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English Dept. Newsletter

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our annual Cropper Creative Writing Contest results were announced at the Lindsay J. Cropper Memorial Writers Series event on Friday, March 15, 2013. Faye Mankowske, our double-winner, won for both fiction and poetry, respectively. She wins a collective $250! Her winning entries may be read at: http://www.sandiego.edu/cas/english/cropper/workshops_awards.php. Congrats, Faye! A big thank you to ALL the students (over 30!) who participated. More info on the annual contest: http://www.sandiego.edu/cas/english/cropper/workshops_awards.php.

Photos from the Lindsay J. Cropper Memorial Writers Series with guests Lynn Freed and Ben Doller, held on Friday, March 15, 2013, at the Manchester Conference Center Auditorium:

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IMPORTANT DATES:
- Mar 24: Palm Sunday
- Mar 25-Apr 1: Spring Break
- Mar 29: Good Friday: Admin Offices Closed
- Mar 31: Easter Sunday

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Check us out online!
“Hope is the thing with feathers that
perches in the soul -
and sings the tunes
without the words -
and never stops at all.”

—Emily Dickinson
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SDSU’s PowerSave Organization invites your department and any affiliated students to join us at the San Diego Student Sustainability Conference on Saturday, April 13, 2013, 8:00am-6:30pm, hosted at San Diego State University. We are looking forward to having students, faculty and staff from all local San Diego universities come and share and discuss sustainability concepts, projects and progress. Students and faculty alike will be able to host educational sessions, so that they can tell others about sustainable ideas that worked on their prospective campuses or in their fields of study. The event will conclude with an address by Richard Louv, national best-selling author. If any student or faculty from your department has interest in presenting at the Sustainability Conference, apply online by March 30th, with a short proposal of what you would discuss. Workshops are focused on:
- Water
- Business
- Energy
- Food
- Urban Development
- Transportation

For more information, or details, visit http://www.sdustudentsustainabilityconference.org/ or email Eliana Moustakas at sdsupowersave@gmail.com with questions. Thank you for your time and we hope to hear from you soon, SDSU PowerSave Green Campus.

2013 Ploughshares Emerging Writer’s Contest! The contest runs till April 2 at 12:00 noon EST. One winner in each genre—fiction, poetry, and nonfiction—will receive $1,000 and publication. They consider you “emerging” if you haven’t published or self-published a book. Info: https://www.pshares.org/submit/Emerging-Writers-Contest.cfm.

Wed, Apr 3, 12:00-1:00pm in UC Exhibit Hall: CID Sweet Celebration. Join the Center for Inclusion & Diversity (CID) for their Spring Social celebrating Earth Month. In collaboration with the CHR (Community of HR). All faculty, staff, administrators, & students are welcome to attend!

Thur, Apr 4, 12:15-1:30pm, in SOLE S 145: Changemaker Book Club. The Changemaker Hub and Human Resources invite you to join us for our first Changemaker Book Club: A School For My Village, by Jackson Kaguri. Can one person really make a difference in the world? Jackson, Kaguri defied many naysayers and his own nagging doubt and proved that, with a dream and incredible determination, he could change many lives. A School For My Village is the stirring story behind the Nyaka AIDS Orphans School. Weaving together tales from his youth with the enormously inspiring account of the remarkable challenges and triumphs of the school, Kaguri shows how someone with a modest idea is capable of monumental results. First 10 people to register for the book club get a free copy of the book! Register at jcrivas@sandiego.edu.

Apr 5-6, starts at 6:00pm: Relay for Life: Fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. CHR@USD invites you join in! Please join the USD LifeSavers Team or create your own. To sign up and for more information please visit: www.RelayForLife.org/USDca. English adjunct professors Deniz Perin and Lisa Hemminger are co-hosting a spoken word-performance event (poetry/rap/short-short story readings/recitations) during the Race for Life Relay event! Look for details soon!

