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Julian Bond, from left, Marty Dobrow, and Bernice King

Marty Dobrow, associate professor of communications, attended the Civil Rights Summit held at the Lyndon Baines Johnson Presidential Library in Austin, Texas, April 8-10, 2014. Keynote speakers for the event included such dignitaries as President Barack Obama, and former presidents Jimmy Carter, Bill Clinton, and George W. Bush. Dobrow made a presentation to educators, including high school teachers, college professors, and

museum curators, about the time leading up to the passage of the 1964 Civil Rights Act.

Dobrow also moderated a conversation between Julian Bond, founding member of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee and former head of the

NAACP; and Bernice King, youngest daughter of Martin Luther King Jr. and chief executive officer of The King Center.

Historians, journalists, athletes, and activists from the civil rights movement presented at the summit and included Andrew Young, John Lewis, Vernon Jordan, Taylor Branch, Todd Purdum, Maria Shriver, Billie Jean King, Jim Brown, and Bill Russell.

Prior to the summit, Dobrow organized and moderated a panel discussion about the 1963 March on Washington. Three members of the Springfield College community—Barry Brooks '64, Dan Smith '60, and former College chaplain Bob Parsonage—who were present on the National Mall for Martin Luther King Jr.'s "I Have a Dream" speech participated on the panel, which took place March 31, 2014, on the Springfield College campus.

PUBLICATIONS

Dennis Gildea, PhD, associate professor of communications, published *Hoop Crazy: The Lives of Clair Bee and Chip Hilton* (University of Arkansas Press), in December 2013.

James Ragonnet, PhD, professor of English, published the second edition of his 2010 book, *Golf's Three Noble Truths*, in December 2013.

Kate Snyder, EdD, assistant professor of special education, co-authored "Smooth transitions: Helping students with autism spectrum disorders transition through their school day," published in *Teaching Exceptional Children*.

In 2013, **Richard Andersen**, PhD, professor of human services, published *A Home Run for Bunny*, (Illumination Arts Publishing Co.), a storybook about the young 1934 Springfield Post 21 American Legion baseball team, its only African-American player, Bunny Taliaferro, and the racism that required the boys to make a difficult decision during the regional playoffs in Gastonia, N.C. Andersen's novelized version of the story, *We Called Him Bunny*, (Levellers Press) was published in 2014.

CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

Robert Accorsi, associate professor of sport management and recreation, presented "The Paralympic Athlete: The Grass Roots Effort and the Paralympic Classification System" at the New England Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine in Providence, R.I., in November 2013.

Salome Brooks, EdD, assistant professor of physical therapy, gave a presentation on preparing undergraduate students with research skills needed for graduate and professional studies, a collaborated effort with **Susan Bigelow**, reference librarian, at the Association of Schools of Allied Health Professionals annual conference, held in Orlando, Fla., in October 2013.

Michael Bruneau, exercise physiology doctoral student, presented "Practicum, Internship & Field Placement Opportunities in 2014" at the meeting of the New England Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine in Providence, R.I., in November 2013.

Tom Carty, PhD, chair of the social sciences department, and **Brenda Canning**, co-chair of the business management department, attended the

2014 Seminar for Department Chairs, hosted by the Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences, held in Alexandria, Va., in February 2014.

Linda Davis-Delano, PhD, director of teacher preparation and certification and professor of physical education, presented “MA Educator Evaluation System Implications for Physical Educators: Springfield College Physical Education Assessment Task Force” at the Massachusetts Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance spring conference, held at Westfield State University on March 21, 2014.

Marty Dobrow, associate professor of communications, delivered the College’s first Martin Luther King Jr. Lecture on January 22, 2014, in Fuller Arts Center at Springfield College. He also delivered the featured keynote address, “Ever So Close to Silence: The Perilous Journey of Martin Luther King Jr. to Springfield College in 1964,” at a conference of the New England Historical Association on April 26, 2014, in Texas.

Robert Fiore, DBA, professor of business management, presented his paper, “Corporate Social Responsibility: An Empirical Analysis of Market Value,” coauthored with Lee Lee, chair of the department of management at Central Connecticut State University.

Ted France, EdD, associate professor of physical education, presented “Making Community Connections with Your Physical Education Curriculum,” to approximately 25 physical educators from the Worcester County Physical Education Collaborative.

Ted France, EdD, associate professor of physical education, and **Al Petitpas**, EdD, professor of psychology, presented “The First Tee: A Developmental Approach to Mentoring and Youth Development” at the 2014 National Mentoring Summit, held in Arlington, Va., in January.

