

Speaker announced for graduate commencement An alumnus is the guest speaker at the winter graduate commencement

An alumnus is the guest speaker at the winter graduate commencement ceremony Dec. 14. The speaker for the Dec. 15 undergraduate program has not been announced yet.

David E. Christopher, superintendent of schools for the Juniata Valley School District in Alexandria, Pa., will give the address during the graduate ceremony beginning at 7 p.m. Dec. 14 in the H. Ric Luhrs Performing Arts Center. The graduate school will soon share information on that program.

University employees are reminded that if a family member is graduating at the undergraduate ceremony, they may present the diploma cover personally to the graduate. If you wish to do so, please send a note with the undergraduate's name and degree no later than Dec. 7 to Dr. Peter M. Gigliotti, Commencement Committee chair, at pmgigl@ship.edu.

Faculty who wish to order academic regalia may contact the University Store at ext. 1600 from on-campus or 477-1600 from off-campus.

For the Dec. 15 ceremony, participants who wish to bring a guest may obtain a ticket for reserved seating from the Office of University Communications and Marketing by calling the office at ext. 1202 or sending an e-mail to SUnews@ship.edu by Dec 7.

Faculty are asked to use the lobby entrance of Heiges if they are participating. Faculty will assemble by 10:30 a.m. in the locker room areas. The procession forms at 10:45 a.m. and starts promptly at 11 a.m.

Christopher received his master's degree in educational leadership in 2008 and later earned his principal certificate and superintendent's letter of eligibility, and in 2011 received the Outstanding Student Award from the department.

He has served as an elementary principal, high school principal and director of curriculum, and acting superintendent prior to receiving his commission to serve as superintendent in May 2012. Since his arrival at Juniata Valley, the district has flourished despite difficult economic times and challenges faced by public schools in Pennsylvania. In 2012, the high school was listed as a *U. S. News and World Reports* Bronze Award winning school because of the performance of the students.

Christopher also serves on the board of directors of the Huntingdon County United Way and is chair of its Strategic Planning Committee.

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Grades due Dec. 18

Fall 2012 grades are due by 3 p.m. Dec. 18. Grade submission will be enabled in the myShip portal on Dec. 7 and all grades will be processed online.

MLK March

The annual MLK March for Humanity in remembrance of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. is 3:30 p.m. Jan. 31, 2013 in the CUB MPR.

The Office of Multicultural Student Affairs and the African American Organization invites all faculty, staff, students and friends of the university to help support and participate in the march.

October crimes

The following crimes were reported to University Police in October: Aggravated assault 0 0 Arson Burglary Criminal homicide Disorderly conduct Driving under the influence 0 Drug violations Drunkenness 0 Forcible rape 0 Forgery and counterfeiting Fraud 0 6 Larceny (theft) Liquor laws 17 Motor vehicle theft 0 0 Other assaults (not aggravated) 0 Robbery Sex offenses 0 Stolen property (receiving) Vandalism Weapons violations 0 All other offenses

Call for proposals

The Office of Social Equity is seeking proposals for programs that are aligned with the university's goals as they pertain to inclusion and diversity.

Deadline to apply is Dec. 3. For additional information including guidelines on eligibility and format go to http://www.ship.edu/ admin/social_equity or contact Dr.

Melodye Wehrung, executive director of social equity at ext. 1161.

Dinner concert

The Madrigal Singers, directed by Dr. Blaine Shover, will hold their annual Christmas dinner concert at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 30 and Dec. 1 in Old Main Chapel. This is the 20th year the group has presented this pro-

Seating is on a first-come, first served basis and is determined at the time of payment. Deadline for reservations is Nov. 26.

For more information, call Shover at ext. 1779.

Princess Playhouse

After another successful season, The Little Princess Playhouse returns with two new productions in Decem-

The playhouse, sponsored by the Department of Music and Theatre Arts, will present Rapunzel and The Princess and the Snarls starting at 10 a.m. and again at 11:30 a.m. Dec.1 and Dec. 8 in Stewart Hall.

