General News and Announcements

Meetings

The final department meeting this semester will take place on Thursday, April 28, 3:30-5:00 p.m., in Ritter Hall 222.

Deadlines

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Electronics Recycling Initiative: In an effort to promote Earth Day awareness, SLU has teamed up with Midwest Recycling to offer a free electronics/appliance recycling drive for the university community. For more information, check: http://www.slu.edu/x47480.xml

Kudos

• Dr. Claudia Karagoz has just published an article, “Con occhi di donna: le nuove fotografie di Letizia Battaglia,” in Le siciliane (così sono se vi pare). (Ed. Giovanna Summerfield, Novi Ligure (AL): Editrice Puntoacapo, 2011. 118-134).
• Dr. Karagoz presented a paper titled “Developing Proficiency in Writing Through the Use of the Tablet PC” at the Northeast Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages in Baltimore, MD on April 2, 2011.
• On April 7th, Dr. Karagoz chaired a session titled "Mapping Migrant Cultures" at the American Association of Italian Studies annual conference at the University of Pittsburgh, PA.
• Dr. Karagoz has been awarded a Mellon Summer Stipend (July-August 2011) to complete and publish an article on the mother-daughter relationship in Italian women's writing.
• Dr. Reinhard Andress delivered a paper, "Marte Brill: eine entdeckte Poetin,” at the Kentucky Foreign Language Conference in Lexington, in April 2011.
• Mr. Daniel Nickolai presented a paper entitled "Assessing Assessments: In Pursuit of Perfect Placement," at the Kentucky Foreign Language Conference. Mr. Nickolai talked about the history of post-secondary placement practices and shared some thoughts about moving forward. Much interest was expressed in adopting SLUPE, the online language proficiency assessment tool that Mr. Nickolai is developing.
• Dr. Jean-Louis Pautrot gave a presentation to the Graduate Reading Group on Cinema at the Center for the Humanities at Washington University on April 18. The talk focused on functions and meanings of jazz film music in French Nouvelle vague films of the late 1950s.

• Dr. Vijai Dixit, a professor of Physics at SLU, teaches Hindi for our department; he was recently honored for being at SLU for 25 years.