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Good morning. This week we celebrate activities highlighting the work of two of our centers of commitment, which were established to lift up Augsburg's core values and live out our institutional vocation—the Center for Meaningful Work and the Center for Global Education.

The **Strommen Center's Meaningful Work Week**, "Exploring Meaningful Work—explore, engage, experience," provides students with perspectives on various career areas and helps them prepare to enter professional work. See details about the week's activities below.

A year ago, I announced the creation of this newest of the four centers. Funding was provided by the Strommen family to recognize Clair and Gladys Strommen's personal commitment to creating meaning and purpose in work and life.

Also, this is **International Education Week**, a joint initiative of the U.S. Department of State and the Department of Education to celebrate the benefits of international education and exchange worldwide. The Office of International Programs (OIP) and the International Student Organization (ISO), in collaboration with several other departments, have a week of activities planned—see below.

I am pleased to announce that **Augsburg College will soon be the test site of a new bike shelter**, to be located along 22nd Avenue, near lot B, designed and built by Dero Bike Rack Company, a locally-owned business in the Seward neighborhood. This covered shelter, the Kolo 2 Shelter, will house a Dero Decker bike rack that can hold up to 24 bikes on its two-level articulating racks. Dero donated these items to Augsburg for a year to test their suitability in colder climates. For information about these products, go to <http://www.dero.com/products/kolo-shelter/kolo-shelter-gallery.html> and <http://www.dero.com/products/dero-decker/>.

The cement pad was poured and the shelter (painted Auggie maroon) is scheduled for installation this week. Bike riders are welcome to begin using the racks on a first-come, first-served basis. This partnership between Augsburg and Dero is a wonderful example of how we can bring new resources to our college community through exploring mutual interests with neighborhood businesses.

Again, **my congratulations to the men's soccer team and Coach Greg Holker** for an outstanding season. While the playoffs came to an end for them yesterday with a loss in the second round of the NCAA Division III national tournament to University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, 3–0, it was a record-breaking season that brought Augsburg a trophy for the first time since 1980. Earlier, on Saturday, the Auggies won the first round, by defeating College of St. Scholastica, 1–0, in two overtimes.

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This has been the best season for men's soccer since 1980, with a record 16 victories, the first MIAC postseason playoff championship, and the second NCAA tournament berth in the last three years. In addition, Augsburg swept the MIAC top awards in men's soccer, with Coach Greg Holker named as Coach of the Year and sophomore Chad Gilmer named MIAC Player of the Year. Six other players also earned conference honors. We're proud of the team!

CAMPUS PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

Open enrollment for benefits:

Benefit open enrollment takes place through Friday, Nov. 19. Please plan to attend one of the two open enrollment sessions left to learn about the changes to your benefits for 2011. **All forms are due in the Human Resources Office by 4:30 p.m. on Friday.**

- Tuesday, Nov. 16, 1–2 p.m., Marshall Room, Christensen Center
- Wednesday, Nov. 17, 5–6 p.m., Oren Gateway Center 100

Strommen Meaningful Work Week—Nov. 15–19

The Clair and Gladys Strommen Center for Meaningful Work is hosting these events during the week. See the calendar below for details.

- Monday–Friday—The “View” from Employers, open house for students each day, highlighting various areas, with employer representatives. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; different focus each day
- Thursday—Strommen Executive Leader Speaker Series, with Richard Davis, CEO, U.S. Bancorp, at 5 p.m.

International Education Week, Nov. 15–19

Celebrating international education and the internationalization of Augsburg, there will be tabling each day representing different areas of the world.

Tabling in Christensen Center, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., will feature:

Tuesday—Asia and Oceania

Wednesday—Europe

Thursday—The Americas

Friday—The world

2010 Peace Prize T-shirts will be given Monday–Thursday in exchange for a \$5 donation toward Pakistani flood relief. At the end of the week one donation will be given to Islamic relief.

Tomorrow, the 10th annual International Programs Photo Contest reception will present awards in three categories at 4 p.m., in the upstairs lobby in Old Main. The reception runs from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., and voting for the People's

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Choice Award is from 3:30 to 4 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

On Friday, Nov. 19, the International Student Talent Show starts at 5:30 p.m.

"Feed the Pig" to fund a scholarship

The Augsburg Stewards are hosting a student competition to fund a scholarship to help current students. Students can pick up a piggy bank in Christensen Center tomorrow and Wednesday, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and "feed the pig" their spare change. On Piggy Round-Up Days, the piggy banks can be cashed in for chances to win iPods, Target gift cards and more. All donations will be matched up to \$5,000 by an alumni donor, and the class with the highest participation wins a party at Augsburg House. The first Piggy Round-up Day is on December 1.

Sports Extravaganza on Wednesday

Once again this year, Augsburg's physical education and health fitness majors and North Hennepin Community College students will host and provide activities for 250–300 visiting students in grades 3 through 6 who have special needs.

KUDOS

Kudos to **Michael Grewe**, students **Fia Goldfine**, **Adam Gardner**, **Dan Meyer**, and **Kacie Lucchini**, and **30 other volunteers** as Queer and Straight in Unity and LGBTQIA Services hosted the Fifth Annual Minnesota OUT! conference last weekend. More than 450 people (which surpassed all previous conferences threefold) from 40+ colleges attended, despite the snow, for programming that included more than 70 workshops on a variety topics affecting LGBTQIA and allied communities.

