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"Publishing on the Web: Differing Approaches and Experiences," EC/ASECS, Rosemont, Penna.,
18 October 2002.

"Teaching the Electronic Eighteenth Century," NEASECS, New York City, 17 October 2002.

"Justifying a Third Edition of the *Cambridge Bibliography of English Literature*: What's New, What's
Needed, What's Not?" ASECS, New Orleans, April 2001.

"Getting New Tricks out of Old Dogs: Approaches to Teaching the Eighteenth Century,"
NEASECS, Boston, 12 December 1997.

Invited Addresses and Public Lectures

“The Dean Is Dead: Jonathan Swift on the Art of Satire,” South Orange–Maplewood Adult School College for a Day, 25 April 2009.

Reading from *Twelfth Night*, for Authors of Mischief: Banned Books Week, Celebrating the Freedom to Read, Rosenbach Museum & Library, Philadelphia, 5 October 2008.

“The Politics of Shakespeare, the Shakespeare of Politics,” the English Speaking Union of Red Bank, New Jersey, 17 February 2008.

“The Second Coolest Man in the World,” conference to Honor John Richetti, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, 21 September 2007.

“*Becoming Shakespeare*,” Rosenbach Museum & Library, Philadelphia, 19 September 2007.

“*Becoming Shakespeare*,” University at Buffalo, State University of New York Meet the Author Series, 18 June 2007.

“Disgraced by Miscarriage: Four and a Half Centuries of Lexicographical Belligerence,” opening reception to the exhibition “Everything from A to Z: The Edward J. Bloustein Dictionary Collection,” Alexander Library, New Brunswick, 6 February 2007.

“The Truth, the Whole Truth, and Anything but the Truth: What Can You Say about William Henry Ireland?” first annual David Hosford Lecture, Rutgers University–Newark, 11 April 2005. Repeated at the English Speaking Union of Princeton, 17 April 2005; the English Speaking Union of Naples, Florida, 17 January 2006; the English Speaking Union of New Brunswick, New Jersey, 4 February 2006; and the English Speaking Union of Greenwich, Connecticut, 15 February 2008.

“Making Shakespeare,” U.S. Military Academy, West Point, 8 April 2005.

“Reading Johnson’s Unreadable *Dictionary*,” Boston Athenæum, 15 January 2004.

“Johnson’s *Dictionary* Lays Down the Law,” the Athenæum of Philadelphia, 12 April 2004. Repeated at the National Archives, Washington, D.C., 29 April 2004; the English Speaking Union of New Brunswick, New Jersey, 4 November 2006; and the English Speaking Union of Princeton, 5 October 2008.

“What’s in a Name? Shakespeare’s Strange Afterlife,” Rosenbach Museum & Library, Philadelphia, 13 December 2002.

“Shakespeare, Shylock, and the Spectacle of Anti-Semitism,” address to the American Jewish Committee, Rosenbach Museum & Library, Philadelphia, 13 October 2002.

“*Splendide Mendax*: Fakes and Fakers in the Age of Johnson,” The Eighteenth-Century Semester, Providence College, 16 March 1999.

“Brave New Worlds: A Brief History of Twenty-First-Century Literature,” address to the Cum Laude Society assembly at Chestnut Hill Academy, Philadelphia, 11 April 1996.

Panels Chaired

- "Chaucer and Shakespeare in the Eighteenth Century," BSECS, 7 January 2009.
- "The Languages of Literature," ASECS, Portland, Oregon, 30 March 2008.
- "Johnson's *Dictionary*," ISECS, Los Angeles, 3–10 August 2003.
- "Improving Opinion into Knowledge: Literary Criticism in the Eighteenth Century," ASECS, Philadelphia, 15 April 2000.
- "Slow Rises Worth: Johnson and Poverty," ASECS, Milwaukee, 25 April 1999.
- "The Internet, Electronic Resources, and Electronic Publishing in Eighteenth-Century Studies," ASECS, Notre Dame, 3 April 1998.

MEDIA APPEARANCES

Television

- Samuel Johnson: The Dictionary Man*, BBC Four, 26–27 June 2006. Brief interview in one-hour documentary.
- "Reading Johnson's Unreadable *Dictionary*," *Book TV*, C-SPAN 2, 31 Jan. 2004, repeated 8 and 22 Feb. and 22 March 2004. One-hour lecture.

