



# Department of Geography, Government and History

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## 2008 Greetings from the Chair

All of us in GGH began the New Year with a heavy heart. Our colleague **Greg Goldey** lost his battle with an aggressive form of cancer in November. Although he had been on sick leave the entire Fall semester, we had hoped he would return hale and hearty. That was not to be. We join his family, Sociology Professor Constance Hardesty, his daughter Katie, son Shelby, and newly adopted son Jamie, in mourning the passing of a fine human being. The coordinator of the Government program, Greg was a tenured Associate Professor whose focus was always on getting students to think deeply and critically about politics and their own political opinions and points of view. He pushed them to examine issues of social and economic injustice, inequality, and inhumanity wherever and whenever they exist. In honor and memory of Professor Goldey, I invite everyone to join the GGH Team at this year's Relay For Life. Slated for June 14 through 15, the Relay for Life will take place at the track at Rowan County Senior High School. Come and walk for an hour in memory of "BDG" and what he stood for. If you would like to be a part of this activity, please contact Rose Mary Johnson in the department office. Also in Greg's honor, we will award at least one scholarship for the 08/09 academic year to an MSU student majoring in Government. If you would like to donate to that fund, please make a note on the MSU Foundation form accompanying your gift.



GGH is home to many active researchers and authors who have accomplished much since our last newsletter. In addition to an impressive array of articles and conference presentations, several department faculty have brought long-term projects to fruition. The publication of book manuscripts is especially noteworthy given the emphasis that each of the authors places on teaching. Congratulations to **John Ernst**, Professor of History, whose edited book with David L. Anderson, *The War that Never Ends: New Perspectives on the Vietnam War*, was released this fall by University Press of Kentucky. We are also very pleased to announce that **Thomas Kiffmeyer**, Associate Professor of History, is awaiting release of his book, *Reformers to Radicals: the Appalachian Volunteers and the War on Poverty*, currently being printed by the University Press of Kentucky. In addition, **Kris DuRocher**, Assistant Professor of History, has two major publications underway. She is under contract for publication of her work, *Lessons in Black and White: The Racial and Gender Socialization of White Children in the Jim Crow South*, with University Press of Kentucky. Her book was chosen for the prestigious *New Directions in Southern History* series, edited by Bill Link. Professor DuRocher also contributed a chapter, "Violent Masculinity: Ritual and Performance in Southern Lynchings, 1877-1939" in *Southern Manhood: Perspectives on Masculinity in the New South*, Ed. Craig Thompson Friend (University of Georgia Press, 2008).

GGH is also especially proud of the work being done by our Undergraduate Research Fellows. Our next edition will focus on these talented students and their projects. The GGH Undergraduate Research Fellows are: **Brandy Eden**, mentored by Prof. **William Green**; **Matthew Hurly**, mentored by Prof. **DuRocher**; **Teara Jessie** and **Christopher Leadingham**, mentored by Prof. **Ernst**; and **Eric Patton**, mentored by Prof. **Holcomb**.

### Welcome to the Department of Geography, Government, and History

Our theme is "Time, Place, and Power," and we offer students exciting programs of study that enable them to better understand the social, political, economic, and geographic world they inhabit. Located in the department are the following degree programs:

Geography Major and Minor

Legal Studies Minor

Government Major and Minor

Paralegal Studies Major

History Major and Minor

Social Studies Area of Concentration (for 8-12 teacher certification)

The Pre-Law program is also housed in this department; however it is not a degree program. Students who plan to attend law school choose an academic major like Government or History, or any other field in which they have an interest. Some Pre-Law students take the Legal Studies Minor. The department also supports the Master of Arts in Teaching in Social Studies, and the MA in Secondary Education, Social Studies, although it does not currently offer an MA in any of the disciplines housed in the unit.

Our Web site provides information on our faculty, our degree programs, and our courses, and offers links to various types of career information. We welcome your e-mail inquiries and would be happy to talk with you about our programs. The office phone is (606) 783-2655. We are located in Rader 350, and office hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily.

# The Life of Greg Goldey

*Memorial address by Bernadette Barton, December 8, 2007*

We're here today to remember Gregory Thomas Goldey born April 26, 1955 who passed at the too-young age of 52 on November 29, 2007. Over the past week, I have had the privilege to speak with many of you about your thoughts about Greg, what he brought to your lives and what you will miss now that he is gone.

Greg played many roles to many people. He was a father, husband, son, brother, teacher, colleague, friend, and spiritual companion. He was a deeply devoted practitioner of Shambhala Buddhism. One of the central ideas in Buddhism is that there is no separation between the self and other, that we are interconnected, and our fates are linked. Greg lived this practice in both his personal and public lives.

Greg was a guy's guy – he enjoyed football, basketball, smoking cigars, and beer. He was dependable, solid, a good advisor, someone you could turn to for help. He combined this strong male presence - that many of you commented upon - with a deep commitment to ending social inequality in all its forms. On his deathbed he called his nephew Will to his side to sign a statement that women were not inferior to men. He raised confident feminist daughters which is, in the words of one of you, "a hell of a legacy."

Greg acted with integrity in the world. If he said he was going to do something, he did it. If he talked the talk, then he walked the walk. He did not shop at Wal-Mart. He bought fair-trade coffee. He protested the Iraq war. He was not fond of George W. Bush.

Much of Greg's strength of character can be credited to his family. Greg was the oldest of four boys and never stopped being a big brother. He grew up in a home in which lively family discussions were encouraged. Greg comes from a family of staunch Democrats and had an early start in local politics. Greg was a Deputy Sheriff for four years under his father. After this, Greg worked as a Loan Officer at Farmer's Bank in Nicholasville and advanced to Vice President before he moved to Oklahoma to pursue a Ph.D.

During this time in Nicholasville, Greg met his life partner Connie Hardesty. They married on December 29, 1983 and had four children. Elizabeth was born in 1984, Katie in 1987, Shelby in 1993, and they just officially adopted James Gregory Hardesty Goldey the day the doctor told the family Greg was in the final hours of his life in 2007.

Greg left a lucrative career to follow Connie to the University of Oklahoma where she had a faculty position. He received his Ph.D. in American Politics and Public Administration, and both Greg and Connie relocated to Morehead State University in 1994.

Greg's commitment to social justice can be traced through his life from his time as a police officer, his dissertation topic on faculty unions at community colleges, his first job at MSU with the Institute for Correctional Research, to his teaching as a Government faculty member. Greg was faculty advisor to the College Democrats, involved with the School of the Americas protests, and helped organize a lobbying training for gay and lesbian rights. Greg evolved into a deeply radical man.

