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NEXT FACULTY MEETING

The next faculty meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 10, 2010, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Campus Center South Lounge.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Arcana Albright (French) was the respondent for Oliver Gaycken's essay "The Living Book of Knowledge: Visions of the Moving-Image Encyclopedia from Marey to the Internet," in the context of the 2010-2011 Penn Humanities Forum Mellon Faculty Research Seminar on Virtuality.

Richard Androne (English) attended the Harvard Center for Hellenic Studies in Washington seminar "Ancient Greece Across the Curriculum: Herodotus' 'Histories' as Literature" from August 7-11.

On October 2, he delivered a paper, "A Certain Grandeur: The Presence of Brewer at the Heart of John Updike's 'Rabbit Angstrom Saga,'" at the first International Convention of the John Updike Society hosted by Alvernia from October 1-3.

Richard Androne and **Joseph Yarworth** also served as co-directors of an Updike seminar for high school literature teachers--eight hours of activities on October 1 offered in conjunction with the conference.

Richard Androne will assemble the scholarly panels for the next meetings of the John Updike Society in Boston at the American Literature Association Convention in May of 2011.

Rebecca Gass-Butler's (Music) student, **Jesse Grieb**, class of '13, was awarded first prize in the Collegiate category for the Yocum Institute's Annual Piano Competition with his performance of Franz Liszt's Transcendental Etude, *Un Sospiro*.

Karen Jogan (Spanish) presented a session "Differentiating Assessment and Instruction in ELT" at the annual conference of ANUPI (Asociacion Nacional Universitaria de Profesores de Ingles) in Guerrero, Mexico. She also served as Chair of a Middle States Evaluation Team for an institution in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Fouad Kalouche (Philosophy) has published an article entitled "Global Inequality in the Age of Consumer Subjects" in *Peace Review* 22/4 (Winter 2010).

John Kruglinski and **Terry Reilly** (Accounting) submitted an article to and conducted a workshop at the Northeastern Association of Business, Economics and Technology Conference (NABET) on October 19, 2010. The topic of the article and the workshop was Using Multimedia Resources in Accounting and Finance Classes.

Maria Mogford (ESL) presented a paper "Rabbit, Run and Transformational Leadership" at the Greater Reading Literary Festival.

She also conducted a focus group about the same topic at the John Updike Society Conference on October 1 at Alvernia University.

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Lawrence Morris (English) had his article “Aristocracies of thought: social class in the early folklore of Yeats and Hyde” published recently in the *Irish Studies Review* 18.3 (2010): 299-314. The article analyzes the ideological methodologies of late nineteenth-century Anglo-Irish folklorists.

William Ulrich (English) was selected as the second place winner in the Historical Society of Berks County's annual Hiester Manuscript Competition for your manuscript, "Hans Wilkens: German. Lutheran. Bachelor. Botanist." Certificates were awarded on Thursday, October 28, 2010 during the HSBC's annual membership meeting.

Robin Zaremski's (Music) Music Business I class participated in the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame's award-winning interactive video conferencing program "On the Road." on October 1. Through "live" presentation by the Hall of Fame's Education department, students learned about the origins and growth of rap music, experienced the unique production methods used in the genre, and responded to questions posed by the Hall of Fame instructor. Special thanks to Prof. Bruce Auerbach for the use of his Polycom equipment and his expertise. Also Albright College's Music Business program was featured in the national music trade magazine *Billboard* (Oct. 30, 2010 edition). The article "*Schools of Rock*" highlighted music business programs from select colleges across the country, including New York University, Belmont and Berklee, providing details on course offering, class size, and unique learning opportunities. *Billboard* is the premier music trade and a "must read" for all professionals working in the music industry.

STUDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jesse Grieb, class of '13, was awarded first prize in the Collegiate category for the Yocum Institute's Annual Piano Competition with his performance of Franz Liszt's Transcendental Etude, *Un Sospiro*. (Submitted by **Rebecca Gass-Butler, Music**).

Justin Mogilski, who completed an ACRE this summer with **Susan Hughes** (Psychology) presented his research at an event celebrating the merger of the Council of Undergraduate Research (CUR) and the National Conference of Undergraduate Research (NCUR) held at the Library of Congress in DC on October 27, 2010. Justin was one of only 11 students selected from a very large national pool of students.

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Please join me in congratulating **Karen Evans**, on her recent promotion to **Assistant Dean of Experiential Learning**.

