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## **From the Head**

*"It is better that a few able leaders should be sought for and educated at the common expense of all, than that the happiness of all should be confined to the weak or wicked.."* – Thomas Jefferson, 1779.

As we begin a new academic year, it is fitting that we ponder these words written over two centuries ago. As an educator and amateur scientist, Jefferson was one of the ablest of this country's founders, and among its most learned.

We remember Jefferson as the architect of many of the liberties that underlie our political traditions: the Virginia Declaration of Human Rights, the Declaration of Independence, and the Bill of Rights, to mention a few of his contributions. We less frequently remember that he was the architect of his beloved University of Virginia, an institution founded on the principle that higher education is duty-bound to foster civic virtue.

Jefferson believed civic virtue to be an enlightened sense of public good that promotes the welfare of future

generations. The obligation to promote civic virtue, he felt, is especially strong among those who profess to teach a science of politics. It is also a challenge: we must value education enough to adequately support it, even if the responsibilities of leadership that result gravitate to only a few. While a high price to pay, he noted, it's a worthy investment.

While the Department continues to grow, our mission remains very much wedded to this Jeffersonian ideal: our teaching and scholarship remain unified by concern for better understanding the dynamics of democracy, the policy problems facing democratic institutions, and the impediments these institutions and dynamics face everywhere.

This fall, we welcome two new faculty to the Department: David Brule and Wonjae Hwang. Their scholarship shows considerable promise that they will become first-rate scholars from whom we can expect great things. You will learn more about them in this newsletter.

Three former lecturers who honed their teaching prowess in our

department found tenure track jobs this summer. Michele Crumley, Han Lheem, and Kara Stooksbury have taken positions at colleges in Pennsylvania, North Carolina, and Tennessee, respectively. We bid them a fond farewell.

We are very fortunate to have hired seven new lecturers this fall: Theodore Brown, Shane Day, Joseph Ellis, Ole Forsberg, Janet Kelly, Michael Lewkewicz, and Samuel Whitt. As you'll learn, they're also a gifted bunch!

The department will undergo its ten-year Program Review this coming spring, an auspicious event to which we look forward. Our self-study will provide an opportunity to assess our strengths, challenges, and areas in need of continuing improvement. We welcome the opportunity afforded by this review to take stock of our goals, aspirations, and progress.

Our MPA program is garnering high praises – students are participating in enriching government internship experiences and helping the state and its cities at the same time. Current doctoral

students, meanwhile, are presenting their research at national meetings.

We continue to be proud of our undergraduates who are involved in enriching internship, mock trial, and study abroad opportunities. We are also honored to house the Tennessee General Assembly's legislative internship program – and are an acknowledged statewide leader in this important effort.

The Department's high-quality research continues to be reflected by the articles and books published by our faculty. A growing number of honors, special appointments, and other forms of recognition further testify to our strengths.

In closing, we thank our alumni and friends for your generous support of our programs this past year through endowments, scholarships, and other gifts. This support makes possible student and faculty research, speakers, scholarships, and other activities. Tell us what you've been up to! We want to hear from you.

- David Feldman

### **Department Welcomes David Brule and Wonjae Hwang**

We are delighted to welcome two new faculty with expertise in International Relations – a growing and vibrant area of scholarship and teaching in the department.

**David Brule** received his Ph.D. from Texas A&M University and taught at the University of North Texas before coming to UT. His dissertation, entitled *Public Attitudes Toward the Use of Force*

*and Presidential Crisis Responses* has served as the basis for publications appearing in *International Studies Perspectives* and a chapter in a forthcoming book. Professor Brule will teach graduate and undergraduate courses on U.S. Foreign Policy, war and peace, and conflict resolution.

**Wonjae Hwang**, who received his Ph.D. from Michigan State University in 2004, most recently served as a post-doctoral fellow at the Center for International Studies at the University of Missouri-St. Louis. His dissertation was entitled *Globalization, Political Costs and Strategic Decisions* and he has published an article in *American Journal of Political Science* and a chapter in an edited book entitled *Argentine Democracy*. Professor Hwang will teach graduate and undergraduate courses in political economy and international organization.

### **Department Bids Goodbye to Veteran Lecturers, Welcomes New Instructors**

This summer, the department bid a fond farewell to **Michele Crumley** who taught courses in international relations and led a group of UT students on a mini-term course in Moscow and St. Petersburg, Russia. Michele has taken a tenure track position at Mercyhurst College in Erie, Pennsylvania.

