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### **APRIL 11, 2011**

### **CAMPUS PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES**

Sad news reached the Augsburg community last week about the death of Professor Jessica Nathanson on Tuesday, caused by complications from cancer. She served the Augsburg community as a faculty member, director of the Women's Studies program, and director of the Women's Resource Center since 2007.

Students, faculty and staff are invited to gather in the Women's Resource Center in Sverdrup Hall for community and support on Thursday, April 14, from 10–11 a.m.

A memorial service to remember and celebrate her life will take place in Hoversten Chapel on Saturday, April 30, at 10 a.m. The service, organized around multifaith traditions important to Jessica and her family, will be followed by a reception in Oren Gateway Center lobby.

### Augsburg's work and President's Obama's interfaith challenge

As part of Augsburg's ongoing commitment to interfaith dialogue, President Pribbenow recently responded to a request from Eboo Patel of Interfaith Youth Core (IFYC) to blog about the College's work in interfaith dialogue and neighborhood service that has been ongoing for the past year. President Pribbenow connected the College's work to the goals and initiatives in President Obama's recently-launched Interfaith and Community Service Campus Challenge, a year-long project to engage students in interfaith dialogue and community service.

President Pribbenow's blog, "Interfaith Living,"

(<a href="http://caspian.augsburg.edu/users/pribbeno/">http://caspian.augsburg.edu/users/pribbeno/</a>) and other discussions by Eboo Patel and Chris Stedman '08 of Harvard University's interfaith office, have been part of social media conversations and are included on the IFYC website, <a href="http://www.ifyc.org/">http://www.ifyc.org/</a>.

### **Sverdrup Visiting Scientist Lecture**

Barbara A. Baird, the Horace White Professor and Chair of Chemistry and Chemical Biology at Cornell University, is the 2011 Sverdrup Visiting Scientist. She will lecture tonight, April 11, on "How Cells Sense and Respond to Their Environment—Zooming In to Understand and Intervene."

Tomorrow, Baird will present the Student Sverdrup Convocation, "Making a Contribution in a Complicated World—Individual Passion and Collaborative Power."

The General Leif J. Sverdrup Visiting Scientist Program was established in 1990 by Johan Sverdrup to honor his father, Major General Leif J. Sverdrup. General Sverdrup

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was a 1918 Augsburg graduate who founded an international architectural and engineering firm. The lecture series provides an opportunity for Augsburg students and faculty to interact with nationally-recognized scientists and a forum for scientific topics to be presented in the wider community.

### 2011 Zyzzogeton, Wednesday and Thursday

This year's Zyzzogeton is the sixth annual end-of-the-year celebration of student creativity and scholarship. Enjoy student presentations on research, music, art, and a poster session on Wednesday and Thursday and schedule, read the Inside Augsburg story at

http://augnet.augsburg.edu/newsarchives/2011/04 11 11/undergraduate research.html.

This end-of-year celebration takes its name from the word that is found last in some dictionaries and refers to a green leafhopper.

### **MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS AND HAPPENINGS**

### **Congratulations to Augsburg students!**

Augsburg College has been in the forefront recently as students have been recognized with major awards, scholarships, and competitions:

### Fulbright Awards, 2011-12

- Senior Katie Edelen, a Sabo Scholar and Peace Prize Forum Peace Scholar, has received a Fulbright research grant to Norway to carry out research at the Peace Research Institute of Oslo next year.
- **Jennifer Oliver**, a financial aid counselor in the Enrollment Center, has received a Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship in Germany.

### Udall Scholarship

 Kathy DeKrey, an environmental studies and political science pre-law double major who plans to become an environmental lawyer working with low-income communities, has been awarded a \$5,000 Udall Scholarship for 2011–12.

### Goldwater Scholarship

 Math major Austin Wagner received Honorable Mention for a Barry S. Goldwater Scholarship, a recognition of excellence for the most prestigious scholarship in the sciences.

### CUR Posters on the Hill

 Augsburg will be represented in Washington, D.C., by mathematics major Jeremy Anthony, one of 60 students in the country chosen for Posters on the Hill,

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sponsored by the Council on Undergraduate Research. He, along with his faculty mentor, Professor John Zobitz, will present at the poster session and also meet with Minnesota legislators.

### Sarasota Artist Series Piano Competition

• **Leah Dodds**, a Hognander Scholar who graduated in 2009, won first place on April 2 in the Performance Award level at the piano competition in Sarasota, Fla.

**EVENTS OF NOTE this week and next**—for a listing and details of Augsburg events, go to the Calendar on Inside Augsburg at <a href="http://inside.augsburg.edu">http://inside.augsburg.edu</a>.

### Monday, April 11

Augsburg Leaderships Awards 4 p.m., East Commons, Christensen Center

### Monday-Tuesday, April 11-12

2011 Sverdrup Visiting Scientist Lectures, Barbara A. Baird, Cornell University **Monday, April 11,** "How Cells Sense and Respond to Their Environment—Zooming In to Understand and Intervene"

7:30 p.m., Hoversten Chapel

**Tuesday, April 12,** "Making a Contribution in a Complicated World—Individual Passion and Collaborative Power"

11 a.m., Hoversten Chapel

### Wednesday-Thursday, April 13-14

Zyzzogeton, Auggie research and creative activity Wednesday—Presentations and poster session Thursday—Presentations

### Thursday, April 14

Open Forum on Egypt—and Beyond: Uprisings around the World 11:50 a.m.–1:30 p.m., Marshall Room

### Thursday, April 14

Center for Leadership Studies workshop, "Civil Discourse: A Prerequisite for Leadership," presented by Rep. Terry Morrow, Minnesota House District 23A 5:30 p.m., social time; 6 p.m., presentation; Century Room, Christensen Center

### Thursday-Sunday, April 14-17

Day Student Government elections

### Friday, April 15

Honors Convocation 4:30 p.m., Hoversten Chapel

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### Friday, April 15-17

WEC and some graduate classes meet

### Friday-Sunday, April 15-17

Anything Goes, directed by Randy Winkler; music direction, Sonja Thompson Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m.; Sunday, 3 p.m., Tjornhom-Nelson Theater

### Sunday, April 17

Masterworks Chorale spring concert, "Kings and Angels" 7 p.m., Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church, 301 County Road 19, Excelsior, MN 5533

### Monday, April 18

2011 Auggie Athletic Awards 5 p.m., Si Melby Hall

### Wednesday, April 20

Lavender Celebration 4 p.m., OGC

### Friday, April 22-Sunday, April 24

Easter break; no classes

### **CHAPEL SCHEDULE**

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, 7:30-7:55 a.m.

**Tuesday, April 12**—11 a.m., Sverdrup Visiting Scientist Lecture, Barbara A. Baird, "Making a Contribution in a Complicated World—Individual Passion and Collaborative Power"

Wednesday, April 13—Vocatio Chapel, Dr. Ruth E. Johnson '74 Wednesday evening, 9:09 p.m.—Songs and communion Thursday, April 14—Erika Osterbur, senior speaker Friday, April 15— Athletic Convocation, with Paul Grauer Saturday, April 16—First Word Gathering Monday, April 18—President Paul C. Pribbenow

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

Have a great week!