General News and Announcements

The Department Holiday Party will take place on Friday, December 11, 5-7 p.m. It will be held in DuBourg 409 (Sinquefield State Room).

There will be no Continental Coffee Hours during Winter Break. We’ll resume our conversations, coffee drinking, and cookie eating in January.

Meetings

Department meetings next semester will take place on the following Thursdays, 3:30-5:00 p.m.: January 14, February 11, March 25, April 29.

Deadlines

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Kudos

- Dr. Reinhard Andress has received a Mellon Grant to work in the Ibero-amerikanisches Institut in Berlin, Germany in March. His project involves comparing Alexander von Humboldt's and Carlos Montufar's diary accounts of trying to climb the Chimborazo in 1802.
- Dr. Kara McBride delivered the plenary speech, "Mobile Learning: When the Voice inside Your Head Speaks English" for the conference celebrating the 14th anniversary of the licenciatura in teaching English as a second language at the Universidad de Sonora in Hermosillo, Mexico, November 2009.
- At the same conference, Dr. McBride conducted a three-hour workshop called "Comprehension, Production and Culture: Harvesting Materials for Oral Language Development."
- Dr. Kara McBride presented a paper on "Sobre la relación argentino-chilena" at the Congreso Internacional Interdisciplinario de Filosofía in Cordoba, Argentina, November 2009.
- Warmest congratulations to Dr. Larry Schmidt, who has won the Kathy W. Humphrey Award for Diversity.

From the Chair

Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, Happy New Year to all!

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