



CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- April 1: **KU Advertising Club**, with **Jeremy Ragonese**, director of marketing for Boulevard Brewing Co., 7 p.m., 202 Stauffer-Flint.
- April 2: **Information sessions on the Italy Study Abroad program**, two sessions: Noon, 105 Bailey, and 1 p.m., 100 S-F. See [www.cimbaitaly.com](http://www.cimbaitaly.com). Preferred application date is 4/15/08.
- April 3: **The Provost will meet with faculty from Journalism, Law and Social Welfare** from 4 to 5 p.m. in 3139 Wescoe.
- April 9: **Panel discussion on 21<sup>st</sup> Century Free Speech and Press: Government and Corporate Surveillance on the Internet**, with **Rick Musser**, Dennis Anderson, Joel Mathis, Bill Raney, First Amendment attorney, and Dan Winter, ACLU executive director for Kansas and Missouri, 7 p.m., Lawrence Public Library.
- April 11: **Faculty Meeting**, 11:30 a.m., 206 S-F.
- April 11: **"The Write Stuff," presentations by Ted Frederickson and Rick Musser**, 3 p.m., 100 S-F. **Frederickson** will deliver the inaugural Budig Teaching Professorship of Writing Lecture. **Musser** will speak on the importance of excellence in writing. **A retirement reception for Musser**, to honor his 32 years of service to KU, will follow at 4 p.m. in the Resource Center, 210 S-F. RSVP for the lecture and reception to Kasey Cory by April 4.
- April 13-16: **John Kirby, US Navy, spokesman for Admiral Mike Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff**, will visit with faculty and speak in classes. He will speak in two Ethics classes, Principles of Public Relations, International Journalism and the Media and the Military classes. **If you would like to have dinner with him at 6 p.m. Sunday, or Monday breakfast at 8 a.m., or lunch at 11:30 a.m., or dinner Tuesday, please contact Barbara Barnett. A FACULTY LUNCH WITH HIM WILL BE FROM 12 TO 1:30 P.M. TUESDAY, APRIL 15. RSVP to Kasey Cory.**
- April 18: **Media and the Law Seminar: Government Curbs on Free Speech**, at InterContinental Kansas City at the Plaza. Contact KU Continuing Education.
- April 29: **School Awards & Scholarships Ceremony**, 4 p.m., Woodruff Auditorium, followed by a reception in the Big 12 Room.
- May 3: **Kansas Scholastic Press Association State competition and annual meeting.**
- May 8: **Last day of classes.**
- May 16: **Finals end.**
- May 17: **Journalism Graduate Recognition Ceremony**, 8:30 a.m., Lied Center,
- May 18: **KU Commencement.**
- June 15-19: **Kansas Journalism Institute** for high school journalists and teachers.

**FACULTY NEWS:**

- **David Perlmutter** spoke March 26 to the “Grand Rounds” Public Health seminar at the KU Medical School on “Paging Dr. Blog! Non-Traditional Sources of Health Information.” The program was simulcast to online participants at Kansas public health departments in several counties.
- **Simran Sethi** will moderate a panel on the green redesign of tornado-devastated Greensburg on April 17 at the Scarritt Building ballroom, 818 Grand Blvd., Kansas City, MO. BNIM Architects planner Stephen Hardy and Greentown director Daniel Wallach will speak on how design can positively affect a whole city. Reception will begin at 5:30 p.m., with the panel discussion from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Proceeds from the event will go to Greensburg Greentown, a non-profit instrumental in rebuilding the town of about 1,400 residents.
- **Rick Musser** hosted a delegation of German professionals interested in convergence and new media on March 27. The group, sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, included Julia Bonstein, editor, economics desk, *Der Spiegel*, Hamburg; Dr. Arne Ackerman, director, Leipzig public library; and Joerg Wiesner, chief producer, MDR Sputnik youth radio, Halle. The group also toured the converged media operations at the *Lawrence Journal-World*.
- **Kerry Benson** gave a guest lecture on news release writing to Bonnie Johnson’s graduate class in urban planning in the School of Architecture March 13.
- **Research Roundtables** will be held on Wednesdays April 9 and May 7, from 12:30 to 1:30 in 104 S-F.

**CENTER FOR TEACHING EXCELLENCE:**

“**Difficult Dialogues: Transforming Controversy into Teachable Moments,**” a workshop for faculty, sponsored by the Office of Student Success and other units, will be held from 1 to 2:30 p.m., April 11, in the Sabatini Multicultural Resource Center classroom. Reserve a place by contacting the Center for Teaching Excellence at [cte@ku.edu](mailto:cte@ku.edu) or 864-4199. The MU Interactive Theatre Troupe will involve the audience in exploring challenging teaching situations such as a student argument on a controversial topic such as race, stem-cell research, abortion or evolution in a safe space.

