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**BEOWULF IN BITS: STUDENT PERFORMANCES**

12 Noon-3:00 p.m.

ASU, English 531: Old English Language and Literature
Robert Bjork, Professor of English, and selected graduate students

Lines 1-52—Celebration of Beowulf’s lineage

*Fountain Hills Middle School*
Helen Wanamaker, Honors English Teacher, and Marty Olson, Honors English Teacher, and their sixth-grade classes

*Lines 86-661—Beowulf arrives at Heorot, flyting with Unferth*

*Veritas Preparatory Academy*
Maidi Terry, Assistant Headmaster, and Jenny Oby, Literature and Composition Teacher, and their students

Lines 735-789—The battle with Grendel

*James Sandoval Preparatory High School*
Tammy Gee, Drama Teacher, and her high school drama class

*Lines 1383-1631—The battle with Grendel’s mother*

ASU, English Club
Ginger Hanson, Elizabeth Dern, Julie Bogen, and Jacob Leveton

Lines 2200-2323—A thief awakens the dragon

*ASU, English 221: Survey of English Literature I*
Cora Fox, Assistant Professor of English, and selected undergraduate students

*Lines 2510-2817—The battle with the dragon*

ASU, English 531: Old English Language and Literature Class
Robert Bjork, Professor of English, and selected graduate students

Lines 3120-3182—Beowulf’s funeral

*Line numbers correspond to Seamus Heaney’s translation.*

**INTERLUDE**

Howard Hanson’s “Elegy/ The Lament for Beowulf”
Symphony No. 3 (1941)

**PUBLIC TALK BY PROFESSOR ROBERT BJORK**

3:00-4:00 p.m.

“The Many Guises of Beowulf (and Grendel, too)”

February 28, 2009

**AN EPIC EVENT: A COMMUNAL READING OF BEOWULF IN OLD AND MODERN ENGLISH**

4:00-9:00

Contact Heather.Maring@asu.edu to RSVP (before February 28) and to receive directions to Bob’s Mead Hall.