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## *Notes From the Director*

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### **Compliance Coordinator: A New Position**

Cheryl Siddens recently accepted the position of Compliance Coordinator. She is the first person to fill this position at Eastern. Cheryl will coordinate all activities of the Institutional Review Board (IRB) and the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC). Anyone who has questions about forms or procedures of either of these committees is encouraged to contact Cheryl. For more details about the Compliance Coordinator, see the short article on page 2.

### **Recent Conference on Research Administration**

The National Council of University Research Administrators held its annual national meeting in Washington D.C. in November. Bob Chesnut attended the meeting and summarized two important sessions with the reports found on page 2. "News of the Weird" deals with appropriate and inappropriate charges to grant accounts. "Grants from the National Endowment for the Arts" provides a link to recent proposals funded by NEA in the following disciplines: Arts Education, Dance, Design, Folk and Traditional Arts, Literature, Media Arts (film, radio, and TV), Multidisciplinary, Museums, Music, Musical Theater, Opera, Theater, and Visual Arts.

### **Submissions and Awards**

On pages 3 - 4, notice a listing of proposals submitted and funded.

*Bob Chesnut*  
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# News from the National Council of University Research Administrators (NCURA)

## News of the Weird

If you are the recipient of a federal grant, you will be asked to spend the money carefully in accordance with federal guidelines. The main criteria used to determine whether an expense can be charged to the grant are that the expense is allowable, allocable, and reasonable. A special session was devoted to emphasizing these criteria by way of unusual examples contributed by grant managers from across the nation. Hence the name of the session: News of the Weird. Here is a sample:

- 1. A researcher proposed a budget that included money for "sundries."

*What's wrong: If you cannot tell what it is, an expense is not allowable.*

- 2. A dean decided that all furniture would be charged to grant accounts.

*What's wrong: Normally the use of furniture cannot be assigned (allocated) to a single grant.*

- 3. A researcher attempted to charge the cost of new towels to a grant account because hotel towels "just weren't as good as the ones I'm used to."

*What's wrong: Granting agencies ask whether a reasonable person would have paid that amount for that item. The towels were unlikely to pass the "reasonable person" test.*

- 4. Seemingly strange items may actually be allowable expenses. For example, a researcher studying primate behavior was able to claim that popcorn poppers and toy train sets were legitimate items required for the research.

## Grants from the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)

A very informative presentation from NEA representatives outlined the opportunities for projects in the arts. NEA funding categories include: Arts Education, Dance, Design, Folk and Traditional Arts, Literature, Media Arts (film, radio, and TV), Multidisciplinary, Museums, Music, Musical Theater, Opera, Theater, and Visual Arts. More than half of NEA grants are for less than \$25,000, but they can range up to \$150,000. A good starting point for exploring the opportunities at this agency is the list of recent successful grant applications at [http://www.arts.gov/grants/recent/index\\_02.html](http://www.arts.gov/grants/recent/index_02.html)

## Compliance Coordinator: A New Position

A new position has been created within the Office of Grants and Research. The position title is Compliance Coordinator. The Compliance Coordinator is responsible for coordinating all activities mandated by laws that protect animals and human subjects in research and teaching settings. The increasing complexity of government regulations has created the need for this position.

Initially, the Compliance Coordinator will concentrate efforts on the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) and the Institutional Review Board (IRB). The Compliance Coordinator will serve as a resource to researchers and teachers by maintaining awareness of government regulations, developing and maintaining record-keeping systems, taking and issuing minutes of committee meetings, routing documents to committee members; communicating decisions of committees to instructors and researchers; coordinating training programs; filing reports as required by government agencies; and participating in program evaluations. In the future, the Compliance Coordinator may take on responsibility for additional regulatory areas.

The first person to serve as Compliance Coordinator is Cheryl Siddens, who recently accepted the position. Cheryl worked with Eastern's IRB and IACUC during the year when their structures and procedures became more formalized. Cheryl holds a bachelor's degree in computer science from EIU. She has several years of experience with programming in industry, and she has worked at Eastern since 2002. Cheryl encourages contacts from anyone who has questions about working with the IRB or IACUC.

