



PreView

2006 Newsletter of the College of Arts & Sciences, Prairie View A&M University

Welcome from Dean Kelley



Greetings to each of you as you enjoy this edition of *PreView*! I know that you will be excited to learn of all of the exciting happenings in the College of Arts and Sciences. This has truly been a fast-paced year, crammed full of exciting accomplishments by our students and faculty. I am exceedingly proud of each of them for the hard work that has led to these heights. I know that I express the sentiments of all readers when I extend appreciation to the editorial staff of *PreView* for their hard work and thoroughness in the preparation of these publications. Each of them exhibits all that is true to the Panther spirit.

In this year as we celebrate the 130th anniversary of the founding of this institution, I reflect upon the legacy of greatness that has been woven indelibly into the fabric of this great university. Each day marks the dawning of another chapter in our quest for excellence. As our graduates saturate the professional world, our story is told time and time again about the Prairie View experience. As we approach the culminating events of this year's celebration, I ask each of you to decide how you will continue to contribute to this legacy of greatness.

All of you have received information concerning the university's first Capitol Campaign in which we have challenged each constituent of Prairie View A&M University to contribute to the 30 million dollar goal set for this campaign. Please know that as you participate in this campaign, you will contribute to the continuance of the legacy of this university. If any of you need information concerning means by which you may contribute, please contact my office or the Office of Development for information. All of us will be willing to provide any information and answer any questions you may have.

Here's hoping that as you enjoy this edition of *PreView*, you will celebrate all that is dear to our Alma Mater and find proof that in the College of Arts and Sciences, we are constantly "Striving for Excellence."

Danny R. Kelley
Dean



On the Cover:

The grid of 130 squares represents the 130-year history of Prairie View A&M University. The varied colors represent the diversity of students, faculty, and ideas which enliven our community. The screened image of the Old Administration Building reminds us of our past—from an humble beginning to a modern center of learning. The ten squares on the back cover represent the ten departments that make up the College of Arts and Sciences.

Going the Distance . . .

Dr. John Cornelius II was commissioned by the Smithsonian Institute to collaborate on a children's theater piece entitled "Going the Distance," a theatrical essay based on the lives, careers, and legacies of Wilma Rudolph and Jesse Owens. The piece is currently running at the Institute in Washington, D.C. Professor Cornelius' compositions have been featured at the Kennedy Center, the Ensemble Theater, The Great Caruso Adventure Theater in Glen Echo Park, and Houston's Theater Under The Stars. His work has been performed by the Saint Louis Symphony, Orchestra X of Houston, the Providence Woodwind Quartet, and The Black Note Ensemble. Professor Cornelius also completed and performed a new work, *Chansons Creole*, an art song cycle using the poetry of 19th-century Louisiana Creole writers. The piece was performed at Prairie View A&M University and at Texas Southern University.

The Prairie View Flute Ensemble, under the direction of **Dr. Wendy I. Bergin**, performed at the Jones Elementary School, in September 2005 for the school's Grandparents' Day.

Delandria Mills, a former flute student under Dr. Wendy I. Bergin, and a graduate of PVAMU's music department, performed with the Jazz Collegiate All-Stars

at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. Ms. Mills earned a Master's in classical flute and jazz from the Peabody Conservatory, and is currently a member of the Kevin Robinson Ensemble.



The Gilpin Players

The Charles Gilpin Players recently performed

Murder Among Friends at the Kennedy Center/American College Theatre Festival, in Amarillo, Texas. The production was also performed on the Prairie View A&M University campus November 10-12 in the Anne Campbell Little Theatre. The production garnered several awards in Amarillo, including Best Honor Crew and The Spirit of KC/ACTF prize. Three members of the cast were nominated for the Irene Ryan Awards, the nomination for which provides actors a broader arena to audition for scholarships. In February 2006, the nominees—**Kenneth Brown**, **Eleisa Jordan**, and **Chris Lee**—will compete at the regional level in Tulsa, OK.



