document and illustrate accountability in what we do, how we measure, and what steps we take in adjusting our courses, programs, and general education requirements to achieve our articulated learning outcomes. Every faculty, department, college, and administrator has a visible stake in insuring that we measure, assess, and implement while documenting that our activities are linked to systematic continuous quality improvement processes.

The nature of our academy is going through profound changes. Expectations of accountability and cost containment coupled with demand for quality enhancements are increasingly shaping a new landscape for higher education industry. Moreover, the changing profile of our technologically savvy students and their learning habits possess a daunting task for all of us in the academy to adjust "our way of doing business" to the realities of the new marketplace.

Whether it is the implementation of our strategic plan, assessment of our learning outcomes or the expectation of continuous quality improvement, I am confident that our faculty and staff will rise to the occasion and continue to make SUU proud.

Have a rewarding and fulfilling Spring Semester!

Abe Harraf

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## IMPORTANT DATES for Spring Semester

### January

- 3-6 College/School/Department/Senate Retreats
- 6 New Freshman Orientation
- 9 Spring Semester Begins
- 18 Last day to drop without "W"
- 16 Martin Luther King Jr. Recess
- 23 Last day of registration
- 31 Rank and Tenure applications to Provost

### February

- 1 Scholarship application deadline
- 10 Fifth week reports due
- 20 President's Day Recess

### March

- 3 First Block ends
- 6 Second Block begins
- 13-17 Spring Recess

### April

- 14 Good Friday Recess
- 17 Easter Holiday
- 28 Spring Class Instruction Ends

### May

- 1 Study Day
- 2-5 Finals
- 6 Commencement
- 8-12 College/School/Department Meetings
- 8 Maymester begins
- 10 Grades Due
- 15 Faculty Contract Ends
- 26 Maymester Ends
- 29 Memorial Day Recess
- 30 First Summer Session Begins

### June

- 30 First Session Ends

### July

- 4 Independence Day Recess
- 5 Second Summer Session Begins
- 24 Pioneer Day Recess

### August

- 8 Second Session Ends
- 28 Fall Semester Begins

## SUU IE&T FACULTY AND STUDENTS TRAVEL TO MEXICO

During Thanksgiving week, **Professors Richard Cozzens, Boyd Fife, and Dave Ward** traveled to Guymas and Obregon Mexico. Guymas is approximately an 8 hour drive from the Arizona border town of Nogales and Obregon is an hour's drive further south. Traveling with them were Professor Fife's thirteen year old son, Tyrell, two SUU exchange students; Samuel Shaerer from Switzerland and Christian Wisbacher from Germany, as well as Professor Wittwer's brothers, Doug and Dan who came along as interpreters.

The purpose of the trip was three-fold; first, to finalize an articulation agreement between SUU and ITSON (The Sonora Institute of Technology) in Obregon; secondly, to deliver 10 donated computers to a kid's club called Jerry's Club in Guymas; thirdly, for Professors Ward and Cozzens to give professional presentations to ITSON faculty and students in their respective areas of expertise. Tyrell Fife and several other Boy Scouts prepared three of the computers to donate as an Eagle's project, the remaining computers were prepared by the SUU EET 2750 PC hardware class.

The trip was extremely successful. The President of ITSON signed the articulation agreement with SUU and several meetings were held to plan future faculty and student exchanges, some of which may occur as early as the summer of 2006. While at ITSON the annual Roboshow robotics competition was held and the SUU faculty were recognized and honored for their attendance at the event.

The presentations by Professor Dave Ward on microcontrollers and robotics as well as Professor Richard Cozzens' Parametric Solid Modeling presentation were each attended by approximately 20-25 ITSON students and 5 ITSON faculty members.

The faculty, students, and administrators at ITSON were marvelous hosts and made the visit to ITSON very enjoyable. Many student and faculty exchanges should come about from this visit.

## Economics and Finance Department

■ **Dr. Joe Baker** was on the National Institutes of Health Advisory Committee for the Evaluation of the Biomedical Research Infrastructure Network and attended meetings in Washington, D.C. during October 2005.

## Management and Marketing Department

■ Congratulations to the Management and Marketing Department on the completion of the Northwest and ACBSP accreditations in 2004 and best of luck in their continued pursuit of AACSB accreditation.

■ The department of Management and Marketing has seen positive growth in their existing programs. In Fall of 2004 there were 196 Management majors compared to 168 Accounting majors and 57 Finance majors. Management and Marketing is now the largest department in the School of Business. Management alone now has more students than Accounting, and Marketing is on solid footing and no longer in jeopardy of being absorbed or lost. The Hotel, Resort, & Hospitality Management program is also growing nicely.

■ The addition of new programs and extensions in the department of Management and Marketing include Hotel, Resort, & Hospitality Management, an MBA program, International Sister Schools, Business Convocation Speakers, and they are currently exploring web delivery of existing courses and the creation of an EMBA.

## Accounting Department

■ Congratulations to **Professor Mary Pearson**, Certified Public Accountant. Mary passed all portions of the CPA exam this fall, and is the department's newest CPA. Mary is also one of the school's most effective teachers. She joined our faculty in August 2005.

■ "Improving the Moral Judgment of Accounting Students - An Experiment" won the "Best Accounting Paper" award at the Mountain Plains Management Conference this fall. The paper has also been accepted for publication in the Mountain Plains Management Journal of Business and Economics. Co-authored by **Dr. David Christensen, Dr. David Rees, and Professor Jeff Barnes**, this paper is the second of two papers exploring the influence of ethics education on the moral judgment. Discussing context-specific ethics vignettes in the classroom was an effective way to improve moral judgment. Recognizing the moral judgment is a necessary but insufficient condition of moral behavior, the

researchers are now exploring ways to improve moral courage.