**Kara Stooksbury**, who received her Ph.D. from UT and taught courses on Law and American society, has landed a position at her undergraduate alma mater – Carson Newman College – in nearby Jefferson City, Tennessee.

Finally, **Han Lheem**, who also received his Ph.D. from UT, has taken a tenure track position at Fayetteville State University in North Carolina, where he will be teaching courses in Asian politics and comparative government.

The department has hired seven new lecturers in a concerted effort to meet growing enrollment due to Tennessee's Lottery Scholarship program and other factors. The new instructors who have joined our gifted stable of lecturers are:

**Theodore Brown, Jr.** (B.S. (History, *summa cum laude*, University of Tennessee, 1971; J.D., Vanderbilt University School of Law, 1978). Ted was born in Memphis in 1949 and grew up in Etowah, Tennessee. He practiced law in Atlanta for twenty-five years before joining the department. He will also serve as Adjunct Professor in UT's College of Law.

At UT, Ted catalogued the papers of Senator Estes Kefauver. He has written articles about Kefauver, the law, and political and legal history, and is writing a book on Kefauver. His interview on Kefauver's investigation of organized crime was included in the documentary *Las Vegas and the Power of Money* that aired on A&E in 2002.

Ted also served as a staff member to the late U.S. Senator Albert Gore, Sr. in 1969–1970 and is co-editor, with Professor James W. Ely, Jr. of Vanderbilt University School of Law, of *Legal Papers of Andrew Jackson* (UT Press, 1987). He is also author of articles appearing in *Vanderbilt Law Review* (1979); the *New Encyclopedia of Southern Culture* (Charles Reagan Wilson, ed.);

biographical profiles of Tennessee Supreme Court Justice William Harbison, and early Tennessee jurists John McNairy and John Overton in the *Tennessee Encyclopedia of History and Culture* (1998); and of articles appearing in *The Chattanooga Times* (1993), *the Progressive Populist* (1996), and *A History of the Tennessee Supreme Court* (UT Press, 2002) - honored by the Tennessee Historical Commission and Tennessee Library Association as most outstanding book published on Tennessee history in 2002.

**Shane Day** is a doctoral student in the Joint Ph.D. Program in Public Policy at Indiana University – Bloomington. A native of Washington State, Shane’s field exams were taken in public policy, international relations, and environmental policy.

His research interests include the study of cross-scale linkages between international organizations, states, and non-state actors in the policy process; natural resource management, especially fisheries and forestry; the administration of international political and economic development programs; and, indigenous group self-governance, especially within federal governance systems.

He received MAIS, MPA, and BA degrees from the University of Washington in Seattle, passed the U.S. Foreign Service Exam, and worked for a variety of governmental and non-profit organizations, predominately in environmental policy, foreign affairs, and health care policy – most recently with USAID in Kosovo, the United Nations

Foundation, and the National Research Council at the National Academies of Science.

Shane is an avid traveler, having lived, worked, studied, and/or wandered in over 50 countries worldwide and all 50 states, and he enjoys hiking, camping, fishing, snow skiing, cooking, collecting music, and playing guitar.

**Joseph M. Ellis** is a PhD candidate in Political Science at Temple University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. His specialty is comparative politics and post-Soviet political economy.

In December 2006, his article, ""The Adoption of the Flat Tax: Economic Ideas in Eastern Europe," will appear in the *AIC Business Journal*. He and his wife Joanna live in West Knoxville.

**Ole J. Forsberg** is new to the department only in his current role, having graduated from our doctoral program. Ole, who has his B.S. in Mathematics and Physics from the University of Portland, and an MAT in Secondary Education from Johns Hopkins University.

He has recently presented papers at conferences in The Hague and Istanbul, Turkey – the former at a conference on comparative studies, where he focused on the subject of terrorism.

**Janet Kelly** (PhD, Wayne State, 1992; MPA, South Carolina, 1983; B.S. Economics, College of Charleston, 1980) is also no stranger to UT, having served in the department from 1999-2003 as an associate professor and associate department head.

Janet was the Albert A. Levin Professor of Public Service in the Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban Affairs at Cleveland State University (2003-05). After returning to Tennessee – she became a lecturer at UT-Chattanooga and, for a short period, the acting city manager of Collegedale, Tennessee.

Janet has a wide range of expertise in public sector finance and accounting, as well as some 25 years of experience in government finance. Her research and teaching of performance measurement in the public sector is well known, and an impressive record of scholarship underscores her reputation. She is co-author of *Performance Budgeting for State and Local Government* (with Bill Riverbank), M.E. Sharpe, 2003) and the author of over 40 monographs, journal articles, and special interest professional publications on public sector performance measurement and budgeting and related subjects.

