Here is the latest news I have received of the activities of Illinois Wesleyan University faculty -- including and especially reports on scholarly writing, composition, artistry, grants, awards, procreative and adoptive activities, and other recognition given for both curricular and artistic/scholarly achievement. Please join Acting Provost Roger Schnaitter and me in congratulating the following colleagues on their significant accomplishments.

- Professor Valérie Orlando (MCLL) has published an article entitled “The Truncated Memories and Fragmented Pasts of Contemporary Algeria: Salim Bachi’s Le Chien d’Ulysse” in the *International Journal of Francophone Studies* (vol. 6, pp. 103-118, 2003). She also wrote the Introduction to the entire volume (*IJFS*, vol. 6, pp. 65-70) in which she introduces the theme of the volume as well as its contributing authors.


I am pleased to announce the birth of Alexander Wade DeGreiner, who arrived on December 15 weighing 7 lbs., 2 oz. and measuring 19 inches in length, to parents Wade Greiner and April DeConick. At what age, do you suppose, will Alexander be fluent in reading Coptic?

Please do let me know of your professional accomplishments in publication, presentation, exhibition, election to professional office, grants received, etc. Your colleagues across the campus are very interested in learning about what you are doing —Please do let us know by sending news to me! Thanks.