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Admission is \$4. Tickets are available at the door and seating is limited. Parking is free and guests should park in the Memorial Auditorium lot and walk to Stewart Hall.

For more information, call 477-1638.

Online ethnic media

Dr. Masudul Biswas, assistant professor of communication/journalism, will present "Online Ethnic Media: Challenges and Opportunities" at 7 p.m. Nov. 27 in Orndorff Theatre in the CUB.

His presentation is sponsored by the university's Ethnic Studies Program.

He joined Shippensburg in Fall 2011. His primary research interests include online news and politics, media diversity, social media and journalism/mass communication education. His research has appeared in scholarly journals including Journalism and Mass Communication

Educator and Journal of New Communications Research. He earned his doctorate degree in media and public affairs from Louisiana State Universitv.

For more information contact Dr. Ana Moraña, director of the Ethnic Studies Program, at ext. 1478 or anmora@ship.edu.

Regional awards

The university received two awards from the University Professional and Continuing Education Association's (UPCEA) Mid-Atlantic Region, according to a media release from the association.

Dr. Gerald Fowler, associate professor of educational leadership, received an individual award while the university's bachelor of social work degree completion program earned an award for program development.

Fowler received the Outstanding Faculty Service award for his dedication to the university, the Pennsylvania Department of Education and the K-12 educational leadership community of Southcentral Pennsylvania.

The bachelor of social work degree completion program at the Dixon University Center received the association's Program Development award. Dr. Liz Fisher, associate professor of social work, accepted the award on behalf of the program that provides a degree pathway for individuals who work full-time and have earned an associate's degree or transferrable credits in human/social services.

Fact

Fact is published by the Office of University Communications and Marketing for current and retired employees. The next issue is Dec. 10.

Deadline to submit material is noon Monday the week before publication and may be sent to SUnews@ ship.edu.

Shippensburg University is an equal opportunity educational institution.

Kudos

Dr. **Hamid Bastin**, professor of economics, and Dr. **David E. Kalist**, associate professor of economics, had their paper "The Labor Market Returns to AACSB Accreditation" accepted for publication in the *Journal of Labor Research*.

Dr. **Kelly M. Carrero**, assistant professor of special education, had her co-authored manuscript "Ensuring successful outcomes for students from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds" published in the November issue of *Preventing School Failure*.

Dr. **Kent Chrisman** and Dr. **Annie Papero** of the early childhood program recently participated in the one-day workshop in Atlanta for writers of the NAEYC SPA report that is submitted as part of the NCATE accreditation application for Teacher Education. Chrisman was also appointed as an editor to revise the National Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators position statement on the specialized certification of early childhood candidates. He is also serving a second term as the president of the Pennsylvania Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators.

Dr. Barbara Jones Denison, associate professor of sociology, presented the paper she co-authored with ODL graduate student Dane Lauber on "Student Soldiers on Campus—Leadership, College Tuition, or Both?" at the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Sociological Society Oct. 13 at Penn State Schuylkill.

Dr. Susan Rimby, interim associate dean of the College or Arts and Sciences, presented the keynote lecture "Mira Lloyd Dock and the Progressive Era Conservation Movement" at The Midtown Scholars Bookstore in Harrisburg's third annual book fair Nov. 10.

Dr. Cheryl A. Slattery, associate professor of teacher education, recently began her work for the 11th consecutive year on the Ready, Set, Go! program with the Drew Michael Taylor Foundation, in coordination with the Shippensburg Area School District. This free community event, held twice each year, embraces the opportunity for university undergraduate students enrolled in the Teacher Education program to connect with children, parents, and other professionals in the community through this early literacy program to serve children and parents in the Shippensburg area at large. She also presented 12 education mini-grant awards at the Shippensburg Area School District School Board meeting in her role as chair for the Education Mini-Grants Program Selection Committee. She also serves as chairperson and secretary for the Shippensburg Area School District Foundation Board of Trustees.