Social Work, Behavioral & Political Sciences

Presentations

Professor Ewoh, Assistant Professor Bakama B. BakamaNumé, and their co-author **Tanesha T. Dillard,** a Prairie View A&M University graduate student in Community Development, presented a paper titled “Managing Urban Crises: The Aftermath of Katrina Disaster and Hurricane Rita,” during a roundtable discussion at the 2006 annual conference of Southwestern Social Science Association (SSSA) in San Antonio, Texas, April 12-15, 2006. Also Dr. Ewoh’s paper entitled “U.S. Policy Toward Nigeria: From Clinton Years to the Bush Administration” will be presented in the International Studies’ section of the SSSA.

The SWBPS Division has inaugurated a seminar series for faculty working papers. This interdisciplinary seminar series has been established to allow faculty to present their ongoing research in an informal setting, and to receive the collegial but insightful comments of their peers. The first “working papers” seminar was on February 15, 2006, featuring **Dr. Harry Adams,** Assistant Professor of Philosophy, who discussed his recent work on “Morally Justified Resistance to Plutocracies.” ☉

Phi Alpha Theta Hosts Guest Speaker

After several years’ lapse, the Division re-chartered the Phi-Epsilon Chapter of the Phi Alpha Theta (PAT) National History Honor Society. In cooperation with the W.E.B. DuBois History Club, the PAT chapter hosted its First Annual Guest Lecture on March 22, 2006,

featuring a presentation on “Violence In Reconstruction Texas” by **Dr. James M. Smallwood,** Professor Emeritus, Oklahoma State University, and the author or co-author of more than a dozen books. ☉

Recent publications

Michael Nojeim, “Gandhi and King: A Comparison,” *International Third World Studies Journal & Review*, Volume 16 (2005), p. 25-36;

Kenneth W. Howell, “When the Rabble Hiss, Well May Patriots Tremble: James Webb Throckmorton and the Secession Movement in Texas, 1854-1861,” *Southwestern Historical Quarterly* (April 2006);

Daniel Kendie, *The Five Dimensions of the Eritrean Conflict 1941-2004: Deciphering the Geo-Political Puzzle* (Signature Book Printing, 2005);

Andrew I.E. Ewoh (with **Professor Euel W. Elliott** at the University of Texas-Dallas), “Beyond Gratz and Grutter: Prospects for Affirmative Action in the Aftermath of the Supreme Court’s Michigan Decisions,” *Review of Policy Research*, vol. 22, no. 4 (July 2005); and

Steven H. Wilson, “Still ‘White’ After All These Years: Mexican Americans and the Politics of Racial Classification in the Federal Judicial Bureaucracy, Twenty-Five Years after Hernández v. Texas,” in *“Colored Men and Hombres Aqui”:* *Hernández v. Texas* and the Emergence of Mexican American Lawyering, Michael A. Olivas, ed. (Houston, TX: Arte Publico Press, 2006).



Homecoming

Homecoming 2005 was one truly to remember for the NROTC unit at PVAMU. Two alumni from the first two graduating classes, both of whom have advanced to the rank of flag officer, were able to take time out of their busy schedules and return to Prairie View to take part in the festivities. **Vice Admiral David L. Brewer** ('70) and **Rear Admiral Ossie V. Combs** ('71) rode in the NROTC float during the homecoming parade, and VADM Brewer handed off the game ball to commence the homecoming



football game. Vice Admiral Brewer is currently the Commander of Military Sealift Command (MSC), which operates more than 100 ships daily, numerous shore facilities, and employs more than 8,000 people to fulfill its mission

to provide transportation of equipment, fuel, supplies, and ammunition to sustain U.S. forces worldwide, during peacetime as well as in war. Vice Admiral Brewer’s personal decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, three Legion of Merit awards, two Meritorious Service Medals, and the Navy Achievement Medal. Vice Admiral Brewer will be retiring in March.



navy’s newest submarines, the technologically advanced SEAWOLF. Among his personal achievements are the PVAMU Outstanding Senior Engineer

award, and the Texas Society of Professional Engineers’ Outstanding Student Engineer of the Year award. In 1990, Career Communications Group recognized Rear Admiral Combs for his technical excellence, naming him as the Outstanding Engineer of the Year. It is always an honor to have the Admirals return to speak and spend time with the nation’s future naval officers. ☉

Hurricane Katrina Relief

Hurricane Katrina forced thousands to flee the Gulf Coast, and left many evacuees without clothing, food, and shelter. As was widely reported, Houston and surrounding communities opened numerous shelters to



MIDN 4/C Figgins, MIDN 3/C Edon, and OC Garcia fold clothes needed by the evacuees.

