E-COMMUNICATOR NO. 5 VANDERBILT DIVINITY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER September 22, 2003

WEEKLY CALENDAR

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 122

7:00 – 8:30 p.m. Relevant Religion Series -- Scarritt Bennett Dr. Douglas Meeks (information below)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

5:30 Disciples House - House Meal

7:00 p.m. Naomi Tutu Lecture: "Women and Leadership in the New Millennium:Privilege and Peace" Ben Schulman Center for Jewish Life

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

10:00 – 11:00 Worship Service, All Faith Chapel
M. Douglas Meeks, United Methodist Tradition
12:10 Disciples House Ministry Lunch

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

7:30-8:30 a.m. Divinity School Community Breakfast.

"Bringing Jewish Studies to the Bible Belt." Jack Sasson.

The University Club of Nashville. \$10, pre-registration required, call 343-3994 by Monday, Sept. 22. Free parking.

11:30 - 1:30 PDR Eco Concerns Lunch "Earth Stewardship:

Points of Connection Between Faith Communities and the Environment".

Jason Crosby, M.DIV 3 and student intern at the Tennessee Environmental Committee, will lead this discussion.

Lunch will be provided!

12:00 noon 189 Sarratt Scott McDermott lecture

"History By Moonlight: an Antidote to Gradgrind"

4:00 p.m. Divinity G-23

Same-Sex Unions as a Christian Question

Mark Jordan, Professor of Religion at Emory University

Sponsored by The Carpenter Program in Religion, Gender, and Sexuality

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

10:10 Community Coffee - Common Room

Naomi Tutu Lecture: "Women and Leadership in the New Millennium: Privilege and Peace"

When: Tuesday, September 23 @ 7pm

Where: Ben Schulman Center for Jewish Life

Who: Open to all members of the Vanderbilt and Larger communities.

What: The 21st century is upon us and yet our leadership models have barely changed since the days of Machiavelli. The dominant form of leadership is one that is conflict driven. It seems that people are always in need of an enemy in order to feel united as social groups and nations. If we have an "other" from whom we can differentiate ourselves who 'threatens' our way of life, we experience an illusion of safety and superiority. We are killing our planet and ourselves even while there are other ways. It is time for examining a new form of leadership that integrates and values the experiences of all people, from both genders. The call is coming from all over for women to rise to show us a new way to achieve peace in our world, indeed in our daily lives.

Co-Sponsored by: Women's Studies, Vanderbilt Divinity School, Office of Women's Concerns at VDS, the VU African-American Studies Department. Reception to follow. Parking available at the back entrance of the 25th Avenue Kensington Garage. (The entrance that is between Health + and the Marriott Hotel/Borders garage.) Call Jennifer Hackett at 322-6518 or Jennifer.Hackett@vanderbilt.edu for more information.

GLBT Faculty and Staff and their Allies are invited to a Wine and Cheese Reception at the GLBT house on Wednesday Sept. 24, 3:30-5:30pm

For more information, contact GLBT Office Coordinator (patricia.k.gardner@vanderbilt.edu)

Directions: The Office for GLBT Life is located in the Annex of the Community Partnership House. Our building is on the corner of 24th Avenue South across from the Keck Free Electron Laser building and near the University Club. Enter our private courtyard and we are on the left.

12:10-1:00 Thursday, October 2

G-23 Joe Blosser "The De-flowering of Hawai'i"

In "The Deflowering of Hawai'i," Joe will share some of the story of the takeover of the island people. He worked with the women there last summer and will discuss the poverty and oppression that the patriarchal society creates. He will also discuss the spirit of Aloha and the redemption therein.

Saturday, September 27 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon Divinity G-23 Leadership Morality and the Black Church Dennis Wiley and Christine Wiley, Covenant Baptist Church, D.C. Sponsored by: Kelly Miller Smith Institute

September 29-30, 2003 The Interfaith Alliance of Middle Tennessee announces the Nashville visit of Rev. Dr. C. Welton Gaddy President The Interfaith Alliance, Washington D.C.

For further information, call Dan Rosemergy, IAMT Chair at (615) 333-0462 Dan.Rosemergy@vanderbilt.edu

SAVE THE DATE!

A Workshop for the Religious Community on Domestic Violence It Begins At Home...