■ "The Effect of Church and Service on the Moral Judgment of Accounting Students" was presented at the College Teaching and Learning Conference this fall in Las Vegas by **Dr. David Christensen, Dr. David Rees, and Professor Jeff Barnes**. Results of a one-semester experiment showed that moral judgment is favorably influenced by period church and service activities.

■ The Professional Accounting Club (PAC) has been very active this fall, with several formal meetings and activities with employers of our accounting graduates. Most of our graduate accounting students, and some of our accounting seniors, have already received several job offers. With starting salaries in the mid-50s, and signing bonuses, the students are now struggling with the problem of which offer to accept. A special thanks to **Professor Jeff Barnes**, the dedicated and enthusiastic PAC advisor.

■ **Professor Jeff Barnes** will be presenting three tax topics before CPAs, lawyers, and enrolled agents, both in Salt Lake City and St. George Utah in November and December at the Income Tax School for Practitioners: 1)"Education Issues" ; 2)"Casualty Gains and Losses"; and 3)"Business Issues," Income Tax Schools for Practitioners, Utah State University Extension in Cooperation with the IRS, Salt Lake City, Utah, November 17, 2005. (Presentation before 225 professional peers-CPAs, attorneys, and enrolled agents.)

■ "Everything you ever wanted to know about the Journal of Cost Analysis and Management (JCAM) but were afraid to ask" was published in *The National Estimator* (November 2005). **Dr. David Christensen** is the Editor of the JCAM.

■ Special congratulations are extended to **Dean Mikhail Bouniaev, Provost Abe Harraf** and the faculty and staff of the Department of Integrated Engineering and Technology for receiving accreditation of the University's Integrated Engineering Bachelor of Science program by ABET, the accrediting society for programs in applied science, engineering and technology. This is an outstanding achievement. ABET is known for its rigorous reviews. Equally impressive is that the accreditation was approved for the maximum time period and without conditions!

■ A Bachelors degree in CAD/CAM Engineering Technology with an Architectural/Civil Design Emphasis has been approved and will be offered at SUU beginning with the Fall semester of 2006.

■ **Dr. Saïd Bahi** participated in the Annual International Meeting of the INFORMS (Institute for Operations Research and Management Science) November 13-19, 2005, where he chaired a session on "Theory and Applications of Linear Programming Modeling" and gave a presentation on the topic of Robust Data Fitting in the Presence of Uncertainties.

■ **Dr. Mikhail Bouniaev's** paper "Orientation, Execution, and Control in Online Mathematics Teaching" was published in the peer reviewed proceedings of World Conference on E-Learning in Corporate, Government, Healthcare, and Higher Education (ELEARN) 2005 Vancouver, Canada, October 24, 2005, p.23-28.

■ **Professor Richard Cozzens** presented at ITSON University in Mexico, November 2005 on Parametric Solid Modeling.

■ **Professor Richard Cozzens** and **Dr. Scott Hansen** hosted, conducted, and presented 3D modeling "Inventor" and "On-line Instruction" during a 3 day summer workshop for drafting instructors from across the state of Utah, sponsored by the Utah State Office of Education.

■ **Dr. Eric Freden** presented a survey paper: "Recent Growth Results" at the conference Groups St. Andrews 2005 held in St. Andrews Scotland, July 30 -- August 6, 2005. Proceedings of the corresponding paper have been approved.

■ **Dr. Michael Grady's** paper "A Group Theoretic Approach to a Famous Partition Formula", was published in the August/September 2005 issue of the *American Mathematical Monthly*. The Monthly is considered the foremost periodical of the Mathematical Association of

America. Dr. Grady is the first faculty member from SUU to have a paper published in this prestigious journal.

■ In July 2005, **Professor Jeff Salehi** presented a paper at the peer-reviewed "International Conference on Engineering Education" (ICEE) sponsored by the Silesian University of Technology in Gliwice, Poland. His presentation was selected as the best presentation for the session "Current Trends in Engineering Education" by the session co-chairs and conference proceedings editors. Professor Salehi's paper was published in the ICEE-2005 Conference Proceedings.

■ **Professor Richard Wittwer** served as a national preliminary and finals judge for the Job Skills Demonstration contests during the National Skills USA Championships held in Kansas City, Missouri this past June.

■ **Professor Richard Wittwer** participated in a seven day automotive service workshop conducted by numerous major automobile manufacturers this past June. Workshop subjects included the very latest trends in operation, diagnosis, and service of engines, automatic transmissions, and brake systems.

■ **Dr. William F. Pratt** presented a paper "Finite Element of Wavy Composites" at the 20th Biennial Conference on Mechanical Vibration and Noise (VIB) September 24-28, 2005 in Long Beach, California. Dr. Pratt's paper was published in ASME's international conference proceedings. This paper and presentation was supported in part by a grant from the Provost's office.

■ This semester, engineering students involved in a newly implemented cohort program received notebook computers. Created to better serve students, the cohort vision includes students enrolling in a common class schedule, meeting in regular study sessions, and building working relationships with faculty and upper class mentors. Successful cohorts will help students progress consistently toward graduation and thus help the engineering program grow.