Always Ready to Lend a Helping Hand

accommodate the evacuees. One of the main shelters, the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston, registered more than 28,000 evacuees for shelter and other relief services, and actually housed more than 5,000. Since September 2, 2005, when the first bus of evacuees arrived, more than 18,300 volunteers kept the operations going 24-hours a day.

The Midshipmen of PVAMU NROTC were among the thousands who volunteered. They organized supplies, helped evacuees get situated, and performed other needed tasks. Services in the shelter included a full-service ambulatory medical facility and pharmacy, Red Cross, FEMA, and Work Source offices, expert help with food stamps, school registration, housing, post office, and banking services. Evacuees also had access to a dining hall serving three meals a day, a children’s play area, an internet café, and various entertainment and informational programs.

Officer Candidate Garcia, a member of NROTC, explained that: “We just wanted to do our part to help those that had lost it all.” ☉



Students Work with Faculty at National Science Research Conferences

PVAMU students **Mercy Dickson**, **Beatrice Ndonge**, and **Windlyne DeLouis** received top awards for their poster presentation of their summer research, at the 5th Annual Biomedical Research Conference for Minority Students (ABRCMS), held in Atlanta, GA, November 2-6, 2005.

Through the Leadership Alliance Program, senior Biology major and former Project EXPORT participant, Mercy Dickson was accepted to a summer research program in the Department of Neuroscience and Psychiatry at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. Dickson won in the Neuroscience division after presenting her research project "NARP, A Neuronal Pentraxin Family Member, is Present in Serum and Regulated by Endotoxin." Beatrice Ndonge, a pre-nursing major, and Windlyne DeLouis, a Biology major, both sophomores at Houston Community College, were accepted into PVAMU's summer 2005 10-week Bridging the Gap to the Baccalaureate Degree (BGBD). Ms. Ndonge, mentored by BGBD director **Dr. E. Gloria Regisford**, investigated the "Effects of a High Soy Diet on Serum Levels of Genistein and Testosterone in Prostate Cancer Survivors," which



she presented and won in the division of Cell and Developmental Biology. Under the tutelage of **Dr. Aderemi Oki**, Professor and Head, Chemistry Department at PVAMU, Ms. DeLouis investigated the "Synthesis of Microporous Metal-Oxides as Template for Bone Cells," which she presented and won in the Chemical Sciences Division.

In February 2006, seventeen students from the departments of Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics and Engineering accompanied by Drs. Regisford, **Laura Carson** and **Kelvin Kirby** attended the HBCU-UP Research Conference in Baltimore, Maryland. PVAMU senior Biology major **Nicole Milton** won second place in the category of Molecular Biology, junior Biology major **Julian Restrepo** won second place in the category of Organismal Biology, and junior Biology and English major **Ayana Young** won third place in Environmental Biology. Ms. Milton

performed the research at the University of North Texas in "Polymorphisms of the ATP1A2 Gene: A Genetic Substrate for Racial Differences in Susceptibility to Hypertension." Mr. Restrepo did his work at Texas A&M during summer 2005, and researched "Exercise Training Enhances Agonistic-Stimulated Relaxation and Factors that Increase Nitric Oxide Productions in Coronary Arteries from Chronically Occluded Hearts."

Young, a former BGBD student who transferred to PVAMU, is currently in Dr. Regisford's lab working on the research project "Chitosan Effects on Ovarian Cancer Cell Lines."