Kelly has also served as a fiscal analyst for the South Carolina Advisory Commission for Intergovernmental Relations (1984-89) and as a budget analyst for the city of Charleston (1980-83).

**Michael Lewkowicz** is a recent Ph.D. graduate from the University of Illinois, Urbana -Champaign. His dissertation, "*Who Really Votes? An Examination of Differential Participation,*" explores the phenomenon of voting in some contests while abstaining from others on the same ballot.

His Bachelors in Journalism and Masters in Political Science are both from Marquette University.

When he has spare time, Michael watches TV and DVDs of his favorite shows. Michael is also a huge music fan of hard rock, with a CD (and cassette) collection “large enough to start his own store.”

**Sam Whitt** received his Ph.D. from Vanderbilt University in August 2005. His research focuses on institutions and social conflict with an emphasis on experimental methodology and fieldwork. His fieldwork has been conducted in Russia, Bosnia, and most recently – with Hurricane Katrina evacuees living in Houston, Texas.

**Larry M. Lane** is a continuing lecturer in the department but remains new to many – since his busy schedule permits him to only teach *one* class per semester. His doctorate is from Virginia Tech. Prior to coming to UT, Larry “tried retirement a couple of times, with no success.” He first retired in 1987 from the U.S. Department of the Interior after 30 years of career federal service. At that time, he was Deputy Director of Personnel for the Department and a member of the Senior Executive Service.

Larry has served as Assistant Professor of Management in the business administration program at American University. In 1997 he was appointed Visiting Professor of Public Administration at Virginia Tech’s northern Virginia campus, serving there until 2004.

For three years, he served as Adjunct Professor of Education Administration at Shenandoah University in Winchester, VA. He continues to write book chapters and journal articles on public service issues. He and his wife, Judith volunteer with the Covenant

hospice program and Knox County Parks. They are active members of Westminster Presbyterian Church where Judith sings in the choir and Larry recently appeared as Friar Lawrence in a production of *Romeo and Juliet*.

### **Former Faculty Member April Morgan Appointed Research Fellow**

**April Morgan**, who left the Department at the end of AY 2005-06 has been appointed a research fellow for the *Center for International Law of Armed Conflict, Ethics, and National Military Strategy*. Headquartered at Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama, the goal of this new center is to expand relationships between civilian universities and the Defense Department. Fellows are drawn from within Air University, other war colleges and command and staff colleges, and the academic community.

April will undertake research on several projects, two of which are entitled *How U.S. Military veterans experience war as just*, and *What Just War Means to Al-Qaeda*.

### **Professor Zhong Named Director of Center for International Education**

**Professor Yang Zhong** has been appointed *Interim Director* of the Center for International Education (CIE). CIE is in charge of the International House, the Programs Abroad Office, and the Offices of International Student Services and International Scholar Services.

As interim director, Dr. Zhong will work with UT faculty,

students, staff, and administrators to provide leadership for CIE as it seeks to promote, expand, and enhance the university's well-publicized efforts in international education and scholarship. He will also assist in recruiting a permanent CIE director this coming year - an important task that will benefit all university constituencies.

### **Fitzgerald Appointed Fellow in Baker Center for Public Policy**

Professor **Michael Fitzgerald** has been appointed as the first *Senior Teaching Fellow* at the Howard H. Baker Center, Jr. Center for Public Policy. In this capacity Fitzgerald assists in the academic direction of the Center, designs companion courses to conferences, and serves as liaison with the Department.

Before his appointment in July, Mike served on the planning committee and participated on the program for the Baker Center-Churchill Archives Centre International Conference on the Anglo-American Alliance. He taught a companion seminar for the conference and conducted public discussions at Knox County Library focusing on books read in the course. Mike is currently teaching a seminar on health care issues and policy as the companion course to this fall’s *Health Policy Forum*, which will be co-hosted by the Baker Center and Mayo Clinic.

### **Lyons Continues as Policy Director for City of Knoxville**

Professor Bill Lyons continues to serve as Senior Director of Policy Development for the City of Knoxville. This is his third year in

this position where he serves under Mayor Bill Haslam. The mission of the department is to enhance the climate for quality growth of business through strategic development of incentives and the involvement of appropriate organizations, individuals and the public in policymaking.

### **Foreign Travel Supports Department Members' Research**

**Professor David Feldman** traveled to Beijing and Shanghai, China in July. He gave an invited lecture on adaptive management of natural resources at the Central Party School in Beijing and spoke with faculty at Renmin University on water resources policy. In Shanghai, he spoke with local business and government officials on regional environmental issues.