Radio

- The Joy Cardin Show*, Wisconsin Public Radio, 14 December 2009 (forthcoming). Twenty-minute live segment on *The Lexicographer's Dilemma*.
- A Way with Words* with Martha Barnette and Grant Barrett, NPR, 2 December 2009 (forthcoming). Twenty-minute recorded segment on *The Lexicographer's Dilemma*.
- These Days* with Maureen Cavanaugh, KPBS-FM, San Diego, 1 December 2009 (forthcoming). Forty-minute live segment on *The Lexicographer's Dilemma*.
- I Hear American Talking* with Ralph Collier, WRDV-FM, Philadelphia, 25 November 2009 (forthcoming). Half-hour recorded segment on *The Lexicographer's Dilemma*.
- The Morning Show* with Errol Louis, WWRL-AM, New York City, 27 August 2009. Half-hour live segment on the English language.
- Talking History* with Patrick Geoghegan and Lindsey Earner-Byrne, NewsTalk, Ireland, 25 May 2008. Ten-minute recorded segment.
- The Afternoon Magazine* with Celeste Quinn, WILL-AM, Urbana, Ill., 24 August 2007. Ten-minute live segment on *Becoming Shakespeare*.
- Think* with Krys Boyd, KERA-FM, Dallas, 18 June 2007. One-hour live broadcast on *Becoming Shakespeare*.

Holder Tonight with Peter Anthony Holder, CJAD-FM, Montreal, 3 July 2007. Half-hour live broadcast on *Becoming Shakespeare*.

Meet the Author with Bert Gambini, WBFO, Buffalo, 18 June 2007. One-hour live broadcast on *Becoming Shakespeare*.

Midnight Bookworm with Vin Smith, CRN Digital Talk and National Radio Network, 20 May 2006. One-hour recorded program on Shakespeare.

These Days with Tom Fudge, KPBS, San Diego, 14 April 2005. Twenty-minute live segment.

A Way with Words with Martha Barnette, NPR, 9 April 2005. Twenty-minute recorded segment.

The Brad Davis Show, WDRC-AM, Hartford, 29 Sept. 2004. Ten-minute live segment on *Samuel Johnson's Insults*.

The Tom Pope Show, Powernomics Radio, Washington, D.C., 29 Sept. 2004. Ten-minute live segment on *Samuel Johnson's Insults*.

The Larry George Show, KUIK-AM, Portland, Ore., 20 Sept. 2004. Ten-minute live segment on *Samuel Johnson's Insults*.

The Jerry Bowyer Show, WPTT-AM, Pittsburgh, 16 Sept. 2004. Fifteen-minute live segment on *Samuel Johnson's Insults*.

The Kevin McCarthy Show, KMSR-AM, Dallas, 15 Sept. 2004. Twenty-minute live segment on *Samuel Johnson's Insults*.

The Alex Bennett Show, Sirius Satellite Radio, 10 Sept. 2004. Twenty-minute live segment on *Samuel Johnson's Insults*.

Total Information AM with Doug McElvin and Debbie Monterey, KMOX-AM, St. Louis, 10 Sept. 2004. Five-minute live segment on *Samuel Johnson's Insults*.

Morning Report with Don Lancer, KYW-AM, Philadelphia, 9 Sept. 2004. Five-minute recorded segment on *Samuel Johnson's Insults*.

AM 920 Magazine with Dan Skinner, WBAA-FM, West Lafayette, Ind., 8 Sept. 2004. Ten-minute recorded segment on *Samuel Johnson's Insults*.

The Right Balance with Greg Allen, Accent Radio National Network, 8 Sept. 2004. Twenty-minute live segment on *Samuel Johnson's Insults*.

Midday Show with McGraw Milhaven, KTRS-AM, St. Louis, 3 Sept. 2004. Fifteen-minute live segment on *Samuel Johnson's Insults*.

Daybreak USA with Richard Stevens, USA Network, 3 Sept. 2004. Ten-minute live segment on *Samuel Johnson's Insults*.

At Your Service with Bill Darwin, WTRC-AM, South Bend, Ind., 1 Sept. 2004. Half-hour live program on *Samuel Johnson's Insults*.

Cable Talk with Jack Roberts, Cable Radio Network, 1 Sept. 2004. Five-minute live segment on *Samuel Johnson's Insults*.

America in the Morning with Jim Bohannon, Westwood One, 1 Sept. 2004. Ten-minute recorded segment on *Samuel Johnson's Insults*.

Wordmaster, Voice of America Radio, 11 March 2004. Five-minute recorded segment on *Samuel Johnson's Dictionary*.

The Glenn Mitchell Show, KERA-FM, Dallas, 1 March 2004. One-hour live call-in program on *Samuel Johnson's Dictionary*.

Spoken Arts with Mary Van Vorst, WBFO-FM, Buffalo, 21 Dec. 2003. Five-minute recorded segment on *Samuel Johnson's Dictionary*.

Weekday with Steve Scher, KUOW-FM, Seattle, 5 Dec. 2003. One-hour live call-in program on *Samuel Johnson's Dictionary*.

Talk of the Nation with Neal Conan, NPR, 6 Oct. 2003. Twenty-minute live call-in segment on *Samuel Johnson's Dictionary*.

"Fakes!," on CBC's *Ideas* with Nora Young, 23 June 2003. Brief recorded interview in hour-long documentary on forgery and fraud.

Other

Between the Covers with John J. Miller, *National Review Online*, 3 November 2009. Ten-minute podcast on *The Lexicographer's Dilemma*.

