



Hirsch Named Outstanding Faculty Advisor



The Department received word this week that **Bud Hirsch** has won the inaugural Outstanding Faculty Advisor award from the University of Kansas Advising Network. An outstanding Administrative Advisor and an Outstanding Professional Advisor were also selected for recognition. The award was presented at a Network gathering on 1 May. One student nominator cited Bud's assistance in preparing and applying for a Study Abroad program. She wrote, "... it is people like Bud

Hirsch who ... remind me why I chose the University of Kansas in the first place." A non-traditional student noted Bud's determined help in overcoming barriers to a 2003 spring graduation: "What impressed me so much was his positive attitude, how quickly he acted and how accurate he was in identifying what would ultimately be the solution to my problem. The English Department is fortunate to have Professor Hirsch for both his teaching abilities and his undergraduate advising capacity." This student adds, "... my younger son is now a sophomore majoring in English at KU. I am thrilled to know he will be able to get the same sort of expert advising I have received." Congratulations, Bud, and thank you for representing the Department so positively to our current and prospective majors and minors.

Publications

Ohle, David

"Exclusive to the *Observer*: Gerald Hilter Interviews Michael Ratt" (novel excerpt). *Lit#7* 4.1 (Winter 2003): 155-160.

Scott, William O.

"Contracts of Love and Affection: Lear, Old Age, and Kingship." *Shakespeare Survey* 55 (2003, for 2002): 36-42.

Presentations

Prewitt, Jan

"Postmodern Antidote: The Heroics of Tolkien & Lewis," 5th Annual C. S. Lewis & the Inklings Conference, 4-5 April, Oklahoma City University.

Announcements, Notes, & News

• The 2002-2003 **English Department Awards Ceremony** will be held this year on Sunday, 11 May, 7:00 pm, in the Ballroom of the Kansas Union. All members of the Department and guests are welcome. Following the awards event, there will be a party for the

Department to celebrate the end of the academic year at the home of **Mary Klayder**, 1212 Vantuyl Drive. Informational invitations and flyers about both the ceremony and the party will appear in your boxes soon if they have not already.

• Professor **Max Sutton** officially retires at the end of this semester. To honor Max, fellow Victorianist **Dorice Elliott** will host a reception for past and present Department members and their partners or guests at her home, 3031 Oxford Circle, on Friday evening, 9 May, 5:30-7:30 pm. Come and wish Max well as he concludes a long and productive career at the University of Kansas.

• **Sabbatical Applications** for the 2004-2005 academic year will be due at the Department level by 5 September 2003.

• **Important!** As the end of the semester approaches, the Office Staff reminds full- and part-time faculty that **it is inappropriate—and unwise—to have students turn in final exams or papers to the English offices**. In the past, papers and examinations have been lost because they have been misplaced by students, turned in without names

Calendar

- F 2** **Lecturers & Readers**, roundtable discussion featuring **Minnie Bruce Pratt**, on art, politics, and freedom of expression, 3:30 pm, Governor's Room, Kansas Union.
- M 5** **Matt Hollrah, Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam**, 10:00 am-1:00 pm, 3132 Wescoe (*Harrington*, Irby, Farmer, W. Harris, Graham, Kelly)
- Amanda Conrad, M. A. Exam**, 11:00 am-12:30 pm, 3108 Wescoe (*M. Caminero-Santangelo*, Bergeron, Sutton)
- T 6** **Kara Northway, Ph.D. Field Exam**, 2:00-3:30 pm, 3108 Wescoe (*Bergeron*, Hardin, Swann)
- W 7** **Poetics Seminar**, "Discovering and Nourishing a Western Poetic Voice," **Mike Johnson**, English, 3:30 pm, Hall Center Conference Room.
- R 8** **Last Day of Classes**
- F 9** **Stop Day**
- Retirement Reception** for **Max Sutton** at the home of **Dorice** and **Bob Elliott**, 3031 Oxford Circle, 5:30-7:30 pm.
- N 11** **English Department Awards Ceremony**, 7:00 pm, Ballroom of the Kansas Union. **Department Party** immediately following at the home of **Mary Klayder**, 1212 Vantuyl. Snacks and live music.

or names of teachers, etc, to the great inconvenience of students, faculty, and staff. During faculty, lecturer, and GTA orientation, this rule is emphasized, but it is difficult to enforce, particularly when instructions to students have already been given. **This semester, please collect papers or take-home exams in class or during office hours.** The staff understands that some students will turn papers in late because of illness or procrastination, and is prepared to accommodate them. Problems arise when the mailroom is used as the depository for entire classes.

• The last *DNB* of the semester will be published on 9 May. If you have any items you wish to have announced before next fall, please submit them by noon, 8 May.

KU and Regional Events (Posted)

• **Nature & Culture Seminar**, “Parks and Paradise and the New England Mind,” Mark Stoll, Texas Tech, 2 May, 3:30-5:00 pm, Hall Center Conference Room.

• A “Virtual Reality” production of Mozart’s *The Magic Flute* will be staged by University Theatre and the Department of Music & Dance, 1-3 May, 7:30 pm, 4 May, 2:30 pm, Crafton-Preyer Theatre, Murphy Hall.

• **Lindley Lecture**, “Responsibility as Distinct from Blame: Conceptualizing Responsibility in Relation to Social Justice,” Iris Marion Young, University of Chicago, 5 May, 8:00 pm, Alderson Auditorium, Kansas Union.

• **War, Peace and Diplomacy Seminar**, “The Past, Present, and Future of Warfare,” panel presentation, 8 May, 4:00-5:30 pm, Command and General Staff College/Combined Arms Center, Leavenworth.

Contests, Fellowships, Grants (Posted)

• **HGDO Alert: Faculty: Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars**, <<http://www.wilsoncenter.org/fellowships>>, 1 October.

• **The Formsby Research Fellowships, Southwest Collection/Special Collections Library, Texas Tech University**, for a variety of researchers on Southwestern subjects. Deadline: 1 June.