As a teacher, Greg made an indelible impression upon students. He challenged his students to open their minds to new ideas. He taught students to find their passion and live it. He encouraged students to recognize injustice and change it.

You could not intimidate Greg Goldey. He stood his ground even when under attack by the College Republicans. He was known for his BS flags in the classroom. Professor Goldey would draw a flag on the board, write BS in it and say "I don't want anyone to step in this." He did not tolerate willful ignorance. Many of his students expressed that Dr. Goldey transformed their lives.

As a colleague, Greg was an advisor to many. Greg's office had a gravitational pull in Rader Hall. He was a good listener, gave practical advice, did not take sides, and was not judgmental. He was a rudder for the Government faculty. Greg acted as a big brother to us all.

Just as Greg's office was the heart of the GGH faculty, so is Greg and Connie's home the heart of this community. Together, Greg and Connie created an environment in which everyone is welcome, and no one is a stranger at their door. In their partnership, Greg and Connie each continued to grow as individuals, and as companions. Each of us here recognizes the special chemistry that was Greg and Connie's marriage. Theirs was a relationship that only grew bigger and more inclusive with time. We know this because we are a living illustration of the community Greg and Connie created and nurtured. We are better people because of the Hardesty-Goldeys.

I have spoken with many of you over the past months since Greg's diagnosis, and have heard you express distress and sadness that this wonderful family should have to endure so much. Why does Greg have cancer? Why should he have to leave us so soon? And you reached out to help. You brought food, gifts, and companionship. You sent cards. You sat with Greg. You watched Shelby and Jamie. You grieved with Connie and Katie. Not a day passed that someone did not travel to 25 W. Hickman to offer help in some form. You are loving family, and special friends. There are people in the world who merit such love and friendship, and Greg and Connie are among them.

To the last day of his life, Greg continued to grow as a person. Even when he was dying, he thought first of others. He sought to make each person who visited feel comfortable and safe. You went to Greg's bed to say good-bye with tears in your eyes, and left smiling because the last thing he did for you was to crack a joke.

We remember Gregory Thomas Goldey, loving husband, father, son, brother, friend, and teacher. We remember his tattoo, his hair, his eyebrows, his belief that the classroom is a dynamic place, his love of movies and music. We remember holidays and lunches at La Finca's. We remember smoking cigars with him on the front porch, watching football, and going to concerts. We remember an honest person who lived according to his beliefs. We remember a strong, handsome man who had the courage of his convictions and the physical presence to support them. Greg encouraged us to understand that our fates are linked - in this family, this church, this state, this country and this planet. This is his gift to us.



*Greg Goldey 1955-2007*

## (Student) Pirates of the Caribbean!



In the 2007 spring semester, Dr. **Royal Berglee** offered a three credit geography course titled "Tourism and the Caribbean." The course focused on the impact of tourism on the economic development of the Caribbean Basin. Since tourism is the main economic activity on many of the islands, students investigated the development dynamics of the region and concluded with a study of the cruise ship industry, which is the fastest-growing sector in tourism. Students learned that cruise ships can be a blessing and a curse. On the one hand, cruising can be a great way to travel; on the other, pristine waters can be polluted with waste water from cruise ships, and most jobs in the industry offer very low wages. Resentment can build between wealthy tourists and low paid workers. Profits usually end up at the corporate level.

The best way to learn about these issues first-hand was to get on a ship and go for a cruise to the Caribbean. With the assistance of MSU student **Jon Dennis**, Dr. Berglee made the arrangements for a Spring Break cruise on the Carnival ship *Victory*. The eight-day cruise included stops at Puerto Rico, St. Martin and St. Thomas. Fourteen individuals participated in the travel component.

To liven things up a bit, each individual was given their own "pirate" name before departing from the port of Miami. Students got a chance to learn first-hand about tourism in the Caribbean through classes on-board the ship and excursions to the islands. They realized that the crew on board the Carnival *Victory* represented over 50 countries. For example, the headwaiter was from Uruguay, assistant waiters were from the Philippines and Poland, the bursar was from Belarus, the room steward was from Malaysia, and the ship's captain was Italian. Many languages were heard aboard ship and on the islands. On St. Martin there was a difference between the Dutch and French sides of the same island. On St. Thomas, they drove on the "wrong" side of the road. The group met every evening for dinner which was always a lively occasion for both the MSU group and the ship's crew.

At Puerto Rico, over 12,000 passengers from five cruise ships flooded the port in one evening. After six hours in port, all the passengers returned to their ships, and all five ships departed in the same hour. It was fascinating to observe five of the largest ships in the world leaving port, one after another. These are huge ships; the *Freedom of the Seas*, which was the largest,



*The MSU group at dinner on the Carnival Victory*

holds about 3,600 passengers and 1,300 crew on 15 decks, and is over three football fields long (1,112 feet). Our ship, *Carnival Victory*, has a capacity of 2,758 passengers and 1,100 crew on 13 decks and was "only" 900 feet long.

Students were quick to understand the dynamics of port development, from the shops owned by the cruise company that cater exclusively to cruise-ship passengers to fifty-percent kickbacks of funds generated by local excursions booked through the cruise line. Our group managed to book a snorkeling excursion on St. Thomas through a local operator for half the cruise line price. Students snorkeled, shopped in the market, saw wild iguanas and visited with the local people of the islands.

On board the ship, students realized crewmembers were working split shifts of more than 12 hours a day for 7 to 9 months at a stretch. At the same time, the Carnival Corporation offered all types of expensive services on board the ship, including art auctions selling paintings for \$36,000 and a high-end jewelry shop with their own onboard diamond specialist.

This was a great opportunity for MSU students to travel outside the United States and experience other peoples and places. The cruise package provided for the necessities of lodging, transportation, and all the food you could eat, which was ideal for student travel. By the time the trip was over the students possessed a greater understanding of the tourism dynamics in the Caribbean and of how the cruise industry impacts the people, the economy, and the natural environment. In the end, some students felt the real "Pirates of the Caribbean" were the cruise ships.



*The Carnival Victory in the port of San Juan*

## Renewable Energy Forum

About 100 attended a forum on Renewable Energy for Kentucky on October 18 in Rader Hall, sponsored by GGH and the Appalachian Studies Program. Discussants were Tom Fitzgerald of the Kentucky Resources Council, Justin Maxon of Mountain Association for Community Economic Development, Scott Sykes of Genesis, Inc. (an Eastern Kentucky-based new wind power business), and Scott Perry of Appalachia - Scientists for the Public Interest and Bluegrass Energy/Green Living Expo.

