

Faculty News

Arts & Sciences

Professor Emeritus Brandon H. Beck continues to research, lecture and write about the Civil War. His "The Third Battle of Winchester" was published by the Shenandoah Valley Battlefield National Historic District in "Give the Enemy No Rest," and Dr. Beck has submitted a manuscript, "The Civil War in Winchester, Virginia," for publication by the Center for American Places at the University of Virginia.

Professor of Environmental Studies and Biology Woodward Bousquet presented a



paper, "Partnership Possibilities and Peculiarities: Involving College Undergraduates in Natural Areas Research, Management

and Outreach," at the annual conference of the Natural Areas Association in Cleveland, Ohio, in October.

Professor of Mass Communication Gina Daddario and **Associate Professor of Kinesiology Brian Wigley** co-presented a paper, "Muhammad, Mohammad and the Mass Media: Religious Conversion and Sport," at the annual conference of the North American Society for the Sociology of Sport (NASSS) in Pittsburgh in November. Dr. Wigley presented a second paper, "Pittsburgh Courier" and "Daily Worker": Media Crusades and Baseball Integration" on a panel devoted to sport in the Steel City. Dr. Daddario serves on the editorial board of NASSS, and Dr. Wigley serves on its book review committee. They are co-directors of the Center for the Study of Sport and Media at Shenandoah University.

Associate Professor of His-

tory Ann Denkler had a book published by Lexington Books called "Sustaining Identity, Recapturing Heritage: Exploring Issues of Public History, Tourism, and Race in a Southern Rural Town." She presented a paper, "Recapturing 'Mammy': A Collaborative Research Journey Seeking the Lost Stories of African-American Caregivers in Our Families" at the American Studies Association's annual conference in Philadelphia in October. The talk was based on a collaborative research grant she received through the university in January 2007. Dr. Denkler presented the same paper on campus with student Teresa Prezzy and her mother Jean Prezzy. They participated in the collaborative research through a trip to Charleston, S.C.

Professor of TESOL Liz England was the invited senior academic advisor in Tunisia as a part of a U.S. Department of State-sponsored program for English teachers. Participants included both Americans and Tunisians in a language camp on the Mediterranean Sea. Dr. England's invitation followed her keynote presentation at a 2007 conference at the American University in Cairo on English as second/foreign language assessment skills for teachers. England has published a chapter in a book from University of Michigan Press titled "Presentation Skills for ELT Educators."

Adjunct Instructor in Political Science Michael Foreman gave a lecture on "Private Girls' Schools in Winchester" at the Handley Library in October. The presentation was part of the 2007 "One Book One Community" program. The Winchester-Frederick County Historical Society has published a book written by Foreman, "Some Worthy Women," which includes biographical sketches of

more than 100 women from the Winchester-Frederick County area who were pioneers or achieved success in various activities or professions. The book is a sequel to a 1986 book published by the society that contained biographical sketches of 200 residents – with only 11 women represented.

Assistant Professor of Art History Geraldine Kiefer presented five off-campus lectures during the fall, including "Frances Benjamin Johnston and *The Ladies' Home Journal* Visit the Country of Sheridan's Ride," "Interpreting Photographs as History, Culture and Landscape Art: Harpers Ferry, ca. 1850-1920," "The Sublimity of Remembrance and a Natural Sublime: Images of the Shenandoah Valley Juxtaposed to the Natural Bridge," "Virginia Byways, Panama Overlays: Tracings in a Traveled Landscape" and "Overlays, Matrices and Boundaries: The Mixed-Media Messages of My Art." All five presentations were accompanied by exhibitions of historical photographs and Dr. Kiefer's own artwork. Her art was also exhibited in the Nancy Rodig Regional Exhibit in Martinsburg, W.Va.; the Blandy Sketch Group Show in Boyce, Va.; the Art at the Mill fall show in Millwood, Va.; and the Potomac Valley Arts Festival in Shepherdstown, W.Va. Kiefer served as creator and chair of the panel, "Mapping and Territorialization from Terra Firma to Terra Incognita: Surfaces, Slippages, Projections, Intersections," at the Southeastern College Art Association Annual Meeting in Charleston, W.Va., in October.

Associate Professor of Political Science Eric K. Leonard, Henkel Family Chair in International Affairs, recently published a revised version of his case study, "Establishing an

International Criminal Court: The Emergence of a New Global Authority?" for the Georgetown University Institute for the Study of Diplomacy. He also published a book review of Mark A. Drumbl's "Atrocity, Punishment,



and International Law" in the journal *Human Rights & Human Welfare*. Dr. Leonard completed an entry for *The International*

Political Science Encyclopedia titled "Universal Jurisdiction" and was contracted to write an additional entry, "The International Criminal Court." He is contracted for an entry in the International Studies Association Compendium Project titled "International Tribunals: Problems and Challenges." Leonard recently served as the program chair for the 2007 International Studies Association-Northeast conference, where he presented a paper titled "Norms and Rules of the International Criminal Court: A Mainstream Theoretical Evaluation" and served as chair/discussant for two panels: "Analyzing the Westphalian System" and "Human Rights: Searching for Justice."

Professor of Spanish Ann Lesman had a paper, "Semantics and the Remarkable Human Brain: Why Computers Don't Translate Well," published in the spring edition of *Torch Magazine*. It won the 2007 Editor's Quill Award for best paper of the year. **Associate Professor of TESOL Brenda Murphy** was asked by language education researcher and author Stephen Krashen to take responsibility for organizing and publishing research on the FOCAL SKILLS approach to language teaching. This project will result in a series of articles to be published in the *Interna-*