**Professor Nathan Kelly** traveled to Luxembourg for the Luxembourg Income Study summer seminar in the analysis of cross-national income inequality data with funding from a Chancellor's Professional Development Award.

**Professor Jana Morgan** received a Professional Development Award from the University of Tennessee to conduct field research in Venezuela for 3 months during the summer of 2006. During her time in Venezuela, she conducted more than two-dozen interviews and gathered data from government, political party and newspaper archives. The research will contribute to the completion of a book manuscript entitled "Bankrupt Representation: Venezuela's Party

System Collapse in Comparative Perspective."

**Professor Jana Morgan** was also invited to be part of a research team headed by Mitch Seligson and the Latin American Public Opinion Project at Vanderbilt University. The team received several large grants from USAID to conduct public opinion surveys in Latin America during summer 2006. Professor Morgan and Rosario Espinal of Temple University are in charge of designing and analyzing the survey conducted in the Dominican Republic.

**Will Jennings** will co-lead a group from the Sudan Action Team of the Holston Conference of the United Methodist Church to assist with teacher education and recreational therapy in the Southern Sudan city of Yei. The group will be the second of four teams to assist with the maintenance and building of an educational center for victims of the nearly thirty year Civil War in Southern Sudan.

**Professor Yang Zhong** was invited to be an External Research Associate by China Policy Institute of the University of Nottingham. Professor Yang Zhong was invited to give a talk on democratic values among Chinese peasants at School of International Affairs, Fudan University, Shanghai, China on September 9, 2005.

**Professor Yang Zhong** presented his paper "Dissecting Chinese County Government" at an invited international symposium "The Development of the Non-state Sector, Local Governance and Sustainable Development in China," from June 24-25, 2006 at

Zhejiang University in Hangzhou, China.

**Professor Zhong** was one of 27 overseas Chinese observers at the annual meeting of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (equivalent to the U.S. Senate) in March 2006 in Beijing.

**Professor Zhong** was also the keynote speaker of the *World Affairs Conference* at Abraham Baldwin College between March 31 and April 1, 2006.

### **Faculty Direct, Work With Interdisciplinary Programs**

**Professors Mike Fitzgerald, John Scheb, and Yang Zhong** are directing three of the College of Arts & Sciences' Inter-disciplinary programs (IDPs) this year.

**Professor Fitzgerald** begins his third year as director of the American Studies Program. Undergraduates may major or minor in the program, which features coursework in political science, anthropology, economics, English, geography, history, and sociology.

**Professor Scheb** is in his final year as director of the Legal Studies Program. The program offers a variety of pre-law and criminal justice related classes. Finally, Professor Zhong has begun directing the university's Asian Studies Program this fall.

Meanwhile, lecturer **Hidetoshi Hashimoto** gave a lecture on "Human Rights" in summer Graduate Seminar course taught by Dr. Susan Speraw, Director of the *Homeland Security Nursing Graduate Program* in the

University of Tennessee's College of Nursing.

### **Scheb Receives Alumni Teaching Award**

Professor John Scheb was awarded a 2005-06 Alumni Teaching Award from the UT National Alumni Association as one of UT's best teachers.

### **Feldman continues as Scholar-in-Residence for TDEC, Appointed to NOAA Board**

**David Feldman** continues to serve as the first Scholar-in-Residence for the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation. In this post, he is leading an effort to produce a *State of the Environment* report that will depict Tennessee's principal air and water quality, land use, and waste management challenges and the strategies needed to address them. The report is due for release in early 2007.

In September 2006, **Feldman** was appointed to a U.S. Climate Change Science Program (CCSP) program responsible for producing a series of reports on the usefulness of decision support systems intended to predict the impacts of climate change on water resources. The CCSP is a part of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. The team with which Feldman will be working is comprised of natural scientists, engineers, and social scientists.

### **Lecturers Advise Student Organizations**

Three lecturers will serve as advisors to UT student organizations this year. **Will**

**Jennings** continues to serve as faculty advisor to the UT chapter of the College Democrats of America while **Lori Riverstone** fills the same role for the UT College Republicans. Meanwhile, **Jim Gilchrist** has taken over leadership of Pi Sigma Alpha, the department's honors society. Thanks Will, Lori, and Jim!

### **Closer ties forged between Baker Center, Department**

**Allen Lowe**, Director of the Howard H. Baker, Jr. for Public Policy and members of the political science department have unveiled a series of initiatives designed to integrate their units faculty and staff efforts in research, education, and public service.

