Hello/Hola/Salut from the Department of Language, Literature, & Cultural Studies!

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# 1) PROFESSOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS



**Professor Hoke Glover's** collection of poems *One Shoe Marching Towards Heaven* was recently published by Africa World Press.

Over the summer, Grace Cavalieri, the Poet Laureate of Maryland, interviewed **Professor Glover** and **Dr. Monifa Love** for the Library of Congress's radio program *The Poet and the Poem*.

To hear Professor Glover (Bro Yao)'s interview and reading, please visit <a href="https://www.gracecavalieri.com/images/Brother%20Yao%20Hoke%20Glover%20II">https://www.gracecavalieri.com/images/Brother%20Yao%20Hoke%20Glover%20II</a> <a href="https://www.gracecavalieri.com/images/Brother%20Yao%20Hoke%20Glover%20II">https://www.gracecavalieri.com/images/Brother%20Yao%20Hoke%20Glover%20II</a>

To hear Dr. Love's interview and reading, please visit <a href="https://www.gracecavalieri.com/poetLaureates/featuredpoet\_drlonifalove.html">https://www.gracecavalieri.com/poetLaureates/featuredpoet\_drlonifalove.html</a>

2) NEW Internship Opportunity: Congressman Steny Hoyer's Office



The Washington, DC; White Plains, Maryland; and Greenbelt, Maryland offices of US Congressman Steny Hoyer's Washington have internship opportunities available for college students. Although all internships are unpaid, students gain invaluable work experience. The hours are flexible to accommodate students' hectic course schedules, but generally run 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. when Congress is in session, and 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. when it is not in session.

Interns will be asked to answer phones, run errands, research legislation for the Member and legislative staff, attend hearings and briefings, and answer constituent letters on various issues before the House. As a result, interns learn about the legislative process and the many other functions of Congressional office. An internship is a valuable opportunity to see how a Congressional office functions and to contribute to our efforts to serve and represent the 5th District of Maryland.

Please send a resume and cover letter indicating the semester to which you are applying and the days of the week you will be available 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Please email your information to Hoyer.internships@mail.house.gov.

# 3) GUEST LECTURER EVENT: ADVOCATING AND LEGISLATING FOR CHANGE



Zoom Link: <a href="https://bowiestate.zoom.us/j/98970943479">https://bowiestate.zoom.us/j/98970943479</a>

#### 4) CARIBBEAN WORD OF THE WEEK



Each week Dr. Kim Evelyn's ENGL 326: Literature of the Caribbean class brings you a Caribbean word and describes where and how it's used. This week's word is brought to by English major **Kristen Harcum**.

# Hag (Haiti)

Hag is used as a verb in this particular tense, it can also be a noun. In the verbal sense, hag means "To set a bewitching spirit (on a person or a house). To cast an evil spell on. To pester; to harass."

Example: Don't go to the haunted mansion or you'll get hagged!

# 5) REGISTER TO VOTE - DEADLINE: OCTOBER 13



The deadline to register online to vote for the November 3 Presidential Election is October 13 in Maryland.

# Register to vote in

Maryland: <a href="https://voterservices.elections.maryland.gov/OnlineVoterRegistration/Instruct">https://voterservices.elections.maryland.gov/OnlineVoterRegistration/Instruct</a> ionsStep1

# Request a mail-in ballot in Maryland:

https://voterservices.elections.maryland.gov/onlinemailinrequest/InstructionsStep1

Register to vote in Maryland and in other states: vote.org

You can still register at the polls on election day with proper ID.

# 6) HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH CONTESTS



- 1. What is the name of the Afro-Cuban religion that mixes beliefs and customs of the Yoruba people with elements of Catholicism?
- 2. In 1922, Adelina Otero was the first Hispanic woman to run for U.S. Congress. From which state was Otero?
- 3. Mangú (boiled plantains mashed with butter and topped with sautéed red onions) is a traditional dish in which Caribbean country?
- Africa has three Spanish-speaking regions. Name the two Spanish city-states and one independent country that use Spanish as their official language.
- 5.¿Qué autor dominicano-estadounidense ganó el premio Pulitzer de ficción por la novela The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao?

Submit answers to hsierra@bowiestate.edu by October 15.
1st Place: \$50 gift card for the BSU Bookstore
2nd Place: \$25 gift card for the BSU Bookstore.



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# 7) SIGMA TAU DELTA



Sigma Tau Delta is always looking to welcome new members.

# Membership Requirements:

- •Candidates for undergraduate membership must have completed a minimum of two college courses in English language or literature beyond the usual requirements in freshman English. The candidate must have a minimum of a B or equivalent average in English and in general scholarship and must have completed at least three semesters or five quarters of college course work. Candidates for undergraduate membership need not be majoring or minoring in the discipline of English.
- •Candidates for graduate membership who did not hold undergraduate membership must be enrolled in a graduate program in English or one of its specializations, have completed six semester hours of graduate work or the equivalent, and have a minimum grade point average of 3.3 on a 4.0 scale.

•Lifetime Membership Fee: \$80. \$40 goes to the Nu Nu chapter, which will bestow you with Honor Cords and a Medallion at your Induction Ceremony that you can wear during graduation. The other \$45 goes to Sigma Tau Delta's national office, which will supply you with your Sigma Tau Delta society pin and certificate. The fee must be paid in cash.

To learn more about Membership Benefits, please click here: http://english.org/members/benefits.shtml

If you are interested in becoming a member, please e-mail hsierra@bowiestate.edu

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