Sally Hage, PhD, director of the doctor of psychology program, recently presented “Strengthening counseling psychology: Celebrating the diversity of training models” with Mary Jo Loughlin, PhD, of Chatham University and Salina Renninger, PhD, of the University of St. Thomas, at the International Counseling Psychology Conference, held in Atlanta, Ga., in March 2014. Also at the conference, she presented “Strategies for developing competency in prevention” with Julie Koch, PhD, of Oklahoma State University; Rebecca L. Toporek, PhD, of San Francisco State University; and Ellen Vaughan, PhD, of Indiana University.

Judy Hartling, director of academic advising, served as one of the program coordinators/facilitators for

the annual international conference of Co-Counseling International USA, held in Ivoryton, Conn., in April 2014.

Sam Headley, PhD, professor of exercise science and sport studies, and **Rich Wood**, PhD, associate professor of exercise science and sport studies and director of the Center for Wellness Education and Research, presented “Lifestyle Modifications in Chronic Kidney Disease: The Risk Factor Paradox” with Michael Germain, MD, medical director, renal transplantation at Baystate Medical Center, at the New England Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine in Providence, R.I., in November 2013.

Regina Kaufman, EdD, professor of physical therapy, presented “Community-Engaged Education in Physical Therapy: A Roadmap for Strategic Planning and Departmental Advancement in a Community-Engaged Institution” at the Eastern Regional Campus Compact Conference, held in Philadelphia, Pa., in October 2013.

Robert Lussier, ScD, professor of business management, presented two coauthored papers at the Small Business Institute National Conference, held in Las Vegas, Feb. 13-15: “A Business Success Versus Failure Prediction Model for Israel,” coauthored with Shaike Marom, a visiting scholar from Bar Inan University in Israel; and “The Influence of the Entrepreneur’s Education Level on Strategic Decision Making.”

Liz Montemagni, DPT, assistant professor of physical therapy, made several recent presentations. She presented “Student Learning of Core Competencies in the Healthcare Interprofessional Collaboration” at the Association of Schools of Allied Health Professionals annual conference, held in Orlando, Fla., in October 2013. She presented “Raising your IPE IQ” at the Healthcare Interprofessional Education Workgroup of Pioneer Valley, held at Springfield College in February 2014.

Rachel Naismith, assistant director for research and information at Babson Library, presented “The Keyword Carousel: An Active Pre-Searching Exercise” at a gathering of the New England Library Instruction Group at Trinity College in Hartford, Conn., in December 2013.

Kim Nowakowski, DPT, assistant professor of physical therapy, and **Deb Pelletier**, associate professor of physical therapy, recently made multiple presentations, including “Using Webinars to Increase

Relationships with Clinical Faculty” at the Educational Leadership Conference held in Portland, Ore., in October 2013. They presented “Benefits of a Structured Clinical Education Student Program Used within a Multi-site Organization” at the combined sections meeting of the American Physical Therapy Association held in Las Vegas in February 2014.

Kathy Pappas, DPT, assistant professor of human anatomy, presented “Respect, Dignity and Chemicals? Considerations in the Human Anatomy Lab” at the Human Anatomy and Physiology Society regional meeting, held at Springfield College on March 15, 2014.

Dawn Roberts, PhD, assistant professor of physical therapy, presented “Physical Therapy Interventions for Children with Cerebral Palsy” to clinicians at the Project Hope Rehabilitation Conference held recently in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. She also served as an abstract reviewer for the American Physical Therapy Association pediatric section annual conference in Anaheim, Calif., in November 2013.

Jennifer Stratton, EdD, assistant professor of education, presented “Making the Home School Connection Culturally Relevant” at a conference held by Kappa Delta Pi, the international honor society in education, in Dallas in October 2013.

Brian Thompson, PhD, associate professor of exercise science and sport studies and director of the strength and conditioning program, presented “The Physiology of Testing and Training Paralympic Athletes” and “Springfield College: A Strength & Conditioning Experience” at the New England Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine in Providence, R.I., in November 2013.

Frank Torre, PhD, professor of chemistry, and **Julie Smist**, PhD, professor of chemistry, presented “Why Flip Now After Forty Years of Successfully Teaching General Chemistry?” at the Division of Education Symposium at the American Chemical Society national meeting, held in Dallas in March 2014.

Richard Wood, PhD, associate professor of exercise science and sport studies and director of the Center for Wellness Education and Research, and **Elizabeth O’Neill**, DPE, associate professor of applied exercise science and director of the applied exercise science program, presented “Sarcopenic Obesity: Definitions, Complications and Suggested Lifestyle Interventions” at the New England Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine in Providence, R.I., in November 2013.

AWARDS

David Braverman, PhD, vice president for student affairs and dean of students, received the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators and the African American Knowledge Community Sankofa Award, which is presented to senior student affairs staff members who have provided consistent support and commitment to Africans and African-Americans in higher education.