Albright is the recipient of a \$75,000 grant from the Alden Foundation to support the purchase of a new used NMR for Chemistry and Biochemistry.

The Provost will be attending the CIC CAO conference in Williamsburg, VA from November 5- November 9, 2010. The Dean of Undergraduate Studies will also be attending from November 4- November 8, 2010.

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Upcoming Events:

The dedication of Trustee Hall at the October 2010 Board Meeting marked the kickoff of a year of events **celebrating the sciences** at Albright, with the culminating even in October 2011 as we mark the grand opening of the new Science Center. Please see <http://www.albright.edu/sciencecelebration/index.html> for a list of events. Suggestions are welcome (send to Provost). Below are two upcoming events:

Thursday, November 4

The History of Evolutionary Thought and Its Influence on Modern Medicine

Barton L. Smith, M.D., retired physician and 1960 Albright alumnus, will discuss the life and work of Charles Darwin, theories of evolution before and after Darwin, and the application of Darwinism to medical practices.

4:30 p.m., Campus Center, South Lounge

Monday, November 8

Denying Darwin: A Discussion of Faith, Science and Deception in America

Lauri Lebo, author of the *Devil in Dover: An Insider's Story of Dogma v. Darwin in Small-town America* (2005), has been a journalist for 20 years. As part of an investigative reporting team that shed light on two forgotten civil rights–era murders, she helped to unravel the accepted history of her town. As the York Daily Record's education reporter, she covered the *Kitzmiller v. Dover* intelligent design trial from its earliest beginnings at local school board meetings.

Lebo will discuss much of the behind-the-scenes elements of the first constitutional test of intelligent design in the historic First Amendment case of *Kitzmiller v. Dover*. She will explore both the history and future of religiously motivated attacks on evolution and education, and will relate how this issue has become so divisive, not only to the town of Dover, but to our whole nation.

5:30 p.m., Memorial Chapel

Brown Bag Series on Teaching and Learning: A series of brown bags will be held from either 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. or 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in the Faculty Club. Drinks and cookies will be provided, BYOL. The dates and topics, based on faculty feedback, are as follows:

November 9, 2010 – 12:30 – 1:30: Strategies for Motivating Students toward Classroom Success

Facilitators: Erin Evans, Brent Harger, Paula Trimpey, Rachel Liberatore, and Soma Ghosh

This brown bag will offer a framework for understanding the characteristics of struggling students and facilitate a discussion of teaching strategies designed to motivate and empower student success. We will share some strategies introduced in a few courses this semester and provide an opportunity for other faculty to share their creative strategies.

Other upcoming brown bags:

December 8, 2010 – 12:00 – 1:00, Topic: Creative Use of Technology

February 10, 2011 – 12:30 – 1:10, Topic: Fourth Hour

March 9, 2011 – 12:00 – 1:00, Topic: Universal Design

April 12, 2011 – 12:30 – 1:30, Topic: Writing

May 11, 2011 – 12:00 – 1:00, Topic: Favorite Assignments to Share

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Farewell Reception for Mickey Baines, Director of ADP: Friday, November 12, 2010, 10-12 a.m., South Lounge West.

The Council on Undergraduate Research will be hosting “**CUR Dialogues**” on February 24-26, 2010 at the Hamilton Crowne Plaza in Washington, DC. CUR Dialogues is designed to bring faculty and administrators to Washington, D.C. to interact with federal agency program officers and other grant funders. Workshops and plenary sessions will tell participants about grant opportunities in research and education, both new and ongoing; assist faculty learn how to find new funding opportunities; and assist faculty develop grant proposal writing skills. Program officers from NIH, NEH, NEA and others will be there. For more information visit: <http://www.cur.org/cd.html>

