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**Good morning.** With day students returning to classes from mid-term break today, it's hard to realize that we're in the second half of the semester already, as confirmed with our more winter-like weather.

We welcome our Lutheran colleagues who are here today and tomorrow morning for discussion around vocation in higher education, and are grateful to Bishop Mark Hanson for his thoughtful conversation with us last night.

## CAMPUS PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

### **Vote tomorrow!**

Please remember to vote tomorrow in the general elections. Students who live on campus may vote at the voting location for Augsburg, which is the Seward Square Apartments, 2211 9th St. For more information, go to the Minnesota Secretary of State website, [www.sos.state.mn.us](http://www.sos.state.mn.us).

Faculty and staff are reminded that they may go to vote at any time during the day.

### **Auggies in the men's soccer playoffs**

Tomorrow night, 7:30 p.m., Augsburg will host Carleton in an MIAC men's soccer playoff semifinal contest at Edor Nelson Field. Augsburg, the No. 2 seed, will play No. 3-seed Carleton.

Since the game is an MIAC playoff contest, Augsburg passes will not be accepted and ALL patrons, including Augsburg students, faculty, and staff, will have to pay admission—\$7 for adults and \$3 for students. The first 200 students will be free!

This is the first time that Augsburg has hosted an MIAC playoff game. The second place finish is the highest for an Augsburg squad since the 1980 championship team. Augsburg's current 13-4-1 record marks the most wins in a season since 2006, and the conference record of 7-2-1 matches that of the 2008 NCAA Sweet 16 team. The game will feature a live video webcast at <http://client.stretchinternet.com/client/augsburg.portal>.

The winner of tomorrow night's semifinal will face the winner of the Macalester vs. Concordia-Moorhead game in the final contest on Saturday, Nov. 6, with that winner earning an automatic berth to the NCAA Division III national tournament. For more information, go to

<http://athletics.augsburg.edu/news/2010/10/31/msoc103010.aspx?path=msoc>.

### **Koryne Horbal Lecture on November 5 features The Guerilla Girls**

The Guerilla Girls, feminist masked avengers, authors, and activists, will present a program that includes humor, visuals, and provocative discussion to raise awareness of issues of gender equality and justice. The convocation is sponsored by the Anne Pederson Women's Resource Center and is part of the 2010-11 Convocation Series. It will take place on Friday at 5 p.m. in Hoversten Chapel.

### **Wear your Auggie colors on Fridays in November**

According to the *The Chronicle's* Great Colleges to Work For 2010 survey results, more than three-quarters of faculty and staff surveyed think that, all things considered, Augsburg is a

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great place to work. Let's tell this Augsburg story in word and deed. Show your pride by wearing your gear to work on Auggie Fridays.

Faculty and staff can take advantage of a 20% discount on Auggie gear anytime, and a 40% discount on Fridays in November—good on any non-sale apparel items—with your Augsburg faculty/staff ID card. Brought to you by the Augsburg Human Resources Department and Barnes and Noble at Augsburg College.

#### **Open enrollment for benefits:**

The 2011 health and dental benefit renewal begins next Monday, November 8, and ends on November 19. Information sessions are scheduled as follows:

- Monday, Nov. 8, noon–1 p.m., Marshall Room, Christensen Center
- Tuesday, Nov. 9, 1:30–2:30 p.m., Marshall Room, Christensen Center
- Wednesday, Nov. 10, 8:30–9:30 a.m., Marshall Room, Christensen Center
- Friday, Nov. 12, 2–3 p.m., Marshall Room, Christensen Center
- Monday, Nov. 15, 9:30–10:30 a.m., Marshall Room, Christensen Center
- Tuesday, Nov. 16, 1–2 p.m., Marshall Room, Christensen Center
- Wednesday, Nov. 17, 5–6 p.m., Oren Gateway Center 100

#### **Founders Day Reformation Lectures—Nov. 10 and 11**

Next week on Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 10 and 11, the 2010 Founders Day lectures will be presented by Andrew and Sarah Wilson, ecumenical scholars who live in Strasbourg, France. To commemorate the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther's pilgrimage to Rome, which resulted seven years later in his posting of the 95 Theses, the Wilsons have walked 1,000 miles on the same route to raise awareness and create broader cooperation in Christian unity. Professor Hans Wiersma, Religion Department, joined them in walking the first four days of the pilgrimage.

