

## A Message From **Dr. Steven Hicks.**

As I hope you know by now, I am currently in the middle of running for state union president. When Fay kindly offered this (brief) chance to communicate with you all, I thought it would be a good opportunity to lay out why I am doing such a crazy thing.

Along with many of you, I was disappointed in some aspects of the contract we ended up accepting, but also the leadership (or lack thereof) shown during the process. No one ever stood up and made a strong case for rejecting the tentative agreement; likewise, no one seemed willing to defend vigorously its strengths.

Second, we seem to be at a crossroads (if such things can be seen beforehand): we have the incumbent president running against the incumbent vice president (when we've almost never had a contested presidential election before), we have a nascent staff union that needs a CBA, we have a new chancellor and vice chancellor, we have both the Burnham memo and a consultant pushing for significant by-law changes in our governance and especially how we handle negotiations, and we keep talking about restructuring our finances.

All of the above provide opportunities for change and improvement. Given the leadership shown in the past nine months, it was hard to sit idly by with so much confronting our next set of leaders when people at both the state and local level thought I could do some good.

How will I improve things? Process is important: here at LHU I have been involved in several task forces that have tried to work on issues. I plan on using that model, using the creative and talented pool of faculty in our system as advisors, to gather information, create solutions, synthesize possibilities and put forth an agenda. This will bring more members into the decision-making process and strengthen the quality of our decisions and our understanding of them.

You all will no doubt recognize the challenge in my running. This is one of the smaller campuses in the system AND I'm running against two entrenched incumbents. But the LHU delegation has already lent support and legwork to the effort, so success seems possible with your help and support.

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## **Legislative Committee Update:**

Please join APSCUF and SCC for the 17th Annual Alfred E. Hoberman Legislatures' Day which will be held on March 27th, 2008. There will be a luncheon for Legislators and invited guests from 11:30 to 12:30. An open forum for legislators, Lock Haven University faculty, staff, and students will be held in the PUB meeting room #2 from 12:30 to 2:00 pm

Keep in mind that the Pennsylvania primary election is April 22. In addition to the presidential primary, there will be contested primaries in at least one party for the 5th and 10th Congressional Districts and for three state legislative seats in the area. The last day to register to vote (including change of residence or change of party) is March 24. The deadline for receipt of absentee ballots by county election boards is April 18. Pennsylvania is a closed primary state: one must be registered in a given party to vote in its primary.

**Thinking of Retiring this year? Please take a moment to review the APSCUF website at [www.apscuf.org](http://www.apscuf.org) for important information.**

## Important APSCUF Dates to Remember—AY 2007/2008

### Spring 2008

| <u>Mar</u>  | <u>April</u>  | <u>May</u>  |
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| <b>20:</b> Faculty/Management M&D<br>Bentley S06<br>12:15-1:45 p.m.                         | <b>1:</b> Membership Meeting<br>Hall of Flags, 1:00-2:00 p.m.                     | <b>6:</b> Membership Picnic/Meeting/<br>Retiree Recognition<br>Place TBA, begins at 4:00 p.m. |
| <b>27:</b> 17th Annual Alfred E. Hoberman<br>Legislature's Day<br>PUB 11:30a.m. - 2:00 p.m. | <b>9:</b> Executive Council<br>APSCUF Office, 5:00 p.m.                           | <b>14:</b> Executive Council<br>APSCUF Office, 5:00 p.m.                                      |
| <b>28:</b> Spring Social<br>Army Reserve Building<br>5:00 p.m. - ?                          | <b>15:</b> Faculty/Management M&D<br>Bentley S06<br>12:15-1:45 p.m.               | <b>20:</b> Faculty/Management M&D<br>Bentley S06<br>12:15-1:45 p.m.                           |
|   | <b>16:</b> Coach/Management M&D<br>Health Prof. Bldg Conf. Room<br>8:00-9:00 a.m. | <b>21:</b> Coach/Management M&D<br>Health Prof. Bldg Conf. Room<br>8:00-9:00 a.m.             |
|   | <b>10-12:</b> Legislative Assembly<br>Holiday Inn, Grantville, PA                 |   |

## The Spring 2008 APSCUF Committee Elections are Right around the Corner.

We have openings for positions on the APSCUF Executive Council, the Coaches Executive Council, and various other elected positions. Positions include Vice-President, President-Elect, Legislative Delegate, Alternate Legislative Delegate, Member-at-large, CAP Chair, Coached Committee Chair, Legislative Coach Delegate, Alternate Legislative Delegate, Grievance Coach Representative, and members of the Grievance, Nominations and Elections, AWL, Presidential Award, Gender Discrimination Board of Advisors, Gender Discrimination Panel, Honors, Faculty Professional Development, Promotion, Sabbatical, and Tenure Committees.

If you would like to nominate yourself for one of these important positions, please visit

<http://www.lhup.edu/apscuf/fomrs/EvenYearsNoms.asp> to submit your nominations. You may self-nominate or nominate someone else. If you choose to nominate someone else, please make sure they meet the eligibility requirements and discuss this with them first. We will accept nominations through March 28, 2008.