Dr. Praveen Veerabhadrappa, assistant professor in exercise science, recently participated in the 24th International Society of Hypertension (ISH) Conference on Sydney, Australia to present his research "Long-Term Diet and Exercise Intervention Reduces CRP Levels in Sedentary African-American Adults" and "Six-Months of Lifestyle Intervention Improves Flow Mediated Dilation in Sedentary African-American Subjects." He also presented "Six Months of Lifestyle Intervention Reduces Carotid Intimamedia Thickness in African-American Adults" at the High Blood Pressure Research Council of

the American Heart Association (AHA) Conference in Washington D.C., in October. He actively contributes to the New Investigators Committee of ISH as a founding member, and to the Trainee Advocacy Committee of the AHA. His editorial "Slowing chronic kidney disease progression: Should we be looking beyond mean blood pressure?" was recently published in *Hypertension Research Journal*.

Dr. Ying Yang, assistant professor of sociology, presented the paper co-authored with Dr. Dina Banerjee, assistant professor of sociology, "Women's Autonomy in the U.S. Labor Market" at the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Sociological Society Oct. 13 at Penn State Schuylkill.

Dr. Cheryl Zaccagnini, associate professor of special education, and students Anastasia Beboga, Brittney Newman, and Ashley Park presented "Using Higher Education Volunteer Programs for Secondary and Post-Secondary Individuals with Disabilities from the Community-People Involved Equally (P.I.E.) Nov. 9 at the Pennsylvania Council for Exceptional Children. At that conference she also presented "Using Proactive Classroom and Behavior Management for Students with E/BD in ES and Inclusive Classrooms." She also presented a poster on research from Chambersburg Area School District on "Perceptions of Skills Needed by Secondary Education Students for Inclusion of Students with Emotional/Behavior Disorders" with graduate researcher Heather Hoffert. That poster was presented at the PASSHE graduate research presentations at the Dixon Center and in June at the 24th Annual Ethnographic and Qualitative Research Conference at Cedarville University in Ohio. She also presented "Using Proactive Approaches and School Wide Positive Behavior Support" at the International Conference for Children with Behavior Disorders in New Orleans. She also attended workshops, sessions, and presented "Behavior and Classroom Management for Students with Emotional/Behavior Disorders" Oct. 2 at the Behavior Institute for Children and Adolescents (BICA) in Minneapolis.

Dr. Joseph Zume, associate professor of geography and earth science, co-presented the poster done with student Kameelah Temple, "Exploring the Connections between Land-use/ Land cover (LULC) Change and Storm Response in the Middle and Lower Susquehanna River Basin" at the Pennsylvania Geographical Society meeting in Salisbury, Md., Nov. 2 and 3. Zume also co-presented the poster done with student Megan Kelsall, "Analyzing nutrient load and stream discharge time series of three major rivers draining into the Chesapeake Bay" at the Middle States conference of the Association of American Geographers on campus Nov. 2 and 3.

Several mathematics department faculty members presented their research at the Pennsylvania Council of Teachers of Mathematics conference with their undergraduate research students. Dr. **Dave Kennedy**, associate professor, presented "Mental Math Mayhem" with Jeremy Eastman and Lynne Dettra; Dr. **Ben Galluzzo**, assistant professor, presented "Math: A Service Learning Experience For All" with Grant Innerst; Dr. **Debbie Gochenaur**, assistant professor, presented "Bridging the Gap: High Impact Techniques for

Students with Asperger's" with Andrew Geesaman; and Dr. **Mike Long**, assistant professor, presented "Tactile Learning: Math Fun for All and Modeling the Common Core at an Uncommon Place: Amusement Parks" with Innerst.

Two faculty members have positions in an education-related association. Dr. Christopher Schwilk is president-elect of the Pennsylvania Council for Exceptional Children (PACEC) teacher education subdivision and Dr. Cheryl Zaccagnini is PACEC vice president-elect.