A new biannual journal exploring practical policy solutions to compelling local, state, national, and international issues, the *Baker Policy Journal (BPJ)* will offer its inaugural edition in June 2007. The BPJ will be produced by a student editorial board consisting of students and will be overseen by **Michael Fitzgerald** as Faculty Editor and **Allen Lowe**, Baker Center Director, with an Advisory Board composed of academics and professionals associated with the Center. In addition to competing for publication of their research articles, students will have the opportunity to receive course credit for their work on the BPJ through the Department.

**Will Jennings**, Lecturer in Political Science, and **Mike Fitzgerald** will teach companion courses to the late Spring 2007 Baker Center conference on American Engagement in Africa in the 21<sup>st</sup>

Century. These courses will be team-taught with *Baker Center Distinguished Fellow Thomas P. M. Barnett*. Dr. Barnett is an international consultant who specializes in national security strategy and the best-selling author of *The Pentagon's New Map*.

Creation of a *Baker Center Learning Community* for incoming freshmen and sophomores who would live in a designated area of a residence hall and enroll in designated political science courses has been proposed. The center would emphasize civic engagement and public policy. **Mike Fitzgerald** would serve as Faculty Advisor to the students who will be encouraged to become involved in community activities during their UT career and later remain active in civic affairs. If approved, recruitment of students will begin in the spring and the learning community would begin in Fall 2007. A special course by **Fitzgerald** and **Nissa Dahlin-Brown**, Assistant Director of the Baker Center on *Citizenship, Civic Engagement, and Community* is being offered spring 2006.

**John Scheb** and **Mike Fitzgerald**, are conducting a research project involving the survey of student political attitudes and civic engagement at UTK and other public and private colleges in the state and region. This survey, which will be administered annually, will contribute to building a Baker Center data archive for the longitudinal study on political socialization, political attitudes, and civic involvement of teens and young adults.

In addition to providing data for integration into a national network

of organizations studying the socialization, political values and civic activities of young people in America, this archive should facilitate the better design of civics coursework, internships, and service-based learning.

### **New UT Institute for Secure and Sustainable Environment Recruits Jepson, Tonn**

A new research initiative led by Professor **Ed Jepson** – the Sustainable Development Research Group (SDRG) – is meeting this fall to discuss ways to focus on inter-disciplinary collaboration to better understand the fundamental nature of the sustainability challenge. Questions that faculty involved in this effort from across campus will explore include how social (equity), environmental (ecology), and economic (production and consumption) issues are important in the advancement of sustainability as a community development strategy.

This group is an offshoot of the University's *Institute for a Secure and Sustainable Environment* (ISSE) initiative and is organized under the Environmental Sustainability program area headed by another member of the department, **Bruce Tonn** (<http://isse.utk.edu/sustainability/sustainability.html>). SDRG will help increase awareness of opportunities for funding, resources, and sharing of expertise. For more information, contact Professor Jepson.

### **Folz Directs Tennessee Legislative Internship**

Professor **David Folz** is continuing to serve as Coordinator for the UT

State Legislative Internship Programs for the General Assembly for the 2006-7 academic year. The program provides UT students the opportunity to work for state senators and members of the general assembly in Nashville. Last year, UT selected 6 Alumni Interns to work with members of the Knox County Delegation and 5 State Legislative Interns to work with standing committees in the State House and Senate. **Professor Folz** also continues to serve as the Reviews and Essays Editor for the *State and Local Government Review* published by the Carl Vinson Institute at the University of Georgia.

### **Gorman, Nownes continue in special posts; Pat Freeland to head MPA Program**

Professor **Robert Gorman** will continue to serve as Coordinator of Graduate Studies for the Department this year, while Professor **Anthony Nownes** will continue to serve as the department's undergraduate advising coordinator. **Pat Freeland** will serve as Interim Director of the Department's Masters of Public Administration (MPA) Program – taking over from Professor **David Houston** who served as director the past three years. Our thanks go to **Professor Houston** for his efforts – and our continued thanks are extended to **Professors Nownes and Gorman**.

## **STUDENT NEWS**

### **MPA students intern with UT Institute for Public Service**

Seven MPA students recently completed local community-related

public service internships with UT's Municipal Technical Advisory Service (MTAS) and County Technical Advisory Service (CTAS) – both of which are divisions of UT's statewide Institute for Public Service (IPS).

