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# Fact

## Mobile app keeps people in touch with university

Shippensburg University has launched a new mobile app that provides a variety of ways for people to keep in touch with the university.

Ship Mobile is available for both Apple and Android devices. A web version is also available for other mobile devices.

Justin Sentz, director of instructional design & web technologies, said,

“The app allows users to access Shippensburg University resources from anywhere on any mobile device. The functionality of the app allows users to do things such as add campus events to the calendar on their phone and contacts to their address book from the campus directory. It is designed to be a one-stop-shop for many of the resources that students use on a daily basis.”

It also allows the public to find out information about the university and to connect to the university’s Facebook and Twitter accounts.

During the past year, there has been a significant increase in use of online university services access via mobile devices. In response, the university’s information and technologies services staff optimized web applications for mobile access and created Ship Mobile.

“We hope that the app allows users to access various resources conveniently from one location,” Sentz said. “There is a great deal of potential for increasing current student engagement by providing them with the information they need on the go.”

Members of the IT staff plan an update for the app later this semester with periodic updates based on feedback and functionality. One update will include a maps module the staff is working on in conjunction with the geography-earth science department.

The app is available in the Apple App Store and Google Play.



## Kudos

Dr. **Amy Diehl**, director of systems & applications, was selected for and graduated from the HERS Denver Summer Institute July 21 through Aug. 4 at the University of Denver. Since 1978, the HERS Institute for Women in Higher Education annually offered women faculty and administrators the opportunity to participate in an intensive program that prepares them to be leaders in higher education.

Dr. **Kenneth France**, professor of psychology, Dr. **Azim Danesh**, professor of management information systems, and **Stephanie Jirard**, associate professor of criminal justice, had their article "Informing Aggression-Prevention Efforts by Comparing Perpetrators of Brief vs. Extended Cyber Aggression" published in *Computers in Human Behavior*.

Dr. **Ben Meyer**, assistant professor of exercise science, presented "Influence of pre-release range of motion on overhead back throw distance" at the annual meeting of the American Society of Biomechanics in Omaha Sept. 5.

Dr. **Sally Paulson**, associate professor of exercise science, presented "Measurements of reaction time does not differ between functional fitness groups in older adults" at the National Strength and Conditioning Association's annual conference in Las Vegas. She was also asked to serve as a member of the National Strength and Conditioning Association's Women's Committee.

The following information was submitted from the English department:

**Neil Connelly** published a nonfiction piece, "Point to the Ceiling, Touch Your Nose, Say My Name," in *Reunion* magazine. He also published his novel, *The Midlife Crisis of Commander Invincible*

in August and will give a public reading from the novel on campus Sept. 24.

Dr. **Thomas Crochunis** collaborated with two local teachers to hold two "Young Voices" workshops exploring creative ways to read original writing aloud, and then a public reading by Shippensburg Area Middle School student writers at the SHAPE Gallery in Shippensburg in April. During summer, he was named to the board of the newly relocated Central Pennsylvania Branch of the English-Speaking Union. In August, he organized the roundtable discussion "Bodies in Motion" as part of which he presented his paper "Performing Family Legends, the National Drama, and Management: Harriet Siddons in Edinburgh" at the North American Society for the Study of Romanticism Conference in Boston. He presented his paper "Who Managed Harriet Siddons's Theatre?: Coverture and Theatre Management" at the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada grant-funded workshop 1811-1815 Revisited: Four Years in and Around Leigh Hunt and Robert Southey in Montréal this month.

Dr. **Erica D. Galioto** will publish "'Nothing Hangs Together,' or Using American Pastoral to Teach Literary Theory" in the October special issue of *Cercles* journal on Philip Roth at [www.cercles.com](http://www.cercles.com). She will present "Shame, thas a shame': The Anti-Sentiment of Sapphire's Push and The Kid" at the Association for the Psychoanalysis of Culture and Society annual conference in New Brunswick, N.J., Nov. 1. She will become an affiliated scholar for (sk) interlocutors: An International Skin Research Group (skinterlocutors.com): a collaboration of scholars, artists, and designers who are making, or have made, significant contributions to research and creative work on skin. The website launches Nov. 1.