■ The annual meeting of the Utah Council of Teachers of Mathematics (UCTM) was held Oct 28-29, 2005. Presenters from SUU included:

**Dr. Derek Hein** "The Towers of Hanoi"

**Dr. Marty Larkin** "Sketchpad is NOT just Geometry! Ideas for Grades 3-5"

**Lohra Wolden** "Math Anxiety - How to Cope"

Also attending was LaRisa Ekenstam, Mathematics Education Major and CIET Senator.

■ **Drs. Gerald Bowler, Genell Harris, and Kevin Robinson** published, "University and public school collaboration: Lessons learned from keeping it simple," in *Theories and Practices in Supervision and Curriculum*, Utah ASCD 16, 59-64, 2005.

■ **Dr. Bart Reynolds** has published a chapter, "Looking ahead: On the future of educational research and training" in David Brunnsma's *Uniforms in public schools: A decade of research and debate*. Simon & Schuster, 2005. Dr. Reynolds also presented a paper entitled "School uniforms: What the research actually tells us about their effect on student achievement and safety", at the Brigham Young University Law Institute held June 10, 2005 in Provo, Utah.

■ **Dr. David Lund** has published a chapter, "Vocabulary Instruction for Gifted Students" in C.C. Block and J. Mangieri (eds.) *The vocabulary-enriched classroom: Practices for improving the reading performance of all students in grades 3 and up*. New York: Scholastic. 2005.

■ **Dr. Matt Rhea** made two presentations at the American College of Sports Medicine, Southwest Chapter Conference, November 11, 2005 in Las Vegas, Nevada. His presentations focused on exercise assessment. He also made multiple presentations on sport performance, endurance, etc. at the National Strength and Conditioning Association National Conference held July 7-8, in Las Vegas, Nevada. In addition, he has been invited and will serve as a guest lecturer at the University of Madrid, Spain in May 2006.

■ **Dr. Julie Taylor** has published three articles in *Medicine and Science in Sports and Exercise*, 37, 2005 (5 supp.), S248, S329. Titles include: "Energy expenditure during physically interactive video game playing in male college students with different playing experiences; Quantifying upper body physical activity during interactive video gaming for college students; and, Physical activity recommendations can be met using a physically interactive video game among college students."

■ **Dr. Katy Herbold and Professor Tracey Wheeler** presented a paper entitled "Facilitating the Education of ALL Students" at the National Convocation of Kappa Delta Pi, the National Education Honor Society, held November 3-5, 2005 in Orlando, Florida. Four SUU education students attended the conference with them.

■ In July and August, 2005, **Dr. Tom Cunningham** spent a month in China as one of five American educators selected by California State University, Fullerton, to provide a 15-day professional development seminar at a teachers college in Nanjing, China. All the team members had several years of experience as well as graduate degrees in teaching English to speakers of other languages. The program participants were 120 Chinese public school teachers who teach English as a foreign language in primary, middle, and high schools. In November, 2005, Dr. Cunningham presented a paper entitled

"Democratic faculty development: Of the teachers, by the teachers, for the teachers" at the Phi Delta Kappa International Conference held in Chicago, Illinois.

■ In May 2005, **Dr. Tony Pellegrini** was awarded the Exemplar of Technology Delivered Instruction Award from the Utah System of Higher Education and the Utah Electronic College Consortium. He was one of only two recipients of the exemplar awards given this year.

■ **Dr. Bruce Barker and Dr. Lee Montgomery** presented a paper entitled, "Tumbleweeds, rattlesnakes, and beautiful vistas: Implementing Interactive Video Conferencing in rural K-20 schools." Presentation at International Keystone Conference, Interactive Video Conferencing, Indianapolis, Indiana, October 4-5, 2005. In October, Dr. Barker also served as an NCATE review team member at Philander Smith College in Little Rock, Arkansas.

■ **Dr. Kathy Croxall** served as a reviewer for the PRAXIS II content examination for Family and Consumer Sciences held in early November in Princeton, New Jersey. On October 8, she chaired the Utah Association for Family and Consumer Sciences annual state meeting held in Layton, Utah. Ten SUU Family and Consumer Science students also attended.

■ **Dr. Bruce Barker, Dr. Verlinda Angell, and Professor Mark Marriot** completed oversight of a \$97,000 NCLB (No Child Left Behind) grant funded by the Utah System of Higher Education that paid the tuition for 49 teachers to enroll in 26 different courses across seven school districts of southern Utah. The grant was completed in November 2005.

■ **Dr. Jean Lopour** has taken the lead role with the SUU Development Office to endow a scholarship in memory of Dr. Craig Morrison. The scholarship will be first awarded in Spring semester 2006 and will be open to any Physical Education major with a minimum 3.0 grade point average who is interested in exercise physiology. Dr. Craig Morrison, who died in 2004, was a former chairperson and long time professor of the Physical Education department.

■ In October 2005, **Professor Linda and Mark Marriott**, Field Service Coordinator, presented an update on new children's literature at the Utah Educational Library Media Association annual meeting held on the Southern Utah University campus.

■ In October 2005, the Elementary and Secondary Education Departments sponsored a one day "Teaching All Diversity Conference". Over 70 teacher education candidates attended. The conference was directed by **Dr. Genell Harris**.

■ Under the direction of **Dr. Verlinda Angell** and with collaboration from the SUU Financial Aid Office and SUU Career Services, over 30 SUU teacher education candidates have served in area elementary and secondary schools as tutors for the America Reads Program during Fall semester

**Communication Department**

■ The Communication Department launched the Masters of Professional Communication this past fall. Twenty students enrolled in the program. **Dr. Suzanne Larson** received a \$30,000 grant to start the on-line portion of the graduate program. Five graduate courses will be structured for on-line instruction this year with other courses to follow in subsequent years.

