## E-COMMUNICATOR NO. 14 VANDERBILT DIVINITY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER February 25, 2008

#### WEEKLY CALENDAR

### MONDAY, February 25

12:00 noon Dean's Faculty Lunch Tillett Lounge

**TUESDAY, February 26** 

## WEDNESDAY, February 27

**10:10 a.m.** Weekly Worship Service – Khette Cox All Faith Chapel

# THURSDAY, February 28

7:00 pm OWC/GABLE movie night Showing- TransAmerica Divinity School Arts room

## FRIDAY, February 29

10:10 a.m. Coffee Hour Common Room 12:10 p.m. Communion Benton Chapel

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Please welcome Laura Hunt. Laura is joining the VDS community as the office assistant/receptionist in the administrative office. Laura comes to the Divinity School from the University Office of Schedules and Registration.

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In recognition of the fifth anniversary of the invasion of Iraq by the United States, Vanderbilt University is sponsoring a film and discussion series at Vanderbilt's Sarratt Cinema, which will examine the Iraq war. Vanderbilt faculty and graduate students will lead discussions following each of the films. Attached you will find a listing of the films that will be shown, beginning today (February 19) through March 30.

Additional information on the program can be found at the following website: www.vanderbilt.edu/iraqwarseries.

Julie K. Sandine, M.A., J.D., Assistant Dean for Student Affairs

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Prison Chaplaincy --- Brown Bag Lunch

Ron Turner, MTS 2000, will be here for a brown bag lunch on Friday, March 14, 12:10 - 1:00 p.m. in the Private Dining Room. Since August of last year Ron has been the Director of Religious Services for the Tennessee Department of Correction. After graduating from Vanderbilt Law School, he practiced law in Nashville, and from 2000-2007 he taught criminal justice and political science at Cumberland University in Lebanon, TN.

Ron began his work in prison through his VDS field education placement at Riverbend Maximum Security Institute in the summer of 2000. Come hear his stories of life as a prison chaplain and learn about opportunities for you.

If you have questions, feel free to contact Ron at <u>ron.turner@state.tn.us</u> or Viki Matson at viki.b.matson@vanderbilt.edu.

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Thursday, February 28, 7:00 pm OWC/GABLE movie night-Showing- TransAmerica Divinity School Arts room

Start spring break early with a great movie! Movie snacks and soda provided.

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RSVP.....RSVP.....RSVP.....RSVP.....RSVP.....RSVP......RSVP......

**Intentional Vocational Discernment** 

MARCH 13, 6:00 TO 8:00 PM, G-23 (COME FOR DINNER!)

**MAKING CAREER DECISIONS:** 

Developing your PURPOSE STATEMENT and ACTION PLAN

The *MBTI* (*Myers Briggs*) *full interpretive report* will be utilized in this session. BRING RESULTS TO THE MARCH 13 SESSION!

**RSVP REQUIRED!** If you plan to attend this session, you *must RSVP* Jessy Grondin (jessica.k.grondin@vanderbilt.edu). Once you RSVP, you will receive *instructions on how to take the MBTI online* for the March 13<sup>th</sup> session.

PRESENTERS: CINDY FUNK AND LORI BUNGARNER

**VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY CAREER SERVICES** 

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Job Postings

### Associate for Survey Research, Research Services, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) is seeking an Associate for Survey Research to help the denomination and its entities make better decisions. The Associate will work with constituents to determine their data needs and use social science research techniques – in particular, surveys (including Presbyterian Panel surveys), focus groups, and searches of administrative records – to assemble appropriate data from and about Presbyterians; conduct statistical analyses of these data; and disseminate results to church leaders and other relevant groups through written reports, presentations, and Web postings A master's degree in a social science or related area is required; a Ph.D. is preferred. A minimum of five years' experience in social science research is also required (preferably 10 years), especially survey research. A background in an applied setting focusing on denominations, congregations, or individual religious behavior is preferred. Requisite skills include knowledge of research methods and data analysis (including SPSS); administration and design of surveys and focus groups; report writing and oral presentation skills; attention to detail; and understanding of and respect for Christian principles. Applicants should send a letter of interest along with a resume to Human Resources HR-E08-02-17, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), 100 Witherspoon St, Louisville KY 40202. For more information on Research Services, go to www.pcusa.org/research; for more information on the U.S. Congregational Life Survey, go to www.USCongregations.org. Screening begins immediately and will continue until the position is filled.

