ENGLISH CHAIRMAN
AUTHORS POEM CHAPBOOK

Jim Garrett, Upper School English chairman, had his chapbook of poems, Innkeepers of Shorelight, published by Finishing Line Press this fall.

Author George Bilgere, associate professor of English at John Carroll University, said, “I can think of few more reliable or eloquent witnesses to the world’s ongoing revision of itself than Jim Garrett. Many of the poems in Innkeepers of Shorelight are set on Monmouth Beach, New Jersey, and the rhythms and erasures of the tides inform these lovely ruminations. Hold these poems to your ear: you can hear the sea in them.”

Leonard Trawick, professor emeritus of English at Cleveland State University, said, “Garrett’s recurrent theme is time, its depredations as well as its treasured moments. These are rich poems, both comforting and unsettling—poems to be lingered over with mind and heart.”


GREAT DEBATERS

Five students on the school’s Speech and Debate Team competed in the National Forensic League (NFL) National Tournament held in Dallas, Texas, in June.

In Public Forum Debate, the team of Hersh Agarwal ’11 and Noah Kirsch ’11 finished eighth out of 256 teams and each took home a $1,500 scholarship prize. The team of Nathaniel Blake-way-Phillips ’11 and Bardia Rahmani ’12 finished in the top 20 percent.

Evan Meisler ’11, this year’s winner of the City Club of Cleveland’s High School Debate Championship, competed in Lincoln-Douglas Debate. University School received the School of Excellence in Debate award for the third time in four years. US was one of 21 schools honored with the award, out of more than 950 schools attending.

Commenting on the team’s results, head Coach Peter Paik said, “I am very proud of our students’ performance. They worked hard and supported each other throughout the event.”

THE ENTREPRENEUR INSTITUTE

More than 20 third graders participated in Lemonade Day this past May. “This was a pilot program in Northeast Ohio,” said Greg Malkin, director of US’s Entrepreneur Institute which will lead the regional Lemonade Day effort in 2012.

Lemonade Day is held each year in cities across America and its goal is to provide a fun, experiential learning program that teaches youth how to start, own and operate their own business using a lemonade stand. In the process they learn fundamental lessons about life, success and themselves.

Mr. Malkin founded US’s Entrepreneur Institute and was one of 13 educators in the United States who was presented with the 34th annual Leavy Award for Excellence in Private Enterprise Education from the Freedoms Foundation. The teachers were honored for inspiring the next generation of business leaders through innovative education programs. Mr. Malkin received this award for launching and directing University School’s Entrepreneur Institute. Mr. Malkin has taught at US since 2005.