■ **Dr. Kevin Stein** defended his dissertation in early September, which compares the *apologia* rhetoric used during the 1960 and 2001 spy plane incidents. He was recently notified that a co-authored book on the 2004 presidential campaign was accepted for publication with Praeger. The book should be out some time in 2006. Dr. Stein will also be presenting a paper regarding *antapologia* rhetoric during Hurricane Katrina at a conference in Amsterdam this June.

■ **Dr. Lionel Grady** recently assumed the leadership of the Management and Sales Division of the Broadcast Education Association. He will preside over that Division at their next convention in April of 2006. Professor Grady is also heading SUU's own Thunderbird Film Festival, set for April of 2006. This will be the sixth year of the Festival which provides a showcase for independent film makers to display their talents.

■ **Dr. Brian Heuett**, Associate Professor of Communication has recently presented two conference papers and published a journal article. In June the paper titled "Virtual Reality Therapy: Does VRT Reduce Public Speaking Anxiety" was presented at the Imaging Science and Technology Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada. The paper was published in the *Imaging Science, Systems, and Technology* journal. In November, the paper "Virtual Reality: An examination of VRT as a Treatment Mechanism for Public Speaking Anxiety" was presented at the National Communication Association Conference in Boston, MA.

■ **Dr. Stan Gwin** will be training the Intermountain Homeland Security employees (about 80 federal employees) at Camp Williams in effective employee relations on December 12. His published work on the speaking of John Bright against English intervention in the American Civil War is listed in readings for the Penn State Seminar on the Rhetoric of Abolition, Suffrage and Civil Rights. The Kellogg Foundation has permanently included his publication on the digital divide in poor counties in the Mississippi, Arkansas, Louisiana delta. The research can be found at [www.wkcf.org/Pubs/FoodRur/MSDI/Pub704.pdf](http://www.wkcf.org/Pubs/FoodRur/MSDI/Pub704.pdf).

■ **Dr. Matt Barton** (2005). "Turning group hate into competent communication: Shared governance and the small group classroom." *North Dakota Journal of Speech & Theatre*

■ **Dr. Matt Barton** has been asked to serve as a member of the Public Trust Land Grant committee by the Cross Hollows Middle School Principal.

■ **Dr. Suzanne Larson** served as the Freedom of Speech and Legal Communication Interest Group Chair for the Western

State Communication Association Convention in Palm Springs, California in February. Additionally, she and **Dr. Terry West** will present a paper at the Convention titled, "Thou shall not or thou shall post the Ten Commandments: The Supreme Courts confusing standard in McCreary County, Kentucky and Van Orden."

■ **Professor Jon Smith's** "The Cable King," a 30-second commercial spoof on Disney's Lion King, shows SUTV emerging as the king of cable television. It was shot on location in Valley of Fire State Park in Nevada and won a Pegasus Award. Smith and SUTV Station Manager **Lee Byers**, were also recognized with an Aurora Award-Best of Show for the documentary "Miracle at Kapyong" that was produced two years ago.

■ SUTV Station Manager, **Lee Byers**, won a Pegasus Award for SUU's recruiting video. The six-minute recruiting video, directed, edited and produced by Byers, is shown to prospective students across Utah and mailed to out-of-state students.

■ **Dr. Paul Husselbee**, associate professor in the Department of Communication, remains active as a reviewer for scholarly journals. He is a member of the editorial board of the Journal of Mass Media Ethics and has reviewed articles for JMME and for Journalism and Mass Communication Quarterly during the past year. A former sportswriter, he also covers SUU football and basketball for the Associated Press.

**Foreign Language and Humanities**

■ **Dr. Elise Leahy** presented a paper in October 2005 at the European Studies Conference in Omaha, Nebraska titled "Zebda: Defining Cultural Identity."

■ **Dr. Hector Garza** delivered a paper at the XXVI Spanish and Latin American Conference at Montclair State University, Montclair, New Jersey in April 2005. The title of the paper was, "Oralidad y escritura en la *Respuesta a Sor Filotea y en Liras de Sor Juana Inés de la Cruz*." Dr. Garza also did a study abroad trip to Granada, Spain in June of 2005.

■ **Dr. Jim Mills** was listed for the third time in *Who's Who Among American Teachers*, in 2004-2005 and published in 2005. This is an honor as one must be recommended and nominated to this publication by a student. Dr. Mills presented a paper titled, "Clément Marot and Robert Burns: Satirists of Religion or Religious Satirists," in the annual meeting of the Rocky Mountain Modern Language Association, held in Fall of 2005 at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. This represents his 47th presentation in conferences. He also chaired the section on French Literature Before 1800 at the same conference.

■ **Dr. Jim Mills** presented a paper at the annual meeting of the Utah Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters in 2005 at Utah Valley State College titled, "The Politics of Satire in the *lambes* of André Chénier." The paper received the Best Paper Award from the Utah Academy and was published in the *Journal of the Utah Academy*, 2003, but actually published in 2005. This represents Dr. Mills 28th published paper.

■ **Dr. Matias Martinez Abeijon** presented a paper in Honolulu, Hawaii titled, "Luis Buñuel y Los olvidados: tradición y profecía de un futuro peor." Globalization and Cinema. 2nd International Conference on Latin(o) American and Iberian Cinemas. University of Hawaii at Manoa Honolulu, Hawaii. November 2005.