The BGBD program engages students from the HCC system in biomedical research at PVAMU for 10 weeks during

the summer. Project EXPORT is a collaborative research training program between PVAMU and the Center for Research in Minority Health (CRMH), M.D. Anderson Cancer Center that encourages Prairie View students to become engaged in biomedical research. Both programs are directed by Dr. E. Gloria C. Regisford, Associate Professor of Biology, and coordinated by Dr. Laura Carson Research Scientist, Cooperative Agricultural Research Center at PVAMU. These successes at national conferences have shown that science research and the research-based programs, Project Export and BGBD at PVAMU uphold Prairie View A&M University's motto: Prairie View Produces Productive People. ☉

Research & Scholarship



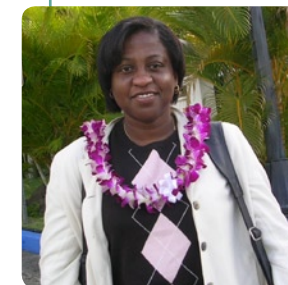
Human Genome Seminars

The Department continued its successful Human Genomics Seminars on September 20, 2005, with "Understanding the Role of Pharmacotherapy in Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities," a talk by **Jerome Wilson, Ph.D.**, Associate Director for Scientific Program Operations, National Institutes of Health – National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities, on October 12, 2005, with "Race, Genetic Ancestry, and Health Disparities: Real or Imagined Differences," by **Rick A. Kettles, Ph.D.**, Human Cancer Genetics Program, Ohio State University; and, on February 20, 2006, with "Breast Cancer in African Americans," by **Jeff Rosen, Ph.D.**, Professor of Molecular and Cellular Biology, Baylor College of Medicine. ☉

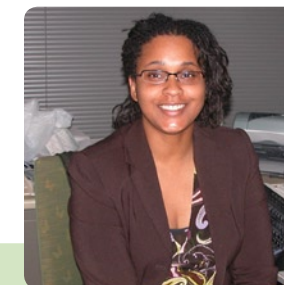
Graduate Program Revived in the Biology Dept.

In Fall 2006, the graduate program leading to a masters in Biology was revived. One focus of this program, spearheaded by **Dr. Seab Smith**, will be to allow secondary teachers to attain a graduate degree in Biology, and to improve their teaching of middle and high school students. Other programs will focus on providing students with a research-based graduate degree in Environmental Toxicology and Molecular Biology. ☉

Biology Faculty Attends Genomics Seminar in Hawaii



Dr. Regisford was invited to participate in the inaugural Network Winter 2006 seminar on "BIO 2010: From Sequence to Systematics," at Chaminade University in Hawaii. Dr. Regisford gained valuable information to improve the "Topics in Genomics" course offered in the fall semester in the Biology department. The seminar was sponsored by the Faculty Resource Network of New York University and was a part of the Leadership Alliance Partnership. ☉



Recent Publications

Vaden, D.L., Gohil, V., Gu, Z. and Greenberg, M.L. (2005) Separation of Yeast Phospholipids Using One-dimensional Thin Layer Chromatography. *Analytical Biochemistry* 338 (1): 162 - 164.

Shi, Y., Vaden, D.L., and Greenberg, M.L (2005). Genetics Perturbation of Glycolysis Results in Inhibition of De Novo Inositol Biosynthesis. *Journal of Biological Chemistry*. 280 (51) 41805-10.

Summer Research Internships in Prostate Cancer at Baylor College of Medicine

The Department of Biology, in conjunction with the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences at Baylor College of Medicine (BCM), will provide summer research internship opportunities to study prostate cancer, which disproportionately affects African American males. The Department of Defense awarded a grant to BCM that will fund the training of five PVAMU biology majors in prostate cancer research for nine weeks during the summer. A total of fifteen students will be trained over the three year grant period. Selected students will receive a competitive stipend and gain valuable experience in conducting research at one of the most prestigious medical schools. In addition, students will have access to activities such as a daily seminar series, a GRE prep course, and activities in career, clinical, and social development. ☉



Mathematics Conferences & Presentations



In summer 2005, **Dr. Natali Hritonenko** organized committees of the International Conference on Scientific Computing of the 2005 World Congress in Applied Computing (USA), where she also organized a session “Theory and Applications of Integral and Differential Equations,” and the

International Workshop On Differential Equations And Dynamical Systems (Canada), where she organized a session “Modeling With Integral And Differential Equations.” More than 30 well-known professors from four continents participated in these sections. Dr. Hritonenko was also invited to give a talk at the Vintage Modelling in Economics and Economic Demography Workshop, European University Institute, Florence (Italy), September 2005.

