

English News



Department News

Campus-Wide Reception

A campus-wide retirement reception for Dr. Nisly will be held on Tuesday, December 5, 2:00-4:00 p.m. in the Private Dining Room, Eisenhower Campus Center. Plan to come and help us honor and celebrate Dr. Nisly!

Work-Study Position Available

Work-study student would assist Professor David Dzaka in his teaching responsibilities and in his research, serve as managing editor of the department newsletter, assist Professor Powers as needed in his administrative responsibilities for the department and in his research, and assist other departmental faculty as assigned by Professor Powers.

Students applying for the position should be comfortable working with basic computer programs, especially word processing, and be willing to learn other programs as necessary for the completion of various tasks. They should be familiar with doing library research related to English studies, as well as be eligible for work-study positions.

Some preference will be given to students who can be available for both J-term and the spring semester.

The position may extend through the 2007-08 school year if the department and the student are interested in pursuing this possibility.

Interested students should submit a brief letter of interest along with a short resume via email to Professor Powers (ppowers@messiah.edu).

Alumni News

Heather Ross ('03)

Heather completed her MFA in Creative Nonfiction through Goucher College this August and is now pursuing an MA in Information Resources and Library Science at the University of Arizona.

Jordan Windholz ('05)

Two of Jordan's poems will be published in the fall/winter issue of Pebble Lake Review (www.pebblelakereview.com). The poems are entitled: "Pathetic" and "The Pursuit of Sweetness and Light." He is also married to Erin Ryan ('05) (now Windholz).

Alfred Siha ('04)

Al received his Master's in the Humanities from Penn State Harrisburg in 2006, as well as a Writing Instruction Specialist Certification (a certification which requires 15 credits outside of the Master's degree in composition theory, literacy studies, english research methods, and participation in the Capital Area Writing Project) and is now serving as Coordinator of Multicultural Student Recruitment Education here at Messiah. His responsibilities in the admissions department include creating programs that will draw in multicultural applications to Messiah.

His Master's production was titled "Today, Autumn Finally Came: Growing up Double Conscious," and consisted of a series of short stories based on his life, showing the double conscious nature of growing up in America while having familial roots in the Middle East. A theoretical framework making use of W.E.B. DuBois, Edward Said, and Paulo Friere accompanies the creative work. His recent publication credits include "Where

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- e. e. cummings

the Meat Ends and the Bread Continues,” published by Penn State Harrisburg; “Eighth Army: A book Review,” published in British Heritage Magazine; and “Timeline: 6th June 1944,” also published in the British Heritage Magazine.

Rebecca Rodgers ('06)

Last summer, while in Germany, Rebecca assisted Heniz-Otto Hohmann, a resident of Marburg, with a reprint of a phrase-book he was writing called “Discussing in English.” Her name and the name of Messiah College appear on page two as the “American English Consultant.” The reprinting is published by Phillip Reclam.

Opportunities

Harrisburg Magazine

Harrisburg Magazine is looking for an intern for a few hours a month. For more information, contact Patricia Hill Boccassini at pattib@harrisburgmagazine.com.

Pennsylvania Newspaper Association

The Pennsylvania Newspaper Association's Fall 2006-Summer 2007 Internship Guide, produced by the Pennsylvania Newspaper Association Foundation, can be accessed via our website at http://www.pa-newspaper.org/web/2005/10/internship_guide.aspx.

The internship guide lists internship opportunities at newspapers throughout Pennsylvania. The guide is divided into two sections: daily and non-daily, which includes weekly and monthly newspapers. Each section is alphabetized by city. Each listing details information about the internships available at that publication, which include editorial, advertising, photography and other valuable learning opportunities.

Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission

PHMC is offering undergraduate and graduate student internships. They offer internships relating to archiving, archeology, architecture, collections care and management, cultural resource management, curation, exhibition development, museum studies, and museum education. They offer unpaid, part-time internships during the academic year and paid, full-time internships in the summer through the Keystone Internship Program. The deadline for summer 2007 internships is January 27, 2007. They also sponsor a Minority Student Internship Program, design to introduce upperclass undergraduate and graduate students of diverse backgrounds into museums and related fields. More detailed information is available at www.phmc.state.pa.us.

Writer's Digest

The 7th Annual Writer's Digest Short Story Competition is accepting entries! They're looking for “fiction that's bold, brilliant ... but brief. Send us your best in 1,500 words or less.” The submission deadline is December 1, 2006. The Grand-Prize winner will receive \$3,000 (that's \$2—or more—per word). For guidelines, prizes and to enter online, go to www.writersdigest.com/contests/shortshort/.

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