Tripp York - Religious Studies - writes: "I published my ninth book: A Faith Embracing All Creatures (Cascade Books, 2012). It is Volume II of The Peaceable Kingdom Series of which I am the general co-editor, as well as a contributor."

From Jennifer Slivka: My article titled, "History and the 'I' Trapped in the Middle: Negotiating the Past in Roth’s The Ghost Writer and The Plot Against America" was published in Philip Roth Studies 8.2 (Fall 2012): 127-144.

Associate Dean of Admissions, Beth Clarke, presented "One Size Does Not Fit All: Finding College Fit" to approximately 300 parents and students at the Lake Braddock Secondary School "Junior Night" in Burke, VA on January 16. She also gave the same presentation the following evening to approximately 150 parents at the Langley High School "Junior Night" in McLean, VA. Other schools represented on the panels included Vanderbilt University, Virginia Tech, Rider University, George Mason University, University of Mary Washington and Rhodes College.

Ben Dobrin writes: On December 18-19th I attended a Med-Dive class put on by Dive Rescue International at the VA Beach Law Enforcement Training Academy.

Dr. Taryn Myers is now on the editorial board of the journal Body Image and a consulting editor of Psychology of Women Quarterly.

Sara Sewell presented "Spectacle and Discipline in Weimar Communism" and was a on a panel about "Spectacle and Racial Politics" at the German Studies Association Conference, Milwaukee, WI, September 2012.

Wesleyans Working Together ... Lisa Lyon Payne, Kathy Merlock Jackson, and Kathy Stolley presented a paper entitled "Traveling Across Uncharted Waters: An Examination of Medical Tourism Messages" at the Association for Applied & Clinical Sociology conference in Milwaukee in October.
Patrick Goold and Cathal Woods were at the Virginia Philosophical Association conference at Virginia Tech in October. Cathal was VPA president 2012 and organized the program.


I attended the Joint Meeting of the Mathematical Association of America (MAA) and the American Mathematical Society (AMS) January 9-12, 2013 in San Diego, CA. I received a grant from the Association for Women in Mathematics to attend this conference and work with my research collaborator on our current project, Killing forms of Lie Superalgebras.

In addition, I gave two presentations based on lessons used in calculus courses at VWC. The first, “Keychain Ziplines: A Practical Way to Study Velocity in the Calculus Classroom” was presented in a session on tactile learning in mathematics and the second, “Calculus For Dummies: A Student Writing Project” was presented in a session on writing in mathematics. I also participated in this conference in my role as a member of the MAA’s national committee on Early Career Mathematicians.

I was a contributing mathematician for mathematical content in the new Museum of Mathematics in New York (www.momath.org). I am involved in developing written content to accompany museum exhibits.

Lisa Payne: I presented a paper entitled “Black and White and Still Read all Over: An Examination of College Newspapers in a Turbulent Time” in August at the Association for Education in Journalism & Mass Communication conference in Chicago. This paper has since been published in the Winter 2012 issue of College Media Review

• A popular piece entitled Journalism Major Not Required also appears in this issue of College Media Review, about the advantages of studying the field of journalism in a small, liberal arts environment.

• I presented on a panel entitled, Tips for Conducting Research on College Media at the Associate College Press Conference in Chicago, November, 2012.

• Kathy Stolley was organizer and leader, with Stephen F. Steele, of “Brainstorming: Learning Applied Sociology” at the Association for Applied and Clinical Sociology, in Milwaukee, October 2012.

• Kathy also organized and led an invited workshop on “Educating Employers on What Sociology Majors Offer” at the American Sociological Association, in Denver.

Leslie Caughell presented two papers: “Can Sexual Difference Be Measured?: A Lesson from Primatology” at the Southern Political Science Association, January 3-January 5, 2012, Orlando, FL.

And “The Female Political Mind: Explaining Gender Gaps in Political Preferences,” at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 30-Sept. 2, 2012, New Orleans, LA.

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