## Research Assistant, Research Services, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) is seeking a Research Assistant to help in conducting Wave 2 of the U.S. Congregational Life Survey, including: (1) managing recruitment of congregations, development of databases, and response rate tracking; (2) coordinating with mail fulfillment, survey layout and scanning, survey translation, printing, and computer services providers; (3) overseeing revision of congregational resources and reports; and (4) analysis and reporting of US CLS data. A master's degree in a social science or related area is required; a Ph.D. is preferred. A minimum of two years' experience in social science research is also required, preferably in survey research in an applied setting with congregation and/or denominations. Requisite skills include knowledge of research methods and data analysis (including SPSS); report writing and oral presentation skills; attention to detail; and understanding of and respect for Christian principles. This is a three-year, grant-funded position. Applicants should send a letter of interest along with a resume to Human Resources HR-E08-02-18, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), 100 Witherspoon St, Louisville KY 40202. For more information on Research Services, go to www.pcusa.org/research; for more information on the U.S.

Congregational Life Survey, go to www.USCongregations.org. Screening begins immediately and will continue until the position is filled. Here are the links to the jobs on the PCUSA site:

http://onedoor.pcusa.org/(53cqd3e4zw5skimkaulbeaeh)/user/pages/jobsearch\_position\_description.aspx?position\_id=20080027

http://onedoor.pcusa.org/(53cqd3e4zw5skimkaulbeaeh)/user/pages/jobsearch\_position\_description.aspx?position\_id=20080026

# Furman University Chaplaincy Internship for the 2008-2009 Academic Year

Furman University in Greenville, South Carolina is offering an academic year chaplaincy internship for fall 2008/spring 2009. The internship begins September 4, 2008 and runs through May 2009. The internship is full time and involves weekly individual supervision, group supervision, a stipend of \$20,000 for the academic year as well as university health benefits.

Qualifications for consideration are as follows:

- 1. Currently enrolled in a theological program at the Ph.D., M.Div or M.A. level (or)
- 2. Graduated from a master's/doctoral level program in theology or related field
- 3. Personal experience in ministry
- 4. GPA of 3.0 or better

#### Requirements of the Intern:

- 1.35-40 hours on site per week, including 12-15 client hours, supervision, training, record-keeping
- 2. Approximately 5 off-site hours for reading and study in preparation for supervision
- 3. One academic year commitment (there is no option for a second year)

## If you're interested:

Send resume, cover letter, three letters of recommendation and transcripts by May 31, 2008 to:

Office of the Chaplains Internship Application Furman University 3300 Poinsett Highway Greenville, SC 29613-5947

For questions, call: (864)294-2133 or e-mail <a href="mailto:susan.bennett@furman.edu">susan.bennett@furman.edu</a>

#### **Director of Student Ministries (full-time)**

St. George's Episcopal Church, Nashville, TN

Seeking a full-time Director of Student Ministries. This person will build a team of parents, volunteers and paid staff to create an exciting and welcoming faith community, to encourage youth in their journeys of faith and to prepare them to serve and to lead intentional, Christ-centered lives. The Director will also work with other staff members to establish and to coordinate outreach to college students.

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Folks – share your announcements! Email your announcements to <a href="mailto:sherry.willis@vanderbilt.edu">sherry.willis@vanderbilt.edu</a> by 10:00 a.m. on Friday, and they will be placed in the weekly E-Communicator.