When you visit the website above, you will be prompted to enter your user name and password. Your user name is domain1\emailusername. So, for example, if your email address is glife@lhup.edu, your user name is domain1\glife. Your password is the same password you use to check your email.

Tara Mitchell

Nominations and Elections Committee



Please announce to your freshmen advisees that APSCUF Scholarship forms are still available at the front desk in the PUB and in the APSCUF office.

The deadline for submissions is March 28th.

## **KUDOS**

**Jason Bronner** (Art) has been selected to show his artwork in the National Drawing and Print Juried Exhibition at the College of Notre Dame from 25 March to 25 April 2008, and in the Great Lakes Drawing Biennial in Ypsilanti, Michigan from 25 March to 26 April 2008.

**Mark Cloud** (Psychology) and three students are presenting data on four experiments conducted over the past two years to the Northeastern Evolutionary Psychology Society's annual meeting in Manchester, NH, in May 2008. Mark's co-authors are Corinne Y. Ostock, Rebecca J. Rocco, and Suzanne M. Mahoney, and their presentation is entitled "Snake in the Grass Revisited: Moderating Effects of Stimulus Features and Task on Attentional Bias for Threatening Stimuli."

**Curt B. Dixon** (Health Science) published an article titled "Effect of aerobic exercise on percent body fat using leg-to-leg and segmental bioelectrical impedance analysis in adults" in the International Journal of Body Composition Research.

**Joan Whitman Hoff** (Philosophy) reviewed two books by R. Brian Howe and Katherine Covell, A Question of Commitment, Children's Rights in Canada and The Challenge of Children's Rights for Canada (both Waterloo: Wilfrid Laurier University Press) in the American Review of Canadian Studies in Spring 2008.

**Reynol Junco** (Academic Development & Counseling) presented a plenary session at the Cengage College Success National Conference in Orlando, Florida, on 7 March 2008. With Dianne Timm from Cornell College in Mount Vernon, Iowa, Rey will be presenting a program entitled "New Directions for Student Services: Emerging Technologies for Building Inclusion" at the National Conference of the American College Personnel Association in Atlanta, Georgia, on 1 April 2008.

**Beth McMahon** (Health Science) will serve as the Program & Assessment Evaluator for a grant from the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention to Community for Progressive Positive Action (CAPPA). CAPPA is a non-profit community-based organization that provides youth intervention and positive development strategies to over 300 at-risk and economically disadvantaged students (K-12) in Williamsport and Lycoming County.

**Cori J. Myers** (Business Administration) and **Lisa D. Weaver** (Academic Development & Counseling) will be presenting "Challenge and Support for Today's Undergraduate Student: In the Classroom and Beyond" at Penn State's Higher Education Program, Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow: An Alumni Reunion Symposium, 27-29 June 2008.

**SueAnn Schatz** (English) will present a paper, "How to Be a Feminist Without Saying So: The New Woman and the New Man in Mary Cholmondeley's Red Pottage," at the Mid-Atlantic Conference on British Studies, hosted by the University of Maryland-Baltimore County on 29 March 2008.

**Daniel C. Shaw** (Philosophy) will be taking part in an "Author Meets Critics" session at the Eastern Meetings of the American Society for Aesthetics in Philadelphia, 5-6 April 2008. Dan's presentation, "Carroll on Affect: A Rejoinder," comments on The Philosophy of Motion Pictures, a recent book from Blackwell Publishing.

**Christine Woodworth** (Theatre) presented a paper entitled "'The Part I Can't Tell': The Limits of Representation in Spring Awakening" at the Mid-America Theatre Conference in Kansas City, Missouri, 28 February-2 March 2008.

### **Don't Forget the APSCUF Spring Social!**

The APSCUF Social Committee will hold their Spring Social on March 28, 2008, at the US Army Reserve building in McElhattan. The theme this year is "Let's Go International!" and will include various games, activities, and food with an international flavor! Dress up in your favorite international costume if you wish! See you there!

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## **Library News**

### **New Electronic Resources**

Stevenson Library continues to build its collection of e-resources. Recently, we began subscribing to several new databases that can be accessed 24/7, on or off campus, by all students and faculty. These new research tools are authoritative sources for those in the fields of business, marketing, communications, history, political science and nursing. We also added more than 460 titles to our growing electronic book collection.

**ReferenceUSA** provides directory and other information on over 14 million businesses in the US and 210 million US residents.

**CIAO (Columbia International Affairs Online)** contains a large collection of research materials in the field of international affairs. Included here are full-text journals, books, policy briefs, case studies, course packs and more.

**SRDS (Standard Rate and Data Service)** provides media rates, dates and contact data for those in communications and marketing.

**Nursing Resource Center** is a popular new collection from Gale containing online reference and other full-text tools geared toward nursing research and education.

**NetLibrary** continues to grow in popularity with our patrons. We recently added 464 titles across a range of disciplines, bringing our total NetLibrary collection to nearly 18,000 titles.

As we move increasingly in the direction of electronic materials, it is important that faculty and students know how to access the collections. If you have any questions about any of the new databases or e-books, please feel free to contact your liaison librarian or me here at Stevenson Library.

*Brian Ardan, Electronic Resources Librarian*