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Library

- **Holocaust Resource Library:** After 15 years of service, Dan Tannenbaum will be retiring soon from his position as the Coordinator of the Holocaust Resource Center. We are currently in a job search for his replacement. If you have ever dealt with Dan, you know that he has been a guiding light for the Center and will be missed on campus.
- **Library Programming:** Library programming has added more items:
 - **November 3rd, 4:00-5:00 p.m. – Library Main Floor** -- Artist Sally Wiener Grotta will present the opening talk for her photographic art installation Pennsylvania Hands: A Photographic Celebration of Traditional Artisans which celebrates the hand crafted arts of Berks County and Pennsylvania at large. The installation will be housed throughout the Gingrich Library for its duration.
 - **November 15th, 4:00 -5:00 p.m. - Library Group Study Rooms**
Facul-Tea Series: Prof. Farhad Saboori -- Prof. Saboori will talk on his recent sabbatical paper on the empirical evidence of the linkage among global imbalances, housing market, and the financial crisis facing the United States and other industrialized economies as well as the importance of deregulation of financial markets as contributing factors to the financial crisis.
 - **December 7, 6-7:30 p.m. - Library main floor - Severin Fayerman** will discuss his experiences as a Holocaust survivor. Mr. Fayerman is the author of *A Survivor's Story* and the co-founder of the Reading company, Baldwin Brass.
 - **December 10, Fall Tune Up/Final Exam Review** (formerly known as City Lights) is scheduled for the afternoon and evening. In addition to the therapy dogs and other de-stressing events, faculty can assist by volunteering to coordinate their exam prep classes (especially for first year student classes) with the Library and Academic Affairs. Anyone who bakes can also send in their homemade cookies since we will be soliciting these goodies for the fun and refreshments segment of the evening. Contact Rob LeBlanc (rleblanc@alb.edu or x7210) to volunteer.

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- **Moodle Training:** Moodle training is being shifted to smaller, more focused classes. If there is something that you would like more training in doing (e.g., gradebook, copying courses, forums, etc.) please contact either George Missonis (x7203 or gmissionis@alb.edu) or Rosemary Deegan (x7202 or rdeegan@alb.edu) to arrange training. Interim Moodle classes are online now and the spring classes, if not already available, will be available soon for faculty to start constructing.
- **Mobile Library Support:** The library is experimenting with an iPad to enhance its ability to provide reference and instructional support. Currently that resource is being used only in the library but don't be shocked to see it in use around campus as we adapt a more mobile approach to providing service.
- **Library Instruction:** September was a busy month for library instruction classes. The librarians reached over 50 classes and 700 students! You can still request that the librarians help out by providing instruction in how to use the library databases to find books or journals; how to use the citational software *RefWorks*; how to critically evaluate information found in print or on the web; how to make better presentations; and a host of other issues. Contact your liaison library for more assistance.

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December 2010 Graduates

ADP Students			Traditional Day Students		
Tamika	Byrd	BS	David	Albright	BS
Michael	Caruso	BS	Brian	Benusa	BA
Ronce	Caponigro	BS	Jessica	Brogley	BS
Jasper	Crosby	BS	Sarah	Bruno	BA
Patricia	Drewicz	BS	Sean	Carlin	BS
Tara	Fanus	BS	Jessie	Curcio	BA
Helen	Firestone	BS	Peter	Drucker	BS
Stephanie	Gantt	BS	Eli	Frey	BA
John	Geiman	BS	Krystal	Gamez	BA
Davaid	Isidori	BS	Brandais	Gary	BA
Jessica	Janiszewski	BS	Tiffany	Hernandez	BA
Yvette	Johnson	BS	Molly	Marcus	BA
Tami	Jones	BS	Benjamin	Martin	BS
Deanne	Kalin	BS	Ryan	McAdams	BA
Andrew	Kreutzer	BS	Bradley	Mease	BS
Sandra	Magaro	BS	Stephanie	Michel	BA
Andrea	Meachem	BS	Abbie	Milcoff	BA
Joseph	Mellon	BS	Matthew T.	Miller	BS
Franklin	Porter	BS	Michael	Moorhouse	BA
Soniamaria	Ragusa	BS	Chelsea	Morris	BA
Nicole	Reggia	BS	Daniel	Neher	BS
Alison	Sawyer	BS	Aaron	Preidel	BS
Rebecca	Semple	BS	Samantha	Provenza	BA
Danny	Stine	BS	Alaina	Sciascia	BA
Donna	Strause	BS	Sarita	Sharma	BS
Amy	Strawser	BS	Jennifer	Shirey	BA
Tonie	Tarr	BS	Austin	Urkuski	BA
Seth	Thomas	BS	Adam	Van Zelst	BS
Marcia	Urrutia	BS	Kayla	Waldrup	BS
April	Walsh	BS			
Missy	Wise	BS			
Jeffrey	Ykoruk	BS			
Graduate Students					
Kathleen	Beem	MS			
Jessica	Bilello	MS			
Tina	Clarke-Ipsen	MS			
Lee Marie	Gallagher	MS			
Elizabeth	Guldin	MS			
Shalaya	Jiles	MS			
Gale	Kocis	MS			
Diane	Shalter	MS			