Andrew and Sarah Wilson will present two lectures for Founder's Day:

- Wed., Nov. 10, 7 p.m., Hoversten Chapel—"Pomegranates, Passes, and Popes: A Kinetic Perspective on Luther's Trip to Rome"
- Thurs., Nov. 11, 10 a.m., Hoversten Chapel—"What has Erfurt to Do with Rome? Ecumenism as Pilgrimage"

The Founders Day Reformation Lecture, now in its sixth year, connects Augsburg's history and heritage to the founding of the Lutheran Church and helps us link Luther's theology to issues we face in living our mission and vision as a college. As we move closer to the 500th anniversary celebration of the Reformation in 2017, these lectures help us build a strong Augsburg tradition around the 95 Theses and the issues of the Reformation that inform our vocational education today.

#### **Thru Another's Lens dialogue**

The Luther Hall/Oren Gateway Center (LOGC) ResLife Staff and the Department of Residence Life is beginning a safe dialogue series for community members with two goals: (1) creating awareness and knowledge around issues of human diversity and (2) contemplating how students, staff, and faculty can take action for social justice within their own communities and in the world. This series is entitled "Thru Another's Lens."

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The seven sessions in this series take place approximately monthly from November to April. The series will be single-issue focus, meaning that a particular session will focus on oppression dynamics in one of the following social identity categories: class; disability/nondisability; gender, race and ethnicity; religious/spiritual identities; and sexual orientation.

The series will kick off this week on Wednesday, Nov. 3, at 6:30 p.m. in Oren Gateway 100 and aims to develop a common, broad conceptual understanding of oppression dynamics, allowing the series to take single-issue focus for the rest of the academic year.

Contact Will O'Berry at [oberry@augsborg.edu](mailto:oberry@augsborg.edu) or a member of the LOGC Staff with any questions.

#### **Last workshop on personal budget and the biweekly conversion**

Confused about the upcoming payroll change? Looking for hints on managing your cash flow? Too busy to think about what you need to do?

The last personal budget management workshop, conducted by Human Resources, will provide additional information about the payroll transition from monthly to bi-weekly. Spouses and partners are welcome. The workshop takes place on Thursday, Nov. 4, from noon to 1 p.m. in the Marshall Room, Christensen Center.

#### **Campus and Space Master Planning—one more update session**

Thanks to the more than 200 faculty, staff, and students who participated in the CSMP Steering Committee's focus groups and commission overview meetings last week who heard about and discussed the work of the Campus and Space Master Plan Commission.

One final session is being arranged for those who could not attend the update sessions last week. Watch for details in A-mail and on the Inside Augsburg calendar.

#### **KUDOS**

Kudos to **Emiliano Chagil**, Hispanic/Latino Student Services, and **Jennifer Simon**, American Indian Student Services, who presented "Higher Education and Acculturation" at the Minnesota College Personnel Association (MCPA) conference, Oct. 14-15. Kudos also to **Ann Garvey**, Student Affairs, who presented "Legal Issues in Higher Education."

Kudos to Residence Life and Community Link Safe Block Coordinators **Angela Bonfiglio** and **Kelsey Sundberg** for hosting the Halloween Safe Block last Wednesday, which invited children from the community to trick or treat in Urness. Thanks to the 40+ rooms in Urness that participated in handing out candy.

Kudos to the **faculty members of the Social Work Department** who presented at the Council on Social Work Education's 56th annual meeting, October 14 – 17.

