



President's WEEKLY UPDATE

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Good morning. On Friday we host the annual meeting of the Augsburg Corporation Governing Board, which has usually been held during fall break when many students are away from campus. The Governing Board represents the ELCA's constitutional support to the College from Augsburg's four designated synods—Minneapolis, Saint Paul, Southeastern Minnesota, and the Northwest Synod of Wisconsin. The board includes representatives from the congregations in these synods, and Augsburg's Board of Regents, faculty, college administrators, and students.

The Governing Board members will join us at chapel on Friday. Professor Hans Wiersma will speak and the Music Department will provide special music. The board will also have the chance to meet several of our student researchers during community time as they exhibit posters and answer questions about their research. I hope to see you at chapel to help welcome our guests.

On behalf of the Augsburg community, **I want to offer congratulations to Trinity Lutheran Congregation as it celebrates its 140th anniversary on Sunday.** Augsburg and Trinity have been close partners for nearly that long; it was Trinity that largely was responsible for Augsburg's relocation in 1872 from Marshall, Wis., to Minneapolis. In 1871, Rev. Ole Paulson at Trinity led a committee and successfully secured funds, land, and materials that would initially build Augsburg's campus in Cedar-Riverside. For many years, until Trinity's church building was lost to freeway construction, Augsburg events and ceremonies took place there. Now, for a number of years, Augsburg has hosted Trinity's worship home in Hoversten Chapel.

On Sunday, Trinity will celebrate at their 11 a.m. worship service, with Bishop Craig Johnson. At noon, following the service, there will be a silent auction to benefit the youth and outreach program, and Augsburg will host a lunch reception. All are welcome!

CAMPUS PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

Focused Conversation—Wednesday

Julie Olson, vice president for enrollment management, will host our second Focused Conversation, on Wednesday, from noon to 1 p.m., in the Minneapolis Room. She'll present information and talk about this year's fall enrollment results.

Scholastic Connections

Scholastic Connections' eighth annual dinner will take place on Friday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the East Commons. I'm always pleased to be part of this evening as we celebrate the students and a program that represents the best of Augsburg. We'll also introduce the five new scholarship students for the 2008-09 year.

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KUDOS

Congratulations to **Auggie student-athletes**, who ended the weekend with a sweep of wins in football and men's and women's soccer. It took two overtimes for the Auggie football team to come out on top on their home field, defeating Wartburg 30-24. The men's soccer team defeated Hamline, 2-1; the women topped St. Scholastica, 1-0. The cross-country teams traveled to Tufts University, where the men's team came in fourth, and the women ended at sixth. In the Wartburg Invitational, the volleyball team finished 2-2. I encourage you to attend the games and matches to support our student-athletes. Go Auggies! For more results, go to www.augsburg.edu/athletics.

NOTABLE EVENTS DURING THE WEEK

September 16

Community Partnership Fair

11 a.m.–1 p.m., Christensen Center

September 17

Focused Conversations, Julie Olson, Vice President for Enrollment Management

Fall Enrollment Results

Noon-1 p.m., Minneapolis Room, Christensen Center

September 19

Augsburg Corporation Governing Board meeting

8 a.m.–1:30 p.m., Hoversten Chapel

Student Activities Fair

3–8 p.m., Christensen Center

Scholastic Connections Gala and Dinner

6:30 p.m., East Commons, Christensen Center

September 19-21

Weekend College, MAE, MAL, MAN, MSW classes meet

September 21

Trinity Lutheran Congregation's 140th anniversary

11 a.m., worship service; Noon, lunch reception, Hoversten Chapel

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September 22–27

Homecoming 2008—for complete schedule, go to

<http://smaug.augsburg.edu/NetCommunity/Page.aspx?&pid=357&srcid=380>

- September 22

Kick-off event

7 p.m., Pep Rally and Coronation, Murphy Square

8:15 p.m. (approx.), Kick-off Fireworks, Murphy Square

DAILY CHAPEL SPEAKERS

M,W,F—10:20-10:40 a.m., Community Time following; T-Th—11:20-11:40 a.m.; Wed—9:30 p.m., Communion; Sat (when weekend classes meet)—time to be announced for Sept. 20

Tues., Sept. 16—Music Day, with greeting from Sarah Rohde, ELCA

Wed., Sept. 17—Vocatio Chapel, “Faith and the Imagination: The Call to the Arts,”
Dominic Papatola, theater critic, *Pioneer Press*

Wed. eve.—Communion

Thurs., Sept. 18—Campus Ministry Discipleship Team

Fri., Sept. 19—Augsburg Corporation Governing Board meeting, with Hans Wiersma,
Religion Dept., plus Music Dept. special music

Sat., Sept. 20—WEC chapel, 7:30 and 8 a.m., Pastor Sonja Hagander, with Jessica
Fox-Wilson, speaker

Mon., Sept. 22—

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

Have a great week.