“Belief creates the actual fact.”
—William James
**STUDENT NEWS**

*Summer Session 2013 English Courses Offered!* Registration for summer classes ends March 29, 2013. Sign up now for an English course. We’re offering:

- **ENGL 100 Intro to College Writing, Lisa Hemminger.** A six-week session from 6/24-8/2/13.
- **ENGL 228 Studies in World Lit: World Cinema, Joe McGowan.** Will consider primarily the world of cinema outside of Hollywood and secondarily American films outside the system.
- **ENGL 280 Intro to Shakespeare, Abe Stoll.** Will take advantage of San Diego’s renowned Old Globe Theatre to see several Shakespeare plays in performance.
- **ENGL 304W Writing Autobiography, Fred Robinson.** Fulfills the upper-division written literacy requirement for non-English majors only; it will fulfill upper-division elective units for English majors.
- **ENGL 357W American Autobiography, Irene Williams.** Fulfills the upper-division written literacy requirement for both English majors and non-English majors; it will also fulfill upper-division elective units for English majors.

For more info, please go to the Summer Sessions website: [www.sandiego.edu/sio](http://www.sandiego.edu/sio).

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**THE WRITING CENTER**

*Is back in Founders Hall!!*

http://www.sandiego.edu/cas/english/writing_center/

Drop on by!

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**Fall Registration begins Tue, April 2, 2013.** To view the English courses offered, see which professors are teaching what courses, and read course descriptions of each, please go to: [http://www.sandiego.edu/cas/english/program/courses/](http://www.sandiego.edu/cas/english/program/courses/), and click on the “Fall 2013 Course Descriptions” link. A sampling of courses offered are:

- ENGL 223-03/04 Fantasy Literature
- ENGL 224-04/05 Literature & Poverty
- ENGL 225-01 Immigration & Literature
- ENGL 225D-07 Asian American Literature
- ENGL 312 Women Writers of the Middle Ages
- ENGL 352-02 Writings of the Amer. Revolution
- ENGL 374 U.S. Lesbian & Gay Literature
- ENGL 494 The Unbecoming Community
- ENGL 224-06 Love, Sex, & Science
- ENGL 326 Renaissance Studies
- ENGL 342 Romanticism
- ENGL 355 Poe and Whitman
- ENGL 362 Modern European Drama
- ENGL 494 Modern Russian Literature
- ENGL 494-06 New Global Media

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**Sat, April 13, 2:00-4:00pm, in Camino 108: The English Competency Examinations: Lower and Upper Division.** Provides for students the opportunity to satisfy their general education writing requirements by examination each semester (Spring and Fall). To take the Lower or Upper Division examination, you must pay the appropriate fee ($25) by Fri, April 5, 2013 (pay at the Cashier’s Office in Hughes 211), and sign up by Mon, April 8, 2013. To sign up please bring your fee receipt (to provide proof of payment) to the English Department in Founders 174 and fill out the sign-up sheet there. The Lower Division exam satisfies the Core requirement for Engl 121 (for both English majors and non-English majors); the Upper Division exam satisfies the Core requirement for an upper division “W” writing course for non-English majors (English majors must complete an upper division “W” writing course).
“Faith is to believe what you do not see; the reward of this faith is to see what you believe.”

—Saint Augustine

Karissa Valencia, Senior English major, just received the wonderful news that she was accepted to her top choice for graduate school, Syracuse University (into their MA program in Television/Radio/Film). She states that she used her essay from Dr. Atreyee Phukan’s Senior Project course as her writing sample. Taking that class was such a great decision and really prepared her for the level of writing they were looking for. The Syracuse program is one year and starts in July. She will continue studying genres as well as writing for TV and film. Congratulations, Karissa!

Sarah Jorgensen, Senior English major, just received word that she was accepted to the Master of Science program at the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism (also known as Columbia Journalism School). She is very excited!! Congratulations, Sara!