Kristen Brosius, coordinator of facility operations and student development, won a Region 1 NIRSA Scholarship to attend that organization’s annual conference.

David Hall, EdD, director of campus recreation, received the NIRSA Region 1 Horace Moody Award, given to a NIRSA professional member from each region to recognize his or her contributions to student development.

Linda Davis-Delano, PhD, director of teacher preparation and certification and professor of physical education, is the recipient of the 2014 Massachusetts Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance Honor Award, given to an individual who has made significant strides in the fields of health, physical education, recreation, or dance.



Left to right are Kerri Smith '97, Elementary Physical Education Teacher of the Year; Roger Anderson '97, Pathfinder Award; Kristiann Kassay '14, Young Professional; Michelle Moosbrugger '00, G'06, MAHPERD President-Elect; Pat McDiarmid, MAHPERD Past President; and Linda Davis-Delano, Honor Award.

APPOINTMENTS AND COMMITTEES

Angela Campbell, DPT, associate professor of physical therapy, recently served on the nominating committee and as the payment and policy co-chair for the cardiovascular/pulmonary section of the American Physical Therapy Association.

Julia Chevan, PhD, professor of physical therapy, served on the reader committee for the Washington Fellowship for Young African Leaders, the new flagship program of President Barack Obama's Young African Leaders Initiative, in spring 2014.

Liz Montemagni, DPT, assistant professor of physical therapy, recently served as chair for the intercollegiate collaboration of the Healthcare Interprofessional Education Workgroup of Pioneer Valley.

Kathy Pappas, DPT, assistant professor of human anatomy, served on the planning and review committee for the Human Anatomy and Physiology Society regional conference, held at Springfield College in March 2014.

Tom St. John, coordinator of intramural and club sports, and **Cyrus Carey**, graduate associate for intramural and club sports, served on the NIRSA Championship Series All-Tournament Selection Committee at the 2014 NIRSA NCCS Regional Basketball Tournament, held Jan. 24-26, 2014, at Boston University. St. John also was selected as chair of the NIRSA National Championship Series Standards Work Team, a role in which he will work on implementing consistent standards for competition at all NIRSA extramural/championship events.

Shannon Whalen, EdD, professor of health education, was announced as president-elect for the Eastern District Association of SHAPE America, the Society of Health and Physical Educators (formerly AAHPERD). She will begin serving as chair in February 2015.

GRANTS

Tom Dodge, PhD, assistant professor of exercise science and sport studies, was awarded a \$46,650 grant from the Datalys Center for Sports Injury Research and Prevention. Dodge recruited and supervised several certified athletic trainer graduate assistants in the collection of data on risk factors for injury in youth football during the 2013 season, and follow-up activities in spring 2014.

Kathy Mangano, EdD, chair of the Physical Education and Health Education Department and professor of physical education, was awarded \$2,600 from the

Springfield Housing Authority (City of Springfield), with funding provided by Health New England, for an after-school fitness activity program to be conducted at five city housing complex sites.

Martin Shell, chair of the Visual and Performing Arts Department and professor of theater, was awarded a \$2,500 grant for support of Sandglass Theater's *D Generation: An Exaltation of Larks*, as part of the spring 2014 William Simpson Fine Arts Series.

Kate Snyder, EdD, assistant professor of special education, was awarded a grant from the Council for Exceptional Children's Teacher Education Division Early Career Special Interest Group.

Judy Van Raalte, PhD, professor of psychology, was the recipient of a \$10,000 NCAA Innovations in Research and Practice Grant. Van Raalte's research is entitled "Mental health referral for student-athletes: Web-based education and training."

The Massachusetts Commission for the Blind has awarded a 10-year, \$308,400 grant to the School of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation to continue a socialization and recreation program for children with visual impairments, in collaboration with Springfield Public Schools. **Carl Fetteroll**, program director for Pride in our Community, has led the program since 2001.

The Center for Youth Development and Research was awarded a \$21,933 grant from the City of Springfield Department of Parks, Buildings and Recreation Management, with funds from the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, for a second year of Making Proud Choices, a teenage pregnancy prevention program for middle school children, in cooperation with the YWCA and Springfield Public Schools. **Ted France**, EdD, associate professor of physical education, directs the project work of two graduate student assistants involved with Making Proud Choices.

The Springfield College AmeriCorps Program recently was awarded two grants to support its longtime service to the Springfield Public Schools. Under the direction of **Shannon Langone**, the program recently received a three-year AmeriCorps School Turnaround Initiative grant of \$1,056,849 from the Massachusetts Service Alliance, with funds from the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS), that will place more members in high-need schools with at-risk students. A new grant of \$37,750 from the Irene E. and George A. Davis Foundation is funding a master teacher for the Minnesota Reading Corps replication at the PreK level in the city of Springfield.