## Grant Awards Received / October – December

**Bower, Douglas**, College of Education and Professional Studies. Transfer Education Scholars: Increasing Access to Teacher Education. Illinois Board of Higher Education, \$55,000.

**Brownson, Ann**, Library Services. Enhancing the Education Collection. Illinois State Library, \$4,000.

**Cox, Sandra**, Counseling Center. Evidenced Based Practices for Alcohol: Other Drug Prevention on College Campuses. Illinois Higher Education Center, \$7,500.

**Crews, Daniel**, College of Arts and Humanities. Gregg Toland Symposium. Illinois Arts Council, \$650.

**Dau, Jeanne**, Business and Technology Institute. Employer Training Investment Program (ETIP) FY04. Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, \$82,000.

**Markwell, Becky**, Safety Programs. EIU Policies and Programs. Illinois Department of Transportation, \$190,000.

**Markwell, Becky**, Safety Programs. Law Enforcement Liasion Program FY05 (increase). Illinois Department of Transportation, \$43,953.

**Nathan, Britto**, Biological Sciences. Effects of apoE on Olfactory Receptor Neuron Plasticity in Mice. National Institutes of Health, \$185,834.

**Nelson, Thomas**, Biological Sciences. Survival, Dispersal, and Relative Abundance of Beavers in Illinois (Year Three). Southern Illinois University-Carbondale / Illinois Department of Natural Resources / U.S. Fish and Wildlife, \$31,103.

**Ozier, Jayne**, Family and Consumer Sciences. Professional Development Program Promotion and Recognition. Illinois Network of Childcare Resource & Referral Agencies, \$4,000.

**Richard, Gail**, Communication Disorders and Sciences. The Effect of Sensory Stimulation on Off-Task Behavior in Children within ASD. The Autism Project, \$5,453.

**Rossi, Richard**, Music. Charleston Area Charitable Foundation for Eastern Symphony Orchestra. Charleston Area Charitable Foundation, \$10,000.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY04. Dewitt County Board, \$3,500.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY04. Sidney Township, \$500.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY04. Mattoon Township, \$1,000.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY04. Roberts Village Board, \$500.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY04. Dwight Township, \$1,500.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY04. Camargo Township, \$500.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program - Willow Estates FY05. ECIAAAA, \$11,050.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY04. Bement Village Board, \$1,000.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY04. Bement Township, \$200.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY04. Middleport Township, \$500.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY04. Beaverville Township, \$500.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY04. Reading Township, \$100.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY04. Marshall Township, \$500.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY04. Lexington Township, \$500.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY04. Moultrie County Board, \$4,000.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY04. Village of Ashmore, \$1,000.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY04. City of Casey, \$1,250.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY04. Village of Greenup, \$1,500.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY04. City of Neoga, \$1,250.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY04. Village of Toledo, \$1,250.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY04. East Oakland Township, \$200.

**Tucker, Gordon**, Biological Sciences. Botanical Inventory of Prairie Ridge State Natural Area. Illinois Department of Natural Resources, \$3,877.

**Wall, Andrew**, College of Education and Professional Studies. Teacher Graduates Assessment for the State of Illinois. Joyce Foundation, \$120,000.

**WEIU**, Digital Transmission Grant. Corporation for Public Broadcasting, \$500,000.

**WEIU**, PBS - Ready to Learn FY05. Public Broadcasting System, \$30,000.

**WEIU**, CPB - Community Service Grant FY05. Corporation for Public Broadcasting, \$619,328.

**WEIU**, CPB - Interconnection Grant FY05. Corporation for Public Broadcasting, \$12,486.

**WEIU**, CPB - Underwriting Grant (Part Two). Corporation for Public Broadcasting, \$59,039.

**WEIU**, CPB - Local Service Grant FY05. Corporation for Public Broadcasting, \$44,666.

**Grant Proposals Submitted / October – December** . . . . .

**Black, T. Howard**, Chemistry. Development, Synthesis, and Applications of New Chiral Nucleophilic Catalysts. American Chemical Society - Petroleum Research Fund.