Meliza Trimaldi, English Dept’s FWS work-study student, a Junior International Relations major, with French and Asian Studies minors, recently won a trip to Washington D.C. for the Think Transatlantic Competition, and there she won 2nd place in the essay competition, a $2500 travel voucher to Germany! Meliza writes of her experience: “Last semester, Dr. Randy Willoughby from USD’s Political Science and International Relations Department organized the Think Transatlantic campus week event in USD. The Think Transatlantic Competition is an effort by the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany to not only raise awareness on the importance of the transatlantic ties between the United States and Germany but also allows students to think about the current challenges that face these two countries. Having taken a class with Dr. Willoughby, I was encouraged to participate in the contest and I was happy to have won a place amongst the winners. As one of the winners from USD I was asked to represent the school for the national competition held in Washington D.C. from March 3-5, 2013. The national competition definitely was such a great opportunity and an experience I would never forget. Having never been to D.C., I definitely enjoyed the tour they gave us around our nation’s capital and I can now say that I would not mind living there. With representatives from the State Department and the German embassy present, the competition was a learning experience. I learned that with continued cooperation the United States and Germany will be able to tackle many global challenges ahead. It is also in our shared interests and values that keep our alliance stronger. With approximately 6,000 students in the nation participating in the Think Transatlantic campus week events and 24 students advancing to the national finals, I was very happy to receive second place in the essay competition and beyond ecstatic to be given a $2500 travel voucher to Germany.” Congratulations, Meliza! More info at: http://www.germany.info/Vertretung/usa/en/__pr/GIC/2013/03/05ThinkTransatlantic.html.

Mon, April 1, 7:00-8:00pm in Shiley Center for Science & Technology (SCST) 231: Free GRE Sample Class. Weeknight classes begin Mon, April 8, 2013. If you are seeking admission to law school, graduate school or college, you will benefit from the exceptional instruction provided by the University of San Diego Test Preparation Courses. For 30 years, USD has helped thousands of students succeed on the LSAT, GMAT, GRE, and SAT. Studies have shown that students who receive tutoring on test-taking skills and strategies develop confidence and competence to attain the highest possible score. Counseling and personal assistance with admission essays and statements is also provided. Discounts available! See our website below. A complete schedule is available on our web site at www.sandiego.edu/testprep.
STUDENT WORK/INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

New bulletin board information! Part of the bulletin board by Founders 170 now has Student Work/Internship Opportunity items on it. Come check out resume-building workshops, internships, jobs, and other pertinent information to help you out in starting a career!

USD Career Services Events:
- **Tue, Apr 9, 12:30pm in Serra 212: Professional Etiquette for the Job Search.** Get tips on how to present yourself professionally: On-line, LinkedIn, Facebook, Twitter; In written communication; Spoken communication—interviewing & networking; and Personal appearance & professionalism.
- **Fri, Apr 19, 12:30-1:30pm in Serra 215: Get Hired After College!** Alan Farber, PhD, will cover: creative job search strategies, the hidden job market, common mistakes made by job hunters, helpful (and not so helpful) websites, and much more. All majors welcome: RSVP to: [http://bit.ly/JSRSVP](http://bit.ly/JSRSVP).


**JOB OPPORTUNITY:** Are you graduating this spring or a recent USD grad? Apex Energetics, an Irvine-based company that makes nutritional products and homeopathic formulas, is looking for an Assistant Editor/Proofreader. This individual will be responsible for copy editing, proofreading, and writing Apex's electronic and print communication pieces. Specifically, job responsibilities include editing PPT presentations, seminar manuals, product labels, and marketing materials, as well as writing educational articles. Looking for a detail-oriented individual who has a strong work ethic, a passion for accuracy, and a commitment to team success. We are an EOE and offer a competitive compensation ($16-$18/hour) and benefits package. Important: E-mail resume with "Assistant Editor" in the subject line to resumes.hr@apexenergetics.com.

**Volunteer in South Africa: One Heart Source.** Volunteer in Cape Town, South Africa! Interested in spending 4 weeks in South Africa? We offer programs throughout the summer for college students. Volunteers tutor math and HIV/AIDS prevention while living in an African community. Besides tutoring, volunteers will be traveling around the greater Cape Town area: cage diving with great white sharks; hikes up Table Mountain and Lions Head; and great local cuisine. Besides having an experience of a lifetime, it is a sure resume builder. If interested contact ONE HEART SOURCE Intern: Lucas Parelius at 408-786-7467 or lucas.usd@oneheartsoure.org, and apply at: [www.oneheartsoure.org](http://www.oneheartsoure.org).
Timothy Randell, adjunct faculty, has had a proposal accepted for a special session within the 111th annual conference of the Pacific Ancient and Modern Language Association (PAMLA). He will preside over a session titled “Child Labor and American Modernism (1890-1930)” as part of the conference’s theme, “Stages of Life: Age, Identity, and Culture.” The conference will be held in San Diego in November 2013.

