

**EDITORIAL**  
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The *KCKCC electronic journal* is another milestone in our institution's quest for educational excellence. In this first edition, our guest authors share scholarly and creative insights into distinctive themes. What makes this premiere edition unique is its interdisciplinary approach. As a result of this approach, the collection of essays generates a diversified corpus of literature. What is common to these specialized essays and verses is their critical appeal to learning and teaching.

**In this issue**, **Tom Hall** takes the reader to New York where he bumps into a legendary figure and protagonist of the highly rated movie, *Hotel Rwanda*. Tom's new narrative of the Hutu-Tutsi ethnic genocide is refreshingly presented by our own faculty from a vantage point. **Curtis Smith's** research succinctly presents a better understanding of the causes and effects of the *Black Death* pandemic. All those who are interested in health issues and the sciences will enjoy this scholarly essay. The central thesis of **Walt Schrepel's** work challenges the old assumptions of the *Just War* theory and the morality of pre-emptive foreign policy in contemporary warfare. In Walt's essay, you will enjoy the insightful postulations of a military strategist and scholar. With the emerging new global threats and fear arising from the Iraqi pre-emptive doctrine, Walt's essay on the Algerian-French war brings an urgent human security debate into the sanctuary of our own KCKCC community. **Steve** and **Dorothy Collins** step into the paradoxical history of the Quindaro Underground Railroad. The result is an instructive illumination of a benighted history. The Quindaro paradigm in *ethnic unity* constitutes an ideal model in societies in need of post-conflict reconstruction. If however you prefer versification to prose, **Tom Weis'** work will no doubt appeal to you. Tom's four poetic verses speak to the central themes of existence: relationship, love and life. And is *making life better* not the central enterprise of our mission?

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