Three mathematics department professors made presentations at the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Regional Meeting in Hartford, Conn., in October. The presentations were: "Mathematics Homework for the 21st Century" by Dr. **Tom Evitts**, "Save Money: Simulate the Lottery" by Dr. **Dave Kennedy**, and "Math Models with Many Spokes" by Dr. **Mike Long**.

Drs. W.A. Braun, Joohee Sanders, and Ben Meyer of the exercise science department, and a number of undergraduate students presented three posters and seven oral research presentations at the Mid-Atlantic Regional Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine Annual Conference in Harrisburg on Nov. 2. Following are those presentations:

"Can Standing Long Jump Distance be Predicted from Between-the-Legs Front Throw Distance?" by Allie Flott, co-investigators Katie Slonaker, Katrina Spratford, and Meyer.

"Can Standing Long Jump Distance be Predicted from Standing Vertical Jump Distance?" by Lauren Merk, co-investigators Chelsey Michael and Meyer.

"Can Between-the-Legs Front Throw Distance be Predicted from Overhead Back Throw Distance?" by Chris Nelson, co-investigators Heather Weiss, Lauren Taylor, and Meyer.

"Effects of Eccentric Muscle Work on Acute and Delayed Torque and Force Generation" by Justin Guy, co-investigator Braun.

"The Effects of Foam Rolling and Static Stretching on Flexibility and Acute Muscle Soreness" by Evelyn Howe, co-investigators April Lininger, Lauren Schlegel, Amanda Harwell, Paulson, Braun, and Sanders.

"The Influence of Exercise Intensity on Post-Exercise Appetite Response" by Tessa Gilson, co-investigators Christa Pamperien, Marley Parmer, Jenna Clugh, Michael Allen, Paulson, and Braun.

"The Psychological and Physiological Effects of Music on Athletic Performance" by Brian Malloy, co-investigators Corey Baughman, Ryan Maize, Paulson, Zientek, and Braun.

"The Acute Effects of L-Arginine on Recovery and Resistance Exercise" by Albert Garcia, co-investigators Jon Hlasney, James Frost, Braun, and Sanders.

"Effects of Creatine Monohydrate vs. Creatine Hydrochloride on Muscle Endurance Performance" by Kyle Naylor, co-investigators Cory Albright, Chris Liggitt, Aaron Kolenc, Robinson, Braun, and Sanders.

"The Effects of Caffeine on Anaerobic Performance" by Erin Varley, co-investigators Andrea DeAntonio, Jackie Wineholt, Amanda Digirolomo, and Sanders.

Coming soon ...

- **Nov. 20** Men's basketball hosts Penn State Mont Alto, 7 p.m.
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- Wrestling hosts Millersville, 7 p.m.
- 30-Dec. 1 Madrigals' Christmas Dinner-Concert, 6:30 p.m., OM Chapel. Reservation deadline is Nov. 26. For information, call Dr. Blaine Shover at ext. 1779.
- **Dec. 1** Little Princess Playhouse presents Rapunzel and The Princess and the Snarls, at 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., Stewart Hall. Tickets available at the door.
 - Skippyjon Jones, 2 p.m., H. Ric Luhrs Performing Arts Center. For information call 477-SHOW or go to http://www.luhrscenter.com.
- 4-6 Christmas in Dibert, 7:30 p.m., Dibert Planetarium, Franklin Science Center. For information and reservations, send e-mail to papajack@planetcable.net. Tickets are \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children.
- 8 Little Princess Playhouse presents Rapunzel and The Princess and the Snarls, at 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., Stewart Hall. Tickets available at the door.

Women's basketball hosts Kutztown, 1 p.m.

Men's basketball hosts Kutztown, 3 p.m.

Clay Aiken "Joyful Noise Tour 2012," 8 p.m., H. Ric Luhrs Performing Arts Center. For information call 477-SHOW or go to http://www.luhrscenter.com.