- Professor **Kelly Abel Knochel** presented a workshop, "Teaching Gender: Moving Beyond Male/Female and Understanding the T in LGBT," that builds

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- basic understanding and capacity to teach gender diversity.
- Professor **Ankita Deka** presented “Can Patient-Provider Relationships Impact Racial Disparities in Health: Analysis of MEPS data,” a study that quantitatively measures the impact of perceived discrimination in patient-provider interactions in primary care and how that impacts self-reported health status and health care utilization among African-Americans.
- Professors **Laura Boisen**, **Nancy Rodenberg**, and **Lois Bosch** presented a workshop, “I’m Not Racist: The Pedagogy of Exploring Isms,” which explored a pedagogical approach to assist students to become more aware of their own and others’ implicit and explicit prejudice.

Congratulations to Professor **Carla-Elaine Johnson**, English Department, who is one of 10 emerging African American writers from diverse genres accepted as a Givens Fellow for the 2010 Givens Black Writers Collaborative Retreat Program. Over eight months, the program provides “mentoring and peer support, building literary community, honing literary craft, and producing new works.”

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

## **Sunday–Tuesday, Oct. 31–Nov. 2**

### **ELCA “Education for Vocation” conference**

Sunday, Oct. 31, begins 5:30 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 1, 7:30 a.m. through 5:30 p.m. dinner

Tuesday, Nov. 2, 7:30 a.m. through noon lunch

## **Monday, Nov. 1**

The Diversity Leadership Summit: Progress Toward Inclusion in Rochester, featuring panel led by Dr. Sharonne Hayes, director, Office of Diversity and Inclusion, Mayo Clinic

5:30 p.m., Bethel Lutheran church, 810 3rd Ave. SE, Rochester, MN

## **Tuesday, Nov. 2**

Election Day

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**Haunted Hall featuring Dia de los Muertos**, Cross cultural celebration for students, including Halloween and Dia de los Muertos  
7 p.m., Urness Hall

## **Wednesday, Nov. 3**

### **First Wednesday Gathering**

11 a.m.–1:30 p.m., Lunch for faculty and staff, East Commons, Christensen Center

8 p.m., supper for evening custodial crew, Augsburg Room

## **Wednesday, Nov. 3**

**Speaking of Scholarship**, **Lucreshia Grant**, “Hair Is, Hair Ain’t: Black Women and the Meaning of their Hair,” and **Amanda Symmes**, “Examining the Association between Attention-Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) and Nicotine Use among Adolescents and Young Adults”

12:15 p.m., Oren Gateway Center 100

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## **Wednesday, Nov. 3**

**Thru Another's Lens**, safe dialogue series around diversity, sponsored by Residence Life  
6:30 p.m., Oren Gateway Center 100

## **Thursday, Nov. 4**

**Personal Budget Management workshop**  
Noon–1 p.m., Marshall Room, Christensen Center

## **Friday–Sunday, Nov. 5–7**

**WEC, graduate classes meet**

## **Friday–Sunday, Nov. 5–14**

**Fall theatre production, "The Learned Ladies,"** by Moliere; directed by Martha Johnson, in Tjornhom-Nelson Theater

Thursday, Nov. 11, 7 p.m.,

Friday, Nov. 5, 8 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 12, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 6 and 13, 7 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 7 and 14, 3 p.m.

## **Friday, Nov. 5**

**Flu shot clinic**

8 a.m.–noon, Lindell Library 202

## **Friday, Nov. 5**

**2010 Convocation Series, Koryne Horbal Lecture**

**Guerrilla Girls**, feminist group performance

5 p.m., Hoversten Chapel

## **DAILY CHAPEL**

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, Nov. 2**—Dr. Paul Dovre, Concordia College-Moorhead

**Wednesday, Nov. 3**—President Paul Pribbenow

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

**Thursday, Nov. 4**

**Friday, Nov. 5**—Pastor Marque Jensen

**Saturday, Oct. 30**—First Word Gathering, Carol Seilheymer, Youth and Family Ministry student

**Monday, Nov. 8**

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

Have a great week!

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