



# President's WEEKLY UPDATE

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**Good morning.** On Thursday, Winona LaDuke, political activist and environmentalist, speaks at 11 a.m. in the chapel in our 2008 Convocation Series.

Her work with indigenous communities around environmental and social justice issues, brings important perspectives to our own conversations about sustainability and stewardship of our resources.

This is the fourth annual Koryne Horbal Lecture, sponsored by the Anne Pederson Women's Resource Center. It was a privilege to have Ambassador Horbal on campus in June as she received an honorary degree from the College. Her work around the world has given voice to women's political and social issues, and her support to our Women's Resource Center enables us to bring leaders like Winona LaDuke to campus.

**Congratulations to the Auggie men's soccer team and head coach Greg Holker, who have advanced through the first two rounds in the NCAA Division III national championships** with dramatic wins. Their first-round victory against Whitworth College in Spokane, Wash., on Thursday, was hard fought through two overtimes, with a shootout victory, 4-2. Their second-round victory yesterday against University of Redlands (Calif.) came with a second period goal by D.J. Wendell for the 1-0 win. They compete in the sectionals on either Friday or Saturday against Loras College.

## **CAMPUS PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES**

**You've probably noticed that the air structure is up again over the Edor Nelson Field,** but you may not realize how busy the field is from November until spring. It's used from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. every day of the week, both by Augsburg groups and sports teams, as well as many neighborhood and school groups.

During daytime hours, classes meet and athletic teams practice in the dome. After 7 p.m., it's filled with community sports leagues, sports camps, events, and rentals that bring the community to campus. This provides an important revenue stream for the College as well as visibility in the community. The dome is also available to the entire campus community during specified hours for exercise and intramural sports.

A great example of scheduled activities is the annual Sports Extravaganza, to be held on Wednesday, which brings more than 200 disabled schoolchildren, grades 3-6, to campus. Our physical education majors plan and teach the children in eight different activities.

## **KUDOS**

The legacy of achievements and successes of Augsburg's wrestling team and Jeff Swenson, head coach for 25 years, is celebrated in Kennedy Center with the new **Jeff Swenson Wall of Fame**, located outside of the Alan and Gloria Rice Wrestling Center. The wall celebrates Auggie wrestlers' accomplishments, including 10 NCAA Division III national championships; 103 NWCA Scholar All-Americans, the most of any college in the nation; and six honors for Jeff as National Coach of the Year.

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Congratulations to **Brian Emerick**, Anderson Hall director, and **Amanda Erdman**, director of residence life, for their acceptance to committees of the Upper Midwest Region-Association of College and University Housing Officers-International (UMR-ACUHO-I). Brian will join the Programming Committee and Amanda will join the Membership Committee.

Congratulations to the three new members of Staff Senate—**Brenda Hemmingsen**, who was nominated by her peers, and **Melissa Lee** and **Jennifer Nagorski**, who were selected by Staff Senate as members-at-large.

Many thanks to **all the people whose hard work in cold, windy, and wet weather last weekend raised the dome over the athletic field**, which is no small feat. Those who helped include the following, plus the many student athletes required to move the dome fabric:

- Facilities ground crew—Bruce Rowe and Arlie Madigan
- Student worker grounds crew—Margaret DeGroot, Charles Olson, Michael Struss, Jason Weber, Kate Woolever, Bjorn Villevik, and Erin Johnson
- Facilities maintenance crew—Ron Strandness, Justin Keplar, David Ridgle, and Jim Brost
- Athletic facilities—Greg Holker and David St. Aubin

## NOTABLE EVENTS DURING THE WEEK

**Nov. 18**

**Focused Conversation, President Paul Pribbenow**, speaking about Augsburg as college and university  
Noon-1 p.m., Johnson Conference Center, OGC

**Nov. 18**

**Augsburg Jazz Concert**  
7 p.m., Hoversten Chapel

**Nov. 19**

**Sports Extravaganza**  
10:15 a.m.–1:30 p.m., Air Structure

**Nov. 20**

**Convocation Series, Koryne Horbal Lecture—Winona LaDuke**, environmentalist and political activist  
11 a.m., Hoversten Chapel

**Nov. 22-24**

**WEC, MAE, MAL, MAN, MSW, and some MBA classes meet**

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## 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)—First Word Community Gathering at 7:30-7:50 and 8-8:20 a.m.

**Tues., Nov. 18**—Matt Maruggi, Religion Dept.

**Wed., Nov. 19**—President Paul Pribbenow

**Wed. eve.**—Communion

**Thurs., Nov. 20**—11 a.m., Convocation Series, Koryne Horbal Lecture; Winona LaDuke, political activist and environmentalist

**Fri., Nov. 21**—Hoversten Peace and Restoration Journey to Guatemala

**Sat., Nov. 22**—First Word Community Gathering, MSW student Hector Matascastillo, “Outdo One Another in Showing Honor”

**Mon., Nov. 24**—Mary Lowe, Religion Dept.

**Sports results and schedule**—[www.augsburg.edu/athletics](http://www.augsburg.edu/athletics)

Have a great week.