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**Good morning.** This week marks the final week of our spring trimester, with only the MSW and Rochester classes continuing into the weekend or next week. I am looking forward to our June Commencement on Sunday, when for the first time we graduate students at the end of their trimester, honoring the schedule that governs the studies of most of our adult students. Those receiving their degrees on Sunday are from the Weekend College, Rochester, and United/Mercy/Unity hospitals programs, as well as from the graduate programs in education, leadership, nursing, business, and social work.

The Commencement speaker will be Martin E. Marty, Fairfax M. Cone Distinguished Service Professor Emeritus at the University of Chicago Divinity School, one of our nation's leading voices on issues of religion in public life. He will also be the recipient of an honorary degree. I hope many of you—faculty, staff, and students—will join us to hear Mr. Marty and to honor our students who are graduating.

## The schedule for Commencement Sunday is:

8-8:30 a.m.	Eucharist, Hoversten Chapel
9 <b>-</b> 10 a.m.	Baccalaureate, Hoversten Chapel (Faculty line up at 8:40 in the Foss
	Green Room)
10:15 a.m.	Commencement Ceremony (Line up in Arnold Atrium, Music Hall
	corridor; students line up in Christensen Center lobby)
11 a.m.	Commencement Ceremony
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Following the ceremony, departmental and program receptions are held. For locations, go to <u>www.augsburg.edu/commencement/june.html</u>

# CAMPUS PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

## Student Leadership Survey

The Office of Campus Activities and Orientation needs your help. Recently, a grant from the C. Charles Jackson Foundation has allowed the Division of Student Affairs to conduct a literature review of predominant leadership development models for students in higher education. Now Campus Activities and Orientation is working to survey various student leaders, faculty, and staff to ascertain which of the models is already in use on campus and how we might strengthen our work with student leadership development.

Please take a brief moment to complete this important survey at the following link: <u>http://academics.augsburg.edu/surveys/leadership.survey</u>

Questions regarding this survey can be directed to Ramon L. Knox, Christensen Center 1B, at x1111.

# **KUDOS**

I am pleased to announce that Augsburg is one of five winners among private liberal arts



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colleges of the 2007 CASE-WealthEngine Award for improvement in fundraising, which recognizes exemplary fundraising efforts over the past three years. The award is sponsored by Wealth ID, a provider of wealth screening services and fundraising solutions. The other private liberal arts colleges honored are Catawba College (North Carolina), Cazenovia College (New York), Colby College (Maine), and Occidental College (California). Congratulations to the Institutional Advancement division and those who have supported them.

Kudos to senior Jen Janda, who created the colorful "Auggiesaurus" residing in Murphy Square this summer. It's part of the Diggin' Dinos project to celebrate the Minnesota Science Museum's 100th anniversary For a complete explanation of the Auggiesaurus, go to <a href="http://augnet.augsburg.edu/news-archives/2007/dino.html">http://augnet.augsburg.edu/news-archives/2007/dino.html</a>.

## NOTABLE EVENTS

June 19

Master of Arts in Education Research Symposium Thirteen MAE students will present their final projects. 6-8:30 p.m.—Christensen Center (Social from 6-6:30 p.m.)

#### June 21

Master of Arts in Nursing Program—"Healthcare Inequities Affecting Communities: Nurses Take Action Locally and Globally"

Five graduate students in NUR 511: Advanced Community Nursing II will make presentations.

4-9:30 p.m.—Christensen Center, East Commons (includes dinner)

## June 24

## Commencement

8 a.m.—Eucharist service, Hoversten Chapel
9 a.m.—Baccalaureate, Hoversten Chapel
11 a.m.—Commencement ceremony, Melby Hall, with department and program receptions following

#### June 25-29

#### Minnesota Private College Week

Informational sessions for high school students are at 9:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. each day Christensen Center

#### June 25

## A-Club Golf Tournament

The 44th Annual Clair Strommen Golf Tournament at Pebble Creek Golf Course. Registration begins at 11 a.m. For more information call x1249.

Have a great week!