



President's WEEKLY UPDATE

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Good morning. On Friday and Saturday this week, the Augsburg Board of Regents will be on campus for their fall meetings. Please welcome them as you see them. Key issues that will be discussed at the regents' meetings are:

- Work of the Commission on Campus Space and Master Planning
- Plans for Commission Augsburg
- Results from the Great Colleges to Work For employee survey
- Status of the capital campaign for the Center for Science, Business, and Religion

On Sunday and next Monday, we launch this year's Convocation Series with the Christensen Symposium, a focus on the life and legacy of Bernhard M. Christensen. On Sunday afternoon at 4 p.m., Augsburg alumna and Luther Seminary professor Gracia Grindal will speak in Hoversten Chapel. On Monday morning, we officially inaugurate Martha Stortz as the second Bernhard M. Christensen Professor of Religion and Vocation. With joy and gratitude we welcome her to succeed David Tiede, whose efforts over five years as the inaugural Christensen professor helped guide our work on linking faith, learning and service. I hope you to see you in Chapel on Monday.

I'm pleased to report that our fall enrollment this year once again has reached a new high for Augsburg. We currently have a total student population of 4,109 students—2,132 in the day program, 1,057 in WEC/Augsburg for Adults, and 920 in Graduate Studies. The full enrollment report is available to the campus community in the College Reports tab on the Inside Augsburg page.

CAMPUS PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

Community time today

I hope you'll plan to be at our first Community Time this fall, at 3:45 p.m. today, as Augsburg's new faculty and staff will be introduced.

Public transportation fair and options

At the Transportation Fair on Wednesday, from 11 a.m.–1 p.m. in Christensen Center, representatives from Metro Transit, HOURCAR, NiceRide, campus bikers, and Durozap will be available to talk about more environmentally-friendly alternatives to driving alone to work.

Augsburg has made a strong commitment toward sustainability by encouraging the use of public transportation and alternatives to commuting by car. The Transportation Board in Christensen Center, near the lobby, contains information about :

- Public transportation—bus and light rail schedules, and discounted fares for students and employees
- ACTC buses—a free shuttle among the ACTC campuses (Augsburg, Hamline, Macalester, St. Kate's, St. Thomas) to get back and forth from classes or to commute

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- Carpooling—with Metro Transit's help, carpools can be arranged. Augsburg faculty, staff, and students qualify by sharing vehicles for discounted Augsburg parking permits and a guaranteed parking space
- HOURCAR at Augsburg—An HOURCAR is located on campus and can be reserved by the hour or by the day
- Bicycle commuting—information about bike trails and bike parking on campus.

KUDOS

Congratulations to alumnus **Aaron Gabriel '00**, who received an Ivey Award at the Sixth Annual Ivey Awards ceremony in Minneapolis last week. He was recognized for his musical contributions to Interact Theater's "Madame Majesta's Miracle Medicine Show," a full-length music-theater piece for which he composed all of the music and served as musical director.

Kudos to **Holley Locher-Stulen**, MSW program coordinator and a PhD student in organizational leadership, policy, and development at the University of Minnesota, who was nominated by her program to attend the Graduate Student Policy Seminar at the Association for the Study of Higher Education (ASHE) conference in November. This seminar provides graduate students with opportunities to interact with researchers and policymakers knowledgeable about critical public policy issues in higher education.

NOTABLE EVENTS for the week—for a complete listing of Augsburg events, go to the Calendar on Inside Augsburg at <http://inside.augsburg.edu>

Tuesday, Sept. 28

Community Time, introduction of new faculty and staff
3:45 p.m., East Commons

Wednesday, Sept. 29

Transportation Fair
11 a.m.–1 p.m., Christensen Center

Wednesday, Sept. 29

Student Involvement Fair
2–5 p.m., Christensen Center

Wednesday, Sept. 29

"Men Ending Rape: Transforming a Rape Culture," Keith E. Edwards, speaker
6:30 p.m., Hoversten Chapel

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Thursday, Sept. 30
Seminary and Divinity School Day
11:20–11:40 a.m., Hoversten Chapel

Sunday, Oct. 3
Christensen Symposium
Gracia Grindal, Luther Seminary professor
4 p.m., Hoversten Chapel

Monday, Oct. 4–Friday, Oct. 8, 2010
Coming Out Week
See Inside Augsburg calendar for details.

Monday, Oct. 4
Christensen Symposium
Inauguration of Martha E. Stortz as Christensen Professor of Religion and Vocation
10 a.m., Hoversten Chapel

DAILY CHAPEL

M,W,F–10:20-10:40 a.m., Community Time following; T,Th–11:20-11:40 a.m.; Wed–9:09 p.m., Communion; Sat. (when weekend classes meet)—First Word Community Gathering, 7:30-7:50 a.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 29—Phil Adamo, History Department, and Blessing of the Animals

Wednesday evening, 9:09 p.m.—Songs and communion, Mark Dixon, seminarian

Thursday, Sept. 30—Seminary and Divinity Day, Joanna Flaten, speaker

Friday, Oct 1—President Paul Pribbenow

Monday, Oct. 4, 10 a.m.—Christensen Symposium, Inauguration of Martha E. Stortz, Bernhard M. Christensen Professor of Religion and Vocation

Sports results and schedule—<http://athletics.augsburg.edu>

Have a great week!