**Reem Abdelrazek, Scott Grammer, Lauren Harding, Wade Jenkins, Jelena Lazic, Scott Robinson** and **Abe Whaley** worked in a several IPS activities during summer 2006. While four of them shadowed city managers in Alcoa, Clinton, Morristown, and Sevierville, Tennessee, the remaining three worked with MTAS and CTAS consultants or with IPS leadership programs.

**Roger Campbell**, assistant city manager for Maryville noted that the IPS internships “provided experience from animal control to zoning” that was invaluable to the MPA students, particularly since relationships among city departments are among the dynamics they learned. Stated Campbell: “You can never get enough communication, human resource, and interpersonal skills.”

One of the strongest endorsements of the program's value was provided by MPA student **Lauren Hardin** who worked in Morristown – “Shadowing is an integral part of preparing students for the job market. A candidate is more competitive if they have experience. . . . from an internship.

### **Department introduces state's first masters course on managing small cities**

Led by Professor **David Folz**, and assisted by UT's Municipal



Technical Advisory Service or MTAS, students in Political Science 562 – Public Management, are learning how to become skilled, ethical, and professional public managers. **Professor Folz** has re-designed his 562 course in the MPA program to focus on training the city managers of the future. Bob Schwartz, MTAS Executive Director, and Sally Thierbach, Training Consultant, have helped arrange for seven MTAS consultants to share their expertise on local government functions and services in sessions that cover city charters, finance, risk management, personnel, planning, public works, legislative issues, grant-writing and police and fire protection.

MTAS Consultants who lecture for the class include Mike Tallent, Al Major, Richard Stokes, Rex Barton, Sharon Rollins, Gary West and Melissa Ashburn. MPA students who complete the 562 Public Management course are prepared to compete for MTAS Internships in Municipal Management during the summer semester.

### **Grad Students Present Research at National Meetings**

Graduate student **Bo Li** and Professor **Yang Zhong** presented their paper entitle: “The Internet and Political Participation in China” at the 19th annual conference of Association of Chinese Political Studies (USA) at the University of Louisville, Kentucky April 1-2, 2006.

During summer 2006, recent Ph.D. graduate **Ole J. Forsberg** visited the Netherland royal city, The Hague, to speak at the annual meeting of the *Comparative*

*Interdisciplinary Studies Association* on the relationship between the political ideology of the head of government and the activity of the nationalist-separatist terrorist groups within that state. During the talk, **Dr. Forsberg** relayed that, while the public consistently feels that right-leaning governments are more capable in handling the terrorist threats, the nationalist-separatist terrorist groups tend to be less active during left-leaning governments.

**Brandon Waite** (Ph.D. student in Political Science) and **Florian Gast** (Master's of Urban Planning student) presented "The Case for Regional Climate Change Adaptation Planning" in a panel discussion related to "Regionalism and Public Policy" at the *South Eastern Conference for Public Administration* in Athens, GA in September 2006. The paper, authored by **Bruce Tonn, Jared Ball, Florian Gast, Sarah Kenehan, and Brandon Waite**, is currently under review at the journal *Climate Change*.

### **Yates Fellowships awarded to two doctoral students**

**Ole Forsberg** was awarded the Yates Dissertation Fellowship for the 2005–2006 academic year. He used the \$15,000 award to further his studies into nationalist-separatist terrorism and to present his findings at conferences from Istanbul and The Hague to San Diego and Albuquerque.

**Kimberly Douglass** was awarded the Yates Dissertation Fellowship for the 2006-07 academic year for her research on Post-materialism

and natural resources conflict in developing nations.

### **Spring Honors Banquet Recognizes Students, Faculty**

Several students and faculty members were recognized at the Department's *annual Pi Sigma Alpha/Beta Zeta Chapter banquet* held on April 19<sup>th</sup> at the former University Club on Neyland Drive. The annual banquet provides an opportunity for the department to showcase its outstanding students, and for students to honor professors who have been instrumental to their success.

Among this year's special guests in attendance were Dean **Bruce Bursten** of the College of Arts & Sciences, U.S. District Court Judge **Thomas Varlan** – a member of the department's Board of Visitors, and **Scott Fisher**, a staff member with Congressman Jimmy Duncan's office.