Dr. **Sharon Harrow** attended the Pride and Prejudices: Women's Writing of the Long Eighteenth Century Conference at Chawton House Library, Hampshire, England in July.

Dr. **Raymond E. Janifer Sr.** presented his paper "Beyond DuBois' Double Consciousness: John Edgar Wideman's Early Writings" at the American Literature Association's 22nd Annual Conference in Boston in May. He published his paper "John Edgar Wideman's Homewood Trilogy: Wideman's Folk Vision" in the Fall issue of *International Journal of Literary Humanities*. He published his reference articles on Amiri Baraka, Ed Bullins, and The Black Power Movement in the *Encyclopedia of African American Literature*. He published his opinion editorial, "Shedding Tears for Trayvon" in the *Harrisburg Patriot-News* Aug. 17.

Dr. **Kim van Alkemade** participated in the Algonkian Writer's Conference "Workshop the Novel, Pitch the House" in New York City Sept. 19 to 22.

Dr. **Richard Zumkhawala-Cook**'s "Scotland as We Know It" was assigned by University of Colorado professors for their summer course "Performance in Scotland: Theatre, Music, and Culture" in Edinburgh, Scotland.

## Fact

*Fact* is published by the Office of University Communications and Marketing for current and retired employees. The next issue is Oct. 7.

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Shippensburg University is an equal opportunity educational institution.

## Trustees met Sept. 6

The university's Council of Trustees met Sept. 6. Trustees:

Heard about the new faculty and administrative employees for 2013-14.

Heard about the resignations of Susan Rimby, interim dean of the College of Arts & Sciences and the history department; and Stephanie Witmer, assistant professor of communication/journalism.

Approved the results of the annual Head Start self-assessment.

Approved the fee and refund schedule for 2013-14.

Approved the budget information for the 2013-14 and 2014-15 fiscal years.

Approved a resolution on succession of who will act on behalf of the president in his/her absence; in the event the president is temporarily unable to fulfill the responsibilities of the position; or in the event there is a vacancy. The succession order is Dr. Barbara Lyman, Dr. Rick Ruth and Dr. Roger Serr.

Heard about the following non-instructional personnel actions:

Appointments of Crystal Stitely, duplicating services; James Anderson, CTC tech fee; Shawn Fraker, police officer; Robert Fite, men's basketball coach; Cindy Ryder, marketing and publications; William Sommers, enrollment management; Sarah McDowell, dean of students; Pavan Purswani, dean of students; Bryan Learn, CTC applications; and Kapri Brown, multicultural student affairs.

Leaving the university were: Tonya Heckman-Hann, William Clayton, Margaret Light, Michael Anderson, Carole Kann, Tricia Ayala, Tiffany Conde, William Ruud, Angela Winter, Stephanie Adamchik, Pamela King, Gloria Gardner, Donna Panzo, Royal Knapper, Shauntae Doughty, Gladys Butts, and Nicole Misencik.

Other changes: Jennifer Sigler to clerk typist 3; Chad Kegerreis to

Microsoft systems administrator; Lori Janning to secretary to the president/special events coordinator; George Harpster to interim president; Trudy Smith to business intelligence administrator; Jeanie Henry to administrative assistant 1, College of Arts & Science; Joel Hosfelt to equipment operator A; Charles Springer to temporary admissions counselor; and Samuel Vazquez to groundskeeper.

## Advising center

The College of Arts and Sciences is starting a pilot program with a Walk-In Advising Center in DHC 216.

The center will be staffed by the Dean's Associates for Advisement and Student Support, Dr. Sue Morin of Psychology and Dr. Kim Presser of Mathematics. The center can help students with unofficial graduation checks, students trying to transition between majors, probation and readmit concerns, and other issues related to advisement. The associates will work to support the current advising structure and connect these support services with the student's current academic advisor. The center will also work to support faculty with questions and concerns about advisement.