Presentations and discussions focused on the viability and market possibilities for "green energy" in Kentucky and on current and future models for sustainable economic development, designed to move the country away from carbon-based and toward renewable energy. The evening reflected a mix of policy, ethical, and ecological issues with practical applications of green energy that are already in place in the region.

# MSU Hosts Service Learning Conference

The Appalachian Studies Program at Morehead State University hosted the "Breaking New Ground for Regional Stewardship: Community Centered Teaching and Learning" Conference on April 2-5, 2007.

The conference included the inaugural President's Lecture in Appalachian Studies by Helen M. Lewis, "Appalachian Studies: Telling the Truth or Preserving the Myths." Lewis, a retired professor of Sociology and Appalachian Studies, was a founding member of the Appalachian Studies Association and the namesake for the organization's service award. An early proponent of participatory research, she is the author of several books about the Appalachian region.

MSU faculty, staff and students were able to share service learning experiences and to discuss possible collaborative service learning and participatory research initiatives. Various presenters throughout the week also shared their ideas and success stories, including Lewis, Tal Stanley, Alan Banks, Anne-Marie Turnage, and Robert Gipe and other members of Partnerships Affirming Community Transformations (PACT). MSU President Dr. Wayne Andrews addressed the conference on the final day.

Stanley is a professor of American Studies at Emory and Henry College (EHC) and director of their Appalachian Center for Community Service. He also serves as the Bonner Scholars Program director at EHC, a program that facilitates student involvement in community service and social justice issues.

Fisher, a professor emeritus in political science at EHC, is a recipient of the Carnegie Foundation's National Baccalaureate Professor of the Year, as well as the Appalachian Studies Association's service award. He was founding organizer of

Just Connections network, which supports grassroots democracy in distressed mountain communities through participatory research and service, and edited the classic primer on community activism in the region, *Fighting Back in Appalachia: Traditions of Resistance and Change*.

A professor of sociology and Director of the Center for Appalachian Studies at Eastern Kentucky University, Alan Banks is president of the board of directors of Kentucky Riverkeeper, a coalition that coordinates internships and service learning opportunities for students to share in their work of protecting the Kentucky River and its communities. He has directed several participatory research projects focusing on water quality in eastern Kentucky, including the Headwaters Project in Letcher County.

Anne-Marie Turnage, a specialist in cultural geography and rural economics at Lock Haven University, is director of MountainServe, which provides support for students, staff, and faculty interested in service learning and helps to link university resources to identifiable community needs.

Robert Gipe is director of the Appalachian Program at Southeast Community and Technical College, which incorporates service, participatory research, and sustainable development strategies into the classroom. The Rockefeller Foundation-sponsored PACT project utilizes the arts to strengthen community in the face of social and cultural disintegration engendered by substance abuse.

Community organizations will have the opportunity to speak to the MSU community and make plans for possible service learning projects.

## GGH Chair Baldwin Accepts New MSU Position

After ten years as department chair, it was with mixed feelings that I accepted a new position at Morehead State University. During the last year, I served on a committee to examine the General Education program at MSU, and several weeks ago, Provost Karla Hughes asked me to assist in the efforts to reform and revise that program. As a special assistant to the Provost, I will work with the Faculty General Education Advisory Committee, the General Education Steering Committee, and other constituencies to improve the way we deliver that critical part of the curriculum at MSU. I look forward to this new challenge at least in part because it enables me to continue to work with faculty and with students.

I wish to thank the faculty of GGH for their hard work and dedication to our students and to MSU. GGH is a wonderful department and I am proud to have been associated with it. I will miss my classes and seeing the students gathered in Rader – and I will miss Rose Mary Johnson, who has kept us all on track for so long! Together, we have looked at things as they are and asked "why," but we have also looked at how they could be and asked, "why not?"

*Yvonne Baldwin*

*John Ernst (History) will serve as the interim GGH chair until a successful search can be made for a replacement. We all wish Dr. Baldwin the best in her new position; she has ably led GGH through the last decade and will be greatly missed.*

## Master of Arts in Teaching Program

If you are a GGH alumnus who has pondered teaching middle school or high school social studies, please investigate our Master of Arts in Teaching Program. This program provides an alternative certification route for students who already have a Bachelor of Arts degree in their teaching area. Former students with degrees in Social Studies, History, Government, and Geography, may be eligible for certification in secondary social studies and all former students may be eligible for the program in middle grades certification. Please contact Dr. **Alana Cain Scott** at (606) 783-2540 for information about this program.

## Web site revisions

"Canadian Studies in the Commonwealth" is a new link at the GGH Web site created by Dr. **William Green**. Click on the "Program" link on the GGH home page to access information on the Canadian Studies Online Program, Canadian Parliamentary Internship Program, and Kentucky Canadian Studies Roundtable.

Dr. Green also revised the GGH home page, the Government program site and the Paralegal Studies, Legal Studies, and Pre-Law program site. Also on the home page is a link to the memoriam to Dr. **Gregory Goldey**.

## 2007 Kentucky Canadian Studies Roundtable

The Kentucky Canadian Studies Roundtable held its 2007 meeting at the Georgetown College Conference Center. Forty-one Canadianists, including faculty and students, attended the October 5 meeting organized by Dr. **William Green**, Professor of Government at Morehead State University.

The Hon. Peter Stoffer, a New Democratic Party Member of Parliament from Nova Scotia, was the special guest. In his keynote speech, Mr. Stoffer addressed the "Environmental, Trade, and Security Challenges for Canada." He also facilitated two discussion sessions on "Politics in a Time of Minority Government" and "Canadian Foreign, Defense, and Veterans Policies."



After the roundtable, Mr. Stoffer was taken on a Bluegrass tour by William and Rowena Green and Linda Docter-Herzog. The tour began at Three Chimney's Farm where they visited Smarty Jones and the grave of Seattle Slew and then, accompanied by Linda Docter-Herzog, they were off for an afternoon at the Keeneland race track.

Four MSU students served as interns in the Parliament of Canada in the Summer 2007: **Stephanie Webb**, **Brandi Scott**, **Shannon Smith**, and **Courtney Yartz**. Dr. **William Green** prepared them for their internships with a course on Canadian Politics and then awarded each of them a \$1,000 Canadian Studies Scholarship funded by the Office of Financial Aid and the Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy.



*The new Canadian Parliamentary interns, which include two MSU students, Stephanie Webb to Mr. Stoffer's left and Brandi Scott at right.*

## Letter from Shannon Smith, Intern with Canadian Parliament

**Shannon Smith**, MSU Paralegal Studies major, served as an intern in the office of the Hon. Cheryl Gallant, a Conservative Party Member of the Canadian Parliament, who represents the Ontario riding of Renfrew, Nippising, Pembroke. To prepare for her internship, she took a course on Canadian Politics from Dr. William Green, her internship supervisor.

