

ELIZABETHTOWN COLLEGE

News from the Center

Fall 2016

PeaceJamming with Haley-Mize

Using funds from the Center's curriculum enhancement grant program, Education professor Shannon Haley-Mize is developing a local co-curricular PeaceJam program. The PeaceJam Foundation seeks "to create young leaders committed to positive change in themselves, their communities, and the world through the inspiration of Nobel Peace Laureates who pass on the spirit, skills, and wisdom they embody" (http://www.peacejam.org/). The project will be a collaborative effort involving Elizabethtown College's Special Education faculty and students, the equity foundation, and Elizabethtown Area Middle School. The local PeaceJam seeks to develop the leadership skills



across middle and post-secondary levels necessary to address complex issues in local and global communities and build capacity for peace by prioritizing inclusion of students with special needs. The curriculum will include a service project designed by the inclusive middle school group in collaboration with their Etown College student mentors.

2020 Global Scholars arrive at Elizabethtown

This fall, the Center is launching the Global Scholars Program. It will provide enriched learning opportunities beyond the traditional college experience and will prepare its participants to work in an increasingly global world. Over the course of their career, these select Elizabethtown students will engage in a directed study of international and peace related issues under the supervision of a faculty mentor. In addition to formal courses, they will also participate in relevant co-curricular activities. Upon completing the program, scholars will earn a certificate and be recognized with the presentation of the Global Scholars medallion.

In collaboration with the admissions office, the Center has identified the first cohort of program participants. They were selected based on their academic achievements, their commitment to peacemaking, and their previous international experiences. The Center is extremely proud of this group and hopes that its members will inspire the entire campus to participate in cross-cultural learning experiences. The members of the class of 2020 cohort include Aileen Burke, Rachel Craft, Emily Ennis, Samantha Friedline, Natalie Nye, Amity Radcliffe, and Michael Snyder. These students come from a variety of disciplines and have wide-ranging goals for the next four years. Each has displayed a considerable interest in peace and international studies and is eager to further his or her knowledge through the Global Scholars Program.

To learn more about the 2020 cohort and the Global Scholars Program, go to the Center's webpage. If you are interested in joining the program, please visit the Center located in Nicarry 121.

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Curriculum Grants CFP

If you would like to enhance your curriculum by adding international and/or peacemaking elements, the Center is available to help. Using funds from the Curriculum Enhancement Grant program, you can either create an entirely new course or modify an existing course. Up to three grants will be awarded in the range of \$1,000-\$4,500. For application instructions, go to the Center's webpage. Applications are due October 1.

Challenges Facing the UN in a Turbulent World

Ambassador David Donoghue, Permanent Representative of Ireland at the United Nations since 2013, has been instrumental in negotiating important initiatives at the UN concerning global sustainable development and the current migration and refugee crisis. In the 1990's, he played a significant role in supporting the negotiations to end the violence in Northern Ireland, which were led by U.S. Senator George J. Mitchell (who spoke several years ago at Elizabethtown College). Ambassador Donoghue's role in the ultimately successful Irish peace process is well enough known that he earns a cameo appearance in writer Colum McCann's fictional account in his novel *TransAtlantic* of those often knife-edge deliberations. Donoghue will speak on the challenges facing the UN in a turbulent world on September 26 in Gibble Auditorium, Esbenshade, at 7p.m.

Born in Dublin in 1952, Ambassador Donoghue was educated at high schools in Ireland, England and the US. After obtaining a BA degree (French and German) and an MA (German) from the National University of Ireland (NUI) and

teaching German at the University of Aachen (Germany) and NUI Maynooth, he entered Ireland's Department of Foreign Affairs in 1975. During the first two decades of his career Ambassador Donoghue held diplomatic posts at the Vatican, the UN, as well as in Germany and Great Britain. Involved in negotiating both the Anglo-Irish and Good Friday Agreements, he was Irish head of the Anglo-Irish Secretariat in Belfast (1995-99).



From 1999 to 2001, Donoghue served as Irish Ambassador to the Russian Federation, subsequently returning to Dublin, where he was appointed Director-General of the Irish Government's development cooperation program (Irish Aid). He subsequently served as Irish Ambassador to Austria and the Vienna-based UN agencies (2004-06) and Ambassador to Germany (2006-09), whereupon he was appointed Political Director of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade in Dublin.