Hours are Mondays 3 to 4 p.m., Wednesdays 9 to 11 a.m. and 3 to 4 p.m., Thursdays 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. and Fridays 10 a.m. to noon.

For more information, call ext. 1150 or send e-mail to casa.ship.edu.

## Purchase time

The Purchasing and Contracting Office endeavors to process purchase requests as quickly as possible, and will continue to do so. However with reduced staffing in the office, your cooperation in submitting your purchase requests in accordance with the following guidelines is appreciated:

For supplies: Four weeks

processing time is required.

For services under \$5,000: Four weeks processing time is required.

For services \$5,000 and over: Eight weeks processing time is required.

It is understood that at times "rushes" do occur and everything possible will be done to accommodate those, but they should be kept to a minimum.

You are reminded that you can use your P-Card to make purchases in accordance with the purchasing card guidelines. If you don't have a P-Card and would like to obtain one; please contact Mona Holtry at ext. 3138 or mmholt.ship.edu.

## Early grades

Early Warning Grades are at 4 p.m. Oct. 11. All grades will be processed online. As Banner is unable to identify and request EWGs for only select groups of students, the ability to submit EWGs for all students will be enabled. It is encouraged that EWGs be submitted for all students, but in particular 100-level courses and those 200-level courses that are taken by freshmen.

For more information, call the Registrar's Office at ext. 1381.

## GBLUES program

Grace B. Luhrs University Elementary School is again participating in the Giant A Plus Rewards Program.

GBLUES will register your Giant Bonus Card to the school, and every time you shop at Giant and use your Bonus Card, the school receives points. Last year, the school earned \$5,618 from the program.

The funds raised by this program support educational needs in the lab school.

To designate GBLUES, either use code #00745 at GiantAPlus.com or contact the GBLUES office at ext. 1612.

## Banned books week

The university will host a program Sept. 26 as part of Banned & Challenged Books Week Sept. 22 to 28. The program, free and open to the public, is at 3:30 p.m. Sept. 26 in room 106 of Ezra Lehman Memorial Library.

Four members of the campus community will discuss the book *Fifty Shades of Grey*, one of the titles on this year top 10 challenged books list.

Panelists are Dr. Kate Clay, associate professor of history/philosophy; Stephanie Erdice, director of the Women's Center; Christy Fic, instruction librarian; Dr. Sara Grove, professor of political science; and Dr. Rebecca Ward, director of the Women's & Gender Studies program.

The library will also feature an exhibit on banned books during the week on the lower level of the building.

For more info about the program, contact Chantana Charoenpanitkul at [chchar@ship.edu](mailto:chchar@ship.edu) or ext. 1634.

## Disabilities speaker

The university will host "Disability and the American Story" at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 2 in Old Main Chapel. The free program is open to the public.

Dr. Kim E. Nielsen, professor of disability studies at the University of Toledo and prize-winning historian, will discuss where and how do people with disabilities fit into U.S. history. Her talk will retell U.S. history through the daily lives of people with disabilities, and illustrate how experiences and concepts of disability have shaped U.S. history, U.S. ideals, and the lives of all within U.S. borders.

Nielsen also teaches courses in history and women's and gender studies. Her books include *A Disability History of the United States*, *Beyond the Miracle*

*Worker: The Remarkable Life of Anne Sullivan Macy and Her Extraordinary Friendship with Helen Keller*, and *The Radical Lives of Helen Keller*.

The program is sponsored by Office of Social Equity, dean of the College of Arts and Science; Office of the Provost, Disability Studies; departments of educational leadership and special education, history, psychology, social work, and sociology; and the Office of Women's and Gender Studies.

For more information, contact Dr. Allison Carey, director of the minor in disability studies, at ext.1193 or [accare.ship.edu](http://accare.ship.edu).

## ROTC race

The 34th Annual Shippensburg University Army ROTC 10K or 5K will be held beginning at 9 a.m. Oct. 26 in front of Heiges Field House.