Tuesday, Oct. 21, 2003 -- 8am-12:30pm

Location: Scarritt Bennett Center Guest Speaker: Mark Wynn

Look for upcoming registration materials, go to www.save.faithsite.com, or for more information contact Beth Lowry at 615-202-5252

If you are a clergy, chaplain, youth director, church counselor, parish nurse, lay leader or other religious professional, you won't want to miss this seminar! A collaborative effort between S.A.V.E. (Survivors Against Violent Environments) and the Nashville Coalition Against Domestic Violence

Take Back the Night

When: Monday, Oct. 27 7:00 PM

Where: From Olin Field across from the VU baseball field to the covered shelter

in Centennial Park

Who: All members of the Vanderbilt and larger communities

UNIVERSITY CALENDAR

Academic Events

Monday, September 22

12:10-1 p.m. History Department Lecture Series. "The Nixon Administration and German 'Ostpolitik,' 1969-1974." Dr. Bernd Schaefer. 315 Sarratt. http://sitemason.vanderbilt.edu/history.

4:15-5:15 p.m. Vanderbilt Institute of Chemical Biology/Department of Chemistry Seminar. "Studies Toward Leucascandrolide A.: A Construct for the Development of Asymmetric Allylation in Total Synthesis." David Williams. 5326 Stevenson Center. anne.b.lara@vanderbilt.edu.

Tuesday, September 23

Noon-1 p.m. Vanderbilt University Law School Luncheon Discussion. "War and the American Constitutional Order." Mark Brandon. Bass, Berry, and Sims Room. http://law.vanderbilt.edu/stuorgs/colloquy/events.html.

Thursday, September 25

7:30-8:30 a.m. Divinity School Community Breakfast. "Bringing Jewish Studies to the Bible Belt." Jack Sasson. The University Club of Nashville. \$10, preregistration required, call 343-3994 by Monday, Sept. 22. Free parking. http://divinity.library.vanderbilt.edu/div/index.html.

4 p.m. Department of Physics and Astronomy Slack Lecture Series. "The Dark Side of the Universe: Beyond stars and the starstuff we are made of." Michael S. Turner. 4327 Stevenson Center. http://sitemason.vanderbilt.edu/physics.

STUDENTS

Monday, September 22

8 a.m. Student Recreation Center Registrations. Sept. 22-26. Sign up at OCR. Tennis Singles, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; IM Basketball 1 on 1, 8:30-5 p.m., Open to all Vanderbilt student, faculty/staff. Divisions: Men's Open A, B, C; and Women's Open A, B, C; and Co-Rec Innertube Water Polo, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Open to all Vanderbilt students, faculty/staff. \$10 forfeit fee, cash only (due at registration). 343-6627, http://www.vanderbilt.edu/CampusRecreation.

Tuesday, September 23

11 a.m.-4 p.m. Career Center Fall Career Fair. Branscomb Quadrangle. http://www.vanderbilt.edu/career.

Wednesday, September 24 All Day. Versus Magazine hits stands today. http://www.versusmag.org.

12:10-1 p.m. World on Wednesdays (WOW). "Migrant Workers & Slavery in America." Matt Leber. 189 Sarratt. 322-2753, isss@vanderbilt.edu, World on Wednesdays is every Wednesday, 12:10-1:00pm in Sarratt Center Rm 189, Vanderbilt University Featuring a different topic of global interest each week. Light snacks provided. http://www.vanderbilt.edu/isss/html/Programs/WOW/WOW.html.

3:30-5:30 p.m. GLBT Faculty/Staff Wine and Cheese Reception. 3:30-5:30 p.m. Partnership House Annex. pattricia.k.gardner@vanderbilt.edu, http://www.vanderbilt.edu/glbt.

Friday, September 26

4-9 p.m. The Gentlemen of Lambda Theta Phi Latin Fraternity, Inc. and the Vanderbilt Association of Hispanic. "Latin Lounge." Enjoy live music and delicious food. The Pub. kaiser.jamil@vanderbilt.edu, http://www.vanderbilt.edu/lambdathetaphi.

If you have information/announcements to be included in the E-Communicator please email the information to sherry.willis@vanderbilt.edu All information must be received by noon on Thursday for the following week's E-Communicator.