Dr Shayib attended the Joint Statistical Meetings (JSM) of the American Statistical Association, August, 2005, Minneapolis, MN, and presented a paper titled: “The Impact of Parameters values and Sample Size on $P(Y<X)$; a Simulation Study, Part I.” This was under the sponsorship of Title III, at the Center for Teaching Excellence and Distance Learning, directed by **Dr. Foster**. ☺

Papers and Presentations

A total of 17 research papers were published in or submitted to professional journals, by several faculty members, including Dr. Lian, Dr. Hritonenko, **Dr. Michev, Dr. Haghighi,** and Dr. Shayib. **Dr. Pemba** co-authored a customized textbook. Since spring 2005 Dr. Hritonenko has had papers published in interdisciplinary journals such as Journal of Mathematical Biosciences, Dynamics of Continuous, Discrete and Impulsive Systems, Journal of Optimization Theory and Applications, and a paper co-authored with **Edna Campbell**, an undergraduate student. Various faculty members, including Dr. Foster, **Dr. Frazier,** Dr. Haghighi, Dr. Hritonenko, Dr. Michev, **Dr. Roberts, Dr. Lian, Dr. King,** Dr. Shayib, **Dr. Muoneke, Dr. Wetiba,** and **Dr. Butuk**, attended and/or presented research papers at twenty local, regional, national and international professional meetings. Dr. Lian and Dr. Hritonenko were successful in being awarded external funding for their grant proposals. ☺

Faculty Spotlight



Dr. Aliakbar Montazer Haghighi, Professor and head of the Mathematics Department, earned his Ph.D. from Case Western Reserve University. Dr. Haghighi's research interests are applied probability, statistics, and queueing theory. Besides his publications in journals of

mathematics, operations research, and adaptive design, he is the author of several textbooks in Farsi. He has also published translations of well-known books on mathematics and probability theory. Two of his latest grants are from the US Department of Education and the National Science Foundation. ☺

Mathematics Colloquium

On October 21, 2005, **Dr. Vera C. King** presented “THEMATICS AND ITS USEFULNESS – HOW THICK IS THE LINE?” On February 17, 2006, Dr. Jian-ao Lian presented “Multidimensional PR Filter Banks with FIR Filters.” On March 24, 2006, Dr. Freddie Frazier, Distinguished Professor of Mathematics, presented “Establishing a Foundation for Teaching Integration Theory: Order, Procedure and Techniques.” ☺

Sciences Receive Grants & New Students



Physics

Dr. Kevin Storr, principal investigator, and **Dr. Orion Ciftja**, Co-principal investigator, have been awarded a \$1.5 million, one-year grant, under the Department of Energy (DOE) National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA). PVAMU is the lead institution on this collaborative grant between PVAMU, North Carolina A&T University, and the National High Magnetic Field Laboratory (NHMFL). The research collaboration will focus its experimental and theoretical efforts on the physics of d- and f-electron materials. An important aspect of this effort is the sample fabrication and high quality crystal growth, portions of which will be carried out with guidance from **Dr. Jim Smith** and **Dr. Jason Cooley** at the Los Alamos National Laboratory, who will provide guidance, assistance and facilities during the summer. The award will serve to establish and enhance strong research opportunities at PVAMU and NCAT while extending NHMFL's currently funded Department of Energy (DOE) research that utilizes pressure, temperature, and magnetic fields to probe

Recent Publications

Xiangdong Qiu, Ananda Amarasekara, **Vasant Doctor**. “Effect of oversulfation on the chemical and biological properties of fucoidan.” *Carbohydrate Polymers* (2006), 63(2), 224-228.

Aderemi Oki, Xingdong Qiu, **Olajide Alawode**, and **Bridget Foley**. “Synthesis of organic-inorganic hybrid composite and its thermal conversions to porous bioactive glass monolith.” *Materials Letters* (2006).

the actinides and related material. A 15/16 Tesla superconducting magnet with helium-3 capability will be purchased and installed on the PVAMU campus, along with various electronics and equipment for initial measurements. Condensed matter theoretical research on the actinides is also funded. The grant will support five students at PVAMU, two students at NCAT, and six students for a summer program at NHMFL. Finally, travel funds are allocated for researchers and students to extend the collaborative research at NHMFL and the pulsed facilities at Los Alamos. Travel is also provided to conferences and extended stays during the academic year and summer. This grant proposal intended to increase the involvement of underrepresented minority scientists in cutting edge research and involve their students in science, which is crucially important to the NNSA. This collaboration will greatly add to the number of trained individuals who can eventually be hired by DOE labs to ensure our national security through research. ☺



