
Fact

President Ruud accepts post in Iowa

The Board of Regents of the State of Iowa has named President Bill Ruud as the 10th president of the University of Northern Iowa. He was one of two candidates forwarded to the Board of Regents by the UNI search committee.

He will begin his new duties there on June 1. More information about filling the vacancy created by his leaving will be announced as soon as it is available.

According to a news release from UNI, "We're very pleased to have Dr. Ruud named as the next president of UNI," said Farzad Moussavi, presidential search and screen committee co-chair. "Dr. Ruud will bring years of presidential experience to UNI. While visiting UNI, he received strong support from the campus and the community. He also was uniformly endorsed by various constituent groups that have worked with him in his capacity as president. The search committee was unanimous in its decision to advance his name for the Board of Regents' consideration."

Ruud is the 15th president of Shippensburg, a post he was appointed to on Jan. 10, 2007 before officially beginning his duties that Feb. 19.

Following is an e-mail he sent to campus after his appointment:

Dear Ship Family:

Yesterday, Thursday, February 7, 2013, I was selected as the next president of the University of Northern Iowa, located in Cedar Falls, IA. I will begin this new journey on June 1st of this year. As excited as I am about this new opportunity, I am equally sad at leaving what has been my home for the past six years.

Ship is a truly unique university. It is, as I always say, the flagship of PASSHE so the decision to become a candidate for the UNI presidency was made only after much thought and review.

One guiding principle at Ship is that we encourage all members of the campus community to take the next step in their lives and to reach for their dreams. As someone with strong roots and connections to the Midwest, being closer to family and home is a strong personal attraction. Professionally, UNI plays an important role in the future of Iowa, its citizens and the region, and I am excited about being able to serve UNI and enhance its service to Iowa, just as I was privileged to serve here at Ship.

Continued on page 3

Inside

Forum minutes



Kudos

Dr. **Nellie Cyr**, associate dean of the College of Education and Human Services, received notification that her research paper “Comparative Analysis of BMI Values in Adolescent Males” was accepted for presentation at the 2013 American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) Conference. She also serves on ACSM’s Strategic Health Initiative Women’s Sport & Physical Activity National Committee.

Aaron Dobbs and **Doug Cook**, both of Lehman Library, co-edited with another colleague *Using LibGuides to Enhance Library Services*. The book is the first to focus on “LibGuides,” a library web content management system, used by more than 2,000 libraries worldwide. The book covers all aspects of library website management from purchasing software to designing pedagogically sound web guides.

Steve Dolbin, associate professor of art and department chair, recently had his sculptures be the subject of an exhibition at the Rose Lehman Art Center in Harrisburg. The exhibition, “Steve Dolbin Sculpture: A Homecoming, Selections from 2000 to 2012” was Jan. 16 to Feb. 21. The exhibition was the subject of features in both the *Public Opinion* and *The Sentinel* newspapers.

Dr. **Corinne Eisenhart**, assistant professor of educational leadership and special education, was selected to serve on the Content Team for the new Appalachia Regional Comprehensive Center (ARCC). Funded by the U.S. Department of Education, ARCC serves Kentucky, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia. She will provide consultation for the priority areas of early education and effective teachers and leaders. She also serves as a content expert for early learning for the Mid-Atlantic Comprehensive Center.

Dr. **Robert L. Hewitt**, professor emeritus of social work, was keynote speaker Jan. 20 for the 34th Annual

Memorial Service for The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. at St. Paul United Methodist Church, Chambersburg. His speech was “Dare To Be The Dream...Not Just For One Day, But For One Lifetime.” The annual event was sponsored by the Chambersburg Area Ministerium, Chambersburg Area Ministerial Alliance Evangelical Fellowship of Cumberland Valley, and the United Churches of the Chambersburg Area. He also received an Outstanding Tutor Award from the Franklin County Adult Literacy Council.

