

# English Department Newsletter



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## MEETINGS and EVENTS

**Conversations in and out of the Disciplines Lecture Series**  
The Buffalo State English Department

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| <p>Presents a talk by Professor Julie Wiczkowski,<br/>Department of Anthropology</p> <p><b>"Feeding Ecology of the Tana River Mangabey of Kenya"</b></p> <p><b>Time:</b><br/>Friday, November 22, 2013<br/>3:00-4:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>Location:</b><br/>Ketchum Hall 320</p>  | <p>Presents a talk by Professor Mark Fulk,<br/>Department of English</p> <p><b>"William Gilpin, Eliza Knipe, and the Limits of the Picturesque in the English Lake District, c. 1780"</b></p> <p><b>Time:</b><br/>Friday, December 6, 2013<br/>3:00-4:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>Location:</b><br/>Ketchum Hall 320</p>  |
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These talks are open to faculty, graduate students, and interested undergraduates

The 2013–2014 "Conversations in and out of the Disciplines" will continue **FRIDAY, November 22**, when **Assistant Professor of Anthropology Julie Wiczkowski**, will speak on **"Feeding Ecology of the Tana River Mangabey of Kenya."** This semester's final presentation, by **Associate Professor of English Mark Fulk**, will be "William Gilpin, Eliza Knipe, and the Limits of Picturesque Aesthetics in the

English Lake District, c. 1780" on December 6. Both talks will be given at 3:00 pm in Ketchum Hall 320. A short, informal wine-and-cheese reception is held after each talk, and everyone is welcome to attend.

**Professor Mathilde Mukantabana, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from Rwanda to the United States**, will speak on **Friday, November 22** at 3:00-4:30 pm in Technology Building Room 160. Her talk is entitled **"Reconstructing Rwanda after the 1994 Genocide against the Tutsi."** The English Department is co-sponsoring, with African and African-American Studies and Gender and Women's Studies.

This weekend is your final opportunity to see the **Drs. Fulk** in the Raiders of Niagara production of *To Kill a Mockingbird*. Shows will be at Church of the Advent at 54 Delaware Road in Kenmore on November 22-23 at 7:30 pm, and on November 24 at 2:00 pm. Tickets are available at the door for \$10/\$8.

The African and African American Studies Interdisciplinary Unit  
Presents  
**Reconstructing Rwanda After The 1994 Genocide Against The Tutsi**  
A lecture by  
**Professor Mathilde Mukantabana**  
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Rwanda to the United States of America and  
non-resident Ambassador to Mexico, Brazil, and Argentina.

Where:  
Technology Building 160



When:  
Friday, Nov. 22  
3 - 4:30 p.m.

This event is free and open to all Buffalo State students, faculty, staff and alumni.

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## DEPARTMENT NEWS



On November 15, English Education alumni **Joel Malley and Rob Currin** brought forty students from their 12<sup>th</sup> grade Advanced Placement classes at Cheektowaga Central and Alden High Schools to visit the English Department. This event kicked off a “College Readiness” program being developed by Buffalo State English Education under the leadership of coordinator **Jim Cercone**. After visiting the Albright Knox Art Gallery, the group participated in discussion sessions, classroom visits, and lunch.

Some sat in on **Tim Bryant’s** *Ethnic American Minority Literature* and *American*

*Literature after 1865* courses, while others visited **Ed Taylor’s** *The Craft of Writing* and *Creative Non-Fiction* workshops. Students also participated in discussion sessions with **Lorna Pérez** and members of the English Education Student Association: **Alyssa Moretti, Elise Loschiavo, Chelsie Foley-Zamniak, Collin Schreiner, and Chelsey Nabozny**. The EESA members spoke about studying literature and the demands of college coursework and answered questions. The College Readiness group then visited the newly renovated Student Union for lunch before departing.

## UPDATES and REMINDERS

Committee **reports for next month’s meeting agenda** are due to [Maureen Lougen](#) no later than Monday, November 25.



Faculty are encouraged to nominate students for 2014 leadership and graduation awards. For more information contact [Lorna Pérez](#), chair of the Faculty Student Committee.

**The Research and Creativity Council Incentive Program** is accepting applications until Friday, January 17, for funds to promote faculty creativity and research. The ultimate goal of this funding is to generate additional funded programs. Expenditures considered for support under this program include travel to consult with a funding source, secretarial assistance, student assistance, consultation with grant specialists, preparation of specialized support materials for proposal (e.g., graphs, drawings, resource books), release time, and any other expense that can be justified. Funds cannot be requested for the purchase of computers. Also, it is not the council’s intention to directly pay an individual for writing a proposal. The [application](#) is on the Sponsored Programs website.

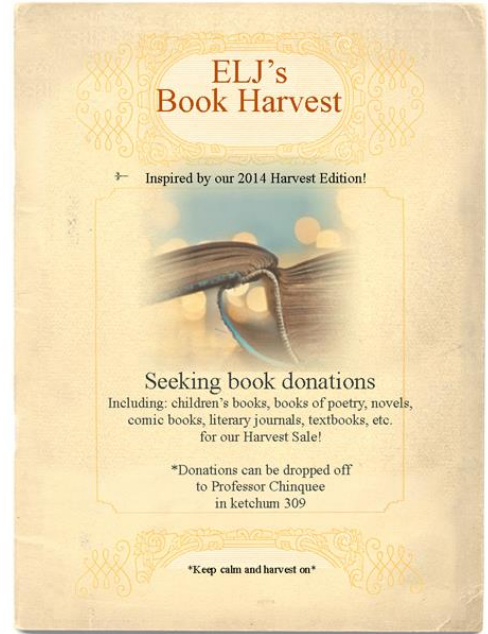
## FACULTY NEWS and ACTIVITIES

An article by **Angela Fulk** on concepts of kingship in the Anglo-Saxon period has been accepted for publication by [The Heroic Age](#), a journal of Anglo-Saxon studies.

**Marilyn Asquith** will present her paper “Creating Equality in the Classroom: How to Invite All Students into the Dialogue using Aesthetic Responses” at the *Journal of Language and Literacy Education*’s Spring 2014 conference in Athens, Georgia.

## STUDENT and ALUMNI NEWS

Alumni! We want to hear from you! You can share your news by emailing [Maureen Lougen](#) or writing to the English Department Office at Buffalo State, Buffalo, NY 14222.



## AND FINALLY ...



The **English Department** holiday party will be held on December 6 at 6:30 pm at Lisa Berglund’s house. To rsvp and for directions, please contact [Maureen Lougen](#). Faculty, staff, graduate students and alumni are invited.

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