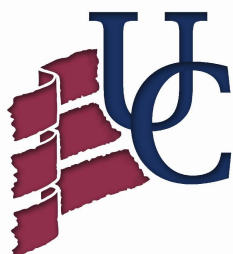


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Upcoming Current Events for UC

- Oct. 10 Mid-Term
- Oct. 11-14 Fall Break
- Oct. 15-17 Fall Revival
- Oct. 16 CAB Food Event, 8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m., Located in middle BCC
- Oct. 17 Faculty, Staff, Student Seminar presented by Pearl Anderson, To Russia With Love, 11:00, Lincoln Room
- Oct. 19 B.J. Centers Senior Recital
- Oct. 20 Campus Discovery Days
- Oct. 23 FUGE Interviews. For more information, contact campus ministries.
- Oct. 23 *McCartney is Dead* presented by Keith Semmel, COMM 202, 7:00 p.m.
- Oct. 26 International Costume Ball
- Oct. 27 Phi Alpha Theta Fundraiser – Barbecue lunch at the Georgetown Game, 11:00 a.m.
- Oct. 29 Palmer Lecture, Gatliff Chapel, 7:30 p.m. Natalie Kusz, award winning author, will be the lecturer.
- Oct. 30 Murder Mystery & Haunted House, contact CAB

Oct. 29- Nov. 2 Phi Alpha Theta Fall Bake and Booksale

Nov. 3 UC will debate the British team on the resolution "This house believes the US would be better if it looked more like the UK."

Nov. 14 *Internationalizing the Classroom* led by Sara June Osborne.

Dec. 5 *Writing for Exams Seminar for Students* led by Kathy Fish and Cory McClellan

CONGRATULATIONS

Connie Howard, Associate Professor of Health, Exercise, and Sport Science Department and was chosen as Distinguished Scholar in the field of Death and Dying by the American Death Education Commission (ADEC).



Marianne Worthington won the 2007 Appalachian Book of the Year Award in Poetry for her poetry collection *Larger Bodies Than Mine*, July 2007.



The Phi Alpha Theta Honor Society Upsilon-Upsilon Chapter under the direction of Eric Wake has been awarded the 2007 Best Chapter Award.



Iona Patrick and Chris Leskiw named as SGA Honored Female and Male Professor, 2007.

Professional Services, Performances, and Recognition

Geraldine Allen

- ▶ Attended ACA Summer Teaching Institute in Brevard, NC June 11-16, 2007.
- ▶ Attended Multimedia Educational Resource for Learning and Online Teaching (MERLOT) conference in New Orleans, LA August 7-10, 2007.

Carlos Anderson

- ▶ Participated as Cadre member in the Summer Teaching Institute with Consultant Bill Kirkwood, May 2007.

Laura Dennis-Bay

- ▶ Article accepted by the Kentucky Philological Review has just accepted my article "The Search for Differential Space in Marie Cardinal's *Au pays de mes racines*" in volume 22 of the KPR.
- ▶ Will participate in a TeleTraining called "Foreign Language and Disability" on November 5, 2007.
- ▶ Presented faculty forum "How can we better relate our disciplines to the Christian faith?"
- ▶ Will present paper "Oriana by Fina Torres: from Text to Screen," at the Annual Conference on Literature and the Visual Arts, Including Cinema" and serve as session moderator at the University of West Georgia, November 15-17.
- ▶ Will present a workshop on postcolonial African literature at the University of Vienna in October to coincide with the publication of an article about Francophone writer Marie Cardinal in the Austrian journal *Stichproben*.

Jeb Briley

- ▶ Participated as Cadre member in the Summer Teaching Institute with Consultant Bill Kirkwood, May 2007.

Garnet Chrisman

- ▶ Attended KY Scholarship of Teaching & Learning Institute in Lexington, KY May 14-15, 2007.
- ▶ Participated as Cadre member in the Summer Teaching Institute with Consultant Bill Kirkwood, May 2007.

Margaret Combs

- ▶ Chaired the 2007 Accounting Educator's Conference sponsored by the Kentucky Society of CPAs in May.

James Corcoran

- ▶ Served as an Adjudicator for the Percussive Arts Society International High School Percussion Ensemble Competition.
- ▶ Served as adjudicator for four KMEA sanctioned marching band competitions, Solo and Ensemble Festivals, and performed numerous concerts, including The Ashland Neighborhood Association Fall Fling, with the Midway Fall Festival, several performances with the Five Gringos and Colonel's Choice (Dixieland).
- ▶ Has performed on four faculty recitals this semester, the Faculty Fun Recital and the Phyllis Richardson Wood Scholarship Benefit Recital.
- ▶ Served as adjunct instructor of percussion for the Governor's School for the Arts in Lexington, KY.