Abstractions: Visual & Written

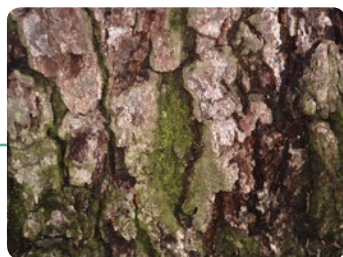
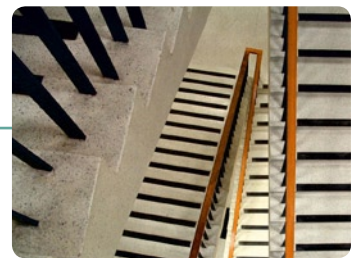


Photo: Jonathan Monroe
Words: Scherica Stewart

The beauty of God's colors mixing brought joy to the young children's eyes. The way the stroke of their hands mixed the yellows with greens and the greens joined with the brown to provide just a hint of insight into the mind of the new creation.



The forbidden love and the mother's hug.--The stairs absorbed it all. The stairs remember a newborn child -- a husband's call, A battered wife and A child crying down the hall. The strangest thing is that no one cares at all How the stairs stopped these people from their fall.

Photo: Matt Jackson
Words: Tracy Gabriel



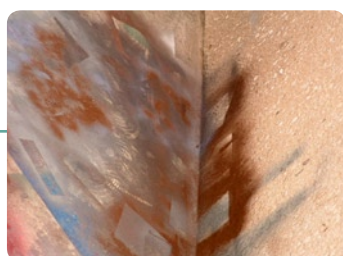
This time everything became clearer. The melted bronze had oozed to the outside and a dull yellow fire was now in the middle. . . . In the raging fire I felt something watching me on the other side of the ring. It was as if this circle was a bridge or gateway between two different worlds.

Photo: Jamaur Barnes
Words: Amin Memon



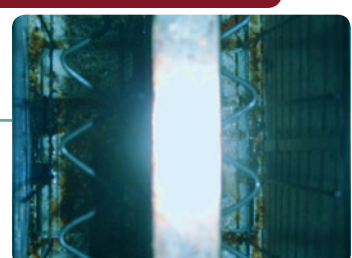
I notice the darkening of the leaves that covers the forest's ground and I also notice the cutting and destroying of the trees. Special television shows and community programs that tried to raise funds to help save the rainforest's from being destroyed by man brings memories when observing the picture.

Photo: Natalie Smith
Words: Kameco Andrews



The picture to me symbolizes two different sides of a story. The left side is filled with a lot of experience and a lot of dark detail. The dark detail symbolizes a lot of confusion and pain, but through the darkness brightness shines through and things become more apparent. All the confusion soon becomes clear...

Photo: Dustin Daniels
Words: Mary Theresa Binder



It reminds me of how clear the sky is during the summer and how beautiful water is. The town is near a dam, and lake. My grandmother used to take me and my cousins out there to swim occasionally during the summer. The Texas heat, like a toaster, can be scorching and unbearable at times.

Photo: Cheavaughn Bauggue
Words: LaDetra Raspberry

Students from English and Photojournalism once again combine their talents to produce a stirring exhibition. This is the third annual production of the *Abstractions* exhibit in Hilliard Hall. The photographs and writing will go on display in late April and a larger show, featuring selections from the past three years, will be on display next year in the John B. Coleman Library 4th floor gallery.

