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Although Professor Fitz Smith refers to the French Revolution in many of his classes, he wasn't entirely prepared for his recent summons to the Bastille on the 5th of April. Visiting Paris for the Easter holiday, Fitz's wife, Hester, went into labor three weeks early, and she delivered their first son, Edward Caspar Westley Smith, in Hopital Saint Antoine, one of Paris's many maternity wards founded just after the French



Thursday, September 9

Speakeasy: Magazine Launch
Party
Ness Auditorium 4 P.M.

Thursday, September 23

Jonathan Safran Foer Q & A
Ness Auditorium 4 P.M.

Wednesday, October 6

Shannon Thomas: Am I crazy
to be thinking about Graduate
School in English?
Hollenbeck 131 4 P.M.

Thursday, November 11

SAGE presents The List
Founder's Pub/ Time TBA

Thursday, February 10

Patrick Johnson presents
Sweet Tea: An Oral History of

(On sabbatical in the fall of 2010)

planned to spend October at the Ucross Ranch, a 20,000-acre working cattle ranch near Sheridan, Wyo. The Ucross Foundation Residency Program offers time and space to a handful of competitively selected artists throughout the year. She was working on a series of essays and a novel. D'Arcy's essay *The Plot Thickens*, was recently featured in the online literary magazine, *The Final Draft* (<http://www.the-final-draft.com>).

Bob Davis was honored as Alpha Delta Pi's Professor of the Month (for February) and also chosen as an Honorary Class Member by the class of 2010. Bob is continuing work on his book, *_____*. He has completed chapters on Anne Sexton and Thomas Merton and hopes to write a new chapter this summer on Mary Oliver. Bob is even more proud of the recent accomplishments of his daughters Hanna and Emily. Emily graduated with honors from Stanford in April 2009, and her honors project— *Bearing Witness: Voice and Spirituality in Early American Women Writers*—won the undergraduate research award from the Stanford English department. Hannah is finishing her first year at St. Olaf College in Northfield MN, where she's part of their *Great Conversations* seminar—an interdisciplinary honors program for first-year students.

Lori Askeland gave a presentation entitled "Phillis Wheatley, Samson Occom and the Writings of Contemporary Transracial Adoptees: 'Outsiders Within' Resisting White Hegemony" at the 6th Black Atlantic Community Conference at Central State University, on April 8th, 2010, and she attended the 3rd Annual Adoption and Culture Conference at MIT. She continues directing the Women's Studies Program, and serving on several boards, including the Village Council for Yellow Springs, the Springfield Leadership Council for Planned Parenthood, as well as remaining the Wittenberg faculty representative to the Lilly Fellows Program (LFP). Lori urges any current Juniors or recent graduates who are thinking of returning to school for a PhD in the Humanities, with the hope of possibly teaching at a church-related school like Wittenberg, to contact her about the LFP (Lilly Fellows Program) Graduate Program Fellowship grants.

Rick Incorvati is at work on the program for a British Studies conference that will land in Cleveland next October, and he's spending some time as interim book review editor for the *Keats-Shelley Journal*. In teaching, he'll be stretching himself next fall by teaching a course on literature by gay and lesbian writers (a first for him and for Wittenberg). In his leisure time, he's been happily swapping Steve Earle and Tom Petty cd's with Mike Mattison, and John Prine and Dave Alvin records with Mac McClelland.

Elizabeth Eshelman Moes is teaching composition at a local community college. She currently teaches on Tuesdays and Thursdays, which gives her time to balance writing and teaching. Elizabeth has an article in the current issue of *Writers Chronicle*, discussing the

Brad Folta, '10, is serving with the Peace Corps in Kazakhstan, teaching English classes at a secondary school .

Matt Wickiser, '10, has been hired by Book Travelers West to cover the Rocky Mountain region.

Pamela Deselem is the proud mother of Baylor Deselem. He won a steer in the Clark County Fair Calf Scramble (Baylor is the fourth in their family to participate and receive a calf in this grueling event). The event involves putting the halter on the steer correctly, then bringing it to the winner's circle. The steer, named Rambo, is now being raised on Deselem Family Farms.

Jeremy Glazier is a regular music critic, writing about contemporary classical music for an interdisciplinary Spanish-language arts and culture magazine called . He was also the recipient of the "individual artist award," given