- ▶ Commissioned the work *Three for Five* that presented the World Premier of Three for Five.
- ▶ Re-elected as President of the Percussive Arts Society Kentucky Chapter.
- ▶ Serves on the PAS Education committee and Education/Technology subcommittee as well as the PAS All-State committee at the International level.
- ▶ Commissioned to compose the 2008 KY All-State Keyboard audition music.

- ▶ Served as a percussion teacher for Morton Middle School, North Laurel High School and Tates Creek High School in spring and summer.
- ▶ Performed with a full jazz ensemble that included UC alumni, current UC students and faculty members.

Bob Dunston

- ▶ Traveled to Beijing, China, and taught for a week in Yantai, China, a coastal city on the Yellow Sea, at Ludong University July 12-23.

Tom Dzugan

- ▶ Participated as Cadre member in the Summer Teaching Institute with Consultant Bill Kirkwood, May 2007.

Kathy Fish

- ▶ Traveled to Beijing, China, and taught for a week in Yantai, China, a coastal city on the Yellow Sea, at Ludong University July 12-23.

Tom Fish

- ▶ Traveled to Beijing, China, and taught for a week in Yantai, China, a coastal city on the Yellow Sea, at Ludong University July 12-23.

Sean Greene

- ▶ Hosted professional musicians from across the region for a 1-day "Celebration of the Tuba" workshop on August 25th.
- ▶ Guest soloist with the Oak Ridge Community Band for their Labor Day Concert.
- ▶ Voted this year's "College Teacher of the Year" by the District 10 membership of the Kentucky Music Educators' Association.
- ▶ Will teach an audition preparation clinic for high school students trying-out for All State Bands in Knoxville, November 2007.
- ▶ Performed with a full jazz ensemble that included UC alumni, current UC students and faculty members.

Robert Hancock

- ▶ Performed with a full jazz ensemble that included UC alumni, current UC students and faculty members.

Connie Howard

- ▶ Chosen as Distinguished Scholar in the field of Death and Dying by the American Death Education Commission (ADEC), as a result of this honor she will be speaking at several universities in the South during the year. Connie is also the 2008 Zuspan Lecturer.

Christopher Leskiw

- ▶ Appeared on *Kentucky Tonight*; a statewide public affairs program on KET . Discussed “The Status of the Surge in Iraq,” with former Ambassador Carey Cavanaugh, director of the Patterson School of Diplomacy and International Commerce at the University of Kentucky, Nayef Samhat, chair of the Division of Social Studies at Centre College, and Harry Mason, retired CIA officer and adjunct professor at UK.
- ▶ SGA Honored Male Professor, 2007.

Lisa Lyford

- ▶ Attended Association for Biology Laboratory Education Conference, University of Kentucky, 2007.
- ▶ Attended ACA Summer Teaching Institute in Brevard, NC June 11-16, 2007.

Jim Manning

- ▶ Participated as Cadre member in the Summer Teaching Institute with Consultant Bill Kirkwood, May 2007.

Jennifer Marsh

- ▶ Participated as Cadre member in the Summer Teaching Institute with Consultant Bill Kirkwood, May 2007.

Larry Newquist

- ▶ Co-led Rogers Explorers with Renee Yetter and Jeff Schwarz in June. It is a program for rising 9th graders.
- ▶ Participated as Cadre member in the Summer Teaching Institute with Consultant Bill Kirkwood, May 2007.

Iona Patrick

- ▶ SGA Honored Female Professor, 2007.

Norma Patrick

- ▶ Attended KY Scholarship of Teaching & Learning Institute in Lexington, KY May 14-15, 2007.
- ▶ Traveled to Thailand, Summer 2007.

Bob Reising

- ▶ Selected as member of *Marker Papers*: Phase II selection committee for 2007-08.
- ▶ Article, “The Odd Couple,” accepted by *108 Magazine* is an essay on Jim Thorpe. The monies, for writing the article to appear in late fall, will go to the Jim Thorpe Patriot Scholarship.
- ▶ Chapter on Jim Thorpe will also appear in The University Press of Mississippi’s *Reconstructing Fame: Race, Sport, and the Redemption of Once-Tainted Reputations*, summer, 2008 release.
- ▶ Participated as Cadre member in the Summer Teaching Institute with Consultant Bill Kirkwood, May 2007.