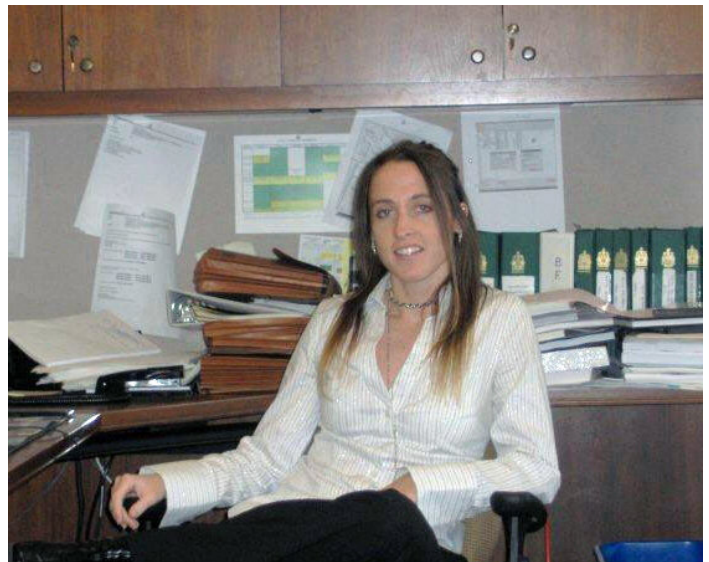
Shannon created a picture video of her internship experiences and collaborated with Dr. Gordon Towell, MSU's Department of Music, in selecting the background music. Her video can be accessed through the GGH Website under the Canadian Studies heading. She wrote to us of her recent experiences:

May 25, 2007

Hello Dr. Green!

So far my internship has been pretty exciting! I've been answering a lot of constituency letters. Last week, Cheryl Gallant, my M.P., had to give a speech and her staff couldn't figure out how to get it in the right format, convert it, and print it out. Well, I saved the day and had her speech printed out in the right format just in time for her to present it. She came in the next day and said for me to tell my professor that I have already made a huge impact and got her out of a jam. Right now she has me doing research for a bill on war crimes.

I've visited Montreal and was surprised at how European everything was. I stayed at a hostel with some of the other interns. I played soccer on the front lawn of Parliament against all the other interns. Let's just say I represented Morehead well! One of my friends was invited to Stephan Dion's house and



*Shannon Smith in the office of the Hon. Cheryl Gallant, MP*

I may join her. I saw Mr. Dion, the leader of the Liberal Party, at a Chicken Farmers of America party which was held at the Chateau Laurier. Free food and open bar. I had a good time.

So far it's been great. I couldn't have chosen a better summer program. The weather is finally warming up and tonight the Executive Assistant to the Speaker has invited us to his party. We may also meet up with the pages of the House and Senate. I hope that's a decent update on what I've been doing!

*Shannon*

## Morehead State Geographical Society

The Morehead State Geographical Society is an organization on Morehead State's campus that is open to anyone interested in Geography. We want to promote our growing program while highlighting the fun aspects of Geography with academics. The organization is a way to create a social atmosphere outside the classroom for students to gather and discuss geographical topics and concerns.

The society has a formal meeting once a month as well as informal social gatherings. MSGS sporadically sponsors Baked goods and foreign currency sales to raise funds. We use this as a time to talk to people about what MSGS does and about the program. The society has a bi-annual book drive to collect Geography related materials for distribution in Africa.

MSGS activities include hosting a Geographical Awareness Week each year to help promote Geography in a fun way on campus. We usually have a guest speaker, a movie night with a discussion panel, and a Faculty vs. Student Trivia Contest. We also try to go on one adventure/outing per semester. Previous events include a trip to the Buffalo Trace distillery, a "FUN RUN" and several trips with the Caving Club. Some of our members had the opportunity last spring to take an stimulating class with **Royal Berglee** called "Tourism and the Caribbean", in which students got credit for learning the effects tourism has on the Caribbean and then going on a cruise and seeing it firsthand. Future plans include Geographical Scavenger Hunt collaboration with Dr. **Timothy Hare** in Spring 2008.

Faculty advisors for the MSGS are **Jason Holcomb** and **Verdie Craig**.

## Scholarship fund needs your support!

The faculty of GGH is raising money for a scholarship fund to help deserving GGH students participate in study abroad programs, such as those offered by the Cooperative Center for Study Abroad (CCSA) and the Kentucky Institute for International Studies (KIIS). The goal is to establish a permanent scholarship fund to award \$1,000 each year to help one GGH student per year defray the costs of participating in a study abroad program. If you would like to offer a donation to help make this dream become a reality, please contact either Ms. Mindy Highley of the MSU Foundation at (606)783-2033 or e-mail her at [m.highley@moreheadstate.edu](mailto:m.highley@moreheadstate.edu), or Dr. Adrian Mandzy of GGH at (606)783-2898 (e-mail: [a.mandzy@morehead-st.edu](mailto:a.mandzy@morehead-st.edu)).

## MSU Caving Club

The MSU caving club is dedicated to the exploration, study, and conservation of one of Kentucky's most interesting geological resources, the numerous caves of the state. The club sponsors one or more trips to local and regional "wild" caves every month during the spring and fall semesters. These trips are designed to be of interest to both neophytes and more experienced cavers. Dr. **Gary O'Dell**, an avid cave explorer and researcher for more than 35 years, is the club's faculty advisor.

The club had a very active year in 2007. It began in September with a joint trip to Carter Caves State Park with the Lexington caving club. Recent MSU graduate **Rollie Hatfield**, a former guide at the park, led the combined group on "wild" tours of both Bat Cave and Saltpeter Cave, very different experiences since Bat is very wet and Saltpeter is dust dry.



*MSU student Daylena Lee*

For October, the club went to Scott County, to assist the Kentucky Geological Survey in mapping Slacks Cave, one of the largest caves of the Inner Bluegrass region. Participants learned to use compass and tape to make an accurate map of the cave. **Chris Webb**, a member of the caving club who was then taking O'Dell's course on map interpretation and analysis, drew upon knowledge he gained in this course to draft the survey notes into a detailed cave map, in the process producing what amounts to a work of art.

The club finished the year with a visit to remote Goochland Cave in southeastern Kentucky, one of the largest caves in the state with more than 15 miles mapped. Some of the passages in this cave were more than 100 feet high and wide, and participants got thoroughly wet wading through the deep cave stream.

An active schedule is planned for 2008, including a return trip to continue mapping Slacks Cave, and possibly a weekend trip to the Mammoth Cave area.