HONORS, AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS

- 2007–8:** Faculty Scholar–Teacher Award, Rutgers University.
- 2004–5:** Board of Trustees Research Fellowship for Scholarly Excellence, Rutgers University.
- 2004–5:** David Hosford Scholarship, Rutgers University, Newark, N.J.
- 2002:** Monroe Kirk Spears Award, *Studies in English Literature*, for "Samuel Johnson's 'Love of Truth' and Literary Fraud."
- 2002:** Raymond K. Denworth Fellowship, Rosenbach Museum & Library, Philadelphia.
- 2002:** Richard H. Popkin Travel Fund Award, American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies.
- 1999:** Diane Hunter Dissertation Prize, Department of English, University of Pennsylvania, for the best dissertation submitted in 1998.
- 1997–98:** Andrew W. Mellon Dissertation Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania.
- 1996–97:** University Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania.

TEACHING

Rutgers University

English 313, "The Art of Satire."

English 317, "English Pre-Romantics."

English 318, "English Biography and Autobiography in the Eighteenth Century."

English 325, "English Literature, 1660–1745" (College of Arts & Sciences and Honors College).

English 326, "English Literature, 1745–1800" (College of Arts & Sciences and Honors College).

English 349, "The Eighteenth-Century English Novel."

English 360, "Topics in Women and Literature: Early Modern Women's Literature."

English 379, "Computers and Literature."

English 411, "The Development of the English Language."

English 419, "Major British Authors: Johnson and Boswell: Advanced Method & Theory."

English 479, "Major British Authors: Johnson and Boswell."

English 503, "Introduction to Graduate Literary Studies."

English 556, "Studies in Satire."

English 560, "The Idea of the Classic in Eighteenth-Century Britain."

English 560, "British Literature, 1660–1745."

English 565, "The English Novel to Jane Austen."

Journalism 401, "Web Page Design."

Liberal Studies 503, "Revolutions & Counter-Revolutions."

University of Pennsylvania

English 3, "Writing about Literature & Society: The Age of Reason?"

English 3, "Writing about Literature & Society: Women, Sex, & Violence in Medieval Culture."

English 9, "Writing About Narrative: From Epic to Hypertext."

English 135, "Writing the Essay."

English 204, "Cybertheory."

SERVICE

The Profession

- 2008–10: ASECS Clifford Prize Committee (Chair, 2009–10).
- 1998–2005: Editorial Board, *c18*.
- 1997: Co-founder, ASECS Caucus for Electronic Resources.
- 1996–99: Conference Section Editor, *Romantic Circles: Byron, The Shelleys, Keats, and Their Contemporaries*, ed. Neil Fraistat, Don Reiman, and Steven E. Jones.
- 1995–98: Founding editor, Calls for Papers mailing list and archive (CFP@english.upenn.edu).
- 1994–: Editor and compiler, “Literary Resources on the Net” and “Eighteenth-Century Resources.”

Rutgers University

- 2008–10: Rutgers University Senate.
- 2008–10: Rutgers University Senate Committee on Instruction, Curricula, and Advisement.
- 2008–10: Faculty Committee on Honorary Degrees.
- 2007: Rutgers University Foundation Priorities Committee.
- 2006–7: Graduate & Professional Education and Research Committee for Middle States Accreditation.

Rutgers University–Newark

- 2008–: Liberal Studies Program Committee.
- 2008–: Instructional Facilities Committee.
- 2008–: Writing Advisory Group.
- 2008: Writing Center Director Search Committee.
- 2006–: Academic Programs and Policies Committee.
- 2005–7: Humanities Appointments & Promotions Committee.
- 2004–: Honors College Faculty Council.
- 2000–: Scholastic Standing Committee.
- 1999–2004: Library Committee (Chair, 2000–2002).
- 1999–2001: Newark Information Technology Advisory Committee.

Department of English, Rutgers University–Newark

- 2008–: Graduate Advisory Board.
- 2008–9: Faculty Compensation Program (FCP) Committee (Chair).
- 2006: Acting Director of Graduate Studies, July–December.
- 2005: Faculty Academic Service Increment Program (FASIP) Committee.
- 1999–: M.A. Comprehensive Exam Committee (Chair).

University of Pennsylvania

- 1994–98: Assistant to the Undergraduate Chair for Computing and Electronic Advising.
- 1994–98: Electronic Texts and Computing Committee.

Reader and referee for *Bulletin for the History of Chemistry*, *Eighteenth-Century Fiction*, *The Eighteenth-Century Novel*, *Journal of the History of Ideas*, *Mosaic: A Journal for the Interdisciplinary Study of Literature*, *Studies in English Literature 1500–1900*, *Studies in the Novel*, Addison Wesley Longman, AMS Press, Ashgate Publishing, Blackwell Publishers, Broadview Press, Cambridge University Press, Focus Publishing, Harvard University Press, Houghton-Mifflin, Oxford University Press, Palgrave Macmillan, and University of London’s Institute of Education.