■ **Dr. Terry Blodgett** was a guest lecturer at the University of Auckland in New Zealand. He presented for three days, November 24-26 to the Linguistics, Foreign Language, and History departments. The subject titles included "The Linguistic Evidence for Four Israelite Migrations in 1500 BC, 700 BC, 600 BC and AD 70" and "Heraldry, Legends and Mythologies supporting the Theory of Israelite Migrations in 1500 BC, 700 BC, 600 BC, and AD 70."

■ **Dr. Cynthia Pena** had the opportunity to travel to Montclair State University, Montclair, New Jersey to read a paper at the XXVI Spanish and Latin American Conference in April 2005. This paper is part of the Introduction of the Anthology of the Spanish American Prose Poem she is currently organizing. The title of the paper is, "El poema en prosa hispanoamericano actual: dos nuevas perspectivas formales."

■ **Dr. Jorge Nisguritzer** presented his paper "The Spanish Civil War: The Awakening of a Hidden Woman" at the Utah Academy of Sciences, Arts & Letters Conference, on April 15, 2005. The paper was accepted for publication and received the Best Paper award.

■ **Dr. Jim Harrison**, President of the Utah Academy of Sciences, Arts & Letters, is currently translating a Middle High German poem, "Der von Stauffenberg." Dr. Harrison also presented his paper, "Illness as Metaphor" at the RMMLA meetings in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho in Fall of 2005.

■ **Dr. Kirk Fitzpatrick** has two publications, "The Greek Roots of Civil Liberties," and "Treason" in *The Encyclopedia of Civil Liberties in America* by David A. Schultz and John R. Vile, published by M.E. Sharpe. He is also working on a proposal for a minor in Philosophy.

#### Psychology Department

■ Faculty and students of the Psychology Department at Southern Utah University were once again strong contributors to the research-based professional conference of the Rocky Mountain Psychological Association, held April, 2005 in Phoenix, AZ.

- ✓ **Drs. Ault, Barney, Mace, and Jones** were honored as major presenters in four professional symposia on diverse topics related to class size in higher education, service learning, psychology in general education, and environmental psychology.
- ✓ **Dr. Ault** was also selected as one of the primary workshop presenters, providing instruction on role clarity.
- ✓ **Dr. Earl** presented three clinical-based research papers.
- ✓ **Drs. Earl and Mace** received special recognition as the Psi Chi National Honor Society Regional Faculty Advisor Award winner and as the recipient of the Rocky Mountain Psychological Association Early Career Award, respectively.

■ **Dr. Jeff Elison's** paper, "Shame and Guilt: A Hundred Years of Apples and Oranges" was recently accepted by the peer-reviewed journal *New Ideas In Psychology*.

■ **Dr. Jeff Elison** co-authored two articles, "Shame-Focused Coping: An Empirical Study of the Compass of Shame" and "Investigating the Compass of Shame: The Development of the Compass of Shame Scale." Both articles were accepted by the peer-reviewed journal *Social Behavior and Personality*.

■ **Dr. Britton Mace** will be co-authoring the new edition of the premier textbook in the field of Environmental Psychology. The text will be published in the fall of 2006 and is the 6th edition of the highly respected book *Environmental Psychology*.

#### English Department

■ In October, The English Department's Fall Creative Writing conference for secondary teachers and SUU teachers hosted 23 area teachers and an equal number of SUU students for its annual conference. This year's focus was "Writing from Mythology" and featured nationally known writers Joel Long, Laura Shamas, and William Studebaker. Shakespeare Director of Education Michael Bahr made a presentation on drama in the classroom; all participants attended a matinee performance of the USF's fall offering, *Pippin*. This conference was funded by the Utah Arts Council and the English Department.

#### Political Science and Criminal Justice

■ **Dr. Ravi Roy** has co-authored a book under the title, *Neoliberalism: Ideas, Interests, and Global Economic Change*, (Frontiers in Political Economy series, Routledge Press, 2006). He co-authored an article, "Post-Kynesian Policy Responses in a Comparative Perspective," that has been accepted for publications. Dr. Roy also presented a paper, "Mental Models and Game Theory: Cognitive Construction of Multiple Nash Equilibria," at the Public Choice Meetings, March 2005, New Orleans, LA.

■ **Professor Carl Franklin** authored a book, *The Investigator's Guide to Computer Crime*, (Thomas Publishers, 2006). He presented a paper, "Paranoid Overreaction or Under-funded Necessity: Have We gone too Far in Refocusing American Law Enforcement on Homeland Security?" at the annual conference of Western and Pacific Association of Criminal Justice Educators, October 14, 2005 at Vancouver, British Columbia. Professor Franklin also developed another online course, CJ 3320 Criminal Procedure, ready for delivery to students spring semester 2006.

■ **Professor Wayne Williams** co-authored and presented a paper with **Professor Carl Franklin** at the annual conference of the Western and Pacific Association of Criminal Justice Educators, October 15, 2005 at Vancouver, British Columbia. The title of the paper, "Courtroom Testimony Via A Cross Course Approach," explains how he and Professor Franklin are bringing students from two separate courses together for a capstone experience in the Model Courtroom Lab. This paper has been submitted for publication. Professor Williams also developed another online course, CJ 3270, Criminology, ready for delivery to students spring semester 2006.