*How to have a really good time: Cavers soaked to the skin and covered with mud after exiting Bat Cave*



## MSU Historical Society Participates in National Archives Week

On October 10, 2007, on the fifth floor of the Camden-Carroll Library, the MSU Historical Society, in association with the library's special collections and archives staff, participated in National Archives Week (Oct. 8-12, 2007). Activities began at six p.m. with speeches from Historical Society members **Erik Hale**, **Chris Wiseman**, **Ashley Horn**, and **Patrick Davis**.

National Archives Week is an effort to raise awareness of the rich historical recourses housed within local libraries, and other intuitions of learning. Speech topics came from information that resides within the library's special collections and archives. Topics included "Beaker the Mascot: A Historical Journey," Presented by Erik Hale, "University Concerts Here and Abroad from 1983-85," by Chris Wiseman, "Morehead's Naval School," presented by Ashley Horn, and "Reenacting the Civil in Kentucky," by Patrick Davis.

The Camden-Carroll Library's special collections and archives include Appalachian Kentucky books, genealogical and local historical material, photographs, oral histories, quilt patterns, and files for Kentucky pamphlets and newspaper clippings. Also within the archives are official repository records of the university, school catalogs, record books (dating back to 1887), yearbooks (dating from 1927 to present), and also materials related to the institution's status as a naval training school during World War II.

The evening event was successful; over twenty students and faculty came out for the event. The activities helped raise awareness to the records held within the library, and sparked interest in the history of the university.



*The History Club on an outing to the Perryville battlefield reenactment.*

## MSU Historical Society's Water Balloon Fund Raiser



*Professors Lewis and O'Dell on the receiving end of an air burst*

On October 4, 2007 the MSU Historical Society hosted the "Throw a Water Balloon at your Professor Fund Raiser" in an effort to enhance funds for the long awaited trip to Washington D.C. Despite rainy weather early in the week, Thursday's festivities were welcomed with sunny skies and temperatures in the low nineties.

The professors who were willing to trade in their office hours for the opportunity to be pelted with water balloons by their students included Dr. **Ernst** (History), Dr. **Lewis** (Government), Dr. **Kiffmeyer** (History), and Dr. **O'Dell** (Geography). The targeted professors were not unprotected, however; they were given a tennis racket for self defense and students had to stand fifty feet away. One MSU student said, "It's great for those mid-term frustrations."

For one dollar students could throw two water balloons at a professor in hopes of putting a little rain in their professor's day. The event attracted many on-lookers and participants who were willing to donate a dollar for the cause and the opportunity. Since the fundraiser was so successful in attracting participants the club has been decided to make it an annual occurrence. Next year's water balloon fund raiser will offer more professors and even more fun. This year's fund raiser grossed over one hundred dollars for to club and a lot of good laughs.

## GGH Students hear Mikhail Gorbachev

On October 3, 2007 the MSU Historical Society, together with history, government, and international studies students, traveled to the Kentucky Center for the Performing Arts in Louisville to attend a talk by former U.S.S.R. president Mikhail Gorbachev on global issues. Gorbachev's appearance was sponsored by the World Affairs Council of Kentucky/Southern Indiana. The trip, organized by Dr. **Adrian Mandzy**, Dr. **Sara Jones**, and Dr. **Kris DuRocher**, allowed students to attend the first of a series of lectures focusing on a wide range of international issues.

President Gorbachev is arguably one of the most influential men of the twentieth century: he served as the leader of the Soviet Union from 1985 until its collapse in 1991. While in office, President Gorbachev was famous for his policies with the West. He signed two broad disarmament pacts and ended

Communist domination of Eastern Europe. President Gorbachev was the recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1991, along with other various awards for his service to Russia.

Gorbachev's speech focused on contemporary threats that face world organizations and restructuring global priorities for the 21st century. Gorbachev spoke for an hour on the subject and followed his lecture with a question and answer session. The trip was a wonderful experience for MSU students to hear an influential policy maker of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, and learn more about the problems that the world faces today and a perspective on possible solutions. In April of 2008 the forum will host former Secretary of State, Colin Powell and, most definitely, the MSU Historical Society will be there to take their seats at the world's table.

*Chris Wiseman*

# Paralegal Studies Students attend State Conference

**Amelia Conway**, a paralegal studies major, was selected by the state professional organization, the Kentucky Paralegal Association (KPA), as the recipient of its scholarship award for 2007. Amelia received her award at the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual KPA Conference held in Erlanger, Kentucky, November 8-9, 2007. Eight additional paralegal students from Alpha Lambda Pi, the student paralegal association at MSU, also attended the conference. Established in Louisville in 1990, the Kentucky Paralegal Association (KPA) organizes paralegals statewide, and promotes the paralegal profession throughout the state.

The keynote speakers were Professor Mark Stavsky, Chase Law School, and Carol Risk, Esq., who work with The Innocence Project. The project works to reopen cases for prisoners who are believed to have been innocent of the crime for which they are serving time. Prof. Stavsky supervises law students working on the project. The conference featured numerous legal seminars for the attendees, including topics on defending against identify theft, products liability overview, advanced real estate issues, and legal writing and research.

The trip was funded by GGH (Thank you Dr. Baldwin!), and the Alpha Lambda Pi organization, open to all majors. To become a member, contact Professor **Dianna Murphy** or **Salena Shanks**, president of the organization.



*Salena Shanks, Whitney Ross, John Spalding, Stephanie Webb, Dianna Murphy, Jennifer Butler, Rachael Whetstone, Sara Legg, Amelia Conway, Christina Bolton.*

