Brenda Hicks, director of financial aid, presented a session, “Battle of the Brains,” at the annual Rocky Mountain Association of Financial Aid Administrators (RMAAFAA) meeting. The session was designed to encourage participants to use their right-brains.

Stephen Rankin, professor of religious studies and chair of the philosophy and religion department, read a paper at the Oxford Institute for Methodist Theological Studies in Oxford, England. The title of the paper is “Re-balancing the Cognitive Legacy: The Religious Affections in Christian Formation.” Rankin also filmed a video segment on the Wesley’s conversion experiences that is part of the Wesley Ministry Network.

Phil Schmidt, professor of history and chair of the history and political science department, and Stephen Woodburn, assistant professor of history, attended the Mid-America Conference on History in Tulsa, Sept. 28-29, 2007, where each presented a paper. Schmidt’s paper was “‘Riding Their Gentle Hobby’: A Statistical Analysis of the Sextist Coverage of Woman Suffrage by the New York Times, 1867-1920.” Woodburn’s paper was titled “Nikolai Danilevsky and Russia and Europe: Struggle vs. Decline.”

Christopher Schmitz, assistant professor of music and director of bands, has received his first official publication contract. The work is “Transformations” and the publisher is Walrus Music Publishing, one of the premier jazz publishers for school big bands, etc.

Michael Tessner, associate professor of chemistry, Rick Cowlishaw, assistant professor of biology, Charles Hunter, professor of biology, and Jason Coy, assistant professor of history at the College of Charleston (formerly of the Southwestern history department), had an article published in the September issue of the Journal of College Science Teaching. The article was related to a classroom simulation of the Kyoto Protocol agreement to lower greenhouse gas emissions that the authors developed for use in the general education course Science, Society, and the Environment (formerly called Planet Earth). The case itself was first published in the online protocol agreement to lower greenhouse gas emissions that the authors developed for use in the general education course Science, Society, and the Environment (formerly called Planet Earth). The case itself was first published in the online collection at the National Center for Case Study Teaching in Science.


TRANSITIONS

Dan Falk has been promoted to associate dean of students. He has been part of the student life team for three years and had been director of career services.

Tami Pullins has been named associate vice president for advising and student success. Her newly-created role in the academic dean’s office will focus on student retention.

Terry Quiett is the new Webmaster at SC. Formerly coordinator of the Center for Academic Technology, Quiett now manages the public face of SC on the internet, and will be overseeing a redesign of the main campus site in the coming few months. Deb Schmidt, who had been Webmaster, has returned to school as a full-time student at the Austin Theological Seminary.

Amy Yan has accepted a new position as a systems analyst in the main campus computing center. She had been coordinator of informational and instructional technology in professional studies.

A girl, Emilie Kristin, born in August 2007 to Druog and Alicia (Lindal) Wolf ‘91 ’97, Emilie joins a sister, Haveli Elizabeth.


A girl, Gracia Rose, born April 25, 2007, to Christopher and Belinda (Barstow) Wezzlaff ’99. She joins a sister, Abigail, 5.
