



**Kathleen Casey's** book *The Prettiest Girl on Stage is a Man: Race and Gender Benders in American Vaudeville* was published by the University of Tennessee Press.

Doug Kennedy, Jill Sturts, and Takeyra Collins attended the Annual Congress of the National Recreation and Park Association in Las Vegas, where **Jill Sturts** presented a poster on "Importance-Performance Analysis in Recreation: Implementation and Issues" and served as a moderator for a session in sport and physical activity. She was also presented the 'Leadership for the Future Award' by the Academy of Leisure Sciences.

**Leslie Caughell** recently co-presented a paper on "Using Open Source News Collections for Political Science Research" at the American Political Science Association's annual conference and the paper was featured in [an article on truth and politics on the association's web site](#).

**Takeyra Collins** co-authored "Campus Recreation Day Camps: Predicting Camper Outcomes" and presented at the American Therapeutic Recreation Association (ATRA) Conference on "Facilitating Group Activities Using a Therapeutic Recreation Toolkit".

**Larry Hultgren** was quoted in the [recent issue of EVMS Magazine](#) on "Howard Jones Jr., MD, 1910-2015".

**Kathy Merlock Jackson** was the keynote speaker at the 6th annual Southern Film Festival at Virginia Commonwealth University. The title of her talk was "'You Can't Run Away from Trouble': Song and Story in Disney's *Song of the South*."

**Wayne Pollock** served as a member of the National Council for Therapeutic Recreation Certification (NCTRC) Item Review committee September, reviewing new items for the pool of questions used by NCTRC in certification examinations for recreational therapists.

**Sara Sewell's** article "Spectacles in Everyday Life: The Disciplinary Function of Communist Culture in Weimar Germany" was published in *Spectacle: German Visual Culture*.



**Taryn Myers** co-authored "[Evaluating the ecological validity of the Body Image Quality of Life Inventory using Ecological Momentary Assessment \(EMA\) methods](#)" in the journal *Body Image*, with ODU collaborator Kristin Heron and her graduate students.

As a member of the Council on Accreditation of Park, Recreation, Tourism and Related Professions **Doug Kennedy** participated in the accreditation hearings of 21 institutions, chaired the accreditation visit to the University of New Hampshire, and conducted the Visitor Training Session at the NRPA Congress; he was elected Vice-Chair of the Council.