**Bower, Douglas**, College of Education and Professional Studies. Illinois State Board of Education MSP NCLB FY05. Illinois State Board of Education.

**Cox, Sandra**, Counseling Center. Evidenced Based Practices for Alcohol: Other Drug Prevention on College Campuses. Illinois Higher Education Center.

**Dau, Jeanne**, Business and Technology Institute. Employer Training Investment Program (ETIP) FY04. Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

**Deptula, Daneen**, Psychology. Family and Peer Influences on Adolescent Sexual Behavior. National Institutes of Health / University of Illinois - Chicago.

**Engles, Tim**, English. After Whiteness Project (Symposium & Exhibition). Illinois Humanities Council.

**Furumo, Norbert / Daniel, Steven**, Chemistry / Biological Sciences. Physiology and Regulation of Oxalate Biosynthesis by *S. Sclerotiorum*, a Fungal Plant Pathogen. U.S. Department of Agriculture.

**Lisowski, Marylin**, Early Childhood, Elementary, and Middle Level Education. Project TEAMS (Technological Enhancements and Applications in Math and Science) FY05. Illinois State Board of Education.

**Lisowski, Marylin**, Early Childhood, Elementary, and Middle Level Education. Project STAR - Science/Mathematics, Technology, Applications and Research. Illinois State Board of Education.

**Nelson, Thomas**, Biological Sciences. Survival, Dispersal, and Relative Abundance of Beavers in Illinois (Year Three). Southern Illinois University-Carbondale / Illinois Department of Natural Resources / U.S. Fish and Wildlife.

**Ozier, Jayne**, Family and Consumer Sciences. Professional Development Program Promotion and Recognition. Illinois Network of Childcare Resource & Referral Agencies.

**Peebles, Rebecca**, Chemistry. Spectroscopic Characterization of Acid Rain Precursor Molecules and Their Complexes. American Chemical Society - Petroleum Research Fund.

**Stowell, Jeffrey**, Psychology. Potential Benefits of Using Written Emotional Disclosure to Help Reduce Test Anxiety. Anxiety Disorders Association of America.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY05. Coles County Senior Citizens Property Tax Levy Committee.

**Strader, Michael**, Peace Meal. Senior Nutrition Program FY05. Mattoon Community Trust.

**Switzer, Paul**, Biological Sciences. Behavioral Mechanisms Underlying Individual and Population Patterns in the Japanese Beetle. U.S. Department of Agriculture.

**Wall, Andrew**, College of Education and Professional Studies. Teacher Graduates Assessment for the State of Illinois. Illinois Board of Higher Education / Illinois State Board of Education / Other Illinois Public Universities.

**2005 SUMMER RESEARCH/CREATIVE ACTIVITY AWARDS**

The CFR Summer Research and Creative Activity Awards provide personal services dollars for research and creative activity projects conducted between the end of spring semester and August 31, 2005. All tenured/tenure track faculty in Bargaining Unit A are eligible to apply. To obtain a copy of the application materials, [click here](#).

**Deadline:**

Wednesday, February 9, 2005 -- 12:00 Noon  
 Office of Grants and Research  
 215 old Clinical Services Building



# Campus Spotlight



## Selected Accomplishments at EIU



- **Peter Loewen** has been teaching music history at EIU since the fall of 1999. His dissertation “‘Singing Men into Spiritual Joy’: The Rhetoric of Franciscan Piety in the Lyrics of the Late Medieval German Passion Play and Marienklagen” is an interdisciplinary study that shows how musical and literary exegesis in medieval German-Latin dramas evolved under the influence of the Franciscans. His subsequent research has focused on the music of the medieval German Lands, the Netherlands, England, and Bohemia c. 1200–1500, particularly as it concerns the three orders of Franciscans and groups of laity that were associated with them. In this work, Prof. Loewen continues to discover that Franciscan writers influenced medieval music (chant, song, and drama). These research projects have led to numerous articles, essays, and presentations. Noteworthy among these is his article entitled “Mary Magdalene Preaches Through Song: Female Language in The Shrewsbury Officium Resurrectionis and in German and Bohemian Easter Dramas,” co-authored with Robin Waugh, which is in review with *Speculum*, and a monograph entitled *The Music of the Medieval Franciscans*, which will be published by Brill in 2006. EIU has supported Dr. Loewen’s research in European libraries with grants from the Council on Faculty Research in 2003 and 2004. In addition to his scholarly activity, Prof. enjoys performing medieval music. In September 2004, he led the Eastern Consort, which played for the Theatre Department’s production of the medieval *Everyman Play*.