MEDIA APPEARANCES AND MENTIONS

Deb Alm

Study Abroad Program
2/26/14, WHYN AM 560

Simone Alter Muri

Children's Art Development and Gender Typicality
3/5/14, Wall Street Journal Live

Richard Andersen

A Homerun for Bunny Art Reception
2/9/14, WWLP TV 22
A Homerun for Bunny
2/24/14, WGBY Connecting Point

Gary Berte

Faculty Institute
1/21/14, WGGB TV 40

Keith Bugbee

Summer Lacrosse Camp
7/19/13, WGGB TV 40

Business Management Department

Junior Achievement Day
3/7/14, WSHM TV 3
Junior Achievement Day
3/7/14, WGGB TV 40

Tom Carty

JFK Assassination Anniversary
11/8/13, WGBY Connecting Point
JFK Assassination Anniversary
11/22/13, WWLP TV 22 MassAppeal

Mary-Beth Cooper

Move-In Day
8/30/13, WSHM TV 3
Humanics in Action Day
9/27/13, WGGB TV 40
State of the College
10/27/13, BusinessWest
State of the College
11/4/13, WGBY Connecting Point

Linda Davis-Delano

Education Job Growth in Massachusetts
3/10/13, WGGB TV 40

Mary DeAngelo

State of Enrollment Numbers at Springfield College
and Nation Wide
9/10/13, *Boston Globe*

Marty Dobrow

50th Anniversary of MLK Commencement Speech
1/20/14, WGBY Connecting Point
50th Anniversary of MLK Commencement Speech
1/20/14, WHYN AM 560

Tom Dodge

Concussions in Youth Athletics
8/31/13, *HealthCare News*

Jeanette Doyle

Resumé Building
9/8/13, *BusinessWest*

Barclay Dugger

Heat Stroke
6/21/13, *Springfield Republican*

Charlene Elvers

Alternate Spring Break
3/11/14, WGGB TV 40

Fernando Gozalez De Leon

Crises in Syria
9/1/13, WGGB TV 40

Sue Guyer

Concussions
6/22/13, *HealthCare News*

Mark Howard

President Obama's State of the Union
1/31/14, WGBY Connecting Point

Jasmin Hutchinson

Psychology Team at Hartford Marathon
10/10/13, NBC Hartford

Shannon Langone

AmeriCorps
4/1/13, WGBY Connecting Point

John Mailhot

Renovations on Campus
9/2/13, *Springfield Republican*

Kevin McAllister

Students Gain Experience at Hoophall Classic
1/16/14, *Springfield Republican*

Elizabeth O'Neil

Bone Health Study
4/28/13, *HealthCare News*
Bone Health Study
5/1/13, WGBY Connecting Point

Rick Paar

Faculty Institute
1/21/14, WWLP TV 22; WSHM TV 3

Wayne Rodrigues

Athletic Training Workshop
7/13/13, *Springfield Republican*

Kathy Smith

Students Working the Hoopball Classic
1/20/14, WGGB TV 40

Kathleen Snyder

Autism Month
4/7/14, WGGB TV 40

Sports Management and Recreation Department

Relationship between College and American Hockey League Office
9/12/13, *Springfield Republican*

Jennifer Stratton

Literacy Program in South Africa
5/5/13, WGBY Connecting Point

Charlie Sullivan

Men's Volleyball Heading to Russia
6/1/13, WGBY Connecting Point

Ben Taylor

West Nile Virus
7/7/13, WGGB TV 40
Camp Massasoit
7/10/13, WGGB TV 40

Richard Wood

Energy Drinks
4/2/13, *Health Care News*
Nutrition
3/1/14, *HealthCare News*
Changes in Nutrition Labels
3/11/14, WGBY Connecting Point

Jean Wylde

U.S. News Top Colleges Report
9/11/13, WGGB TV 40

ENDEAVORS

Angela Campbell, DPT, associate professor of physical therapy, completed a sabbatical fall semester exploring models of physical therapy clinical residencies.



Assistant Professor of Music Alexandra Ludwig, left, and Berkshire Hills Music Academy Executive Director Michelle Theroux

Alexandra Ludwig, assistant professor of music, created a new orchestral group called FluxEnsemble during her sabbatical, and raised \$1,000 through a benefit concert for the Berkshire Hills Music Academy, a school for young adults with special learning needs, located in South Hadley, Mass.

Christopher Walton '12, graduate student in the sport and exercise psychology program, planned and executed a program for the final event of The First Tee of Connecticut's 2013 Education Series. Walton developed activities for the organization's five- to 10-year-old participants that exposed them to the ideas that the event highlighted—strength and flexibility in a golf swing—in an age-appropriate manner.



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