Dr. **Xin-An (Lucian) Lu**, associate professor of human communication studies, recently had two of his books placed under contract for publication. They are *Passive Addiction or Why We Dislike Work: An Investigation of Problems in Organizational Communication* and *Life on My Own Agenda at My Own Pace: Effective Intrapersonal Communication for Self-Salvation and Self-Productivity*. The first book, co-authored with Dr. **Matthew Ramsey**, assistant professor of human communication studies, investigates prevalent and obdurate organizational problems that have led to the general vitiation and denaturalization of work, to the general aversion toward work, and to the wide practice of passive addiction—addiction with passivity, inaction, or the choice of least action. The second book explores methods of effective intrapersonal communication, philosophical and practical, for the purpose of personal liberty and productivity. He was also recently awarded a Teaching and Research Excellence grant of \$4,175 from the university to support his pilot work for the National Endowment for the Humanities Enduring Question Grant application. The funded project investigates and anthologizes canonical readings on the philosophical perspectives on and rhetorical mechanisms of eloquence in an effort to answer the enduring question, “What is eloquence?”

Dr. **Anca I. Lasc**, assistant profes-

sor of art and design, co-chaired two program-sessions at the annual conference of the College Art Association in New York City. The sessions, “The Modern Interior as Space and Image I” and “The Modern Interior as Space and Image II,” were Feb. 15 and 16.

Dr. **Kate McGivney**, professor of mathematics, Dr. **Alice Armstrong**, assistant professor of computer science, Dr. **Robin McCann**, associate professor of chemistry, and **Margaret Light**, project manager, co-authored a poster presentation proposal that was accepted at the NSF ADVANCE/Association for Women in Science conference in March in Alexandria, VA. The presentation is “Improving Institutional Structures and Processes: Recruitment, Retention, Advancement.”

Dr. **Susan Rimby**, interim associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, had her book *Mira Lloyd Dock and the Progressive Era Conservation Movement* selected as WITF’s Book Pick of the Month for February.

Dr **Praveen Veerabhadrapa**, assistant professor in exercise science, recently published the editorial “Leading the change: Second International Society of Hypertension New Investigators’ Symposium” in the *Journal of Hypertension*, a premiere journal in the field of hypertension. His editorial, “How to write a paper and get it published in a good medical journal,” was published in *Explore*, the quarterly international society of hypertension new investigators newsletter.

Fact

Fact is published by the Office of University Communications and Marketing for current and retired employees. The next issue is March 4.

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

Shippensburg University is an equal opportunity educational institution.

UNIVERSITY FORUM

November 20, 2012

CALL TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE

Sara Grove, Chair, called the November meeting of the University Forum to order at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 20, 2012, in Lehman Library 106. The following members or alternates were present: Debra Cornelius, Aaron Dobbs, Tom Feeney, Brendan Finucane, Liz Fisher, Ethan Goldbach, Sara Grove, Jody Harpster, Chad Kimmel, David Lovett, Barbara Lyman, Luke Perry, Dan Predecki, Christine Royce, Rick Ruth, Allison Watts, Todd Whitman, and Chad Witmer.

Others Present: James Hamblin, Dennis Mathes, and Chris Sax.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

On a Harpster/Cornelius motion, the minutes of the September 18, 2012, meeting were approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Correspondence with the University President

Grove reviewed correspondence with the President following the September meeting.

Grove reviewed the electronic correspondence with the President following the October Executive Committee meeting regarding three expedited distance education proposals for Winter Term 2012-2013.

A summary of the Administrative Retreat minutes will be provided for the next University Forum meeting.

Minutes of the University President's Cabinet

The minutes from the President's Cabinet meetings of August 2012, September 2012, and October 2012 had been distributed with the agenda. There were no comments or questions from members of the University Forum.

Planning and Budget Council

Lyman reported the Planning and Budget Council met on October 17, 2012 and again on November 14, 2012.

Performance funding was the main issue of discussion at the October meeting. Allocations for AY 2011-2012 were reviewed; Shippensburg was fourth or fifth in terms of points earned in the PASSHE. The Council also discussed the move to the new performance funding plan; a review of Shippensburg's position on these indicators will be a recurring agenda item for planning and budget.

