



Day One

April 1st, 2015

Linda Ferguson led a strategic planning retreat for the Virginia Professional Communicators association (formerly Virginia Press Women) at the Airfield Conference Center in Wakefield, VA, March 27 - 29. Reporters, freelance writers, and corporate communications officers from across the Commonwealth participated.

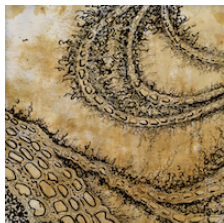
Elizabeth Malcolm and five students presented a poster at the Southeast and Mid-Atlantic Marine Mammal Symposium, Virginia Aquarium & Marine Science Center, Virginia on Mercury in bottlenose dolphins (*Tursiops truncatus*) from the Virginia coast.

Kathy Merlock Jackson has joined the editorial board of the *Journal of Popular Film and Television*.

Susan Wansink hosted 22 students from the Foreign Language Academy/Tallwood High School, including exchange students from Waiblingen, Germany.

Larry Hultgren produced a module on Bioethics for *EthAssist*, an online ethics training program from the Institute of Consultative Bioethics (ICB).

Dan Margolies was awarded the Dena Epstein Award for Archival and Library Research in American Music from the [Music Library Association](#) and published two articles in a special issue of the *Journal of American Culture*: "Introduction: Music and Sound in American Culture" and "*Música, Muerte, y Jaripeo*: Sound, Gender, and Violence in Diasporic Mexican Rodeo Videos".



Sharon Swift exhibited three artworks in the juried "Tiny Treasures: Miniature Exhibition" at the Hermitage Museum, along with two pieces in the "Super Bowls" exhibition.

Robin Takacs and Patty Clark presented "On-Campus Winter Shelter – a service learning and leadership model for Higher Ed" at the HONOR IN SERVICE: Leaders Responding to the Needs of Our Time conference at VMI.

Tanya Arney gave a lecture on medical- legal partnerships and pediatric ethics at W&M Law School as a combined effort with medical residents at EVMS/CHKD.



Terry Lindvall spoke at the [C.S. Lewis Institute](#) in Annapolis on "If C.S. Lewis Met Stephen Colbert: Thoughts About Humor, Culture and Joy".

Carol Johnson served as a judge for the Literacy Explosion sponsored by the [Virginia Association of Teachers of English](#) at Longwood University. She also presented "Games Writing Teachers Play" at the 36th Annual spring conference on the Teaching of Writing at ODU.





Denise Wilkinson presented "Experiential + Engagement + Algebra Courses = Effective Student Learning" at the [Teaching Academic Survival Skills](#) national conference in Ft. Lauderdale.

Kim Fahle presented "The Curious Case of Professional Tutors" in the panel "Game Changers: Writing Center Professionals Talk Roles and Rules" at the 36th Annual Spring Conference on the Teaching of Writing at ODU.

WORKSⁱⁿ PROGRESS

Many VWC faculty were involved in the "Works In Progress" conference of feminist scholarship which took place at the college on March 28th. It was organized by Kellie Holzer, Taryn Myers, Sharon Payne, and Aubrey Westfall, with much help from members of the Women's Forum, and all of the following presented papers:

Sharon Payne "Keynote Address"

Richard Bond "Pirates, Masculinity, and Empire"

Kathleen Casey "The Things They Carried: Women and the Power of the Purse"

Leslie Caughell "Nature vs. Nurture: Biology, Political Knowledge, and the Origins of Gender Gaps in Foreign Policy Preferences"

Kellie Holzer "'Child-Dropping' and the 'Infanticide Epidemic' in 1860s English News and Fiction"

Rebecca Hooker "Nancy Prince's Odyssey of Re(-)creation"

Taryn Myers "Exploring Feminist Beliefs as a Protective Factor Against Risk Factors for Disordered Eating"

Kathy Stolley "Army Nurses and Popular Culture: Icons, Gender Ideology, and Modern Nursing"

Aubrey Westfall "The Political Cure: Gender Quotas and Women's Health"

Got March-April news? Send it to dayone@vwc.edu. **Links and photos are greatly appreciated.**