



## SPRING 2003!



### Job Candidates Coming

The first of three candidates for the **Assistant Professor of Fiction Writing** position visits this week. **Lucy Corin** will be on campus Wednesday through Friday, 22-24 January. A reading and reception are scheduled for 23 January (see "Calendar"). Lucy Corin is currently Assistant Professor of English at James Madison University. She holds an MFA in Creative Writing from Brown University, having previously earned her BA at Duke. She has had numerous stories published in journals such as *Ploughshares*, *New Stories from the South*, *The Southern Review*, and *Shenandoah*. One story was featured in a special issue of *The Iowa Review* devoted to innovative narrative. Her first novel, *Everyday Psychokillers: A History for Girls* (manuscript included with review materials), is scheduled for publication by FC2 in 2004. At JMU, she has received outstanding teaching evaluations while remaining very productive in her creative work. Our second candidate, **Deb Olin Unferth**, will visit KU 29-30 January. **Rebecca Curtis** will be here 3-5 February. More information about these candidates and their visits will be included in next week's *DNB*. In the meantime, the Department encourages all faculty members and graduate students to review the files on these candidates in 3108 Wescoe (blue files should be reviewed by full-time faculty only).

### Sabbatical Success

Four English Department applicants for 2003-2004 sabbatical leave have received notification that their applications have been approved. **David Bergeron**, **Dorice Elliott** and **Joe Harrington** will be on sabbatical leave in the fall semester of 2003. **Doreen Fowler** will take her leave in Spring 2004.

### Publications (2002)

#### Caminero-Santangelo, Marta

"Margarita Engle, Cuban American Conservatism, and the Construction of (Left) U.S. Latino/a Ethnicity." *Lit: Literature/ Interpretation/Theory* 13.4 (October-December 2002): 249-67.

#### Daldorph, Brian

"You need a brain for that" (poem). *Iota* 59. 26.

#### Johnson, Michael L.

"An Old Wester Expounds on Christmas" (poem). *The Comstock Review* 16.2 (Fall/Winter 2002): 76.

"Auld Acquaintance," "Milestone," and "Rightist" (poems). *Curious Rooms* 4 (Fall 2002): 26, 79, 128.

"November 9, 2001" (poem). *Kansas City Star*, 15 December 2002, p. J6.

#### Schultz, Elizabeth

"The Common Continent of Men": Visualizing Race in *Moby-Dick*," *Leviathan*, 3.2 (October 2001): 19-36.

"Natural and Unnatural Circumstances in Langston Hughes' *Not Without Laughter*," *Callaloo* 25.4 (Fall 2002): 1177-87.

"Boats," *Coal City Review* (January 2002): 20.

"Tremors," *Bellevue Literary Review* 2.2 (Fall 2002): 128.

**N.B.** Publications to be included in the 2002 *Annual Bibliography* must be submitted by 23 January.

### Announcements, Notes, & News

• **Erin Colin** has resigned from her position as full-time Office Assistant. The procedures necessary to hire a replacement for Erin have begun, but it will be several weeks before the staff is at full strength. In the meantime, feel free to make outrageous demands of Lori, Lydia, Robin and Sue.

• The University of Wisconsin Press has announced that *Livin' the Blues: Memoirs of a Black Journalist and Poet*, by Frank Marshall Davis and edited by **John Edgar Tidwell**, will be released in paperback via a new print-on-demand technology. It will be available starting January 2003.

### Calendar

- N 19** **EAT Benefit Performance**, "Fatherland," by KU playwright **Adam Merker**, 2:30 pm, Lawrence Arts Center. \$5 donation to help defray expenses for this production's journey to Cedar Falls, Iowa next week to participate in the regional competition of the American College Theatre Festival.
- M 20** **Martin Luther King Day**. No classes.
- T 21** **Voting Department Meeting**, 4:00 pm, 4019 Wescoe. Agenda: 1) Approve position announcement for Chair search
- R 23** Reading, **Lucy Corin**, James Madison University, candidate for Assistant Professor of Fiction Writing, 4:00 pm, English Room, Kansas Union. **Reception** follows immediately at home of **Carolyn Doty**, 1630 Barker Avenue. All Department members are encouraged to attend.
- M 27** **Advisory Committee Meeting**, 3:30 pm, 3132 Wescoe. Agenda: 1) Preview of semester 2) Strategic Planning Report 3) Lower division credit for Study Abroad 4) Promotion and Tenure

• **Teresa Fernandez-Arab** and **Kara Northway** have been selected as the two departmental nominees for this year's Graduate Teaching Assistant Award for excellent teaching. Congratulations and good luck in the upcoming competition.

• Thelma Simons of Academic Computing Services has informed us that there is a new name and contact information for the organization providing technology support in English. **Tech Support for the College** can be reached at 864-TECH (8324). Our representative, the invaluable **Ann Jennings**, remains in place. Ann can be reached directly at 864-0429. Thelma notes, "We will be working with LAN Support Services to provide additional services such as automated virus and operating system updates, and access to a file server where you can store and share files." A listing of all the services of Tech Support for the College is available at <[www.techsupport.ku.edu/services/](http://www.techsupport.ku.edu/services/)>.

• The only Lecturers & Readers visitor this spring will be poet, essayist, and activist **Minnie Bruce Pratt**. She will be our guest on campus 1-2 May.

• **Paul Stephen Lim** reminds everyone teaching dramatic literature that EAT will present a full production of *The Glass Menagerie* 16-19 April at the Lawrence Arts Center. The Tennessee Williams play will be performed 16-18 April at 8:00 pm and 19 April at 2:30 pm.

• Besides placing Adam Merker's one-act play "Fatherland" (see "Calendar") in the regional festival of the American College Theatre Festival, **English Alternative Theatre** is also sending four Ten-Minute Plays to regional competition: "The Smog Also Rises," by Paul Shoulberg, "One Last Time," by Carol Dias da Silva, "Ketchup," by Kristin Soper, and "Attack of the Asians," by Tim Macy.

• **Brian Daldorph** gave readings from his poetry and fiction at the University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, 5 December. He also conducted writing workshops.

• **Doreen Fowler** has been awarded a Hall Center Humanities Research Fellowship for the fall semester of 2003 to work on her book project, "Race and Identity-Politics in America."

• On 3-4 January, **Beth Schultz** participated in the Grand Opening of the Melville Society Archive, part of the Melville Society Cultural Project in New Bedford, Connecticut, an event she's been working toward for the past five years. She also joined in the 7<sup>th</sup> annual *Moby-Dick* marathon reading at the New Bedford Whaling Museum.

• Please inform any qualified students that sixty awards of approximately \$1250 each are available to support undergraduate research. There will be an informational meeting to discuss the program on 23 January, 4:00-5:00 pm, Nunemaker Center.

### ***KU and Regional Events***

• **Gender Seminar**, "Science, Sentiment, and Gender: The Foundations for Rachel Carson's *Silent Spring*, Maril Hazlett, History, 21 January, 3:30-5:00 pm, Hall Center Conference Room.

• **War, Peace, and Diplomacy Seminar**, Panel Discussion: "Assessment of Chalmers Johnson's *The Militarization of America*," Ted Wilson, History, Peter Schifferle, SAMS, Felix Moos, Anthropology, Hal Wert, Kansas City Art Institute, 4:00 pm, Hall Center Conference Room.

• **KU Opera** presents Gilbert & Sullivan's *The Mikado*: 24-26 January, 31 January-2 February, Swarthout Recital Hall, Murphy Hall.