According to UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon, the negotiations about worldwide sustainable development goals (SDGs), which were co-facilitated by Ambassador Donoghue and the Ambassador of Kenya, "are about the future of humanity and the planet." After the largest international consultation program in the history of the world organization, 17 such SDGs were officially adopted at a UN summit in New York in September 2015. The first ever UN Summit of heads of states on Global Migration and Refugee Issues, for which Ambassador Donoghue has laid the groundwork with his co-facilitator, the Ambassador of Jordan, is set to take place at the UN on September 19, 2016.

Newsworthy Notes

Dr. Oya Dursun-Özkanca, Associate Professor of Political Science and Director of International Studies Minor, is back from her yearlong sabbatical leave, which was made possible through a sabbatical research grant received from the Institute of Turkish Studies at Georgetown University. During her sabbatical, she published a soloauthored manuscript, "Turkish Soft Balancing against the EU?: An Analysis of the Prospects for Improved Transatlantic Security Relations", in a leading International Relations journal, Foreign Policy Analysis (Oxford University Press). She has a second article, titled "Turkey and the European Union: Strategic Partners or Competitors in the Western Balkans?", which is accepted for publication by the Journal of Regional Security. Her third solo-authored article, titled "Pitfalls of Security Sector Reform in Costa Rica: Insights into Security Sector Reform in Non-Military Countries" is accepted for publication by Peacebuilding. Dr. Dursun-Özkanca is currently working on a book manuscript on Turkish foreign policy in the Western Balkans and Eastern Mediterranean.

Dr. Jeff Bach traveled to Shanxi, China in February 2016 to conduct research on Brethren missionaries that worked in that region during the early twentieth century. He was accompanied by Dr. David Kenley, Professor of Chinese History. According to Bach, the highlight

of the trip was meeting and worshipping with octogenarians who personally remembered the Brethren missionaries. He also visited two of the churches built and used by the missionaries. One of the two is still in use by a Christian congregation while the other has been converted into a restaurant. Together with Kenley, Bach is presenting some preliminary results of his research on September 20 (see back page for details).

Prof. Jon Rudy, Peacemaker in Residence, had a whirlwind summer of travel, completing a complete circumnavigation of the globe with stops in the Philippines, Thailand, Somaliland, South Africa, and Canada. Funded entirely by a grant from the United Service Foundation, Rudy's travel exemplifies his commitment to global understanding and peacemaking. Whether it is by enhancing his students' interest in peacemaking or engaging in conflict resolution in some of the most volatile parts of the world, Rudy is helping make the College an important center for the promotion of sustainable peace. Another exciting development in the past year has been Rudy's appointment as Senior Advisor for Human Security at the Alliance for Peacebuilding in Washington D.C. In this role, Rudy will work on promoting human-centered security in the civil/military relations.

Kozimor-King's Students Engage in International Service Learning through Collaborative Research

Beginning in the fall 2016 semester, Dr. Michele Lee Kozimor-King's students will conduct original research for the Mindanao Peacebuilding Institute (MPI) based in the Philippines. Kozimor-King, Associate Professor of Sociology, will integrate the research requirement into her fall 2016 Research Methods (SAN330) course and her spring 2017 Statistical Analysis (SAN331) course. Her students will design surveys and develop interview protocols for the more than 1,800 MPI alumni scattered across 25 countries. They will then participate in administering these surveys and collecting the necessary data. Finally, they will evaluate their findings to discover MPI's best practices in peacebuilding. For several years MPI has wanted to conduct such research but has not had the resources to do so.

The collaboration between Elizabethtown College and MPI is a win-win. MPI gets solid research that helps it better promote sustainable peace throughout the Asia/Pacific region. It will better position MPI to apply for additional sources of external funding, thereby enhancing the important work the institute performs. For their

part, Elizabethtown students will gain experience in designing a research collection plan and then analyzing the resulting data. The college has long recognized the high impact of such service learning experiences, which help students see the practical implications of their studies. Students will also get a chance to present their research to peers at Scholarship and Creative Arts Day as well as at various professional conferences. By so doing, they will contribute to a more peaceful world.



Originally, the Center planned to send Etown students to the Philippines, but owing to instability in the Mindanao region and US State Department travel warnings, that is impossible. Instead, students will utilize distance-learning techniques to engage in a region that otherwise would be off limits. According to Kozimor-King, "most of our communication is through email."

