

Great Professors; Great Accomplishments

Dr. Mark Larson (Biology) is co-author on an article on proplatelet maturation for *The Journal of Cell Biology*. Larson also had a manuscript entitled, "Omega-3 fatty acids modulate collagen signaling in human platelets," accepted for publication in *Prostaglandins, Leukotrienes & Essential Fatty Acids*. This paper includes six Augustana students as co-authors, including: Jordan Anderson-Daniels, Erika Graslie, Jillian Tholen, Jessica Vogelaar, Amanda Korth and Joe Ashmore.

Dr. Jared Mays and **Dr. Jetty Duffy-Matzner** (chemistry) are advisors to Augustana's American Chemical Society (ACS) student chapter, which recently won an OUTSTANDING AWARD for its 2009-10 activities. Of over 360 reports submitted, the ACS Committee on Education presented just 36 "outstanding" ratings; plus 68 "commendable" and 113 "honorable mention" awards.

Dr. Patrick Hicks (English and Writer-in-Residence) had short stories published in the *New Ohio Review* and *War, Literature and the Arts*. Hicks also presented fiction/poetry at the Twin Cities Book Festival, the Marshall Festival and the Lutheran Festival of Writing last fall. Hicks' latest book, *A Harvest of Words: Contemporary South Dakota Poetry*, published by the Center for Western Studies, was chosen by a panel of humanities scholars from South Dakota State University as one of 21 significant books about South Dakota by South Dakotans.

Dr. Lindsay Twa (Art) was appointed an advisory curator for the Haitian Cultural Foundation, which will stage a major traveling exhibition of historic and contemporary Haitian art designed to raise awareness and funds to help rebuild Haitian cultural infrastructures destroyed by last January's earthquake. The exhibition, "Haiti: Art of a Nation," is planned for 2012-2014 and will travel to museums in New York City and Montreal. Twa also presented a paper entitled, "Alexander King's Magic Island: an Artist's Journey to and from Haiti," at "Haiti in the Americas: Histories, Cultures, Imaginations," the national conference held at Florida Atlantic University.

Dr. Drew Alton (Physics) was awarded an NSF grant of \$6,500 for a project entitled "Collaborative Research: A Depleted Argon Detector for a Dark Matter Search."

Dr. Richard Swanson (Religion) authored the book, *Provoking the Gospel: A Storyteller's Commentary*, published by Pilgrim Press. His article entitled, "Truth, Method, and Multiplicity: Performance as a Mode of Interpretation," was published in *Currents in Theology and Mission*.

Dr. Dan Howard (Biology) authored a paper entitled, "Are Centrally Displaying Males Always the Centre of Female Attention? Acoustic Display Position and Female Choice in a Lek Mating Subterranean Insect." It was accepted

for publication in *Ethology*, an international animal behavior/behavioral ecology journal.

Dr. Reynold Nesiba (Economics) published a review of Christopher Brown's book, *Inequality, Consumer Credit, and the Savings Puzzle*, in the *Journal of Economic Issues*.

Dr. Debbie Hanson (English) presented the paper "Where in the Folk Did That Come From?: Russian Ice Dancers, Australian Aborigines, and the Figure Skating Universe," at the annual American Folklore Society conference.

Dr. Mitch Harris (English) will serve as contributing commentary editor for an eight-volume edition of John Donne's poems. Harris also had an essay entitled, "Sites of Resistance: Christ and Materiality after the New Historicism," published in *Intersections in Christianity and Critical Theory* and had three solicited book reviews published in *Sixteenth-Century Studies* and in *Seventeenth-Century News*.

Dr. Darcie Rives (English) presented the paper, "Prairie Perfect: Performances of Laura Ingalls Wilder's 'Little House' Series," at the Western Literature Conference.

Dr. Harry Thompson (Center for Western Studies) had a book review published in the latest issue of *The Public Historian*.

Dr. Andrew Gilham (HPER) presented two papers at the national conference for the Association of Applied Sport Psychology. He served as lead author of "The Role of Personality Factors on the Goal Practices of Prospective Olympic Athletes" and co-author of "Examining the Impact and Impressions of a Relaxation Training Intervention for Collegiate Dancers." In addition, his dissertation was nominated for the National Association for Sport and Physical Education Dissertation of the Year Award for 2010.

Dr. Geoffrey Dipple (History) presented a paper entitled, "Tradition, Word, and Spirit in the Thought of Hans Denck" at the Sixteenth Century Studies Conference. Dipple also had 16 entries published in *The Westminster Handbook to Theologies of the Reformation*.

Dr. John Anderson (Religion, adjunct) had his doctoral dissertation accepted for publication by *Eisenbrauns*. The work is entitled "Jacob and the Divine Trickster: A Theology of Deception and YHWH's Fidelity to the Ancestral Promise in the Jacob Cycle."

Dr. Stephen Minister (Philosophy) co-authored an article with student Jackson Murtha entitled, "Levinas and the Philosophy of Religion," in *Philosophy Compass*, Vol 5, No. 11.

Dr. Ivan Fuller (PVA) had five poems selected from more than 400 submissions to be published in an anthology called "Siesta" published by CreateSpace.

Dr. Cory Conover (History) has two manuscripts in publication: "Catholic Saints in Spain's Atlantic Empire" will appear as a chapter in *In Empires of God: Religious Encounters in the Early Modern Atlantic* and his article entitled, "Saintry biography and the cult; Mexico City's San Felipe de Jesús, 1597-1697," will be published in *The Americas*.

Dr. Margaret Preston (History) authored "A Journey of Faith, A Destination of Excellence: Avera McKennan Hospital's First Century of Caring."

Pilar Cabrera and **Dr. Scott Fish** (MDFL) attended the Midwest Modern Language Association (M/MLA) conference in Chicago Ill. Cabrera presented a paper entitled, "The Spectacle of the Non-Human: Literature, Photography, and Revenge in Virgilio Piñera's Writings," and Fish chaired the Executive Board meeting of Pi Delta Phi, the National French Honor Society.

Dr. Mary Nelson (Nursing) was invited to be a panel presenter at the Assessment Technologies Institute Educator Enrichment Conference at Creighton University in Omaha.

Lynde Thelen and **Patricia Waltman** (Nursing) gave a workshop presentation entitled, "Bioterrorism in the Community," accepted for the HPSN Annual Conference (METI International Simulation Conference).

Lynn White (Nursing) will give a presentation entitled, "Evidence-Based Practice: The Professional Imperative at the Research Day," for the Sigma Theta Tau Rho Xi Chapter Nursing Honor Society Research Conference.

Dr. Margot Nelson (Nursing) was appointed as site evaluator for Sanford USD Medical Center's participation in the national geropalliative care nurse residency program, AgeWISE, November 2010 - May 2012.

Nathan Grau (Physics, adjunct) is part of the Atlas Collaboration involving 3,000 physicists at 174 institutions in 38 countries who collaborated on a paper entitled, "Observation of a centrality-dependent dijet asymmetry in lead-lead collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2.76$ TeV with the ATLAS detector at the LHC," accepted for publication by *Physical Review Letters*.

Dr. Ann Milliken Pederson (Religion) and her capstone co-instructors, Mary Helen Harris and Ellie Schellinger, have an article entitled, "Using Dissonant Narratives: A Reflection on Teaching Theology and Medicine," included in the "Teaching Matters" section of *Practical Matters, on Religion, Health and Healing*.

Dr. Bill Swart (Sociology) presented a paper entitled, "Dialogical Durkheim: Mechanical Solidarity and Medieval Carnival," at the Symposium for New Directions in Critical Theory at Iowa State University.