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RECENT EVENTS

The Department and the West Forum on Politics and Policy sponsored on November 15 a Panel discussion analyzing the 2006 election results. Professors Blease Graham ("The 2006 Elections: the South Carolina Case"), Robert Oldendick ("Elections and Polling"), Todd Shaw ("Race and the 2006 Election"), and Laura Woliver ("Gender and the 2006 Elections"), provided to students and the general public their analyzes and insights. Thanks to them all, and especially to Professor Graham, Director of the West Forum.

FACULTY PUBLICATIONS

Steve Hays and Jim Douglas' chapter, "Judicial Administration: Modernizing the Third Branch," appears in the 3rd Edition of *Handbook of Public Administration*, edited by Jack Rabin, Bart Hildreth, and Gerald Miller. Boca Raton, FL: Francis and Taylor Publishers, 2007: pp. 983-1028.

Neal Woods' article "Serving Two Masters? State Implementation of Federal Regulatory Policy" has been accepted for publication at *Public Administration Quarterly*.

Neal Woods and Michael Baranowski's article "Legislative Professionalism and Influence on State Agencies: The Effects of Resources and Careerism" has been published in the November 2006 issue of *Legislative Studies Quarterly*.

Christopher Zorn's paper, "The Etiology of Public Support for the Designated Hitter Rule" (with Jeff Gill) has been accepted for publication in the *Quarterly Journal of Political Science*.

**FACULTY PROFESSIONAL
& SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

Ann Bowman presented her research, "Environmental Issues in Big-City Politics," in the Department of Geography's colloquium series on November , 2006.

David Darmofal gave a talk on the mid-term elections on November 1st at the Palmetto Forum.

David Darmofal was interviewed by the Hilton Head Island Packet for a story on youth turnout in South Carolina in the November elections.

Donald Fowler and **Bleaze Graham** each received the Excellence in Teaching Award for 2006-2007 from the University's Alpha Chapter of Mortar Board. Professor Fowler also delivered remarks to the group at its awards ceremony on November 9.

John Hsieh presented a paper entitled "Strategic Voting in Taiwan's Elections" (Coauthored with Emerson Niou and Philip Paolino) at the International Conference on the 2005 Taiwan Election and Democratization Studies Survey held in Taipei, Taiwan, on October 21, 2006.

John Hsieh served as a panelist at the seminar on Taiwan's Domestic Politics: Protests, Elections, and Implications held by the Brookings Institution in Washington, D.C. on November 7, 2006.

John Hsieh served as a discussant at the

panel on The Political Economy of Cross Strait Relations Continued at the 2006 Conference on Taiwan Issues held by the USC Center for Asian Studies, Columbia, SC, November 10-12, 2006.

Zaryab Iqbal and **Harvey Starr**, "The Effects of State Failure on Regional Stability," paper presented at the 40th North American Meeting of the Peace Science Society (International), November 10-12, Columbus, Ohio.

Emeritus Professor **William Kreml** recently gave lectures on "Cognitions in the Constitution and why Buckley is Wrong" at Northwestern University and DePaul University. He also gave a lecture on "The Seven Stages of Western Theological Development" to the Secular Humanist Society of Chicago.

Dan Sabia served as Chair and co-discussant for a Panel on "Democratic Decision-Making Procedures" at the Association for Political Theory annual conference at the University of Indiana Bloomington on November 3rd. The other discussant was former POLI colleague, Keith Topper, now at Northwestern University.

Philip Jos and **Mark Tompkins** presented a paper, "Keeping it Public: Preserving Public Service Values" at the Annual Meeting of the National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration, October 20, 2006.

Michael Masters and **Mark Tompkins** submitted their report, "Privatization of Health and Social Services for Children," to the Southern Institute on Families and Children on November 15.

Professor Emeritus **Robert Thompson** has been awarded a 2006-2007 Fulbright Scholar grant.

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