Fri, Apr 5, 10:30am-12:30pm in Copley Library Conference Room: Fabulous First Friday – Can Service Learning Work in My Discipline? This two-hour session will offer practical ideas, tools, & support for anyone who has begun to integrate a community service-learning component into their course or has been considering doing so. The session includes a 20-minute video program presenting: Key principles of service-learning—reflection and reciprocity; Benefits of service-learning for both students and communities; How to link activities to outcomes; Different types of service-learning; & Examples of service learning from various disciplines. Representatives from USD’s Center for Community Service-Learning (CSL) will be on hand to answer questions and offer support. Valuable supplemental materials will also be available. Register for this Fabulous First Friday at: www.sandiego.edu/cee.

Fri, March 22, 2:00-3:00pm in MRH 135 (SOLES): CEE/ATS Friday Tech Talk: iPads in the Classroom. During this Tech Talk, you will have the pleasure of hearing two perspectives from faculty participants in the ATS iPad Project who are investigating the possibilities of integrating iPad apps into their courses. “French Culture, History, Civilization, & Writing Made Livelier with iPads,” Dr. Michele Magnin, Languages and Literatures, and “No Noise. Using the iPad in a Quiet Classroom,” Lisa Smith, English. Register for this CEE/ATS event at: www.sandiego.edu/cee, 619-260-7402, or cee@sandiego.edu.

Deniz Perin & Lisa Hemminger, adjunct faculty, are co-hosting a spoken word-performance event (poetry/rap/short-short story readings/recitations) during the Race for Life Relay Event at USD the weekend of April 5-6, 2013.

Thur, April 4, 12:45–1:30pm: Faculty/Staff Tours of Founders Chapel Tours! Conducted by Sr. Virginia Rodee, RSCJ. This is a wonderful, intimate tour of our very own Founders Chapel. Details how the chapel came together, what the finishes are and where they came from, and the symbolism. RSVP to University Mission rburns@sandiego.edu or ext. 4656. (Virginia Rodee, RSCJ Assistant Vice President for Mission).

Fri, Apr 5, 12:15-2:15pm in UC Forum B: Student Forum on Teaching & Learnings. Register for this CEE event at: www.sandiego.edu/cee, 619-260-7402, or cee@sandiego.edu.
Wed, March 20, 12:00-1:00pm in Salomon Hall (Maher 240): Ready, Set, Goal! Wednesdays are known as Being Well Wednesdays. This is the first of many programs that will be available throughout the year. Employees learn how to make realistic health behavior changes and develop life-long habits that actually stick. Each participant will learn how to set goals and make action plans that are big enough to matter, but small enough to be achievable. All attendees are entered into a raffle for a prize. If you have questions about the program, please contact Nina Sciuto at ascueto@sandiego.edu or x 2715, or Adriana Garcia at agarcia@sandiego.edu or x 2718.

Tue, Apr 16, 12:30-1:30pm in Copley Library Seminar Room: Copley Library Faculty Workshop: Integrating Information Literacy. Learn about the USD pilot project from Fall 2012 with faculty and librarians working together to incorporate information literacy into a variety of humanities and social sciences classes. Discipline faculty and librarians will share their experiences. Walk away with ideas to instruct students on locating, evaluating, and using information in an ethical manner. Presenter: Carol Huston, Associate Dean, CAS will discuss USD’s Information Literacy Pilot Project. Presenters for Theology & Religious Studies: Prof. Martha Adkins, & Prof. Patricia Plovanich; For Theatre Arts: Prof. Hugh Burkart, Copley Library, & Prof. Monica Stufft. Facilitator: Lisa Burgert, Copley Library. Light refreshments will be served. To register, please visit the library website: www.sandiego.edu/library/workshops.php.