■ **Dean Harold Ornes** reported on a study at the Eighth Biennial Conference of Research on the Colorado Plateau, held November 7-10 at the Du Bois Center on the campus of Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff, AZ. The title of the presentation was "Water Quality of Southern Utah Streams." The study is on-going and involves monthly sampling of eight streams and two reservoirs since the summer of 2004. Dean Ornes has also been invited to present a paper at the 2nd Biennial Rocky Mountain Lake and Reservoir Management Conference in Golden, CO in February 2006.

■ **Drs. Robert Reed, Bruce Howard, and Hussein Samha** were awarded funds for research from the Provost's Faculty Development Grant program.

## Physical Science

■ **David Maxwell** participated as a judge at the Utah Geographic Information Council Conference for student research and cartography presentation held in Park City, Utah in September 2005. He also co-authored a paper in the October 2005 *URARA Symposium Journal* entitled: "Waterglyphs: Ancient Cartography of the Arizona Strip" and presented a paper at the October 2005 URURA Symposium entitled: "Encoded Cultural Landscape Navigation - Waterglyphs; An Ancient Navigational System."

■ **Dr. Robert Eves** co-authored a paper in the Council for Undergraduate Research Quarterly entitled: "The natural history of a modern carbonate ecosystem: Field studies that integrate undergraduate research."

■ **Professor Sue Finstick** presented a paper at the Geological Society of America annual meeting held in Salt Lake City in October entitled: "The use of games and instant gratification in exam review sessions."

■ At the Geological Society of America Annual Meeting on October 16-19, 2005, in Salt Lake City, Utah, faculty and students of the Geoscience area made the following presentations and activities:

✓ **Drs. C. Frederick Lohrengel II, Robert L. Eves, and Mark R. Colberg** convened a session entitled "Integrating Research into Undergraduate Geoscience Coursework" (National Association of Geoscience Teachers).

✓ **Dr. C. Frederick Lohrengel II** "Fitting Undergraduate Class Research Projects to Student Needs and Abilities."

✓ **Drs. Robert L. Eves and C. Frederick Lohrengel II,** "Local Stratigraphy as the Basis for Project-Based

Undergraduate Research Projects Incorporated into Sedimentology/Stratigraphy Laboratories."

✓ **Dr. Mark R. Colberg,** "Student Research Projects in Mineralogy and Petrology: A Multi-Semester Approach."

✓ **Dr. Mark R. Colberg** and Rosaleen Conrad, "A Fresh Look at Core Complex Development in the Northern Snake Range, Nevada: Insights from Metamorphism."

✓ **Dr. C. Frederick Lohrengel II** co-authored "Mapping the Distribution of Early Jurassic (Hettangian) Dinosaur Tracks in the Whitmore Point Member of the Moenave Formation" Johnson Farm Dinosaur Site, St. George, Washington County, Utah.

■ **Dr. J. Ty Redd** collaborated on a published abstract in Science Direct, October 2005 entitled, "Asymmetric dihydroxylation of disubstituted allenes."

## Biology Department

■ **Professor John R. Taylor** began a study with Bureau of Land Management and Bat Conservation International in which we are looking at the effect the surface area of water sources has on the bats that depend on these sources. Professor Taylor also presented "Taking the 'Cookbook' style of teaching out of Labs" at the National Science Teacher Association Conference.

■ **Dr. Kate Grandison, Professor John R. Taylor** and over 6 students have continued in their second year of funding from the Endangered Species Mitigation Fund where they are studying water sources and bat abundance in the Iron, Washington and Beaver counties.

■ **Dr. Kate Grandison,** Biology faculty, and a senior Biology student, Selena Sorensen presented "Comparison of Bat Use at Water Catchments in Iron County, Utah" at the 35th Annual North American Bat Research Symposium, held in Sacramento, California on October 19-22, 2005. The ongoing collaborative study was started in July of 2004 with many other undergraduate research students and **Professor John Taylor.**

## Nursing Department

■ **Dr. Karla Dalley** has presented at two national conferences. In October, she presented a paper on learning-centered education in nursing at the National League of Nursing Education Summit in Baltimore. In November, she presented a data based paper on nursing retirement plans and the impact on the nursing faculty shortage at the 32nd Annual Conference for Professional Nursing Educators in Houston.

# HIGHLIGHTS COLLEGE OF PERFORMING & VISUAL ARTS

■ Congratulations to the Theatre Arts and Dance department on their recent NASD Accreditation. SUU is now an accredited institutional member of the National Association of Schools of Dance.

■ **Professor Kay Andersen**, Dance, had a very busy international summer choreographing and performing in Mexico City and in South America. He also was a guest performer in Florence, Italy.

■ **Professor Arlene Braithwaite**, Art and Design, was singled out for the Director's Award at the Statewide Exhibition entitled "Celebrate Pastel" held at the Springville Museum of Art in October.

■ **Professor Eric Brown**, Chair of the Department of Art and Design, presented a paper at the Third International Conference on New Directions in the Humanities at the University of Cambridge in England in August 2005.

■ **Dean Bill Byrnes**, lectured in Freiburg, Germany this summer on American arts and culture management trends at the Institut für Sprachen und Wirtschaft, an educational institute that trains culture managers. He presented a paper at the Association of Theatre in Higher Education's (ATHE) national conference in San Francisco in July.

■ **Dr. Christine Frezza**, Theatre and Dance, had a portion of her operetta *Two Gentlemen of Verona* performed on October 15 and three works adapted specially for SUU Music Department performers premiered in the October 17 concert held in the Thorley Recital Hall. Dr. Frezza is also the resident composer for the Utah Shakespearean Festival.

