Community and Campus Engagement and Academic Outreach

Students in a **Spanish 223 course** with a focus on intensive medical Spanish, taught by Jae Resendes, worked on translating a list of the phrases most commonly used in the school clinic at the Beaumont Magnet Academy. Beaumont is an urban elementary school located only a couple of miles from UT's campus with a significant Hispanic population. The list of phrases was provided by Chantelle Williams, the Registered Nurse (RN) on staff at Beaumont Magnet Academy. Williams plans to share this guide with all of the other nurses in Knox County Schools. Students in the Spanish 223 class were very pleased to be able to provide this service to local schools and they hope it will come in handy.

The **UT AuthorFest** series continued this year with a **Goethe Festival** in November 2015 and a **Melville Festival** hosted by the Department of English in April 2016. The Goethe Festival provided an opportunity for the German section to showcase its faculty and students and to invite Heather Sullivan, professor of German and Comparative Literature at Trinity University in Texas to present a keynote lecture entitled "Goethe and the Anthropocene," which brought together topics in the humanities and STEM fields. During the festival nearly 200 students, faculty, and community members attended film screenings, panel discussions, performances, and lectures introducing Johann Wolfgang von Goethe to the UT community.

The Melville Festival in April 2016 featured panel discussions, a community reading of "Bartleby, the Scrivener," a keynote address by John Bryant, Professor Emeritus of English and Director of the Hofstra Digital Research Center, Hofstra University, and a staged reading of Moby Dick at the Relix Variety Theater, complete with costumes and chowder! The AuthorFest series will continue next year with a Clarice Lispector Festival in fall 2016 and a Jane Austen Festival in spring 2017.

Graduate students BŽatrice Flamenbaum, Joanna Merkel, Nicolas Portugal, and Adrien Lievin joined by MFLL faculty, Mary McAlpin and SŽbastien Dubreil, in a panel featured in this year's **Sex Week. "Ooh la la: French Sexuality"** (April 5, 2016) which included talks on sex education in France, comparative dating practices, and more. Combined with the delicious French food provided by the organizers of Sex Week, the sparkling presentations made for a fun and instructive time.

In spring 2016, the **German program featured a lecture series** on the topic "Social Justice and the Media," organized by Maria Stehle. This series featured lectures by Reyhan Sahin on "Strategies of Virtual Empowerment: Muslim University Students on German Facebook" and Faye Stewart. Stewart's lecture, on April 14, was titled "Into Herzog's Abyss: Transatlantic Perspectives on the Death Penalty" and was accompanied by a screening of Werner Herzog's film Into the Abyss: A Tale of Death, A Tale of Life on April 12.

The **Italian Club** organized numerous service and outreach activities this year. In fall 2015, Paige Winter, an Italian major, spent Thursday afternoons teaching Italian to third graders at Farragut Elementary School. In November, the Italian Club was invited to celebrate an Italian day with Farragut Intermediate School. Club members brought food and provided activities of games, dress-up, and simple language. Club members also sang Italian Christmas Carols at Autumn Care Assisted Living and baked sweets for the residents. Additionally, Italian Club students did a fundraiser through a Percentage night, to donate gifts in the form of Italian books and themed toys to Children's Hospital. The hospital called this the "Italian Angel Tree", and we hope to be able to sponsor this annually going forward. Finally, in March 2016 Italian minors and club members volunteered at the UT Early learning Center and introduced four-year ar olds to Italian language and culture.

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