Invitation to the London Symposium on British Literature at the Oxford & Cambridge Club. We are pleased to invite you to participate in the London Symposium on British Literature which will be held 28, 29 and 30, June, 2013, at the Oxford & Cambridge Club, London. The London Symposium on British Literature is a special interest meeting of London Symposia, an organization devoted to scholarly research, writing and discourse. You are invited to present a paper on an aspect of British Literature, or you may wish to attend as an observer or panel member. If you would like to present a paper you will be requested to submit a brief abstract for review by the Programme Committee. Notations for the London 2013 meeting are:

- Abstracts submitted for presentations of papers or literary works must be approved by the Programme Committee of the Symposium.
- If authors wish to submit their research papers on literary works for publication they must do so within thirty days of the last day of the Symposium.
- All research papers and literary works submitted for publication are subject to external peer review.
- Papers or literary works submitted for publication may be published in a Symposium Review or as journal articles.
- Presentations at the Symposium may include best practice methodologies in teaching literature.
- Thematic topics may encompass literature of the Renaissance and the Restoration, as well as Victorian, Romantic or Modern Ages.
- Please see the “Suggested Topics” for the range of Symposium interest.

Register for the symposium before May 1, 2013 at: http://www.london-symposium-on-british-literature.com/registration/. For more information, please use the contact form: http://www.london-symposium-on-british-literature.com/contact-us/, or email: conferences@london-symposium-on-british-literature.com.

“Faith is the strength by which a shattered world shall emerge into the light.” —Helen Keller
March is e-Waste Month. Recycle your used electronics at USD's E-Waste Center at 5330 Linda Vista Rd., SD, CA 92110. Hours: 11:00am-3:00pm Mon-Sat; & 11:00am-6:00pm Wed. The E-Waste Collection Center is the only non-profit collection center in San Diego that accepts all electronics, working and broken. This collection center offers a free drop off service and is a one-stop location where people can drop off their old electronics six days a week. Free pick-ups are now being offered to local businesses and organizations in San Diego for a tax deductible donation. Residential pick-ups are also available for a small fee. The collection center offers the San Diego community a safe, secure, and socially responsible way to dispose of e-waste through resale, refurbish, and recycle. E-waste is anything that uses batteries or plugs into an outlet. For complete list of items accepted, go to: http://www.sandiego.edu/ewaste/.

Easter Joys & Toys: USD's Nonprofit Leadership Student Association will be donating spring gift baskets to foster children from The Rose House Kinship (http://rosehousekc.org). For $20 you may sponsor one child. Baskets include school supplies, toys & candy. Contact Teresa VanHorn at x4760 or tvanhorn@sandiego.edu, by March 31, 2013. Thank you for your support!

Did You Know How the Date of Easter is Determined? Easter and the holidays that are related to it are moveable feasts, in that they do not fall on a fixed date in the Gregorian or Julian calendars (both of which follow the cycle of the sun and the seasons). Instead, the date for Easter is determined on a lunisolar calendar similar to the Hebrew calendar. The First Council of Nicaea (325) established the date of Easter as the first Sunday after the full moon (the Paschal Full Moon) following the March equinox (21 March). The lunar year consists of 30 -day and 29-day lunar months, generally alternating, with an embolismic month added periodically to bring the lunar cycle into line with the solar cycle. In each solar year (1 January to 31 December inclusive), the lunar month beginning with an ecclesiastical new moon falling in the 29-day period from 8 March to 5 April inclusive is designated as the paschal lunar month for that year. Easter is the third Sunday in the paschal lunar month, or, in other words, the Sunday after the paschal lunar month's 14th day. The 14th of the paschal lunar month is designated by convention as the Paschal full moon, although the 14th of the lunar month may differ from the date of the astronomical full moon by up to two days. Since the ecclesiastical new moon falls on a date from 8 March to 5 April inclusive, the paschal full moon (the 14th of that lunar month) must fall on a date from 21 March to 18 April inclusive. Accordingly, Gregorian Easter can fall on 35 possible dates—between 22 March and 25 April inclusive. It last fell on 22 March in 1943 and will next fall on that date in 2038. However, it fell on 24 April, just one day before this latest possible date, in 2011 and will not do so again until 2095. The cycle of Easter dates repeats after exactly 5,700,000 years, with 19 April being the most common date, happening 220,400 times or 3.9%, compared to the median for all dates of 189,525 times or 3.3%. Source: Wikipedia.com

“Faith consists in believing when it is beyond the power of reason to believe.”

—Voltaire