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PUBLICATIONS

• Elizabeth Dodd,

"Homeopathy" (poem). *The Hamilton Stone Review* 20 (Winter-Spring 2010): http:// www.hamiltonstone.org/ hsr20poetry.html#homeopathy

• Lisa Tatonetti, "Visible Sexualities or Invisible Nations: Forced to Choose in *Big Eden*, *Johnny Greyeyes*, and *The Business of Fancydancing.*" *GLQ: A Journal of Lesbian and Gay Studies* 16.1-2 (2010): 157-181.

"The Both/And of American Indian Literary Studies" (review essay). *Western American Literature* 44.3 (Fall 2009): 276-288.

PRESENTATIONS

• Jackie Kleist, "Crossing Boundaries: Women's Travel Writing and Rowlandson's Captivity Narrative." *Southwest/ Texas Popular Culture Conference*. Albuquerque, NM. 10 Feb. 2010.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• **Donna Potts** is running against Cary Nelson for President of the American Association of University Professors. • Lisa Tatonetti has accepted the position of book review editor for *Studies in American Indian Literatures*.

NEWS FROM ALUMNI

• For his essay "You Don't Know Jack," **Eric Goold** (MA 2000) has won first place in an essay contest run by the journal *Sunstone*.

• Daniel Hobson (BA 2007) has entered the professional year of the Teacher Licensure Program at the University of North Carolina at Asheville and plans on becoming a public high school English teacher.

• Kenneth "Kenny" Kincaid (BA 1990) reports, "I graduated from Kansas State in 1990 and then went on to get my Ph.D. in Latin American History at the University of Kansas. I am presently employed as an Assistant Professor of History at Purdue University North Central. In 2008 I directed a study abroad program to Peru and this year I am preparing for another. I am married with three boys."

• **Shaunté Montgomery** (MA 2008) has just begun a new position as a Learning Specialist for the Metropolitan Community College in Kansas City, Missouri. She will be managing the campus Learning Center and helping students with Reading, Writing, Math, Study Skills, and Time Management.

• David Murphy (MA 2008) recently published two poems in *The Fourth River* 6 (Autumn 2009): "A Poem for the Man Committing Suicide in the Streets of Kabul" (pp. 88-89) and (pp. 86-87).

• Francine Marie Tolf (MA 2003) has two books forthcoming from North Star Press (St. Cloud): *Joliet Girl* (a memoir), and *Rain, Lilies, Luck* (her first full-length book of poems). She was offered a residency by the Ragdale Foundation (Lake Forest, IL) and will spend two weeks there in May. She also recently received a grant from the Elizabeth George Foundation.

• Anne Wilbur (BA 1986, MA 1988) reports, "I'm one of those people who still doesn't know what she wants to do when she grows up, but I have tried a variety of things. I have worked as a technical writer, freelance writer/editor for magazines and individual clients, and marketing/ administrative assistant in the area of real estate. I am currently, of all things, teaching art for grades K-5 at my children's school in Colorado Springs. Next year I will be teaching grades K-8 art. I am married to my husband of nearly 22 years and am the mother of three children ages 17, 15 and 11. My oldest daughter will be a freshman in college next year. We had a chance to revisit K- State last fall, and I still think it is one of the prettiest campuses I have ever seen. The library is incredible compared to my memories of browsing aging stacks doing manual research in the old Farrell Library (although getting lost in the stacks was fun)!"

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

• Friday, March 5, Union 212, 3:30 PM. Fiction Reading by novelist Ann Pancake, author of *Strange as This Weather Has Been*.

• Saturday, March 6, Union Little Theater, 9:30 AM - 3:00 **PM**. The Power of Three conference. Sponsored by K-State's Children's and Adolescent Literature Community and the Department of English, this oneday conference offers an opportunity for students, librarians, k-12 teachers, and college and university faculty to share perspectives on children's literature. The conference will feature speakers representing three ways of experiencing children's literature — English, Education, and Library Science — and a keynote presentation by poet Curtis Crisler at 2 pm. For more information and free registration, visit: http://www.kstate.edu/chalc/

• Wednesday, March 10, Union 213, 4:00-5:00 PM.

Department Colloquium. Wendy Matlock, will speak on "Ye schuld not speke my mayster schame': Disobedient Apprentices and Unruly Wives in *The Debate of the Carpenter's Tools*."

• Friday, March 26, 3:30-4:30 PM. A reading by novelist Salvador Plascencia.

• Friday, April 2, Union 212, 3:30 PM. Reading by poet and memoirist Honor Moore, author of *The Bishop's Daughter*.

• Friday, April 9, Union 209/ 212, 3:30-6:00 PM. Cultural Studies symposium on Walter Benjamin.

• Wednesday, April 14, Union 212, 3:00-4:00 PM. Margaret Noori, Anishinaabe linguist and poet, will speak. Sponsored by English and American Ethnic Studies.

• Friday, April 16, 3:30-4:30 PM. A panel of English alumni from a variety of careers will talk about their career paths and choices.

• Saturday, April 17, 5:00 PM-11:00 PM, Union Main Ballroom. Hallows and Horcruxes Ball III. Wizard Rock concert, with proceeds to be donated to First Book. Performing: Gred and Forge, Justin Finch Fletchley and the Sugar Quills, the Parselmouths, the Whomping Willows, the Moaning Myrtles, Ministry of Magic, and the Remus Lupins. Tickets are \$12.00. Sponsored by English, ChALC, and others.

• Monday, April 19, Forum Hall, 6:00-7:00 PM. Filmmaker Chris Eyre, described as "the preeminent Native American filmmaker of his time" by *People* magazine. There will be a showing of his film, *Smoke Signals* and a panel discussion led by Chris Eyre, Billy Webster, and Lisa Tatonetti.

• Saturday, April 24, 9:00 AM -2:00 PM. University Open House.

• Wednesday, April 28, Union 212, 4:00-5:00 PM. Department Colloquium--Literature Track Graduate Student Colloquium.

• Friday, May 7, 8:30-9:30 PM. Annual Awards Banquet.

• Wednesday, May 12, Union 212, 3:30-5:00 PM. Masters of the Universe. A reading by the department's graduating MA students in Creative Writing.

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