Mike Robinson

- ▶ Attended a conference of the British Society for the Philosophy of Religion at Oxford University, Oxford UK and presented a paper there entitled “Does God Know Best?” September 11-13, 2007

- ▶ Scheduled for publication is a longer version of this paper in *Philosophia Christi* under the same title: "Does God Know Best?" November 2007.

Jeff Schwarz

- ▶ Co-led Rogers Explorers with Renee Yetter and Larry Newquist in June. It is a program for rising 9th graders.

Eric Stephens

- ▶ Presented student symposium, University of the Cumberland, "APPLECORE- Approach to Study Skills," October 1, 2007.

Chin Tan

- ▶ Summer immersion grant in Europe: Visited four countries, UK, France, Belgium, and Holland to explore landscape by plane, train, and automobile and learn about the business culture in these countries.
- ▶ Attended a talk by Mr. Carlos Ghosn, CEO of Nissan worldwide, in Chulalongkorn University in Thailand. Thoroughly enjoyed the experience of listening to one of the best CEO in the business world and about the difficulties ascending to CEO position in Japan's conservative culture.
- ▶ Conducted a tennis clinic for 20 players in Lampang, Thailand and recruited tennis players for team.

Julie Tan

- ▶ Traveled to Thailand, Summer 2007.

David Threllkeld

- ▶ Performed a woodwind recital on September 25. In addition, performed with a full jazz ensemble that included UC alumni, current UC students and faculty members.

Patrick Tuck

- ▶ Performed with a full jazz ensemble that included UC alumni, current UC students and faculty members.

Glenda Warren

- ▶ Participated as Cadre member in the Summer Teaching Institute with Consultant Bill Kirkwood, May 2007.

Susan Weaver

- ▶ Attended KY Scholarship of Teaching & Learning Institute in Lexington, KY May 14-15, 2007.
- ▶ Attended ACA Summer Teaching Institute in Brevard, NC June 11-16, 2007.
- ▶ Attended Multimedia Educational Resource for Learning and Online Teaching (MERLOT) conference in New Orleans, LA August 7-10, 2007
- ▶ Selected as workgroup liaison between Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education (CPE) and Association Independent Kentucky Colleges & Universities (AIKCU)

Marianne Worthington

- ▶ Won 2007 Appalachian Book of the Year Award in Poetry for her poetry collection *Larger Bodies Than Mine*, July 2007.
- ▶ Published critical article, "'Be my inscape, be my lyre': The Hymnody of Albert Stewart," and book review of Blind Singer Joe's Blues by Robert Love Taylor in *Appalachian Heritage*, 2007.

- ▶ Published poems in Birmingham Arts Journal, Shaking Like a Mountain: Literature About Contemporary Music, ABZ Poetry Magazine, and The Emancipator.
- ▶ Poetry Reading at the Second Annual Knoxville Poetry Festival, May 2007.
- ▶ Taught writing workshop for Knoxville Writers Guild, July 2007.

Renee Yetter

- ▶ Co-led Rogers Explorers with Larry Newquist and Jeff Schwarz in June. It is a program for rising 9th graders.

Todd Yetter

- ▶ Attended ACA Summer Teaching Institute in Brevard, NC June 11-16, 2007.

Departmental Achievements and Announcements

Business Department

- # Four UC students successfully completed internships with Rollins, Inc., summer 2007.
- # Phi Beta Lambda Business Fraternity hosted “Freeze Blast” ice cream party for new and returning members.

Communications and Theatre Arts

- # Speech team placed 4th overall at Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana in combined individual events and debate sweepstakes, September 14-15. Placed fourth overall in debate, September 21-22 at Tennessee State University in Nashville. Debate was selected as a host site for the British Debate, November 3.

Health, Exercise, and Sport Science

- # Dare to Compare, A Health Fitness Fair was held on the University of the Cumberlands on October 4, 2007. The HESS majors help with this successful annual event.
- # Sponsored Denim Day to raise funds for Breast Cancer Awareness.

History and Political Science Department

- # Upsilon-Upsilon Chapter of Phi Alpha Theta has won Best Chapter Award in 2007. The chapter has won 30 out of the past 31 years.

QEP

- # Cadre members Carlos Anderson, Jeb Briley, Garnet Chrisman, Tom Dzugan, Jim Manning, Jennifer Marsh, Larry Newquist, Bob Reising and Glenda Warren participated in the Summer Teaching Institute with Consultant Bill Kirkwood, May 2007.

NEWS AND INFORMATION FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

All faculty and staff are invited to share information about professional activities, departmental successes and news of upcoming events to *Academic News* published by the Office of Academic Affairs and the Center for Teaching and Learning (email: sweaver@ucumberlands.edu).