This year, the banquet honored new Pi Sigma Alpha initiates, other departmental honorees, and the UT Mock Trial team. The following students were inducted into **Pi Sigma Alpha**, the national political science honorary:

William Clayton Badger  
Elizabeth Buckner  
Lauren Byrd  
Jesse Cragwall  
Lindsey Daugherty  
Cody Farmer  
Tyler Gates  
J. Wesley Hall  
Daniel Hart  
Jason F. Hicks  
Holly Holmes  
Angela Huisingsh  
Lara Kuhnert  
Ryan Lacey



Lindsey Lovingood  
Richard Martin  
Jessica MacAllister  
Katie McClanahan  
Ashley Miller  
Brandi Moussa  
Morgan Neger  
Katie Powell  
Ryan Scarfe  
Amber Sheets  
Andrew Shibley  
Lauren Sutterfield  
Bela Trimmel  
Wade Tosh  
Heather Webster  
Nathan Ziper

**Scholarship winners at this year's banquet included –**

**Edgar G. Guenther Scholarship** – \$250/semester

Stefanie Bowen  
Courtney Seiler

**Ruth Stephens Scholarship** – \$500/semester

Milda Mataciunaite-Boyce  
Ramune Matuliauskaite-Morales

\$1000 award – Fall 2006  
Susan Turner

**Arnett Elliot Award** - \$600  
Laura Amber McCrae

**James O. and Minnie Elliot Scholarship**  
Amber Sheets - \$600/semester  
Jared C. Smith - \$1200/Fall 2006

**Vernon Iredell IR Award**  
Amit Patel - \$400/semester

**Ruth Stephens Award**  
Lindsay Lovingood - \$800/Spring 2006

**Professor Mike Fitzgerald** was designated the Outstanding Professor for 2005-2006 by the Political Science Graduate Student Association.

**Recent Faculty and Student Publications**

**Professor David Brulé.** 2006. “Congressional Opposition, the Economy, and U.S. Dispute Initiation, 1946-1994.” *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 50: 463-483.

**Brulé, David J.** and Alex Mintz. 2006. “Blank Check or Marching Orders? Public Opinion and the Presidential Use of Force.” In Harvey Starr, ed. *Approaches, Levels and Methods of Analysis in International Politics: Crossing Boundaries*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan: 157-172.

Mintz, Alex, John T. Chatagnier and **David J. Brulé.** 2006. “Being bin Laden: An Applied Decision Analysis Procedure for Analyzing and Predicting Terrorists Decisions.” In Ami Pedazhur, ed. *Root Causes of Suicide Terrorism The Globalization of Martyrdom* London: Taylor & Francis: 152-178.

**Professor Ian Down** published two entries: “Communist Party USA” and “Eugene V Debs”, in Otis H. Stephens, Jr. and John M. Scheb III, (Eds), (2006), *Encyclopedia of American Civil Rights and Liberties* (Greenwood Press, Westport, CT).

**Professor David Feldman.** With Robert E. Jones and Aaron Routh. 2005 (December). “Using Theory to Understand Public Support for Collective Actions that Impact the Environment: Alleviating Water

Supply Problems in a Non-Arid Biome,” *Social Science Quarterly* 86 (4): 874-897.

**Professor David Feldman** (Forthcoming, 2007). *Water Policy for Sustainable Development*. Baltimore, Maryland: Johns Hopkins University Press.

**Professor David J. Houston.** 2006. “Walking the Walk of public Service Motivation: Public Employees and Charitable Gifts of Time, Blood and Money,” *Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory* 16 (1): 67-86.

**Professor David J. Houston and Katherine E. Cartwright.** 2006. “Spirituality and Public Service,” *Public Administration Review*.

**Professor David J. Houston and Lilliard E. Richardson.** 2006. “Safety Belt Use and the Switch to Primary Enforcement,” 1991-1993,” *American Journal of Public Health* 96 (10).

**Professor David J. Houston and Lilliard E. Richardson.** 2006. “Reducing Traffic Fatalities in the American States by Upgrading Seat Belt Use Laws in primary Enforcement,” *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management* 25 (3)

**Professor David J. Houston, Patricia K. Freeman, and David L. Feldman.** 2007. (forthcoming). “How Naked is the Public Square? Religion, Public Service and Implications for Public Administration,” *Public Administration Review*.

**Professor Nathan Kelly.** 2006. “Dynamic Models for Dynamic Theories: The Ins and Outs of Lagged Dependent Variable

Models.” (With Luke Keele).  
*Political Analysis* 14(2), 186-205.

**Professor Jana Morgan** has had an article accepted for publication in *Latin American Research Review*, the primary peer-reviewed publication of the Latin American Studies Association. Entitled “Partisanship During the Collapse of the Venezuelan Party System,” it will appear in early 2007.