## Dr. Berglee's Famous Puzzles



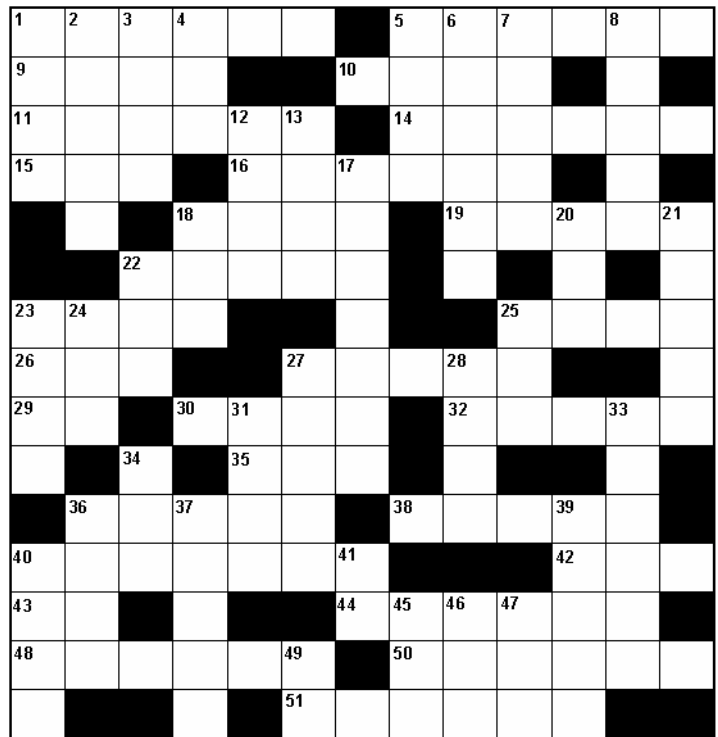
### ACROSS

- \*1. Greg, our deeply missed colleague and government professor
- \*5. Geography Prof. Craig
- 9. Scent
- 10. Mexican currency
- 11. "The Satanic \_\_\_\_\_"
- 14. Fashions or teaching methods
- 15. Top-Level Domain
- 16. Mrs. Washington
- 18. Former Italian currency
- 19. Wealthy social class
- 22. Gigantic in size or power
- 23. "The \_\_\_\_\_ Earth"
- 25. Precipitation
- 26. Street with a nightmare
- 27. Prickly plants
- 29. Consume too much
- 30. Canaanite heathen god
- \*32. History professor Alana, or Mr. Joplin of ragtime music
- 35. Rapper "\_\_\_\_ Kim"
- \*36. Geography professor Holcomb, or the man with the Argonauts
- \*38. Government Prof. Bill, or not an easy color to be
- 40. Highest temperature
- 42. Action at an auction

- 43. McCormick equipment and Truck Company that once made refrigerators
- \*44. History professor Kris, or neighbor of Dennis the Menace
- 48. Whimper or whine
- \*50. Lawyer Professor Murphy
- \*51. History professor Adrian

### DOWN

- 1. Discipline of politics (abbr.)
- \*2. Geography professor Gary
- 3. Ruler of the Rings, Flies or Jim
- 4. Two or more professors
- 5. Sleeveless garment
- \*6. Geography professor Long, or a book of the Bible
- \*7. Geography professor Berglee, or brand of tires or typewriters
- 8. Incompetent
- 12. Send or transmit
- \*13. Government Prof. Jones, or a famous maker of pound cake
- \*17. Government Prof. Swain, or Tony of the Odd Couple
- 18. Top of jar
- 20. Investment account
- \*21. History professor John who teaches Watergate and Vietnam
- \*22. History Prof. Kiffmeyer, or a male turkey
- 23. Place & space discipline (abbr.)



- 24. Age of the man and the sea
- \*25. Government Prof. Caric
- 27. Abel's brother (cloned twice)
- 28. Russian ruler title
- 31. "\_\_\_\_ Vera" plant
- 33. An "all fingers hotel"
- 34. What MSU admin. says it tries to cut to reduce budget
- \*36. History professor Hennen teaches labor unions and Appalachia
- \*37. Lawyer Prof. Herzog, or Mr. Jobs of Apple Computer
- 39. Black
- 40. Discipline of the past (abbr.)
- 41. Teeny-Weeny
- 45. Indonesia (ISO Country code)
- 46. Cover
- 47. Soldat Auf Zeit (German)
- 49. Brand of cigarettes

*\* = name of GGH professor*

## Student Notes

**Nick Weeks, Andrew Roberts, and Katie Gilbert** completed a History 476 "Special Topics" project on the effects of the construction of Cave Run Lake on local communities and traditional life. The focus was on the families and settlements that were displaced by the Corps of Engineer Project that was completed in the mid-1970s. The students interviewed former residents of the Cave Run communities and local historian Jack Ellis for this ambitious and moving video documentary.

They premiered the work at the Appalachian Festival of Faiths on November 1, 2007, in the Morehead Community Center, to rave reviews. They have since presented the documentary in the Kentucky History class, will present it at the Folk Art Center during the spring semester, and have asked that it be added to the program at the Appalachian Studies Conference at Marshall University in March 2008.

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**Grant York, GEO-RAPP Senior, and Brittany Moody, a GEO Senior,** have been working with Christi McMichael on funded projects through IRAPP.

Grant is a co-Principal Investigator on a project funded by the Kentucky Water Resources Research Institute: "Impacts of Disturbance on Streamflow and Sediment Yield in the Licking River Basin," for which a grant of \$3,133 was received. The overall goal of this study is to improve our understanding of the impact of the recent ice storm on streamflow and sediment yield in forested watersheds of the Licking River Basin (within the DBNF) near Morehead, Kentucky – an area which experienced particularly heavy storm damage. Data collected during this study will also be used to establish pre-logging (baseline) streamflow and sediment conditions in these watersheds as a first step towards monitoring the impacts of future logging activities. Grant is assisting with a number of project tasks including GIS-based watershed selection, field sampling of streamflow and sediment, laboratory processing of sediment samples, spreadsheet data entry and analysis, and preparation of the final project report and related conference presentations.

Brittany worked with Christi during the past summer and current semester on a study examining landscape impacts on aquatic ecosystems in northeastern Kentucky. She provided valuable assistance with much of the GIS and remote sensing based data processing for the project, as well as with the analysis of the impact of land use and land cover on the abundance and distribution of aquatic macroinvertebrates in the study area. She participated in, and WON, the Geography section's Undergraduate Research Poster Competition at the Kentucky Academy of Science's annual meeting in Louisville in November 2007. *Way to go, Brittany!*

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Two of professor Ric Caric's students, **Brandy Eden** and **Brandy Scott**, presented papers at the Kentucky Political Science Association last spring. Brandy's paper was a highly original piece of work, and received the Wilma Grote prize for non-fiction writing about women. It was the third year in a row that one of Ric's students has won a Wilma Grote prize. Her paper, "Fucking Virginity: How Society Screws Virgins," was also published in *Inscape*, a student publication at Morehead State University.

## Faculty Notes

**Ric Northrup Caric** (Government) accomplished quite a lot during 2007. His article, "The Man with the Poker Enters the Room: Delirium Tremens and Popular Culture in Philadelphia, 1828-1850," appeared in *Pennsylvania History* 74(Autumn) 452-491, and he submitted a revision of "Hideous Monsters Before the Eye: Delirium Tremens and Manhood in Antebellum Philadelphia," to be published in a volume on medical history and popular culture edited by Cheryl Warsh for Wilfred Laurier University Press in Canada. Ric maintained his daily political blog "Red State Impressions" at <http://red-state.blogspot.com>. Recent highlights include being featured on RealClearPolitics, the publication of a Red State Impressions post by the *Chicago Tribune*, an online debate with Democratic strategist Dan Gerstein, and a lengthy debate on race with the conservative blog Protein Wisdom. He also "spent a great month in Philadelphia" doing research for a book manuscript on popular culture in ante-bellum Philadelphia: *Displays of Degradation: The Transformation of Popular Culture in Philadelphia, 1785-1850*.

