

The Chair

After a successful Wintersession, the Spring Semester is off to a good start. Clary Loisel is already conducting the Spanish Section's Study Abroad in Mexico (see below) and Hiltrud Arens will soon be off to Berlin and Vienna with the German Section's Study Abroad program. The Russian Search is progressing well. All the sections are busy planning their schedules for the coming academic year. The construction phase for our second media room has been completed and we hope to have it fully equipped in the summer. Discussions are also underway about replacing our aging Language Lab. We are all looking forward to the challenges and rewards that the semester will no doubt bring.

French

The ~~Alliance Française of Missoula~~ will sponsor two events this month: on Feb. 5 Dr. Gérard Pommier will give a presentation "How the Neurosciences can Reveal Aspects of Psychoanalysis" in GBB 122 at 7 p.m., and on Feb. 13 Prof. Philippe Gumpowicz will give a lecture entitled "Jazz in Paris: American Musicians in Paris," also in GBB 122 at 7 p.m. Both events are in English and are free and open to the public. For further information contact Michel Valentin at 243-2301.

Ione Crummy, Congratulations to Ione, who was recently appointed co-director (along with Anya Jabour of the History Department) of the Women's Studies Program! Ione will assume her duties at the beginning of the Fall Semester.

Mladen Kozul, published the following article : « Le paradoxe du comédien de Prévost : sensibilité et jeu théâtral dans le 'Trait curieux de morale dans la conduite d'un comédien' », in Jan Herman et Paul Pelkmans (eds), *Prévost et le récit bref*, CRIN 46, 2006, p. 141-153.

German

Marlene Pichler and **Ursula Windhab**, our Austrian Fulbright TAs, were invited to attend a seminar, sponsored by the New York-based Institute of International Education, in San Diego Feb. 1-3.

Spanish

Greetings from Guanajuato! **Clary Loisel** writes: The new study abroad program is going quite well. You might be interested to know that UNESCO declared Guanajuato a World Heritage Site in 1988, which means there are no traffic lights or neon signs. Also of note is that Diego Rivera is Guanajuato's most famous "native son." I hope all is well with you.

Clary Loisel published an article entitled "Pedro Páramo desde una perspectiva feminista psicológica" in the Mexican journal *Escritos: Revista del Centro de Ciencias del Lenguaje* (31 2005 153-162).