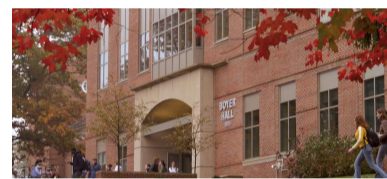


English News



Department News

English Department Study Break

Come join fellow English majors and faculty members for an evening of relaxation, fellowship, food, and great musical entertainment from our very own—Lady Bell—at the English Department Study break: a celebration to wrap up the semester. Take advantage of this great chance to get away from the stress of studying and last-minute paper writing!

When: *Reading Day: Wednesday, May 9*
Time: 7:30-9pm
Where: *Larsen Fireplace Lounge (upstairs)*

Senior Honors Projects

On Monday, April 30, Julia Sanders will share her English Honors Project, "But the Flesh Is: A Collection of Essays." The presentation will take place at 4:00pm in Boyer 234.

Tiffany DeRewal will present her Honors Project, "The Dust of Its Husk: An Alternative Shadean Interpretation of *Pale Fire*" on Thursday, May 3 at 4:00pm in Boyer 230.

Alumni News

Elizabeth Hirt ('06) plans to attend the University of Virginia (Charlottesville, VA) this fall to obtain a Masters Degree in English, concentrating on Modern and Contemporary Literature.

Kate (Bergeron) Borgondy has been accepted into 8 law schools, and has chosen to attend Suffolk University in Boston. She looks forward to the living the life of a student once again, when she enters law school this fall.

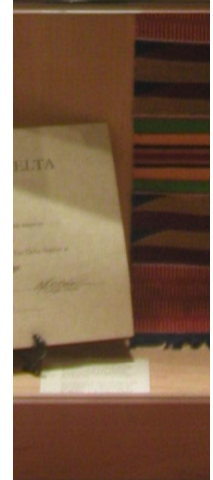
On April 20, Kimi Cunningham Grant, presented a paper entitled, "The Elasticity of Influence" at a conference called "Other Voices, Other's Words: The Indeterminacy of Allusion," sponsored by Duquesne University. She is currently in graduate school at Bucknell University.

Faculty News

For anyone who was not able to attend the celebration of Paul Nisly's retirement last fall, a video that was played at that gathering is available for viewing. The video honors Paul's life and ministry at Messiah College, and is available via the following link, which can also be accessed at the English department website: mms://media.messiah.edu/nisly_retirement.wsx

Stephen Byler's short story, "Tadpoles," was published in March by *Guernica*. To read it, visit: http://www.guernicamag.com/fiction/301/tadpoles_1/.

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Student News

Carolyn Eanes has been selected as a recipient of this year's Women in Leadership Award. Ten Messiah College female students receive this award each year on the basis of demonstrating strong leadership skills, initiating self-direction, articulating a sense of vocational purpose, and reflecting the mission and values of the College.

Ernestia Fraser has been accepted into a Master of Fine Arts program at Chatham College in Pittsburgh. She plans to focus on screen-writing. The heart of the program honors the legacy of Rachel Carson, an environmental activist: for this reason it includes instruction in nature and environmental writing, travel writing, and field seminars focused on the literature of wild, urban, and rural landscapes. Ultimately the program fosters writing that is shaped by human relationships with place.

Opportunities

Internship with PHMC (Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission). This commission is the official history agency of the Commonwealth, responsible for preserving, documenting, and interpreting the state's history and making this history accessible to the public. PHMC internships are structured educational experiences, designed to provide hands-on experience that complements students' academic work. Interns work closely with PHMC professional staff. Full descriptive and application material is available at www.phmc.state.pa.us/internship.asp.

Lorain Hemingway Short Story Competition:

Entries are now being accepted for the 27th annual Lorain Hemingway Short Story Competition, created to recognize and encourage the efforts of writers who have not yet achieved major-market success. Writers will compete for a \$1,000 first prize, \$500 second prize, and \$500 third prize in this internationally acclaimed competition. Several honorable mentions are also awarded each year. Stories in all genres of fiction are welcome. Maximum length is 3,000 words, and writers retain all rights to their work. The final deadline is May 15, 2007; winners will be announced at the end of July. For complete guidelines, please visit www.shortstorycompetition.com or send an SASE to the Lorain Hemingway Short Story Competition P.O. Box 993 Key West, FL 33041.

2007 Women Studies May Term at The Oregon Extension—May 20-June 9. Join women and men from colleges across the country, engaging in discussions about women's issues addressed by women writers and thinkers. For questions or application information, contact Nancy Linton: Lintonoe@cs.com

Newspaper Next: 2007 Pennsylvania Press Conference Sessions—Saturday, May 19: 9am-noon. The American Press Institute will speak to PA newspaper editors, publishers and journalism professors about Newspaper Next. The workshop will be held at The Hilton Harrisburg & Towers. See www.newspapernext.org for more info.

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Job Opening: Communications Editor/Writer. The person occupying this position is responsible to the Director of Congregational Relations of the BIC Church to produce and publish *Seek* magazine and the companion online publication, *Seeking more*, provide editorial support for the denomination website and print publications as requested, and assist in producing presentation multimedia resources for General Church leaders. View the full job listing at <http://www.bic-church.org/news/employment/positions.asp>

Second Undergraduate Conference in Medieval and Early Modern Studies: Moravian College, Saturday: December 1, 2007. Students may present 15-minute papers or presentations in art history, English, history, music, philosophy, religion, or any other discipline dealing with the medieval and early modern eras. Groups of students may propose 45-minute musical or dramatic presentations. Abstracts of papers will be due November 1, 2007. Visit www.moravian.edu/medieval.htm for more information, or direct questions to the following faculty members: John Black (jrb1@moravian.edu); Sandy Bardsley (sandybardsley@moravian.edu).

Journalism Workshop: Legal Issues in Newsgathering—Tuesday, June 19, 9:30-4, put on by the PA Newspaper Association in Harrisburg. This workshop is designed especially for Pennsylvania student newspaper advisers. Issues of students' rights, censorship, libel, privacy, protecting sources and access to records and meetings will be addressed.
Cost: PNA College Members \$10
PNA non-college members \$20
Lunch will be provided.

Job Opening: Editorial Assistant
Book publisher seeks entry-level editorial assistant to coordinate copyediting, proofreading and production of 15 to 20 books a year. Job requires excellent problem-solving, editing and writing skills and attention to detail. Ability to work closely with authors is also important. Edit test given to qualified candidates. Send letter, resume and writing sample to Dept EA, Stackpole Books, 5067 Ritter Road, Mechanicsburg PA 17055. No phone calls please.