Kudos to **Amanda Erdman**, Residence Life director, and **Tanya Hartwig**, Urness Hall director, who made presentations at the Minnesota College Personnel Association (MCPA) conference on Careers in Student Affairs for undergraduate students, hosted by Augsburg on Saturday, Nov. 6.

Kudos to two Physics Department researchers, **Laura Simms** and **Jennifer Posch**, who recently published papers in the *Journal of Geophysical Research*. Laura Simms' paper, "Determining the Key Drivers of Magnetospheric Pc5 Wave Power," was co-authored by **Slava Pilipenko** of the Russian Academy of Sciences (a frequent visiting scientist at Augsburg) and **Mark Engebretson**. Jennifer Posch's paper, "Probing the Relationship between EMIC Waves and Plasmaspheric Plumes near Geosynchronous Orbit," was co-authored by 2008 Augsburg graduate **Michael Murphy**, Michael Denton of Lancaster University (Great Britain), Richard Horne of the British Antarctic Survey, Marc Lessard of the University of New Hampshire, and **Mark Engebretson**.

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Kudos to Professor **Tim Jones**, English Department and i-Term, who recently published a book, *Outlawry in Medieval Literature* (Palgrave/Macmillan). The book “theorizes the figure of the outlaw in medieval England and uncovers the legal, ethical, and social assumptions that underlie the practice of outlawry.”

Kudos to **Jessica Nathanson**, Women’s Resource Center, who gave a paper, “Feminist Blogging and the Co-Option of Feminist Theory,” on a panel she organized, “Feminist Revolution at the Interface of the Digital Revolution” at the National Women’s Studies Association conference in Denver. She also presented on “Online Paper Submission and Digital Grading” at the NWSA Program Administration and Development Pre-Conference roundtable, “The Role of Technology in Women’s Studies Program Administration and Teaching: (How) Does It Work?”

Seven students also attended—**Gina Brama**, **Lucrechia Grant**, **Murriel Kroll**, **Lily Morris**, **Annika Gunderson**, **Christine Salls**, and graduate student, **Erin Parrish**. Lucrechia moderated a panel “Latin American Feminist and Queer Liberation Theologies in Translation: New Perspectives for Queer Studies in the United States” at which three students who studied in Cuernavaca presented, along with **Ann Lutterman-Aguilar**, CGE Mexico site director and **Antonio Ortega**, CGE Mexico program coordinator. Ann’s paper was “Combating U.S. Centrism in Gender Studies and Queer Studies: Using Feminist Pedagogies and International Education to ‘Complicate the Queer’” and Antonio’s paper was “The First Visibilities of Homosexuales in Mexico: A Challenge to Conservative Catholic Culture.”

Congratulations to **Alex Buffalohead** and **Eric Buffalohead**, Sociology and American Indian Studies, members of the blues band Bluedog, which received the Native American Music Award last Friday for Best Group, for their album *Get Up & Get Out*. The NAMMYs are “the world’s first official and largest awards show for Native American music initiatives.”

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

Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 16 and 17
“Feed the Pig” student fundraising
11 a.m.–1 p.m., Christensen Center

Tuesday-Friday, Nov. 15-19
International Education Week

Tuesday–Friday, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.; Tabling. Monday—Africa; Tuesday—Asia and Oceania; Wednesday—Europe; Thursday—The Americas; Friday—the world

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Tuesday, Nov. 16

International Programs Photo Contest Awards Reception

3:30 p.m., Old Main upstairs lobby; awards presentation, 4 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 16

Hmong-Australia presentation

4:30 p.m., Marshall Room, Christensen Center

Tuesday-Friday, Nov. 15-19

Strommen Meaningful Work Week

Tuesday-Friday, The "View" from Employers, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Anderson Hall 23

Wednesday, Nov. 17

Sports Extravaganza

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Focused Conversation—"Enrollment Management Primer"

Noon, Johnson Conference Center, Oren Gateway Center 100

Wednesday, Nov. 17

Speaking of Scholarship, Vivian Feng, "Diesel Analysis"

12:15 p.m., Marshall Room, Christensen Center

Thursday, Nov. 18

Strommen Executive Leader Speaker Series, Richard Davis, CEO of U.S. Bancorp

5 p.m., Sateren Auditorium, Music Hall

Friday-Sunday, Nov. 19-21

WEC, some graduate classes meet

Sunday, Nov. 21

Augsburg Jazz Concert

7 p.m., Hoversten Chapel

Monday, Nov. 22

Augsburg Concert Band Concert, "A Night at the Movies"

7 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.

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Religion Dept. Chapel Series (continued)

Tuesday, Nov. 16—Matt Maruggi

Wednesday, Nov. 17—Vocatio Chapel, Bruce Kranig '07 MAL, account manager, American Red Cross, speaking about his passion for the missions of the American Red Cross and the Animal Humane Society.

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

Thursday, Nov. 18—Nancy Koester

Friday, Nov. 19—Jeremy Myers

Saturday, Nov. 20—First Word Gathering, President Paul Pribbenow, speaking about Robert Bellah

Monday, Nov. 22—Bruce Reichenbach, Philosophy Dept.

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

Have a great week!