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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Augsburg College for the fourth time earned a spot on the President's Higher Education Honor Roll with Distinction for the commitment by Auggies to civic engagement and community service. Last year, we achieved the highest possible honor when we earned the Presidential Award for Community Service. Augsburg was – and remains – the only Minnesota school to receive this honor. You can read more below or on Inside Augsburg at http://inside.augsburg.edu/news-archives/2012/03_19_12/honorroll.html. In addition, a commentary I wrote last year for Metro Lutheran on the true value of these achievements is here http://metrolutheran.org/2011/06/serving-where-you-are/.

Philanthropy Week kicks off on Monday, and it's a chance to encourage Auggie students to participate in giving back to the community. Students can do this in a simple manner – just by turning in their Feed the Pig banks. The class that raises the most money for Augsburg Fund will win a party at Augsburg House. Please encourage students to show their support for the College, and their fellow classmates, by giving back. Learn more in A-Mail at http://augnet.augsburg.edu/amail/#33762.

I look forward to seeing many Auggie faculty and staff at the All Hands Meeting at **11:15 a.m. Tuesday**, and to sharing some of the important things taking place throughout our community.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS AND HAPPENINGS

Congratulations to Auggies for service work. Augsburg students participated in nearly 180,000 hours of community service, a contribution valued at about \$3.8 million. This dedication and commitment to civic engagement was a factor that led to the College being named for the fourth time to the 2012 President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll with Distinction. See President's Message, above, for more information.

Riverside construction continues. Use caution on campus when crossing streets, plan extra time for travel to campus. The City of Minneapolis project on Riverside Ave. from 23rd Ave. S. to Cedar Ave. is underway again, and will proceed in three stages from now through autumn. Depending upon the stage, the Augsburg community will experience detours, traffic delays, increased on-campus traffic including vehicles, trucks and emergency vehicles, and decreased street parking. Read the full story in A-mail: http://augnet.augsburg.edu/amail/#33790.



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Strommen Executive Speakers Series is March 29. The importance of cultural fluency in international business is the focus of a talk by Jim Owens, president and CEO of H.B. Fuller. Owens will speak from **5 to 6:30 p.m., March 29,** in Sateren Auditorium as part of the Strommen Executive Speaker Series.

The most recent speaker in the series was Keith Wyche, CEO and president of Cub Foods. Wyche, a top-ranking African-American business leader, talked about the marks of success being not about accumulating material goods, but in helping others through mentorship. You can see a social-media roundup of his presentation on the College Storify channel at http://storify.com/AugsburgCollege/moving-beyond-success-to-significance.

The Twitter hashtag for the Strommen Executive Speaker Series is #AugStrom.

Annual Powwow on March 31. The fourth annual Augsburg Powwow is **March 31**. The event is a chance to share in the traditions and cultures of our indigenous students, and to recognize their educational accomplishments. The Powwow is sponsored by the Augsburg Indigenous Student Association and American Indian Student Services. This year, the event organizers collaborated with the College, the community, and City of Minneapolis on food and craft vending, and safety. More in A-Mail at http://augnet.augsburg.edu/amail/#33762.

CAMPUS PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

Foodless food drive underway. This is the last week to donation to the Brian Coyle Food Shelf. Contributions can be delivered to the Sabo Center. More on Inside Augsburg at http://inside.augsburg.edu/news-archives/2012/03_19_12/food_drive.html

EVENTS

March 26-30 – Philanthropy Week, multiple events and activities, http://augnet.augsburg.edu/amail/#33762

March 28 – Stephan Clark reading and MFA celebration, 6:30 p.m., Christensen Center. RSVP required. http://augnet.augsburg.edu/amail/?issuedate=20120323#33765

March 31 – 4th Annual Traditional Powwow, 1 p.m., Si Melby Hall. http://augnet.augsburg.edu/amail/?issuedate=20120319#33737

For a listing of Augsburg athletic events, visit the Athletic Department Calendar at http://bit.ly/mUsyCB.

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DAILY CHAPEL

The community gathers from 10:20 to 10:40 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday; and from 11:20 to 11:40 a.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. Informal communion is held at 9:09 p.m., Wednesday.

- Tuesday, March 27: All-Hands Meeting
- Wednesday, March 28: Oscar Romero Remembrance, Emiliano Chagil, director of Hispanic/Latino Student Services, and Matt Maruggi, assistant professor of religion
- Thursday, March 29: Jennifer Pulscher, senior speaker
- Friday, March 30: Images of Lent, Kristin Anderson, professor of art and history
- Monday, April 2: TBD

Augsburg for Adults and members of Campus Ministry gather from 7:30 to 7:50 a.m. on days of Saturday class for Eat, Greet & Bless: WEC/Grad Gathering (formerly known as First Word Gathering). These meetings are a chance for people of all faiths and backgrounds to meet for an informal worship and to enjoy breakfast together.

OTHER INFORMATION

Auggies tell story of college – Members of the Augsburg community can help tell the story of the College in many ways, every day. Be sure to submit your events, news, and kudos to A-Mail and consider sharing the Augsburg story by posting to your personal Facebook page some of the news from our community. Take a moment to check out some of these neat Auggie stories:

- The Star Tribune did a piece March 17 on student financial issues last week. Two Auggie staff and two Auggie students were part of the story. <u>http://www.startribune.com/business/yourmoney/142932595.html</u>
- A March 20 story in the *Star Tribune* on liberal arts colleges included Augsburg. <u>http://www.startribune.com/local/143419966.html</u>
- Augsburg successfully connected Auggie alum Bob Goodman, a McNair scholar and sociology major, to a *U.S. News and World Report* reporter to help shape a March 13 article on getting funding for graduate school. <u>http://bit.ly/yE8RUJ</u>