Milestones Celebration Honors Numerous English Faculty Members

The English Department will honor five faculty retirees at a **Milestones Celebration** on 27 April, 3:30-5:00 pm, in the North Gallery of the Spencer Research Library. The department will also recognize two faculty members who have earned rank advancements that will take effect next fall and extend best wishes to Professor Marjorie Swann, who has accepted an appointment at Southern Methodist University beginning Fall 2010. David Bergeron, Mike Cherniss, and Melvin Landsberg, whose combined years of service at KU total 127 years, all complete their phased retirement contracts in May. Vicki Dorshorn and Priscilla McKinney have also retired from their positions as lecturers. As noted earlier this semester, Geraldo Sousa has been promoted to the rank of full professor. Laura Mielke has been promoted to the rank of associate professor with tenure. A brief program honoring these individuals will begin at about 4:00 pm. All Department of English faculty, staff, and graduate students are encouraged to attend the Milestones Celebration. Light refreshments and beverages will be served. The Chair will also make an important announcement about the 2010-2011 academic year.

English Graduate Students Successful in Research Competition

English Ph.D candidate Emily Wicktor has won second place in the Humanities and Fine Arts Category of KU’s **2010 Graduate Student Research Competition**. Ph.D. candidate Cedric Burrows took third place in the same competition. Wicktor’s research project was entitled “‘Imbued with the science of Venus’: Female Fallenness, Sexual Pedagogy, and Victorian Pornography.” Burrows’s project was called “The Reconstruction Of History And Identity In Composition Textbooks.” The project analyzed how Malcolm X has been constructed in composition textbooks. Emily and Cedric will receive these awards and their accompanying cash prizes at the Graduate Awards Ceremony on 27 April.

Remember

**English Department Honors and Awards Ceremony**, 2 May, 6:30 pm, Ballroom, Kansas Union.

Publications

Harrington, Joseph


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**Accepted for Publication**

Etzel, Jr., Dennis

[“1. The first grade teacher says the child should be on Ritalin.”], [“in grade from page”], [“I theory the bed”] (poems). *BlazeVOX* (Spring 2010), online at end of April.

**Miller, Joe**

“On Acid” (essay). *Pleiades.*

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**Announcements, Notes, & News**

**• Important!** As the end of the semester approaches, the Office Staff reminds full-and part-time faculty that it is inappropriate—and unwise—to have students turn in final exams or papers to the English office. In the past, papers and examinations have been lost because they have been misplaced by students, turned in without names or names of teachers, etc., to the great inconvenience of students, faculty, and staff. During faculty, lecturer, and GTA orientation, this rule is emphasized, but it is difficult to enforce, particularly when instructions to students have already been given. This semester, please collect papers or take-home exams in class or during office hours. The staff understands that some students will turn papers in late because of illness or procrastination, and is prepared to accommodate them. Problems arise when the mailboxes are used as the depository for entire classes.

• MFA student **Joe Miller** has been hired as faculty for the New Letters Weekend Writers Conference, hosted by UMKC.

• Yony Leyser’s film, *William S. Burroughs: A Man Within*, will have a special premiere in Lawrence at Liberty Hall on 9 May.

• Ph.D. candidate **DaMaris Hill** has been invited to participate in the 2010 *Callaloo* Creative Writing Workshop to be held in May at Texas A&M University.

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**KU and Regional Events**

• **TGIF**, 30 April, Adams Alumni Center.

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**Calls For Papers, Conferences, Symposia, Etc. (Posted)**

• **Latin American Seminar**, “Positively Primitive: The Contested Image of Emiliano Zapata, 1911-1913,” Chris Frazer, History, St. Francis University, Nova Scotia, 23 April, 3:30-5:00 pm, Hall Center Seminar Room.

• **University Theatre** presents *Anything Goes*, music by Cole Porter, book by P.G. Wodehouse and others, 24, 29, 30 April, 1 May, 7:30 pm, 25 April, 2:30 pm, Crafton-Preyer Theatre, Murphy Hall.

• **Gender Seminar**, “What Did I Find Under the Rainbow: Reflecting on GLBTIQ Oral History in Kansas,” Tami Albin, KU Libraries, 26 April, 3:30-5:00 pm, Hall Center Seminar Room.

• **Health and Humanities Seminar**, “HIV/AIDS and Gender Issues in Zimbabwe,” Ennie Ndoro, School of Education, 28 April, 3:30-5:00 pm, Hall Center Seminar Room.

• **American/Latin American Seminars**, “Bordering on the Sacred: Race, Nation, and US-Mexican Relations 1910-1929,” Anne Martinez, History, University of Texas at Austin, 30 April, 3:30-5:00 pm, Hall Center Seminar Room.

• **English & Welsh Diaspora: Regional Cultures, Disparate Voices, Remembered Lives**, conference at Loughborough University, Leicestershire, UK, 13-16 April 2011.

**Fellowships, Scholarships, Contests, Grants, Etc.**

• **2010 Rattle Poetry Prize**, open to all writers, must be written in English. Deadline: 1 August.