At the October 2012 meeting, there was no update on the budget; there was discussion of using some fund balance monies for initiatives to assist in meeting performance funding indicators.

The November meeting included a brief budget update. At the end of October, state revenues are up by one percent as compared to being down three percent at the same time last year. It was uncertain whether the Governor will ask for a five percent cut as he did last year. The impact of post-retirement health care costs that are currently unfunded is an ongoing concern. Moody's Investor Service recently downgraded PASSHE's overall long-term rating from Aa3 to Aa2 on its outstanding revenue bonds. Finucane stressed that monies in unrestricted fund balances and monies associated with long-term liabilities cannot be compared directly.

The Council also heard updates on the Academic Master Plan and news associated with preparations for the Middle States Periodic Review Report due in 2014. The Governor's Advisory Commission on Postsecondary Education had released its report earlier in the day and there was a brief discussion about its potential impact on Shippensburg and the other PASSHE universities.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

Student Affairs Committee

Lovett announced that Building Three of the new residence halls was turned over to the University today; Building Two will be turned over on November 29, 2012 and Building One will be turned over on December 7, 2012. Students will move into the buildings between December 13 and 15, 2012.

Student Association

Goldbach reported the Student Association is working to determine if it should purchase CollegiateLink, a tool for managing student organizations. The Student Senate is also reviewing budget practices and the roles of each committee.

Perry added that invitations are being sent for the Student Senate's 50th anniversary. Perry asked members of the University Forum to help recruit volunteers to assist students with the move into the new residence halls.

Graduate Student Association Board (GSAB)

Witmer has joined the University Forum for the remainder of the academic year.

University Curriculum Committee (UCC)

Dobbs reported the University Curriculum Committee met on October 2, 2012 and on November 6, 2012

The following proposals were approved at UCC on October 2, 2012 and were presented to Forum as information items:

- 12-36 TCH 501 Effective Teaching: Theory and Practice (DE)

The following proposals were approved at UCC and are presented to Forum for approval:

- 12-1 Change Entrepreneurship Concentration to a Major (Program Revision that will require approval by the PASSHE Board of Governors)

- 12-2 Entrepreneurship Minor (Program Revision)

Watts indicated this change has been driven by the popularity of the program among students. On a Watts/Harpster motion, UCC 12-1 and 12-2 were approved.

- 12-3 TCH 251: Course Substitution (Program Revision)

On a Royce/Ruth motion, 12-3 was approved.

- 12-4 CMPE 323: Electronics Design & Processes (New UG Course)
- 12-5 CMPE 423: High Speed Circuits (New UG Course)
- 12-6 Electrical Engineering (Program Revision that will require approval by the PASSHE Board of Governors)

Students who successfully complete this program will a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering (B.S.E.E.). On a Harpster/Dobbs motion, UCC 12-4, 12-5, and 12-6 were approved.

- 12-15 MAT 441: Real Analysis (Revised UG Course)
- 12-16 MAT 430: Complex Analysis (Revised UG Course)

On a Dobbs/Ruth motion, UCC 12-15 and 12-16 were approved.

- 12-19 GEO 528 Geog Econ & Env Systems (Revised Grad Course)

On a Dobbs/Perry motion, UCC 12-19 was approved, as a reactivation of an existing course rather than a new course.

- 12-20 EEC 447 (Revised UG Course)
- 12-21 EEC 545 (Revised Grad Course)
- 12-22 EEC 550 (Revised Grad Course)
- 12-23 EEC 560 (Revised Grad Course)
- 12-24 EEC 561 (Revised Grad Course)
- 12-25 EEC 571 (Revised Grad Course)

These changes were necessary to align with PDE requirements. On a Dobbs/Predecki motion, UCC 12-20 through 12-25 were approved.

- 12-27 RDG 232 Teaching of Reading in the Middle Level Classroom (Revised UG Course)

On a Dobbs/Royce motion, UCC 12-27 was approved.

- 12-28 SOC 385 Introduction to Social Research (Revised UG Course)

On a Dobbs/Watts motion, UCC 12-28 was approved.

