



# President's WEEKLY UPDATE

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**Good morning.** I wish you God's blessings as we enter the week celebrating both Passover and Easter. The College is closed from Friday through Sunday in observance of the Easter holiday.

I encourage you to join Cabinet members and me tomorrow for the spring All-Hands Meeting, starting at 11:20 a.m. in Hoversten Chapel. It's an opportunity for us to share with you progress in the past months on college initiatives and updates on our budget planning and reporting. There will also be an opportunity for you to ask questions of us.

I am deeply saddened to report the news of Professor Myles Stenshoel's death on Friday, March 26. He taught at Augsburg for 28 years before retirement and continued to teach part time after that. He came to Augsburg in 1965 to establish the Political Science Department and did so a year later, when Norma Noonan joined the faculty. His interests were in politics and religion, and he was deeply committed to social action. He stayed connected to Augsburg in retirement and often attended department and College events. Please keep Myles' wife, Eunice, and their four children, Peter, David, Eric, and Marit, and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

A funeral will take place at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, April 6, at Gethsemane Lutheran Church, 715 Minnetonka Mills Road, in Hopkins, Minn.

## CAMPUS PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

### **Congratulations, faculty!**

Congratulations to the faculty who were honored by the Office of the Dean of the College and the Center for Teaching and Learning with the 2010 Awards for Distinguished Contributions to Teaching and Learning:

- Excellence in Teaching: Robert Cowgill, English Department
- Mentoring and Advising: Ben Stottrup, Physics Department
- Academic Leadership: Diane Pike, Sociology Department, and Frankie Shackelford, Languages and Cross-Cultural Studies Department

These faculty recipients and the recipients of the Outstanding Staff Awards will be recognized at Community Time tomorrow afternoon, along with the Auggie national champion wrestlers, at 3:45 p.m., in East Commons.

### **Alternative Energy Symposium next week**

The Sabo Center invites you to the Sabo Symposium on Alternative Energy Options, to take place on Wednesday, April 7, from 3:40–6 p.m. in Hoversten Chapel, to discuss issues in nuclear energy, biodiesel fuels, and wind energies. The symposium is co-sponsored by the academic departments in natural science and math (Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Math, and

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environmental studies), along with the Chemistry Club and Sabo Scholars. Martin Sabo will serve as moderator. The panelists will also attend science and math classes on Wednesday and Thursday to further discuss their work and careers.

The panelists are:

- Cyndi Jones '81, a senior technical adviser for nuclear security at the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
- Clayton McNeff '91, CEO of ZirChrom Separations and co-inventor of the Mcgyan Process
- Rolf Miller, technical consulting services manager of WindLogics

### **Marisol Campusano receives a Phillips Scholarship**

Congratulations to Marisol Campusano for being selected as a recipient of the Jay and Rose Phillips Scholarships, administered by the Minnesota Private College Fund. The program recognizes and rewards six college students attending one of the Minnesota private colleges and universities. Students are challenged to think creatively and to write and submit a proposal to do a community service-learning project that aims to help make life better for those with unmet needs in Minnesota. She will complete her project in summer 2011.

### **KUDOS**

Congratulations to **Roberta Kagin** and the **Music Therapy program** for the award given to Augsburg College at the Great Lakes Regional Music Therapy Conference Honors Banquet in Indianapolis for its 35 years of music therapy. **Bridget Doak** accepted the award on behalf of Augsburg at the banquet.

Kudos to the winners of the second quarter **Star Engagement winners** from Residence Life, as announced by the 2009-2010 Engagement and Training Committee.

- Respectful: The winners are **Sana Malik** (Chai for Finals) and **PaDao Yang** (Five Positive Post-It Notes). Honorable mentions are **Kevin Newcomb** and **Kassi Bloom** (Accountability for Missed Meeting. Why Are You Here?) and **PaDao Yang** (Condoms and Candy Canes)
- Resourceful: The winner is **Becky Shaheen** (Operation: Make Urness Cooler). Honorable Mentions are **Steph Korfe** (Learn to Knit), **Kassi Bloom** and **Kevin Newcomb** (Circle: Study Skills and Group Study Session), and **PaDao Yang** (Tour at the Seward Co-op)
- Responsible: The winners are **Alix Young**, **Naima Hire**, and **Nate Althoff** (World AIDS Day) and **Adam Spanier** (Ultimate Frisbee Competition). Honorable Mentions

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are **Alix Young** (Uno Tournament), **Kassi Bloom** (How to Finish the Semester Strong), and **Anderson Hall Staff** (Dr. Suess Poetry Slam).

- Bulletin Boards: Winners are **Tim Bemrich** (Supplements) and **Elisabeth Clemens** (Traditions).
- Door Decorations: Winners are **Bi Nguyen** (Tea Pots and Cups) and **Tony Lovaas** (Augsburg Puzzle). Honorable Mention is **Jackee Heslop** (Breast Cancer Awareness Month).

**NOTABLE EVENTS THIS WEEK**—For a complete listing of Augsburg events, go to the Inside Augsburg Calendar at <http://inside.augsburg.edu>

**Tuesday, March 30**

**Spring All-Hands meeting**

11:20 a.m., Hoversten Chapel

**Tuesday, March 30**

**Community Time, celebrating the Staff Recognition Awards, the awards for Distinguished Contributions in Teaching and Learning, and the national champion Augsburg wrestling team**

3:45 p.m., East Commons, Christensen Center

**Thursday, April 1**

**Strommen Executive Leader Series, Chris Policinski, President and CEO, Land O'Lakes, Inc., "The Great Productivity Story of American Agriculture and Why It Must Continue"**

5:15 p.m., Kennedy Center 303-305

**Friday, April 2–Sunday, April 4**

**College closed for Easter break**

## **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., Communion; Sat (when weekend classes meet)–First Word Community Gathering, 7:30-7:50 a.m.

**Tuesday, March 30**—All-Hands Meeting

**Wednesday, March 31**—Spirit Garage, Wendi Wheeler

**Wednesday evening, 9:09 p.m.**—Songs and communion

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**Thursday, April 1**—Maundy Thursday communion

**Friday, April 2**—Good Friday; College closed

**Monday, April 5**—Easter celebration

**Sports results and schedule**—<http://athletics.augsburg.edu>

Have a great week!