



# PRESIDENT'S WEEKLY UPDATE

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**Good morning!** Today we begin [International Education Week](#). I hope you'll take advantage of opportunities to meet our international students and to learn about programs for travel and study abroad, especially through our Center for Global Education. Monday through Thursday, students and staff will be at cultural display and study abroad tables in Christensen Center. On Thursday, you are invited to the open house at Murphy Place from 3:30 to 5 p.m., hosted by the ethnic student services offices and the Office of International Programs.

This is a great time also to highlight the work of the [Center for Global Education](#). It is one of the four centers of commitment in our Mission to Action plan, and I'm not sure many of us fully appreciate the excellence of this program, which celebrates its 25th anniversary next year. Participants from across the nation in CGE travel programs continually praise the quality and service of the travel experiences. In 2003 CGE was recognized for their work as the "Program of the Year" by the National Society for Experiential Education. This weekend CGE staff left with a travel group to Vietnam, an area of the world where they are re-establishing programs for study opportunities.

## CAMPUS PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

### Call for Advent Vespers

During the past weeks you've seen the A-mail notices asking for volunteers to participate in Advent Vespers. I hope you'll [consider serving as an usher or liturgical party member during these wonderful services](#)—they are Augsburg's gift of the season to our community. I look forward to being part of these services that fill the majestic Central Lutheran Church with beautiful music, rich liturgy, and expectancy in the season of Advent. Contact the Campus Ministries office at x1732 if you can join for one or both of the evenings on [Dec. 1 and 2](#).

### Meeting with President Bruininks at the University of Minnesota

Several of us had the opportunity to meet with President Robert Bruininks and his senior community relations staff at the University of Minnesota last week. I sense a real moment of opportunity for [Augsburg and the university to join together in work with our Cedar-Riverside neighbors and on the West Bank](#). I was pleased to learn that the Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs at the university is interested in partnering with us in our public engagement work, especially around issues of immigration and public education. Finally, I think there will be some joint planning in the next months and years related to our common educational and economic interests on both sides of Riverside – a conversation that also must include Fairview/University Hospitals and the Cedar-Riverside business community. I'll keep you up to date as the conversations continue.

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## KUDOS

### Kudos to Doug Green and Nancy Steblay for their recent scholarship:

#### Doug Green, Department of English

A review article on the Guthrie's spring 2006 production of *Hamlet*, the last production on the old thrust stage at Vineland Place, has just appeared in the fall issue of *Shakespeare Bulletin*, published by the Johns Hopkins University Press. Doug will also read a poem, "Grain Elevator," at the Athenaeum in Carleton College's library as part of "Stepping Stones," a literary reading adjudicated and sponsored by the Northfield Arts Guild.

#### Nancy Steblay, Department of Psychology

Two articles on police lineup research were published recently in the *Cardozo Public Law, Policy & Ethics Journal*—"Improving Eyewitness Identifications: Hennepin County's Blind Sequential Lineup Pilot Project" (co-authored with Amy Klobuchar and Hilary Caligiuri), and "Reforming Eyewitness Identification: Lineup Identification Instructions; Weighing the Advantages and Disadvantages of Show-ups Versus Lineups."

## NOTABLE EVENTS DURING THIS WEEK

### November 13

#### Philip Melanchthon Symposium

"Philip Melanchthon: Confessing the Faith in Augsburg," Dr. Timothy Wengert  
7 p.m.—Hoversten Chapel

### November 17

#### Jazz and Poetry Bash

Music and Poetry Bash in honor of M. Anita Gay Hawthorne  
Contact: PASU/PAC 612-330-1022.  
6:30 p.m.—East Commons

### November 18

Wrestling—Augsburg hosts Auggie-Brute-Adidas Open  
9 a.m.—Melby Hall

#### The Augsburg College Concert Band

4 p.m.—Hoversten Chapel

## DAILY CHAPEL SPEAKERS THIS WEEK:

Tues., Nov. 14—"Philip Melanchthon"

Wed., Nov. 15—Jonathan Rundman

Thurs., Nov. 16—Shamani Jeffrey Shikwambi, Center for Global Education

Fri., Nov. 17—Blessing of New Life

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**Next week:**

Mon., Nov. 20—President Paul Pribbenow

Tues., Nov. 21—Larry Crockett, Computer Science Dept.

**Sports schedule**— [www.augsburg.edu/athletics/schedules/fall0607.html](http://www.augsburg.edu/athletics/schedules/fall0607.html).

Have a great week!