- 12-29 PSY522 Behavioral Assessment (Revised Grad Course)
- 12-30 PSY528 Behavioral Research and Ethics (Revised Grad Course)
- 12-31 PSY542 Behavioral Treatment and Systems Support (Revised Grad Course)

On a Dobbs/Predecki motion, UCC 12-29, 12-30, and 12-31 were approved.

- 12-32 Early Childhood - Option C - Curriculum & Instruction (Program Revision)

Option C has been added to match the new PDE certification. On a Dobbs/Royce motion, UCC 12-32 was approved.

- 12-39 Product Design and Development (New UG Course)

There were concerns raised about projected enrollment, resource restraints, and the use of adjunct faculty. On a Cornelius/Whitman motion, UCC 12-39 was tabled for additional information. Drs. Kooti and Morrisette will be invited to next University Forum meeting to provide additional information and address concerns.

The following proposals were approved at UCC on November 4, 2012 and are presented to Forum for approval:

- 12-34 EEC 551 Subject Area Content Access for Students with Learning

Disabilities in a Standards Aligned System (Revised Grad Course)

The course title is meaningful to those working in the field. On a Dobbs/Harpster motion, UCC 12-34 was approved.

- 12-40 String Ensemble (New UG Course)

Creating the new course for the string ensemble aligns with granting credit for the orchestra. On a Dobbs/Perry motion, UCC 12-40 was approved.

- 12-41 Students retaking MAT140A to replace MAT140B (New Policy)

On a Dobbs/Predecki motion, UCC 12-41 was approved.

- 12-44 ENG 304, ENG 333, and ENG 466 (Description Changes)

These changes were needed to meet existing requirements. On a Dobbs/Lyman motion, UCC 12-44 was approved.

- 12-46 ENG 343 Film Criticism (Revised UG Course)

This change is associated with the alignment of prerequisites. On a Dobbs/Perry motion, UCC 12-46 was approved.

- 12-49 THE 329 Theatre History (Description Change)

The UCC tabled this proposal at the November meeting; consequently the Forum cannot act until UCC provides its approval.

On a Finucane/Dobbs motion, the University Forum was granted approval to forward any Distance Education course approvals acted upon at the December UCC Meeting for action by the Executive Committee of the University Forum.

NEW BUSINESS

Change to Dean's List

Effective this semester, the Dean's List GPA requirement been raised from 3.3 to a 3.5 GPA. This change was discussed at length by the Academic Affairs Council and allows Shippensburg to emphasize its academic standards. The 3.5 GPA requirement is in line with the other PASSHE schools and only affects the Dean's List, not commencement honors.

Perry asked why there was a delay in notifying the student body. Lyman responded that the intent was to notify students at the start of the semester, but a discrepancy was discovered in the previous way to determine eligibility with student teaching being excluded, which needed addressed.

Academic Master Plan

Sax provided an update on the Academic Master Plan, which is attached to these minutes.

ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the University Forum is scheduled for Tuesday, January 29, 2013, at 3:30 p.m. in the Lehman Library Room 106. The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

MINUTES Prepared by Dynel Miracle, Recording Secretary

NSSE survey set

The university is again participating in the “new” National Survey of Student Engagement or “Nessie” survey (NSSE) as a part of its ongoing university-wide assessment program.

Previously, the university administered this web-based student survey instrument in 2003, 2004, 2005, 2008, and 2010. A selected sample of first year and senior students will be asked to respond to questions designed to assess students’ engagement with their university studies. Continuing from the 2010 administration will be the inclusion of several additional questions generated as a result of the formation of a PASSHE Consortium of several State System schools who will be NSSE participants in 2013.

The “new” NSSE survey for 2013 contains changes that range from minimal adjustments to entirely new content and has been updated with the following goals as focal points. These include the development of new measures of effective teaching and learning, a further refinement of the existing measures, improvements in the clarity and applicability

of the survey language and the modernization of terminology to reflect current educational contexts.

