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May 2015

From the Director's Desk

Spring is here, and another term has ended. One sign of that was the commencement ceremony on May 3. It was great to see many of our students and their families. It was a time to celebrate! Be sure to check out the pictures you will find on page 3 of this newsletter.

I have two other reminders for you. Please don't forget to register for classes. Registration is open for summer as well as fall terms. Let me know if you have questions or if you would like to meet.

Also, you will see more professional development opportunities in the newsletter. The June 3 Leadership Summit is a program that we do in conjunction with the Midway Chamber of Commerce. The keynote speaker this year will be **R.T. Rybak**, former mayor of Minneapolis. The June 5 meeting of the Economic Club of Minnesota features **Dr. William C. Dudley** President, Federal Reserve Bank of New York. The topics of these forums may not seem to be very interesting, but they are—and so are the people you meet. Please contact me if you are interested in attending.

Enjoy your summer—whether you are taking classes or taking the summer off. Let us know if you have questions.

Alan Tuchtenhagen, Director
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MAL Colloquium, June 10

MAL's Spring Colloquium 2015 will be held on Wednesday, June 10 from 5:30 – 8 p.m. in the Oren Gateway Center. Plan B students will present their work to MAL students, faculty, and guests. The evening will begin with social time in the Oren lobby at 5:30 p.m. At 6:15, students will begin presenting their projects in OGC classrooms.

Come to support our MAL students! This is a great opportunity to learn from their research and to celebrate our learning community together. Here are some of research topics:

- Does staff engagement impact organizational goals?
- Lessons learned from Adam Clayton Powell Jr.: 40 years of successful leadership demonstrated through America's civil rights movement
- Maintaining trust through patient-centered care and collaboration: A leadership model for hospitals
- Media selection for use in virtual teams
- The impact of experiential learning on retention

You will receive a full list of presenters and their topics soon.

Welcome, New Summer Semester Students!

(as of May 12)

Tiffany Alston
Subashini Ambrose
Kathy Cummins
Donna Holman (re-admit)
Ben Krouse-Gagne
Christy Mattingly
Wendy Murphy
Brenda Starr

Economic Club of Minnesota Luncheon, Friday, June 5

MAL is a scholarship partner with the Economic Club of Minnesota (see <http://www.ecomn.org/>). A faculty member and at least one MAL student can attend the club's luncheons at no cost. Business attire is required. **If you are interested, contact Alan Tuchtenhagen.**

Speaker: **Dr. William C. Dudley**
President, Federal Reserve Bank
of New York

Location: Hilton Minneapolis
1001 Marquette Avenue

Reception: 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Luncheon: 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Dr. Dudley's speech comes at an important time. On June 16-17, he and the FOMC will again be assessing U.S. employment and inflation targets and again evaluating whether it is time to raise interest rates in this country. In addition, Congress is considering reducing the power of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

Augsburg Hosts Midway Chamber of Commerce Leadership Summit, June 3

On Wednesday, June 3, Augsburg will host the Midway Chamber of Commerce's first annual Leadership Summit. This event is a great opportunity to network with business and nonprofit leaders from the Midway area and to hear a great speaker.

The MAL program can cover the costs for up to 10 MAL students who would like to attend this event. The spaces have already been filled, but please e-mail Alan Tuchtenhagen (tuchten@augsborg.edu) if you would like to be on a waiting list.

1. Morning Program

Exploring Your Leadership Style: Discover Your Information Processing Preferences

Facilitator: Dr. Tom Morgan

Augsburg's Center for Leadership Studies is featuring the *I Opt*, a leadership assessment tool used in professional development that will help you understand how you gather, process and act on the information that is all around you. This information shapes the way that you approach leadership. (Limited to 50 people.)

Location: Marshall Room, Christensen Center

2. Luncheon

Noon Keynote Speaker: R.T. Rybak, executive director, *Generation Next* and former mayor of Minneapolis

Location: Foss Center, Augsburg College

Schedule

8:30 - 9 a.m. - Registration for Leadership Workshop

9 - 11 a.m. - Leadership Workshop

11:00 a.m. – Noon - Registration and Networking for Luncheon

Noon - 1 p.m. - Luncheon featuring guest speaker R.T. Rybak

Fees/Admission

\$50 Full Day; limited to first 50 attendees

\$35 Luncheon Only

Register at:

<http://business.midwaychamber.com/Events/details/leadership-summit-332788>

Don't Forget to Register for courses!

Registration for summer & fall now open

For MAL's Summer 2015 course schedule:

http://web.augsburg.edu/mal/MAL_Sum15_all_courses.pdf

For the 2015-16 course schedule (including class dates), go to:

http://web.augsburg.edu/mal/MAL_2015-16_courses.pdf

A couple of notes about the AugNet "Records and Registration" site:

1. **Identifying MAL hybrid courses:** The college lists all courses that have a Moodle component as "hybrid." To find the courses that MAL defines as hybrid (i.e. that meet three times per term), refer to the suffix of the course number. Our hybrid courses end in **IH1** or **IH2**.

2. **"Start-end date" column:** The dates listed in the "Start-end date" column cover the span of the term rather than the individual course.

David Lapakko a Finalist in Great American Think-Off

Congratulations to **David Lapakko** (communication studies and MAL professor), who is once again a finalist in the Great American Think-Off, a philosophy competition held each year in New York Mills, Minnesota. Out of hundreds of essays, Lapakko's was selected as one of the four best. The debate question is "Does technology free us or trap us?" On June 13, Lapakko will debate the other three finalists in competition for the gold medal. In 2013, David was also a finalist and bronze medal winner on the topic "Which is more ethical: sticking to principle or being willing to compromise?".

Summer Parking

Summer parking permit sales are available. If you have a 2014-15 year-long pass, it is valid through the summer (May - August 2015). However, if you have a semester-only parking permit from the 2014-2015 school year, you will need to buy a summer permit to park in Augsburg lots. You can always check the valid dates on the front of your permit.

The cost of a summer permit is \$50 for all Augsburg faculty, students, and staff. To buy one, you can log into Augnet, click the link for "Parking Services," and then register for a summer parking permit.

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office at 612-330-1101.**

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Augsburg Commencement, May 3, 2015

Commencement 2015 was a meaningful and celebratory event. Graduating MAL students gathered with faculty, staff, friends, and family to celebrate. Alan Tuchtenhagen captured the moment in photographs. See these and more photos at: <http://tinyurl.com/MALcommencement2015>.