Proceeds support Azalea Charities Run for Wounded Warriors and the Shippensburg ROTC Battalion.

The first 150 registered will receive a T-shirt. Entry fees are \$25 for the 5K and \$35 for the 10K. The fee is \$5 less for current students.

To register online, go to <http://www.active.com> or [http://www.active.com/event\\_detail.cfm?event\\_id=2098288](http://www.active.com/event_detail.cfm?event_id=2098288).

For more information or to volunteer to help, contact Capt. John Crumley at ext. 1892 or by e-mail at [jpcrumley@ship.edu](mailto:jpcrumley@ship.edu).

## Book fair

Luhrs Library is hosting a Scholastic Book Fair Sept. 30 to Oct. 4 to raise funds that help provide children's books and other materials for the Grace B. Luhrs University Elementary School library.

Family night is Sept. 30 during which the fair will be open until 7 p.m. That Tuesday through Thursday the Fair will be open until 5 p.m., and on Oct. 4 it will be open from 7:30 a.m. until noon.

Everyone is invited, and the event is open to to the public.

## Symposium

Four faculty members will participate in the Eighth Annual Criminal Justice Symposium at 7 p.m. Sept. 25 in Old Main Chapel. The title of the program is "Juvenile Justice: Are They Kids or Criminals?"

Stephanie Jirard will serve as moderator with panelists Dr. Cynthia Koller, Dr. Sue Morin, Dr. Andrew Vassallo, and Dr. Masudul Biswas.

## Vietnam trip

Twelve students and alumni will travel to Vietnam this winter break 2013-14 to participate in a service-learning opportunity to construct a school for an impoverished village in the Mekong Delta region of Vietnam. The trip, sponsored by United Campus Ministry, will be the sixth trip students have made to the region.

Participating students, to offset the group costs of the trip, are looking to participate in fundraisers to help raise money. They are willing to assist community members with household chores, including yard work (e.g., raking leaves), cleaning, grocery shopping, household maintenance, or other household tasks in return for any donation to assist with the expenses.

Individuals who have work for the students are asked to contact the Rev. Jan Bye at ext. 1672 or at [jmbye@ship.edu](mailto:jmbye@ship.edu).

## Open house

The Wellness Center is hosting an open house from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Sept. 26 in the lower level of McLean Hall II. It will include tours of the new facility and the chance to meet staff of the Counseling Center and Etter Health Center. Light refreshments will be served.

## Art exhibits

A variety of exhibits will be featured in Kauffman Gallery in Huber Arts Center.

The current exhibit in the gallery is "Visual Language: Sculpture and Works on Paper by Sean Matthews." It will end Oct. 2.

The remaining 2013 schedule is: "SU Art & Design Faculty Exhibition," Oct. 9 to 24. The opening reception is 6:30 p.m. Oct. 9 with the artists to be in the gallery at 7 p.m. The exhibit will highlight various works by faculty in the department in such areas as digital fine art prints, ceramics, drawing, painting, and sculpture. Displaying their works will be Michael Campbell, Ben Culbertson, Steve Dolbin, Mark Moilanen, Courtney Redding, and William Whiteley.

"PSU MFA Exhibition," Oct. 30 to Nov. 15. The opening reception is 6:30 p.m. Oct. 30 with the artists to be in the gallery at 7 p.m. During this exhibit, MFA candidates at The Pennsylvania State University will present their most recent 2D and 3D work.

"Senior Exhibition," Dec. 9 to 14 with the closing reception Dec. 14 from 1 to 3 p.m. Senior art majors will present their work selected by the department faculty.

The gallery is open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursdays, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and by appointment on Fridays.

For more information, send an e-mail to [kgallery@ship.edu](mailto:kgallery@ship.edu) or call the department at ext. 1530.

## University gets grant

The University will use a \$40,000 grant from the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board (PLCB) to enhance and continue its efforts to prevent underage drinking.

According to PLCB, the grant is one of 61 given to municipalities, community groups, schools, universities, and law enforcement agencies to prevent underage and irresponsible alcohol consumption.

