General News and Announcements

• Dr. Kathleen Llewellyn has been promoted to associate professor with tenure. Congratulations, congratulations!

• Ms. Amy Chamberlain, a junior majoring in English and in French, is the recipient of the William Blake and Mary Blake Scholarship for 2009–2010. Congratulations to Amy and the French Division.

• Laura Birch and Chris Stormer have welcomed their second daughter, Violet Delphine, to the world. Take a look at http://twitpic.com/2j593 Chris and Laura can be contacted at christian.stormer@gmail.com.

• Continental Coffee Hour on Wednesday, April 8 from 3:30 to 4:30 in the Departmental Lounge. Dr. Karl–Heinz Schoeps of the University of Illinois, the Chair’s former dissertation advisor, will be a special guest. He will have spoken earlier in the day on resistance in the Wehrmacht in Dr. Greg Divers’ 325 class.

Meetings

• It would be best to reschedule the final Departmental Meeting one more time to Thursday, April 30 at 3:30 in DuBourg 404. In this way there will be no conflict with the Senior Symposium on April 23, which starts at 3 in BSC, and Dr. Jean–Louis Pautrot’s lecture on “Did a Frenchman Win World War II after All? The Remarkable Life of Eugène Houdry” at 4:30 in the Anheuser Busch Auditorium, Cook Hall (School of Business).

Deadlines

• All fulltime faculty members should turn in an updated CV to the Chair with all accomplishments since fall 2004 boldfaced. This is for the Academic Program Review.

LLC

• Films: The LLC is now working with the Office of the Registrar on enforcing our borrower’s policy by placing holds on student accounts for films not returned. Unfortunately, the vast majority of overdue items are with our faculty. Please make every effort possible to return outstanding items to the LLC so that funds will not be spent unnecessarily replacing films that are believed to be lost.

• Remodeling Plans: The plans to remodel the LLC have been submitted to Design and Construction. Because of the projected cost and the heightened scrutiny of University funds, there will be a backup schedule for Room 331 in its current configuration. Please direct questions regarding this schedule to the LLC Director.

• Purchases: Please put in your requests for acquiring teaching resources before the close of the semester. Please note that as of March 30, the LLC has increased flexibility for non–University vendors. Previously, the LLC was limited to working with approved vendors and with institutions that accepted institutional purchase orders. Questions regarding purchases and division budgets can be addressed to the LLC Director.

Kudos

• In connection with her sabbatical leave next academic year, Dr. Ana Montero has been invited to participate in a five–week NEH Summer Seminar at the University of Virginia on “Celestina and the Threshold of Modernity.”

• Dr. Kathleen Llewellyn presented a paper titled “Reflections of Virtue and Vice: Pierre Heyns’s Tragédie sacrée d’Holoferne & Judith” at the Renaissance Society of America conference in Los Angeles in March. She also chaired a session on “Figurations of Judith in Early Modern Culture.”

From the Chair

• Have a restful Easter Break. MCLanguage Matters will be back on April 20.