■ **Professor Susan Harris**, Art, has two ceramic pieces currently on display at the Brigham City Museum-Gallery and has been invited to participate, with six pieces of current ceramic work, in the Neil Estrick Gallery's invitational show in Grayslake, IL. Susan has also been invited to exhibit her work for the Kalamazoo Institute of the Arts.

■ **Professor Carol Ann Modesitt**, Music Department Chair, presented a workshop on questions for dramatists who are doing original work that is geared toward music within an educational setting for the League of Utah Writers in Salt Lake City on September 17, 2005. The

conference featured Carol Higgins Clark famed mystery writer and the daughter of Mary Higgins Clark. Also featured at the conference was Mel Boring famed children's author.

■ **Dr. Grace St. Pierre**, Music, was Coordinator, Guest Clinician and Conductor of the Orchestra of Southern Utah's Third Annual Fall Choral Festival September 2005. Dr. St. Pierre was also just named Repertoire and Standards Co-Chair for four year colleges and universities for the newly established American Choral Directors Association in Utah.

■ **Professor Dave Richardson**, Graphic Design, co-authored a paper with **Dr. Todd Petersen**, Assistant Professor of English, for presentation at the University and College Designers Association's Design Educators Summit in Nashville, TN, in August 2005. Dave will be lecturing as a visiting artist at the campus of the State University of New York in Oswego, in March 2006.

■ **Dr. Patrick Roulet**, Music, traveled throughout the Southern United States this summer visiting several significant landmarks in American Music. He participated in the Centrum Jazz Workshop in Port Townsend, Washington and returned for his fourth season as the principal timpanist with the Bellingham Festival Orchestra in Bellingham, Washington.

■ **Dr. George Stoffan**, Music, has been accepted as a member of the Utah Arts Council's Performing Arts roster for 2005-06. He will also be presenting a paper on Czech music at the Hawaii International Arts and Humanities in January 2006.

For details of the CPVA faculty accomplishments please go to [www.suu.edu/pva](http://www.suu.edu/pva)

## *Provost Office*

■ The Provost Faculty Development Grant Committee met in November to award grants to faculty for various presentations, research, and projects that improve pedagogy, increase scholarly work, and benefit SUU and its students. There is a maximum cap of \$3,000 per faculty member per year. Twenty-eight proposals were funded this round. For a more detailed list of grants awarded visit <http://www.suu.edu/academics/provost/PFDVL/FY06award.html>.

College/School	Amount Awarded
Business	\$465
CIET	\$3,334
Education	\$10,651
HSS	\$10,763
PVA	\$2,921
Science	\$6,302
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$34,436</b>

The deadline for the next round is January 20, 2006 by 3:00 pm. Travel and research dates must fall between April 1, 2006 and June 30, 2006. You can find the forms and guidelines at <http://www.suu.edu/academics/provost/PFDVL/rfpguide.html>.

## *Registrar's Office*

■ Please note that the Registration Add/Drop deadlines have changed: Starting spring semester 2006, students may add and drop courses online for the first 5 academic school days of the semester. After that period, an instructor's signature will be required. Students may ADD a class for up to ten academic school days. Students have the first seven academic school days of the semester to DROP a class without a "W". After that period, a "W" will be posted for all drops. Any exceptions to this policy must be approved by the instructor and dean of the student's college.

## *Student Success Center*

■ The University has recently hired a new Math Supplemental Instruction Coordinator. **Alisha McCann**, an SUU graduate, has accepted the position and is currently working with the math department and the Student Success Learning Center to develop programs to enhance the performance of SUU students who struggle with math. She will work closely with undergraduate tutors and teaching assistants by providing training and supervision related to their work. Alisha was an accomplished undergraduate student at SUU who published and presented with Eric Freden, the current interim chair of the math department. Alisha's office is located in the Student Success Center (ST #177).

■ Jeb Branin, Associate Director of the Student Success Center, was recognized as the Outstanding Orientation Professional by the National Orientation Directors Association (NODA) at their annual conference in Miami, Florida.

■ Fifth Week Reports for the spring semester are due beginning February 10th, 2006. Please be on the look out for a reminder email from the Student Success Center.

## *Honors Program*

■ In Spring 2005 the Honors Program launched Maymester Gone Wild!, a new program providing an opportunity for Maymester instructors and students to take their coursework into the mountains and canyons of southern Utah. MGW! 2005 featured Art students studying on campus for the first two weeks of the semester and then traveling to southeastern Utah and rafting the San Juan River while continuing their studies in drawing and painting with their classroom instructor. Special thanks to **Prof. Arlene Braithwaite, Prof. Laura Cotts, Anne Smith** and the Outdoor Recreation Center. In recognition of its unique nature and future possibilities the 2005 MGW! program was funded in part by a grant from the National Collegiate Honors Council Portz Fund.

■ Interlibrary Loan (ILL) is making book and article requests easier. Beginning January 2006, ILL requests of all formats will be processed through a new web-based system called ILLiad. Users will be able to track their books and articles as the requests are being processed, renew online, and receive articles directly to their email account. For more information about this new service please check out the library web page ([www.li.suu.edu](http://www.li.suu.edu)) or contact the library.

■ Online Computer Library Center (OCLC) will feature the Sherratt Library's digital collections in this year's OCLC Annual Report. "We want to help communicate and emphasize how libraries are sharing their digital collections." The report will display representative images from SUU with the note "the Sherratt Library added 7,671 records from six digital collections." These collections are now available to library users worldwide. More than 53,548 libraries in 96 countries and territories around the world use OCLC services.

