



President's WEEKLY UPDATE

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Good morning. Next weekend, Friday afternoon and Saturday morning, Augsburg hosts **Scholarship Weekend**, when prospective students come to campus to interview for honor scholarships and audition for fine arts scholarships. This year 110 students are competing for President's Scholarships and about 100 students for the Fine Arts Scholarships (which includes 30 students vying for both). I hope you will welcome these future Auggies and their parents and help them learn about our campus.

Last fall Augsburg joined 80 colleges and universities nationwide to launch its first class of 16 **Bonner Community Leaders**. Augsburg was invited by the Corella and Bertram F. Bonner Foundation to participate in the Bonner Community Leaders Program and has received a \$10,000 enrichment grant for its support.

The program provides financial support, leadership development, community engagement opportunities, and a social network to students dedicated to pursuing and integrating community and civic engagement into their college experience. The students make a commitment to work in the community 8–10 hours per week for a minimum of two years on issues such as improving educational opportunities, literacy, and fighting hunger and poverty.

Kristin Farrell, community and civic engagement coordinator in the Center for Service, Work, and Learning, is coordinator of the Bonner Community Leaders program.

CAMPUS PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

Dollar Sense—students learn about financial literacy

For the fourth year, the financial aid office is sponsoring Dollar Sense, a series of sessions next week to educate students about financial literacy and responsible money choices. I encourage students to take advantage of these informal, fun sessions Monday-Thursday, Feb. 23-27, at 6:30 p.m., in the Student Lounge. Topics for each day are:

- Monday—Gaining Knowledge
- Tuesday—Investing Wisely
- Wednesday—Protecting Your Future
- Thursday—Spending Smart
- Friday—Sharing the Wealth

This afternoon at 3 p.m. in the Marshall Room faculty and staff are invited for a Sneak Peak of what students experience during the series.

KUDOS

Kudos to **Mike Bloomberg**, systems/circulation librarian, for his presentation to the Electronic Resources and Libraries Conference in February, "Managing Freely Available e-Resource Collections with Today's Vendor-Provided OpenURL Knowledgebases: A Challenge in Quality Control."

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

Tuesday, Feb. 17

Focused Conversation, “Campaign Update,” Jeremy Wells, vice president for institutional advancement, and President Paul Pribbenow
3:45 p.m., Johnson Conference Center, Oren Gateway Center 100

February 20–21

Scholarship Weekend

Fri., February 20—2 p.m.–evening, various locations

Sat., February 21—7:15 a.m.–lunch, various locations

February 23–27

Dollar Sense, series of sessions for students about financial literacy

Mon–Fri., 6:30–7:30 p.m., Student Lounge, Christensen Center

DAILY CHAPEL SPEAKERS

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. Songs, 9:30 p.m., Communion; Sat (when weekend classes meet)—First Word Community Gathering at 7:30–7:50

Tuesday, Feb. 17—Sarah Ruch, Luther Seminary intern pastor

Wednesday, Feb. 18—Pastor Terrance Jacobs

Wednesday eve., 9:09 p.m.—Communion

Thursday, Feb. 19—Brett Cease '07, Camp Amicon

Friday, Feb. 20—Don Samuels, Minneapolis City Council

Monday, Feb. 23—Joe Midthun, Luther Seminary intern pastor

Sports results and schedule—www.augsburg.edu/athletics

Have a great week!