NSSE data provide one mechanism to monitor the quality of undergraduate education by providing evidence of student learning, by motivating and inspiring effective educational practices, and through an overall strengthening of the learning environment on the university campus. While NSSE seeks to measure specific learning practices such as active learning, time on task, student-faculty contact, and experiences with diversity, it also summarizes related activities into five indicators of educational engagement.

These five areas of engagement fit within the benchmarks of Effective Educational Practice and include the following: Campus Environment, High Impact Practices such as Service Learning and Student Research, Academic Challenge, Experiences with Faculty and Learning with Peers and allow universities to evaluate their educational environment against both national comparisons and within university major fields of study.

A copy of the updated 2013 NSSE survey instrument can be found at: http://nsse.iub.edu/html/survey_instruments.cfm and a sample of the SHIP 2010 and previous NSSE results can be found at: http://www.ship.edu/IRP/NSSE_Results/

NSSE has companion surveys in the form of the Faculty Survey of Student Engagement or FSSE and the Beginning College Survey of Student Engagement or BCSSE. These can be explored at the organization’s website at <http://nsse.iub.edu>.

Speaker series

Two members of campus will speak as part of the Black History Month speaker series this month. Both programs are in Ezra Lehman Library 205.

The library-sponsored series is to give the campus community a better understanding and awareness of Black history, its continued impact within society, what it teaches us about diversity, and the valuable contributions that different cultures make in our country. The programs are:

Feb. 20: Dr. Steven Burg, professor and chair of the history/philosophy department, noon to 1 p.m. His talk is “10 Things You Need to Know About Shippensburg Local Black History.”

Feb. 27: Dr. Kirk Moll, chair of the library department, noon to 1 p.m. His talk is “Participation in the Civil Rights Movement of the 1960s as a Transformative Experience for Activists.”

For more information please contact Dr. Michelle Foreman, library director, at mtforeman@ship.edu or ext. 1463.

President Ruud

(continued from page 1)

Since I was named president in January 2007, I have come to know exactly what it means to be part of the Ship family. It is unlike any other university and that is what makes it so special to all of us who are fortunate to have a connection to and affection for Ship.

The many university accomplishments in recent years — academically, in facilities, in programs, and in people — are the result of a culture of cooperation that extends throughout campus. Successes and changes were achieved because we jointly looked at ways to enhance Ship. Thanks to you, the Ship of today is better than the Ship of just a few years ago.

Judy, Fuzzy, and I, too, appreciate deeply the opportunity to be part of Ship. We are fortunate that we have had the chance to become colleagues with and — more importantly — friends with outstanding individuals wherever we have gone. That is especially true of all of you. We leave Ship with heavy hearts, but with great gratitude for your friendship. We will always consider ourselves blessed to have had the wonderful opportunity to be part of this great community.

Thanks and “GO RAIDERS”.

Bill

Tenure information

The University-Wide Tenure Committee reminds faculty of several deadlines and procedures contained within the collective bargaining agreement and the SU Guidelines for Tenure document. They are:

You must submit a letter declaring your intent to apply for tenure to the President of the University by May 1, 2013. In this letter you explain why you should be granted tenure.

Also by May 1, 2013, you must submit a copy of that letter, the signed Candidacy for Tenure form (attached) and your package of supporting documentation (Tenure dossier) to your department.

After departmental review, obtain original letters of support from the Department PAC and department chairs as well as their signatures on the Candidacy for Tenure Form. You must deliver these documents along with your application packet (i.e. Tenure dossier) to the University Tenure Committee on or before 4:00 pm, October 1, 2013.

Also by Oct. 1, 2013, your department chair and DPAC chair should forward copies of their support letters to the President and the Provost.

The University-Wide Tenure Committee will review applications and make its recommendation to the President by November 1, 2013.

If you have any questions, contact

tenure committee co-chairs Tom Evitts at taevit@ship.edu or Dara Bourassa at dpbourassa@ship.edu.

Early grades

Early Warning Grades (EWGs) are due at 4 p.m. March 8.

All grades will be processed online. As Banner is unable to identify and request EWGs for only select groups of students, the Registrar's Office will enable the ability to submit EWGs for all students. The office strongly encourages the submission of EWGs for students. 100-level courses and those 200-level courses that are taken by freshmen are particularly encouraged.