"I have been looking for ways to connect Etown students to Mindanao since I arrived here 4 years ago" said Jonathan Rudy, Elizabethtown College Peacemaker in Residence. "Due to the State Department Travel Advisory for the Southern Philippines, I can't take students to this wonderful tropical island" he continued. "The next best thing to being there, however, is for students to study and gain an appreciation for this place where I have spent so much of my life."

Rudy has been affiliated with the Philippines, specifically the Mindanao Peacebuilding Institute (MPI) in Davao City, Mindanao since 2001. From 2001-2007 he and his family lived in Mindanao. As a core facilitator at MPI he regularly travels back to teach courses on nonviolence, religion in peacebuilding and other conflict transformation topics. "This location would be ideal for students to learn about interfaith initiatives, peace processes, American Colonialism and a multiplicity of cultures" he added.

"I have been conducting community-based research as a key experiential and skill development tool . . . for the past 6 years" said Dr. Kozimor-King. "The course sequence is designated as a Community-Based Learning Signature Learning Experience at Elizabethtown College."

"It is gratifying to see this connection develop," said Rudy. "This is the best of the Etown College tradition, made practical as our motto says: Educate for Service."

Upcoming Events

Thursday, September 8 7 pm **Bucher Meeting House, Young Center** Panel Discussion, "Remembering 9/11: Flight 93" Panel includes a relative of one of the flight attendants on Flight 93 Saturday, September 10 10 am to 4 pm Susquehanna Room, Myer Hall . Peace Symposium and keynote address by Imam Bashar Arafat, "Paths to Peace in Islam" Elizabethtown College students, faculty, and staff are free, but registration required at www.wacharrisburg.org Thursday, September 15 10 am to 3 pm Brossman Student Commons (BSC) Concourse Study Abroad Fair, with representatives from various study abroad sites. Tuesday, September 20 7:30 pm **Bucher Meeting House, Young Center** Lecture, "China Friends: New Discoveries for the Church of the Brethren" Dr. David Kenley and Dr. Jeff Bach discuss their March 2016 research trip to Shanxi Province in China to trace the activities of Brethren missionaries. Thursday, September 22 - Saturday, September 24 9 am to 5 pm Hoover 110 Training for Using Restorative Circles with Young People Kay Pranis, national leader in restorative justice and co-author of Peacemaking Circles: From Crime to Community & Doing Democracy with Circles. Registration required. Contact CGUP for more information. Saturday, September 24 "A Musical Trip to China" 3 pm Leffler Chapel and Performance Center Featuring Suping Chen, vocalist, and Connor Rohrer, pianist. The program features songs in Chinese and English, traditional Chinese folk dances, martial arts demonstrations, Chinese classical orchestra and choral pieces. Monday, September 26 Gibble Auditorium, Esbenshade Hall 7 pm Lecture, "The United Nations in A World of Crisis" David Donoghue, Ambassador of Ireland to the UN. Donoghue currently is co-facilitator of the UN Summit on Global Migration and Refugee Issues. Tuesday, October 25 7:30 pm Susquehanna Room, Myer Hall Lecture, "Racialized Structures of Control in the American Criminal Justice System" Melanie G. Snyder, Executive Director, Lancaster Reentry Management Organization (RMO). Snyder will discuss how American criminal justice policies and practices disproportionately impact people of color. Wednesday, October 26 11 am Gibble Auditorium, Esbenshade Hall Lecture, "Criminalization of Poverty, Addition and Mental Health Needs" Melanie G. Snyder shares that despite extensive research evidence about the connections between trauma and poverty, addiction and mental health, the US system of criminal justice continues to focus largely on imposing punishment rather than providing treatment or addressing root causes of criminal behavior. What would a system of restorative, rather than retributive, justice look like? Tuesday, November 22 12 pm to 2 pm Swatara Room, Susquehanna Room, Myer Hall Lecture, "The Republic of Somaliland...?" Dr. John Rudy and Dr. Gene A. Behrens will discuss the little known region on the Horn of Africa as part of the President's Community Enrichment Series. Tickets can be purchased for \$16 at iaenrichseries@etown.edu For further information on these and other events see the Center's website at http://www.etown.edu/centers/global/ or college website at www.etown.edu

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