**Professor Jana Morgan** published an article titled "Performance Still Matters: Explaining Trust in Government in the Dominican Republic" with Rosario Espinal of Temple University and Jonathan Hartlyn of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in *Comparative Politics* in March 2006. (The article is part of a research program concerning public support for democracy in the Dominican Republic).

**Professor Anthony J. Nownes'** book - *Total Lobbying: What Lobbyists Want and How They Try to Get It*, will be published by Cambridge University Press, September 2006.

**Professors John Scheb and Otis Stephens**, along with Professor **Kara Stooksbury** of Carson-Newman College, just completed the *Encyclopedia of American Civil Rights and Liberties*, a three-volume set published by Greenwood Press, September 2006.

**Professors Scheb and Stephens** also finished the fourth edition of *American Constitutional Law*, which will be published by Wadsworth Publishing Company in 2007.

**Professor Yang Zhong's** co-edited book (with Shiping Hua) *Political Civilization and Modernization in China: The Political Context of China's Reform* came out in spring 2006.

**Professor Yang Zhong's co-authored article (with Bo Li)** “The Internet and Political Participation in China” was accepted to be published as a chapter in Shiping Hua edited book *China in the 21st Century: Challenges and Opportunities* to be published by Palgrave-Macmillan.

#### **Assorted conference papers by Faculty**

**Jana Morgan.** "Party System Transformation: Conceptualizing the Venezuelan Case." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2006, Chicago, Illinois.

**Jana Morgan.** "Religious Traditionalism and Latino Politics in the United States." (with Nathan J. Kelly). Paper presented at the XXVI International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, March 2006, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

**Ian Down.** Presented the paper “Economic Openness, Economic Volatility, and the Compensation Hypothesis of Welfare State Development” at the 2006 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA. He also chaired the panel “States' Responses in Adjusting to Globalization” at the same meeting.

**Ian Down** chaired the panel “Identity, nationalism and multilevel governance” at the conference Parties, Identity, and Multilevel Governance, co-sponsored by Vrei Universiteit Amsterdam and the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, at UNC-Chapel Hill, April 28-30, 2006. He also served as discussant on the panel “Multilevel governance in comparative perspective: authority dispersion below and beyond the central state” at the same conference.

**Pat Freeland and David Houston** presented a paper at the 2006 Midwest Political Science meeting, "Public Perceptions of the Proper Role of Religion in Politics."

**Pat Freeland and Deborah Carroll** presented a paper at the 2006 SECOPA meeting: "Determinants of Fiscal Home Rule."

**Hidetoshi Hashimoto** was awarded travel grants for research on human rights by Harvard's Yenching Library, the Asia/Pacific Studies Institute at Duke University, and the University of Michigan - Asia Library. He presented "ASEAN's Turn" at the 102nd *American Political Science Association* meeting in 2006 and was on a panel on Teaching Human Rights organized by the Human Rights Section of APSA.

#### **Alumni News**

**Caissie – former Presidential Management Fellow – now with Department of Interior**

*Jennie Rebekah Everett Caissie* (MPA 2004) has been appointed the Greening Coordinator for

GovWorks, which is a franchise fund operated out of the Department of the Interior's National Business Center. She is currently creating a comprehensive procurement program focused on using the purchasing power of the federal government to stimulate markets for environmentally preferable products such as those made with recycled content or biobased materials.

This includes training federal and contract employees, as well as vendors and federal clients in how to purchase green products and incorporate green principles in service contracts such as construction and cleaning. The program may stand as a model for other similar programs throughout the federal government.

#### **Guo heads California-based China Policy Center**

**Sujian Guo**, a 1999 Ph.D. graduate of the department, has been appointed director of the Center for US-China Policy Studies (CUSCPS), a newly created research unit housed in the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences (BSS) at San Francisco State University (SFSU). The center's mission is to promote research, teaching, training, and outreach on US-China domestic and international policy issues in all areas. It provides policy research, data collection, analysis, and consultation to government agencies, non-profit organizations, community groups and businesses interested in this area. It promotes academic exchange and serves as a bridge and a base for collaboration between the college and the university and any other institutions or organizations, particularly in

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#### **Terry-Sharp serves as officer for Anthropology group**

**Kathleen Terry-Sharp** serves as the Director of Academic Relations for the *American Anthropological Association*, the largest scholarly organization for academic and professional anthropologists in the U.S. Formed in 1902 and headquartered in Arlington, Virginia, the Association is the world's largest professional organization of individuals interested in anthropology. As Director of Academic Relations, **Terry-Sharp's** responsibilities include fellowship and support opportunities, academic surveys of professional anthropologists, and various academic department services – among other areas.