For more information, call the office at ext. 1381.

Trustees meeting

The university's Council of Trustees met Feb. 1. Trustees:

Approved the following sabbatical leaves for the 2013-14 academic year: John Bloom, semester 2; Sarah Bryant, semester 2; Steven Burg, semester 1; Sean Cornell, semester 1; Winston Crawley, semester 2; Catherine DiBello, academic year; Allen Dieterich-Ward, semester 2; Steven Dolbin, semester 2; Cynthia Drenovsky, semester 1; Leonard Jones, semester 1; Richard Knight, semester 2; Lucian Lu, semester 1; Mark Sachleban, semester 1; Freddy Siahaan, semester 1; Paul Taylor, semester

2; Kim Van Alkemade, semester 2; Carol Wellington, semester 2; and Curtis Zalecki, semester 1.

Heard about the retirement of Gary R. Armstrong in May.

Heard about the resignations of Andrew Dunlap in May, Katherine Fitzgerald in June and Michael Long in November 2012.

Approved summer 2013 fees for internships and the K-12 Educator's Institute.

Approved the budget and grant application for Head Start for 2012-14.

Approved the summer fee and refund schedule for 2013.

Approved the financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2012 and the independent auditor's report.

Approved the affiliated organization compliance resolution.

Approved the evaluation of the president and approved sending it to the Chancellor's Office.

Heard about the following non-instructional personnel items:

Retirement of Heidi Watson from the College of Arts & Sciences; appointment of Scott Brown as assistant director of alumni engagement and events from bindery worker 1; appointment of Lauren Wilkes as temporary graduate admissions recruiter from temporary admissions recruiter; and appointment of Lorie Davis as assistant director of alumni outreach and career services from co-director of the Career Development Center.

Zumbathon

Reachout, the Honors Program's literacy and leadership initiative in the Dominican Republic, is sponsoring a Zumbathon to raise funds for the project. The event is 7 to 9 p.m. March 1 in ShipRec.

Cost is \$5 for students and \$10 for non-students in advance and \$13 at the door. Cost for groups of 10 or more is \$30.

The registration form is at <http://www.ship.edu/honors/reachout>. For more information, send e-mail to reachout@ship.edu.



McCune demolished

Demolition was completed recently on McCune Hall as part of the start of Phase II of the residence hall housing project. Demolition of Kieffer Hall is underway.

Research deadline

The deadline to register for the Celebration of Student Research Conference is Feb. 20. The event is April 23.

The conference will celebrate student achievements across all disciplines and the conference is open to all students who want to share what they have discovered, created, and achieved under the guidance of a faculty member.

To register, go to http://www.ship.edu/Student_Research_Conference.

To assist faculty and students in preparing for the conference, guidelines and helpful hints for the CSRC are available at http://www.ship.edu/Student_Research/Conference/Guidelines. If you have questions, contact the IPS office at psbuch@ship.edu or ext. 1251, or Dr. Marc Renault, chair of the Dean of Arts and Sciences' Advisory Council for Undergraduate Research, at msrenault@ship.edu or ext. 1234.

This year's keynote speakers will be SU alums Mary Jo and Gary Grove. They will speak and the Library Research Award will be presented at 7 p.m. April 22 in Old Main Chapel.

Archives speaker

Clothing as it relates to gender is the topic of a presentation Feb. 21. The event, at 4 p.m. in Grove Hall Forum, is sponsored by the Shippensburg University Fashion Archives and Museum.

Dr. Jo B. Paoletti, associate professor of American studies at the University of Maryland in College Park, will present a lecture based on her book *Pink and Blue: Telling the Boys from the Girls in America*.

Research opportunities

New research opportunities are available with the university's becoming part of the Chesapeake Watershed Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit.

Approval was given this month for the university to be a new mem-

ber in the Chesapeake Watershed Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit (CW-CESU). CESUs bring together scientists at academic and non-profit institutions with resource managers at participating federal agencies to work together on collaborative, applied projects across multiple disciplines.