Sarah McDowell, interim director of the university's Connection alcohol and other drug program, said the funds will be awarded over two years and "will be used to supplement the cost of AlcoholEdu, a comprehensive online alcohol education course and assessment tool."

The Connection program is designed to cultivate within students a sense of personal accountability and empowerment to make healthy choices and responsible decisions regarding the use of alcohol and other drugs through a comprehensive program including prevention, education, intervention and community coalition activities.

AlcoholEdu is an important online education tool for the program, McDowell said. "By using AlcoholEdu, the university will be able to reach each incoming class of first-year students with personalized education about alcohol, social norms, high risk versus low risk drinking, potential consequences associated with personal choices, as well as campus support services available to them."

The program also allows collection of data on attitude and behavior change through surveys to help improve effectiveness. "This data will support the Connection program with its strategic vision by providing relevant, needs assessment data that will be used to inform university wide programming," she said.

Since 1999, PLCB has awarded more than \$10 million in grants to hundreds of colleges, municipalities, and community groups.

## Safe Zone Ship

An education session about Safe Zone Ship for all faculty and staff is from 9 to 10:50 a.m. Oct. 7 in Lehman Library 106.

The two-hour program will use insight, humor, information, and respect to increase understanding and awareness of the many aspects of gender identity and sexual orientation. Participants will develop understanding of identity and language, and will explore the everyday impact of discrimination and heterosexual privilege. It will also involve discussion of ways to support LGBTQIQ campus members, particularly students, including responding to concerns, supportive resources, and referral information.

Participants will receive a certificate of attendance.

Individuals who want to participate are asked to RSVP to Dr. Kathryn Newton, Department of Counseling & College Student Personnel, at [ksnewton@ship.edu](mailto:ksnewton@ship.edu).

## Coming soon . . .

- Sept. 23 to 25** APB movies, 9 p.m., Orndorff Theatre. For information please visit [clubs.ship.edu/apb](http://clubs.ship.edu/apb), send e-mail to [apb@ship.edu](mailto:apb@ship.edu) or call ext. 1747.
- 25** Eighth Annual Criminal Justice Symposium, “Juvenile Justice: Are They Kids or Criminals?,” 7 p.m., Old Main Chapel
- 26** Saudi Cultural Club National Day Celebration, 1 p.m., Ezra Lehman Library plaza.
- 26, 27** APB movies, 9 p.m. and 8 p.m., respectively, Orndorff Theatre. For information go to [clubs.ship.edu/apb](http://clubs.ship.edu/apb), send e-mail to [apb@ship.edu](mailto:apb@ship.edu) or call ext. 1747.
- 27** Kansas, 8 p.m., H. Ric Luhrs Performing Arts Center. For information or tickets, call 477-SHOW or go to [www.luhrscenter.com](http://www.luhrscenter.com)
- Comedian Michael Che, 10 p.m., CUB 023. For more information go to visit [http://www.ship.edu/CUB/Red\\_Zone](http://www.ship.edu/CUB/Red_Zone) or call ext. 1693.
- 28** APB movies, 8 p.m., Orndorff Theatre. For information go to [clubs.ship.edu/apb](http://clubs.ship.edu/apb), send e-mail to [apb@ship.edu](mailto:apb@ship.edu) or call ext. 1747.
- Oct. 2** Presentation on disability in history by Dr. Kim Nielsen, 7 p.m., Old Main Chapel.
- 3** Singer Alex Cuba, 9 p.m., CUB 023. For information, go to [clubs.ship.edu/apb](http://clubs.ship.edu/apb), e-mail [apb@ship.edu](mailto:apb@ship.edu) or call ext. 1747.
- 5** Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, 8 p.m. H. Ric Luhrs Performing Arts Center. For information or tickets, call 477-SHOW or go to [www.luhrscenter.com](http://www.luhrscenter.com)
- 6** Clarinet duo recital by Laura Armstrong and Amanda Morrison, 3 p.m., Old Main Chapel.

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