- **Dr. Linda Morford** is an assistant professor at Eastern Illinois University where she teaches School Law at the Master’s and Specialist’s levels. She also teaches Introduction to Organization and Administration and supervises practicum and field experience students. Before joining the EIU Department of Educational Administration, she was Assistant Director of the University of Illinois Laboratory High School. Prior to this, she was a middle school principal in upstate New York. Dr. Morford is also Director of the NewLeaders Assistance Service (NLAS), a mentoring and professional development program for new principals in central Illinois. The purpose of NLAS is to help beginning principals become effective instructional leaders and to more quickly and comfortably assume the duties and responsibilities of building administration. The NLAS helps beginning principals with three main services: problem-solving workshops scheduled during the school year to address the challenges confronting the beginning principal, on-line resources, and access to a mentor as needed. An outstanding group of experienced administrators, NewLeader Assistants, provides most of these services. Prof. Morford’s work is funded by the Illinois Board of Higher Education.

- Although Dr. **Jayne Ozier** officially retired in January, 2004 she still directs the Child Care Resource and Referral program (CCR&R). Since 1990, CCR&R has provided child care services to 6 counties: Clark, Coles, Cumberland, Edgar, Moultrie, and Shelby. The center has made an average of 600 child care referrals per year to parents seeking child care and helped an average of 500 working families per month receive financial assistance with child care. CCR&R has improved the quality of care for children by providing training sessions and professional development funding to providers of child care. The center has also promoted emerging literacy by delivering materials and by modeling quality techniques. Dr. Ozier has received nearly \$4,000,000 in external funding to support CCR&R’s efforts. The center currently employs seven full time staff and has hired nearly 50 graduate assistants in the past 15 years. During Prof. Ozier’s academic career, she taught courses in the School of Family and Consumer Sciences and served numerous graduate students as an advisor, mentor, or thesis director. Her scholarly activity has included presentations at conferences, as well as review of several textbook manuscripts. Dr. Ozier is the recipient of many professional awards, including the Woman of Achievement Award from the Women’s Advocacy Council and Eastern’s Graduate School Award of Excellence for securing funds for the Graduate Assistantship Program through Grants.

- **Gail J. Richard** is a professor and Chair of the Department of Communication Disorders & Sciences. At EIU, Dr. Richard teaches undergraduate and graduate courses and serves as a clinical supervisor for diagnostic evaluations. She is also active as a consultant and a speaker in the area of childhood language disorders. Dr. Richard is a fellow of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) and a member of the Legislative Council of this organization. She has also served as a Fellow and Past President of the Illinois Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ISHA). Dr. Richard has several clinical publications including *The Source for Processing Disorders*, *The Source for Autism*, *The Source for Treatment Methodologies in Autism*, *The Source for Syndromes* (with D. Hoge), *Source for Syndromes 2*, *The Source for ADD/ADHD* (with J. Russell), *The Language Processing Test - Revised* and *The Language Processing Kit* (with M.A. Hanner), and *Differential Assessment of Autism and other Developmental Disorders* with Lynn Calvert. Her research has been funded by the Council on Faculty Research and by The Autism Project. Professional awards include the Illinois Clinical Achievement Award, Outstanding Alumnus Award at Southern Illinois University-Carbondale. Eastern Illinois University has recognized Prof. Richard with five Faculty Excellence Awards and the 2000 Distinguished Faculty Award.

