



Dr. Toomey on Advisory Board for PBS Documentary

Dr. Michael Toomey, Associate Professor of History, recently participated in the PBS documentary entitled “The Mysterious Lost State of Franklin”. The PBS team originally intended to produce a documentary on the life of John Sevier, but shortly after beginning the project the producers became intrigued with the period of Sevier's life when he served as governor of the State of Franklin. While that was clearly a significant time in Sevier's life, as well as in the early history of Tennessee, the Franklin movement is poorly understood by most Tennesseans and a complete mystery to anyone from outside the region. But the State of Franklin reveals a great deal about the people of the Trans-Appalachian frontier in the years that followed the Revolution. Not only does this documentary portray reflections of the same issues that had sparked the Revolution itself, it also shows examples of new issues that confronted the young nation in the early days of western expansion.



Photo shown above is the publicity picture of Dr. Toomey that was used for promoting the documentary. Article information provided by Dr. Michael Toomey and www.nolpix.com.

The advisory board for the documentary included individuals with diverse backgrounds related to the Franklin movement. Some of the other members of the advisory board included Kevin Barksdale, John R. Finger, Penny McLaughlin, and Mike Dahl. Most of Dr. Toomey's involvement consisted of participating in interviews, reviewing the script and suggesting possible story lines. His interview by Scott Simon, “The Mysterious Lost State of Franklin,” also aired on National Public Radio's Weekend Edition.

Much of the filming for “The Mysterious Lost State of Franklin” was done at Marble Springs State Historic Site in South Knox County, the last home of John Sevier. Although Sevier's days as governor of Franklin were over when he moved there, the site still reflects the period very well. Aside from the obvious connection to Sevier, Marble Springs offered other advantages for filming. The site includes several historic structures situated in the center of a thirty-acre piece of property and many of the actors in the film are also involved with the educational programs at Marble Springs.

If you would like to learn more about this documentary, please visit the website for Nolichucky Pictures. The link is <http://www.nolpix.com/> Once you are on the website, you can click on "The Mysterious Lost State of Franklin" and Dr. Toomey is included there under "Advisory Board".



Dr. Quarles has Article Published in TASCJ

Dr. Peggy Quarles has had a recent article entitled “Multicultural Education Should Be Number One Goal in Every Classroom” published in the *Tennessee Educational Leadership Journal*. According to Dr. Quarles’ article, within ten years, 46% of students in public schools will be children of color and 20% will be children being raised in poverty. The United States’ classrooms will also be greatly affected by the large role that the United States plays in global affairs and the fact that many other countries, and thus cultures, are becoming a larger part of the world’s marketplace. With these developments and changes occurring within our society, the school systems must be able to adjust properly. Multicultural education provides a type of methodology or philosophy for dealing with this type of educational change. But multicultural education is more than just small celebrations in classrooms with ethnic food. It is the education of students in the reduction of prejudice, in the acceptance and cultural awareness of all ages and backgrounds and in the awareness of the fact that the world is growing ever more diverse. It is important for educators to note that the way each student learns is greatly affected by their culture, so the classroom should encourage personal relations to an individual’s culture within each lesson they teach. In order to encourage the growth of multicultural education, all classrooms should be made more aware of the various cultures, ways of life, and global affairs necessary to providing a better multicultural education. This growth within the United States’ classrooms could only assist the nation in emerging as a leader in cultural awareness.

Article provided by Dr. Peggy Quarles

Scholarly Activity from Dr. Ann Callahan

- Dr. Callahan wrote a review of the book *Humanistic social work: Core principles in Practice*. It was published in the *Journal of Religion and Spirituality in Social Work: Social Thought*, Volume 30, Issue 2, page 181.
- Dr. Callahan co-coordinated and participated in a continuing education seminar sponsored by CMI Education Institute, Inc. called “End of Life Issues: Best Practices and Applied Ethics” workshop by Dr. Hanno W. Kirk in Knoxville, TN during April 2011.
- Dr. Callahan was invited to write a cover article for *Social Work Today* and do a presentation for Covenant Health in Knoxville, TN about spirituality at the end-of-life. There will be more to come about these events in October!

Article information provided by Dr. Peggy Quarles

Recent Grant Submissions

- Darnell Arnoult—Application submitted to South Arts for the Appalachian Reading Series for three visiting authors 3 day residency on campus for the 11-12 academic year.
- Mary Anne Modrcin—Application to Alcoa Foundation/Blount Co. for support for student nurses at the Cedar Bluff & Maryville extended learning sites.
- Robert Sabbatini—Application submitted to the Gene and Florence Monday Foundation for “LMU College Bound: Can You See It?” A program designed to prepare middle school students for college.



Foundations Corner

By Martha Scheidler, Director of Foundations



Finals are over and graduation ceremonies are just a memory. Now planning for projects and programs begins for the upcoming academic year. Think ahead to what you may need to expand your teaching or research. Pauline, Marca and I may be able to find a funding source that has an interest in your project.

Planning ahead is the key to all successful grant applications. I suggest building a time line, then working backwards from the deadline date. Be sure to allow time for necessary things like the ORGSP Internal Routing Form that must have the appropriate signatures. This is especially important if your project involves matching funds, additional equipment or IRB approval. Remember that this form should be your first

step and is required by ORGSP before you begin. Please contact the ORGSP office if you have questions about this form.

You will want to build in time for editing and revisions. Having someone who is not familiar with your project or research read your narrative will help you clarify your writing. Build in time for Marca, Pauline or me to actually submit the application, whether electronically or through the post office. Recently, I filed a grant application that had to have a clearly marked postage date stamp. Another e-submission gave me a moment of panic when I thought the internet connection had been lost. An extra day or more before the deadline date is a good thing.

In any event, Pauline, Marca and I are ready and willing to help you through the grant process. Let the planning begin!

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A Note From the LMU Institutional Review Board

Please remember that all research proposals and projects involving human subjects, must have IRB approval ***prior*** to the presentation of any information gathered during the course of the research.

Under federal policy, the IRB cannot grant retroactive IRB approval.

For more information regarding the LMU IRB, please visit
<http://www.lmunet.edu/curstudents/ORGSP/IRB.shtml>.

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If your grant award, application, presentation, or publication has not been mentioned in this edition, please forward your information to us using the contact information listed.

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As a reminder, all applications for external funding must first begin by contacting the ORGSP.

***Thank
You!***

**The ORGSP staff would like to thank everyone
for their submissions to the newsletter!**