As part of the CW-CESU, SU faculty and staff can now easily partner with federal agencies on funded projects that address immediate management or monitoring needs. The university is also working with the CW-CESU to develop an internship program.

Federal agencies participating in the CW-CESU include the National Park Service, the Department of Defense, the Bureau of Land Management, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the U.S. Geological Survey, the USDA Forest Service, the Natural Resources Conservation Service, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

If you have current or prospective projects with collaborators at any of these agencies, the CW-CESU can facilitate and streamline funding arrangements. Project budgets can also stretch further, since CW-CESU projects limit the overhead rate to 15%. Please note that the CESU mechanism only applies to contract work, not to competitive research grant programs.

If you are interested in learning more about the CW-CESU, you can find more information on the Institute for Public Service and Sponsored Programs' website at <http://www.ship.edu/cw-cesu>. You can also contact Dr. Claire Jantz in the geography-earth science department at cjantz@ship.edu, who is the CW-CESU point of contact at the university.

All interested faculty are also invited to complete an application for inclusion in the CW-CESU expert database (see <http://cesu.al.umces>.

edu. This will allow federal partners with a need for your expertise to find you.

Author reading

Award-winning author Christine Lincoln will present a reading from her works at 7 p.m. Feb. 27 in Old Main Chapel.

Her talk, free and open to the public, is sponsored by the English department, the College of Arts and Sciences, the *Reflector*, the Black Heritage Committee, the Women's Center, and Women's and Gender Studies.

Lincoln's collection of short stories *Sap Rising* received praise by Oprah Winfrey and the New York Times. Her stories have appeared on stage at Symphony Space and Word Theatre, read and performed by Don Cheadle, Gary Dourdan, and Lizan Mitchell.

Haiti program

The Shippensburg University International Travel Series will present "Building Community in Rural Haiti" at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 28 in Orndorff Theatre in the Ceddia Union Building.

Presenting the program are Jonas Celius, Olivia Ickes, Bryant Snyder, Dr. Blandine Mitaut, and Dr. Agnès Ragone.

In January, Shippensburg students and faculty traveled to Haiti where they held classes and participated in a service-learning project. The presentation will include slides and the experiences visiting the capital, Port-au-Prince, and living in a rural village on the Haitian island of La Gonâve.

The service learning project that started as building a playground for local children turned into a community endeavor uniting the villagers and Shippensburg team.

The program is co-sponsored by the Department of Modern Languages and the International Studies Program. More information is available at www.ship.edu/ism.

Coming soon . . .

- Feb. 19** Chapel Series concert by Fifth House Ensemble, 7:30 p.m., Old Main Chapel, free.
- 20** Black History Month Speaker Series with Dr. Steven Burg, noon, Lehman Library 205, free.
International Film Series: *The Reckoning: The Battle for the International Criminal Court*, 6:30 p.m., Grove Hall Forum, free.
- 21** H.O.P.E. Diversity Scholarship program featuring John Quiñones, 8 p.m. For information and tickets, call 477-1738 or 477-SHOW.
- 21 to 23** *The Vagina Monologues 2013*, 8 p.m., Memorial Auditorium. For information, contact the Women's Center at ext. 1790.
- 23** Women's basketball hosts Cheyney, 1 p.m.
An Evening with Olivia Newton-John, 8 p.m., H. Ric Luhrs Performing Arts Center. For tickets and information, call 477-SHOW or go to luhrscenter.com.
- 27** Black History Month Speaker Series with Dr. Kirk Moll, 11:30 a.m., Lehman Library 205, free.
Fiction reading by author Christine Lincoln, 7 p.m., OM Chapel.
- 28** "Building Community in Rural Haiti," 6:30 p.m.
Orndorff Theatre, CUB
- March 1** Reach Out Zumbathon, 7 p.m., ShipRec. For information, send e-mail to reachout@ship.edu.

For more details on university events, please go to <http://www.ship.edu/events>.

For more details on athletic events, please go to <http://www.shipraiders.com>.