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## The Chair

**Bob Acker:** Our semester has gotten off to a great start and our enrollments in several languages have increased significantly. My congratulations and thanks to all my colleagues who continue to make the academic needs of our students their highest priority!

## MALT

The Fall Conference of the Montana Association of Language Teachers will be held in Missoula Oct. 17-18 at Sentinel High School and the College of Technology in connection with the MEA-MFT Educators' Conference. More information can be found at the *new* MALT website: <http://www.jenmdse.net/MALT/> or at the MEA-MFT website: <http://www.mea-mft.org/edconf08.htm>. Several colleagues in the Department will be giving presentations.

## Arabic

**Khaled Huthaily** gave a presentation entitled, "Teaching Arabic as a Foreign Language Based on Phonological Knowledge" at the National Arabic Language Conference at DePaul University June 13–15, 2008. In August 2008, he developed an online 300-level Arabic language course for National University in San Diego, CA. He will give a presentation with the title "Second Language Curriculum Development" at the 2008 Educators' Conference in Missoula October 16-17, 2008.

## French

**Ione Crummy** will be presenting a paper entitled "The Wild *Berrichon* Girl: The Influence of Sydney Owenson Lady Morgan's National Tales in George Sand's Early Regional

Novels" at the 34th Annual Nineteenth-Century French Studies Colloquium, "Empire, Identity, Exoticism," at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee, October 16-18, 2008.

**Mladen Kozul** received an UM Small Grant that allowed him to carry on his research about the relationship between French and English radical Enlightenment in the second half of the 18<sup>th</sup> Century in the British Library in London, England, for a week. He published *Le Roman véritable: stratégies préfacielles au XVIIIe siècle*, in collaboration with Jan Herman and Nathalie Kremer, SVEC, Oxford, England, 2008.

## German

**Liz Ametsbichler** attended the annual conference of the German Studies Association in St. Paul, Minnesota, Oct 2-5, in her capacity as Book Review Editor for the *German Studies Review*. She was accompanied by her assistant and German graduate student **Lindsey Brandt**.

The German Club (faculty advisor **Marty Marko**) has been busy reorganizing itself and planning a variety of activities so as to include students at all levels of study.

## Italian

The Italian Club (Il Circolo italiano), under faculty advisor **Evelina Badery**, holds regular Conversation Nights for all who want to improve their Italian language skills, and Film Nights every other Thursday until Nov. 13th.

## Turkish

**Selin Bitti**, Fulbright Scholar and Instructor of Turkish, presented a Brown Bag Lecture on September 17 for the Central & Southwest Asia Program entitled, "Who Are The Turks: From Central Asia to Anatolia."