**William Green**, Professor of Government, received his eighth Canadian Studies Program Enhancement Grant. The \$5,700 Canadian Embassy grant will support further Canadian Studies Online Program course development. He also received Institute for Federalism and Intergovernmental Research support for a paper on "Private Property, Eminent Domain, and State Economic Development: Legislative and Judicial Responses to *Kelo v. New London* (2005)" which he presented at the 2007 Kentucky Political Science Association and 2007 Midwest Political Science Association annual meetings. This Fall semester, he made major revisions to the GGH Web sites for the Government program and the Paralegal Studies, Legal Studies, and Pre-Law program and created a new GGH site: Canadian Studies in the Commonwealth, which houses the Canadian Studies Online Program, Canadian Parliamentary Internship Program, and Kentucky Canadian Studies Roundtable. Check them out at <http://www.morehead-st.edu/ggh>.

**Daikwon Han** (IRAPP) was one of the authors of "Exposure to Traffic Emissions Throughout Life and Risk of Breast Cancer: the Western New York Exposures and Breast Cancer (WEB) Study," which appeared in *Cancer Causes and Controls* 18(2007):947-55. He also gave two conference presentations: "Spatial Analysis of Breast Cancer Disparities in Kentucky" at the NCI Cancer Health Disparities Conference in Atlanta; and "Spatial Analysis of Breast Cancer and Access to Health Care Services in Kentucky" at the Annual Meeting of the Association of American Geographers in San Francisco. Daikwon also received a significant research grant for "Spatial Analysis of Breast Cancer in Kentucky" from the Kentucky Academy of Science. During April 2007, he was one of the organizers of the MSU women's studies lecture series on women's health.

**Timothy S. Hare** (IRAPP) has published a new article with Holly Barcus (Macalester) in the *Journal of Applied Geography*, titled "Spatial Accessibility to Inpatient Facilities For Selected Ambulatory Care Sensitive Conditions in Kentucky." He also has two articles which should appear in print by the end of the year: "Healthcare Utilization, Deprivation, and Heart-Related Disease In Kentucky" with Holly Barcus, in *Southeastern Geographer*, and "Sources of Imported Obsidian at Postclassical

"Faculty Notes," continued.

Sites in the Yau-tepec Valley, Morelos: A characterization study using XRF and INAA" with Michael Smith, Adrian Burke, and Michael Glascock, in *Latin American Antiquity*. He also has a chapter titled "The Impact of Health Service Availability and Accessibility on Health Outcomes in Central Appalachia" that will appear in the next volume of the *Proceedings of the Applied Geography Conference*.

Timothy has also participated in several conferences this year. He presented papers at the Appalachian Studies Conference, Biennial CDC & ATSDR Symposium on Statistical Methods, and the Urban and Regional Information Systems Association, GIS in Public Health Conference. He also spoke on Kentucky Height Modernization at the Kentucky GIS Conference and was invited to speak at the Colorado Health Institute.

As director of the Kentucky Center for Geospatial Education, Research, and Outreach, Timothy has directed several workshops both on and off campus. For instance, he directed an activity for eastern Kentucky high school teachers to learn how to use GPS to teach about environmental issues in their classrooms and a workshop on how to integrate GIS into decision-making systems for local government and business people in the West Liberty area. On campus, he has lead workshops on how to use mapping technologies in the university classroom and how to acquire and analyze data from the U.S. Census Bureau.

Timothy and his colleague Marilyn Masson (University at Albany) are currently waiting to hear if their NSF proposal to continue work at the ancient Maya city of Mayapán will be funded. The proposed project would support conducting new excavations of households spread across the urban center aimed at revealing the geographic structure in the ancient city's political economy.

**Christi McMichael** (IRAPP) recently published (with co-author A.S. Hope) "Predicting Streamflow Response to Fire-Induced Landcover Change: Implications of Parameter Uncertainty in the MIKE SHE Model" in the *Journal of Environmental Management*, 84:245-256 (2007). During the last year, Christi was particularly successful, as co-PI, in bringing in some substantial grants to be implemented over the next few years, including \$625,850 from the USEPA and Kentucky Division of Water for the "Triplett Creek Watershed Plan"; \$39,000 from the Kentucky Waterways Alliance for the "Dry Creek Watershed Plan"; \$84,000 from AmericaView, Inc., for the "StateView Program Development and Operations for the State of Kentucky"; and an MSU internal grant for \$4,995 "Assessing the Relationships Between Environmental Factors and Human Disease in Kentucky." As principal investigator, Christi received \$3,133 from the Kentucky Water Resources Research Institute for "Impacts of Disturbance on Streamflow and Sediment Yield in the Licking River Basin," and an AmericaView Associate Grant of \$5,000 for "Consortium development activities."

Christi has also been visible at several professional conferences, including two presentations: "Links Between Watershed Condition and Aquatic Communities in Eastern Kentucky: a Remote Sensing-Based Assessment" (with D. Smith) at the Annual Meeting of the Applied Geography Conference in Indianapolis; and, with R. Johnson, D. Smith, and Brittany Moody, "Influence of Landscape Condition on Macroinvertebrate Communities in Eastern Kentucky: Effects of Spatial Scale," presented at the Annual Meeting of the Kentucky Academy of Sciences in Louisville.

**Gary O'Dell** (Geography) continues to maintain an active research agenda focusing primarily in the areas of regional pioneer history and cave science. During 2007, he presented two papers at the annual convention of the National Speleological Society in Indiana: "Using Historical Archives to Discover Forgotten Caves" and "Springhouses in Kentucky: Form and Function in an Evolving Landscape." Gary also continues to work on two long-term book projects, one a second edition of his *Caves of Rockcastle County, Kentucky*, first published in 1972, and *Beneath the Bluegrass: Caves and Springs in the Settlement and Development of Kentucky*. He was also awarded sabbatical leave for the spring semester of 2009 to write a book on the historic production of gunpowder in Kentucky, which was manufactured using nitrates ("saltpeter") mined and processed from the soils of dry caves in the state during the era of the War of 1812.