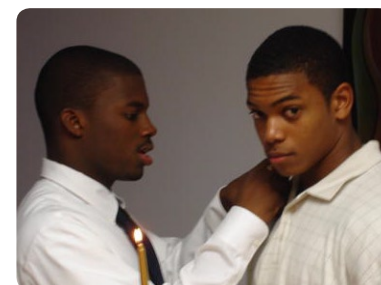
The exercise jointly developed by **Shannan Butler**, Assistant Professor of Communications, and **Antonio Jocson**, Assistant Professor of English, looks to Sigmund Freud's theory of dream interpretation for guidance. Students in Dr. Butler's class were encouraged to photograph ordinary objects from an unconventional perspective. Doctor Jocson's student's meanwhile were asked to look at the photographs and contemplate them. They were asked to consider the colors, the shapes, deliberately not trying to "figure out" the abstraction, but instead to see what the photographs remind them of and to constantly draw connections between the photograph and the memory.

Seemingly inscrutable pictures can yield exceedingly recognizable and articulate experiences that in turn shed light on salient concerns. Many people have derived insights into themselves from studying the abstract images that flash by in their dreams, and

unlike our ancestors who often saw their dreams either as divine portents or as the bizarre side-effects of indigestion, many of us today consider our dreams emotionally significant and telling, pathways that lead to what was important and continues to be. ☺

National Foreign Language Honor Society Induction

Alpha Mu Gamma, the national foreign language honor society sponsored by **Dr. Mehl Penrose**, welcomed several new members into its ranks during its fall 2005 induction ceremony held on October 31. Vice President **Richard Douglin** gave opening remarks, and Secretary **Essence Robinson** read the history and mission of Alpha Mu Gamma. Treasurer **Nichole' Liggins** and Historian **Maurice Jules** helped coordinate the event. President **Mercy Dickson** presided over the ceremony,



Vice President Richard Douglin welcomes new inductee, Yakiji Bailey

offering each new member a society pin and a candle to light, symbolizing knowledge and truth. ☺

Peer Review Day at the Writing Center

Making over fifty volunteer peer reviewers available from 10-8 p.m. at two locations on campus, the Writing Center, directed by **Dr. James M. Palmer**, coordinated what it hopes will become a yearly (or even semesterly) event. Helping students improve writing skills, reviewers identified a paper's strengths and weaknesses and suggested strategies for revising. The goal was not only to improve the piece of writing under review, but to help the writer become more successful on future writing endeavors.

Peer Review Day was organized using the assumption

that the more students write and receive constructive feedback on their work, the more their writing improves. The event clearly brought attention to the need for better writing, and faculty and staff alike appreciated the efforts at organizing the event. Indeed, many faculty continued the activities on April 3rd by holding Peer Reviews in their own classes later in the week.

Peer Review Day was sponsored by the Writing Center, University College, the Department of Languages and Communications, the National Society of Collegiate Scholars, and Sigma Tau Delta. ☺

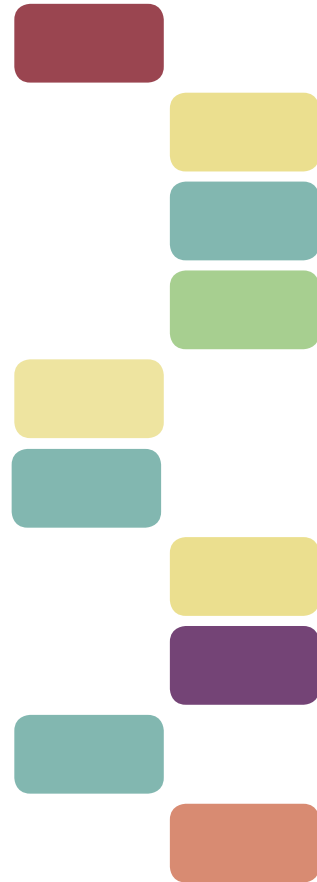
Recent Publications

James M. Palmer. "Your Malady Is No 'Sodyn Hap': Ophthalmology, Benvenutus Grassus, and January's Blindness in the Merchant's Tale," *Chaucer Review*. 41.1, 2006.

James M. Palmer. Extracts read in Middle English from the Alliterative and Stanzaic Morte Arthure. With **Alison Baker**, California State-Pomona, and **Paul Thomas**, Brigham Young University. *Chaucer Studio Recordings*, University of Adelaide and Brigham Young University.

Wakefield, Sarah R. *Folklore in British Literature: Naming and Narrating in Women's Fiction, 1750-1880*. Studies on Themes and Motifs in Literature 80. New York: Peter Lang, 2006.

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