**FORT LEAVENWORTH EVENT:**

The School of Journalism hosted a reception March 25 at Fort Leavenworth for students enrolled in KU’s Media and the Military course. The course, which is designed to improve press-military relations, includes students from KU and officers attending the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College. **Dean Ann Brill, Prof. Barbara Barnett** and **Jennifer Kinnard**, communications coordinator, attended, along with six KU students in the course, Kelly Clark, Austin Falley, Matt Goble, Kathleen Powers, Bryan Wheeler and Song Yi. Rauf Arif attended for KUJH-TV. They met with the 16 officers enrolled in the course who are learning about news writing, public relations and blogging. **Brill** and **Barnett** met with Lt. Gen. William Caldwell, CGSC commandant, to discuss future collaborative efforts including a “boot camp” for reporters interested in covering the military. The McCormick Tribune Foundation is funding KU’s work with Fort Leavenworth. *Pictured above are Caldwell, Barnett and Brill.*

**FACULTY OPPORTUNITIES:**

The Center for Service Learning will have a program to introduce and prepare faculty to offer Service Learning courses 8:30-11 and 11:30-2, April 4, in the Relays Room of the Burge Union.

**STUDENT NEWS:**

**Kansan.com** is one of nine daily Online Pacemaker finalists in the Associated Collegiate Press competition. Other finalists among four-year dailies are from the following universities: Illinois, Eastern Illinois, Indiana, Syracuse, Kent State, Penn State, Texas and Virginia Tech. Winners will be announced at the National College Media Convention, October 29-November 2, in Kansas City.

**CAREER CENTER:**

On April 8, representatives of the **Topeka Capital-Journal** will interview candidates for a **general assignment reporter to be a content provider for its page two news** that includes a mix of opinion, news and interactive features such as polls and contests. The reporter will write five to seven centerpiece stories a week, along with other items and occasional stories for other parts of the newspaper. The interviewers will be Kurt Caywood, director of audience development, and Ric Anderson, columnist.

**VISITING PROFESSIONALS:**

- **Ken Bauer**, promotions director for Channel 46, the CBS affiliate in Atlanta, spoke to the Message Development class about creating broadcast promotions on March 13.
- Podcaster **Rob Walch** spoke to the Journalism and Youth class March 10 on podcasting for both news/information and strategic communications.
- **Ron Howard**, of the United Way of Greater Kansas City, spoke on non-profit public relations Feb. 26 to PRSSA.

**STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES:**

**Notices of scholarships provided by organizations outside the School are posted on the bulletin boards by 202 S-F and in the Resource Room and Dole.**

**Internships:**

- The **Asian American Journalists Association** offers **two summer internships with NBC** in New York City. There is a stipend of \$500 a week for 10 weeks. **The application deadline is April 11.** See [www.aaja.org/programs/forstudents/internships/#nbcsummer](http://www.aaja.org/programs/forstudents/internships/#nbcsummer).
- **Wick Communications**, of Sierra Vista, Arizona, offers a paid summer internship. For more information, see [www.wickcommunications.com](http://www.wickcommunications.com).

**Scholarships:**

- **The Kansas Chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists** awards \$10,000 in scholarships to journalism students in the state. Some are designated for print news, some for broadcast and for minority journalists. Obtain an application at [www.spj.org/kansas](http://www.spj.org/kansas) or from the dean's office, 200 S-F. **APPLICATION DEADLINE: APRIL 5.**
- **The ASIAN AMERICAN JOURNALISTS ASSOCIATION** offers two **grants for students studying broadcast journalism**. The **Sam Chu Lin grant** of \$2,500 will be used to defray the cost of living for a student who already has obtained an **internship** with no or low pay. The **Lloyd LaCuesta Scholarship** of \$2,500 is for school expenses. **DEADLINE: APRIL 25.** For information and application, see: [www.aaja.org/programs/forstudents/internships/#internshipgrantbroadcast](http://www.aaja.org/programs/forstudents/internships/#internshipgrantbroadcast).

**Competition:**

- **Rolling Stone college journalism competition** seeks entries in entertainment reporting, essays and criticism and feature writing that have been published in a student newspaper or magazine between June 1, 2007 and May 30, 2008. **DEADLINE: JUNE 15.** Mail entries to College Journalism Competition, c/o Rolling Stone, 1290 Avenue of the Americas, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, New York, NY 10104.

**Olympics conference:**

- **The United States Olympic Committee** will host a conference for college students chosen for its F.L.A.M.E. (Finding Leaders Among Minorities Everywhere) program, June 4-7, in Colorado Springs. Travel and all expenses are covered. The application deadline is April 11. See flame@usoc.org or call Erica Hutchinson at (719) 866-4604.

**ALUMNI NEWS:**

**Tiffany Hurt**, 1994, will become a page designer at the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* in April. She is moving from the *St. Petersburg Times*, where she has been a page designer for two years. She spent more than 12 years at the *News-Press* in Fort Myers, Florida, where she was a copy editor, assistant news editor and page designer.

**DEATHS:**

- **Cleo O. Norris**, 1946, of Kansas City, Missouri, died January 24.
- **Rev. Glenn L. Amend**, 1948, of Caldwell, died March 9.