**Kris DuRocher Wilson** (History) will have a book chapter, "Violent Masculinity: Learning Ritual and Performance in Southern Lynchings", appear in the edited volume, *Southern Masculinity: Perspectives on Manhood in the New South*, published by University of Georgia Press in 2008. She also presented a paper, "Consumerism Meets Jim Crow's Children: Southern White Children's Participation in the Culture of Segregation" at the Social Science Historical Association National Conference in November 2007. Dr. DuRocher Wilson continues to work on her book manuscript *Lessons in Black and White: The Racial and Gender Socialization of White Children in the Jim Crow South* which is under contract with University Press of Kentucky, and for which she received a Summer Research Fellowship.

**Thomas J. Kiffmeyer** (History) has had a very productive year, having completed a book manuscript, *Reformers and Radicals: The Appalachian Volunteers and the War on Poverty in Eastern Kentucky*, which will be published by the University Press of Kentucky during 2008. Tom also has two article scheduled for publication this year: "'You Can't Jump Half Way Across a Ditch': American Social Thought and the War on Poverty," in the *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society*, and "The City in the Hills: Urban and Rural Space and the War on Poverty," in *The War on Poverty and Struggles for Economic and Social Justice: Views from the Grassroots*, University of Georgia Press.. He also presented this essay at the Miller Center for Public Policy, University of Virginia, November 9-10, 2007.

## Alumni!!!

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or your favorite faculty mentor.

# Alumni notes

**Grant Sorrell** (2005) writes:

"Morehead State University's Geography Department was a great turning point in my education. I always liked Geography, but when I started in college I did not at first make it my major. After taking some Geography classes, I saw the drive that the professors had to inspire their students to learn and do well in their studies, and this led me to declare a Geography major.

"Since I worked full time during the day, I was limited in my class selection. **Royal Berglee** and **Gary O'Dell** helped me design some independent study courses where I would be monitored and assisted but would be in control of my direction of study. For one project, I decided to do research on beach erosion during hurricanes. As part of this project, in the summer of 2003 I went to the community of Virginia Beach and stayed there during Hurricane Isabel to observe effects of the storm. I went back to Virginia Beach a year later and chartered a light plane to fly over the Outer Banks of North Carolina to get an aerial view of recovery efforts in this area. My hurricane studies actually involved three generations of my family, since my dad accompanied me to Virginia Beach during the hurricane, and my son and wife went with me to the Outer Banks in 2004.

"This project provided me with many opportunities to present and discuss the results of my research, at other universities, at the State Capital in Frankfort, and at a professional geography conference (SEDAAG) at Biloxi Beach, Alabama, which took place less than one year before Hurricane Katrina destroyed most of the Gulf area. Katrina made me think back to the discussions I had at the conference, with various experts, about the beach in Biloxi and the elevation of the Gulf waters over the last twenty years. An engineer in Biloxi has kept in contact with me concerning their efforts to stabilize the beach there, but because of "red tape" and economic considerations, this has not yet been accomplished. Although I still have a great interest in hurricanes and beach erosion, I do not plan to leave Eastern Kentucky because of my family farm and current career.

"Besides my hurricane research, I also became involved in a project investigating the ending of the tobacco auction system, documenting as a case study the last year of a family business and lifestyle that went back generations. For this project, the studies I had completed in Geography and Sociology complemented the personal knowledge I had from my own family having raised tobacco on the family farm for many years.

"I am so thankful for the current and past professors in the Department that helped me understand the world in a different way! I feel my life is more rewarding by the knowledge that I gained as a student, whether it was from sitting in the classroom, chasing hurricanes, or working in tobacco!"

*(Grant is case manager in Bath County for the Commonwealth of Kentucky Department of Families and Health Services.)*

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Congratulations to former Paralegal Studies graduates, **Natalie Smallwood** (2003) and **Tracy Cole** (2003) who recently graduated from law school. **Natalie**, a recent graduate of the University of Kentucky School of Law, will be working with a family court Judge in Northern Kentucky. **Tracy**, a recent graduate of the Appalachian School of Law in Virginia, will be working as an assistant County Attorney.

**Barbie Mullins** (1999) was recently installed as the 2008 President Elect of the KPA. Barbie is a paralegal with the law firm, Porter, Schmitt, Banks and Baldwin, in Paintsville, KY.

**Tony Curtis** (2002) writes:

"When I arrived at Morehead State University in the fall of 1998, my intent was to major in Social Studies Education and become a high school history teacher. After my first semester of classes, I changed my major to History. I now wanted to obtain my MA and Ph.D. in American history and to teach at the university level. This change of heart occurred after I had taken a few history courses with the dedicated and passionate history faculty at MSU.

"Coming from a medium-size, conservative city in northeastern Kentucky, the history classes I took opened my mind to new thoughts, concepts, and ideas; and literally to the world. I discovered my view of history was very narrow, and the professors helped me to broaden the scope of my studies and research. My interests transitioned from straight military history, to defining myself as a social historian focusing on Labor and Working Class History; U.S. Social Movements; and the History of War & Society.

"In my coursework, I learned how to think, how to read critically, and how to express my thoughts, both orally and in writing. I also learned how participation in class discussion not only benefited me, but benefited other students, thus creating a quality learning environment. In other words, the classroom learning experience should be "controlled chaos," for that is when the real learning and thinking occurs.

"I also greatly benefited from the professors open-door policy, and their willingness to engage my interests outside the classroom setting. I learned that my education did not stop at the classroom door, but that my college education was also dependent upon participation in the campus community. In my case this came through campus activism, focusing my efforts on campus issues, as well as international social justice issues. My professors were very supportive of my efforts to continue my education outside the classroom.

"Upon finishing my History major and Government minor at Morehead State University in 2002, I accepted a Graduate Assistantship at Marshall University, where I completed my MA in 2005. While researching and writing my thesis, I was asked by the History Department at MSU to teach four Global Studies undergraduate survey courses over a two semester period. I had felt as if I were a part of the department while attending MSU, but to be asked to teach at my alma mater by my former professors was the greatest thrill of my life. My mentors, professors and friends, accepted me with open arms as a fellow colleague in the department. To this day I have a great deal of respect for my friends and colleagues in the Department of History at MSU.

"I owe a great debt of gratitude to this department for where I am today as a Project Historian with the Kentucky Historical Society in Frankfort, Ky."

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**Calvin Duncan** (2005) has been accepted into the Brandeis College of Law at the University of Louisville; he notes that he was accepted to every law school to which he applied (Toledo, Akron, and Northern Kentucky) and would like to thank all those who wrote letters of recommendation on his behalf. He can be reached at: [cldunc01@yahoo.com](mailto:cldunc01@yahoo.com)

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The department welcomes MSU graduate, **Jennifer Thompson** (2003), who is serving as an adjunct faculty member teaching in the Paralegal Studies program. Jennifer is a graduate of Cooley Law School in Michigan and has her law practice in Lexington, Kentucky.

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