■ Historical Topography: A New Look at Old Sites on Mountain Meadows by Morris A. Shirts and Frances Anne Smeath, published by the SUU Press, received another favorable review in the summer issue of the *Journal of Mormon History*. This follows a review in the Winter issue of the *Utah Historical Quarterly*. Historical Topography, published after the death of SUU professor Dr. Shirts, does not focus on the who, what or why of the massacre but instead on the issue of where. This book is available for purchase on the press web page on the library site.

■ The Las Vegas Springs Preserve has asked for permission to use one of our William R. Palmer Paiute photographs in a public exhibit that will be opened in 2007. Two of our photographs are also displayed in the new Grand Staircase Escalante National Monument Visitors' Center in Escalante, Utah.

■ Beginning in October, the Sherratt Library began checking out wireless notebook computers to students. The wireless computers, provided by Academic Computing with student funding, may be checked out for four hours and must be used in the library. The program has been well received by the students and their use is increasing each week.

■ Utah Academic Library Consortium recently subscribed to Value Line Research Center for all Utah higher education institutions. Value Line provides

online access to publications covering stocks, mutual funds, options and convertible securities as well as special situation stocks.

■ SUU's librarians continue to be active in Utah Academic Library Consortium (UALC) activities. **Richard Eissinger** was recently appointed chair of the UALC Reference and Library Instruction Committee. Other librarians that are involved in UALC committees include **John Eye**, Collection Development Committee; **Randy Christensen**, Cataloging and Digitization Committees; **Phil Dillard**, Resource Sharing Committee; **John Bryner**, Professional Development Committee and **Vik Brown**, UALC Council.

■ **Dean Diana Graff** was elected to serve a two-year term on the Library Administration and Management Association LOMS board of directors as a member at large. LAMA is one of the eleven divisions that govern the American Library Association. The major goal of this division is to 'champion today's library leaders and nurture those of tomorrow.' The term began in July, 2005.

■ **Vik Brown** was appointed to ALA's Library Administration and Management Association Safety and Security of Buildings Committee. **Paula Mitchell** was appointed to the Utah Manuscripts Committee and **Janet Seegmiller** is serving on the Utah State Historical Records Board.

■ **Richard Eissinger** and **Scott Lanning** presented at the Mountain Plains Library Association conference in Jackson Hole, Wyoming. Richard presented "Library Research Skills Needed by New College Students" and Scott presented "Interviewing from Both Sides of the Table."

■ **Matt Nickerson** continues to advance his research into wireless technologies for cultural heritage venues. He presented his latest research at Museums and the Web 2005 in Vancouver, British Columbia, and published his results in an important trade journal. His article, "History Calls: Delivering Automated Audio Tours to Mobile Phones," in the May issue of *Speech Technology* has led to increased research and off-campus collaboration opportunities including a presentation at the prestigious 2005 International Cultural Heritage Informatics Meeting, in Paris France.

## ■ Copy Center Lives

Rumors of the death of the copy services on campus have been greatly exaggerated. Many of your favorite copy services are still available in the copy center on the main level of the library. These include printing, binding, collating, laminating, and die cutting. Production supplies for all of the activities are available for purchase. In addition, the color copier has been replaced by a color printer. The printer will offer the flexibility of 8 x 11 prints all the way to 11 x 17 color prints and a variety of paper types including card stock or index paper are available. Please visit the copy center for additional information.

## ■ Michael O. Leavitt Center

Plans are being finalized for the construction of the Michael O. Leavitt Center for Politics and Public Service in the Sherratt Library. The Center will replace classroom 004 and will be entered from the Special Collection reading room. Construction will take place Spring Semester and the Center will be dedicated on March 25, 2006 as part of Founders Day activities. The Center will continue to provide internship and

leadership experience, citizenship awareness, as well as opportunities and recognition for humanitarian service. The Library has acquired the Leavitt Collection of papers, photos, and artifacts which will become a new research collection and add another goal to the center to provide access to these materials. Many items in this collection will be made web accessible.

## ■ Small Business Development Center

So far in 2005, the SUU Small Business Development Center has trained about 100 business leaders, managers, and potential entrepreneurs in the community and has provided free professional consulting to over 125 new and existing clients. It is estimated based upon quarterly surveys done throughout the year that the impact the Small Business Development Center has made to the community in terms of jobs created or retained is anticipated to be approximately 137 jobs this year. Upcoming business training sessions include Better Business Techniques, Entrepreneurial Training, and the Customer Service Training Program. Contact (435) 586-5400 for more information.

## Upcoming CPVA Events

**Michael York**, the award-winning international star of stage and screen is coming for a special one night only benefit performance for the Fred C. Adams Scholarship on **January 27, 2006 in the Randall Jones Theatre at 7:30 pm**. York's show, "Rogues and Vagabonds: from Shakespeare to Austin Powers" will be sure to delight. Tickets are available by calling 435-586-7878. For more information go to [www.suu.edu/arts](http://www.suu.edu/arts).

The **SUU Faculty Show** will be opening **February 9, 2006 at 7 pm in the Braithwaite Fine Arts Gallery**, after previewing at the Springville Museum of Art in January 2006. For more information go to: [www.suu.edu/pva/artgallery](http://www.suu.edu/pva/artgallery).

**Utah Shakespearean Festival** tickets for the 2006 Summer and Fall season are available now by calling 435-586-7878 or by going to [www.bard.org](http://www.bard.org) for more information.

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