



Fantastic Faculty

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Professional Activities:

- **Mike Randolph** (Adjunct -Humanities) produced a time-lapse video of the Lyrid Meteor Shower that was requested by NBC Nightly News.
- **Jeff VandeZande's** (English) new novel, *American Poet*, won the Vernice Gross Literature Award from SVSU. Jeff and **Kathie Marchlewski** (English) are part of an ongoing campaign to restore the Roethke House in Saginaw.
- **Denise Hill, Stuart Barbier, Chey Davis and Joe Lewis** (English) presented at the 22nd Annual State of Michigan Equity Within the Classroom Conference
- **Alan Hill** (Sociology) was invited to present a public lecture at Michigan State University titled, "The UFO Movement as a Religious Movement" in April 2012.

Faculty Innovations in the Classroom

- In a community connection in the classroom, speakers from Toastmasters International visited **Connie Barber's** (BIT) PowerPoint 2010 class to discuss public speaking and use of PowerPoint as well as to introduce students to their organization.
- The Developmental Education Study Group, led by **Mary Beth Looby** (English) worked this year to stuff 50 bags with school supplies for students in need.
- **JodiAnn Stevenson** (English) coordinated a series of events for National Poetry Month, including spoken-word-artist Ann Mattison. JodiAnn Stevenson and **Jeff VandeZande** (English) gave a joint reading from Jeff's new novel, *American Poet*, which includes a shortened version of a poem from JodiAnn's new work, *Diving Headlong Into a Cliff of Our Own Delusion*.
- In celebration of LGBT Awareness month, **Lauren Smith** (English) and the student UNISON group brought the "Love Makes a Family" exhibit to the LLIC. **Mike Somers** (English) hosted a screening of Claudia Allen's film, *Hannah Free*, followed by a discussion with Ms. Allen.
- **Mike Glowacki** (Humanities) worked with his Digital Illustration class to develop a logo for Fantastic Faculty. Many thanks to Mike's students, particularly MacKenzie Daenzer, who created our new logo, unveiled this month.



Delta In the Larger Community

- **Crystal McMorris** (English) has been elected Vice President of the Saginaw Valley Torch Club, which holds lively discussions each month for professionals across the Great Lakes Bay Region.
- **Ray Lacina** (English) offered a 7-week enrichment course on the Pillars of Islam at Creative 360 in Midland.
- **Lisa Lawrason** (Political Science) spoke to students at Arthur Eddy Elementary School about hard work and preparing for college. She is giving the commencement address at North Central Michigan College May 11, 2012.