

**E-COMMUNICATOR NO. 15**  
**VANDERBILT DIVINITY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**  
**FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 19, 2007**

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**NOTE FRIDAY/SATURDAY FEBRUARY 16-17 ANNOUNCEMENT**

February 16 & 17--Christ Church Cathedral--Dr. Larry Rasmussen, Reinhold Niebuhr Professor Emeritus of Social Ethics at Union Theological Seminary, NYC, will be discussing the life and legacy of theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Bonhoeffer struggled with what it meant to be a Christian within the Nazi state, probing questions that matter in all times and places. Bonhoeffer's beliefs resulted in his execution by the Nazi regime. His struggles and his example continue to inspire. The Friday evening program begins at 5:15 with a reception, followed by dinner at 6:00 pm (reservations required). Dr. Rasmussen's presentation begins at 7:00 pm. The Saturday morning presentation begins at 9:00 am and ends at noon. The cost of the event is \$25 (\$15 for students), dinner included. Childcare is available on request. The Cathedral is located at 900 Broadway in downtown Nashville. Phone #255-7729.

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

**MONDAY, February 19**

7:00 pm Relevant Religion Series – Herbert Marbury  
Scarritt Bennett

**TUESDAY, February 20**

11:13 a.m. – noon UMSA Worship Service  
All Faith Chapel  
12:30 Ecumenical mid-day prayer  
Benton Chapel  
5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Cal Turner Program for Moral Leadership  
Law School (details below)

**WEDNESDAY, February 21**

10:10 a.m. Weekly Worship Service – Prof. Barbara McClure  
All Faith Chapel – Ash Wednesday Service  
12:00 noon Office of Women's Concerns presents  
"Voices: articulating through vocabulary and language"  
Private Dining Room (more information below)  
3:10 pm First Year Colloquy  
G-23

**THURSDAY, February 22**

7:00 p.m. "Paris is Burning" sponsored by GABLE  
G-23 (details below)

**FRIDAY, February 23**

10:10 a.m. Coffee Hour

## Common Room

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On Thursday Feb. 22 (NEXT Thursday) at 7:00 pm in G-23, GABLE will be hosting a screening of the movie "Paris Is Burning".

"Paris Is Burning" is a 1990 documentary film directed by Jennie Livingston. Filmed in the mid-to-late 1980s, it chronicles the ball culture of New York City and the poor, African American and Latino gay and transgendered community involved in it. Many consider Paris is Burning to be an invaluable documentary of the end of the "Golden Age" of New York City drag balls, as well as a thoughtful exploration of race, class, and gender in America.

Following the movie, there will be a discussion focused on the many issues that surround sexuality, gender, and gender presentation.

There will be food and beverage.

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Our event is called Vendredi Gras, (Fat Friday) and we are combining a coffeehouse gathering with a silent bake sale auction. It will be February 23, 2007 from 6:30 until 10 in the Divinity School Common Room. Our goal is to make a donation to the New Orleans Women Center and Second Harvest. The fundraiser will take donations at the door to be sent to the New Orleans Women Center, and the left over baked goods will be contributed to Second Harvest here in Nashville. We plan to have live music, all the baked goods you can eat and fair trade coffee while contributing to a needed cause.

Its going to be Mardi Gras themed, feel free to dress up. If you would like to contribute a baked good for the event or make a donation, please email:

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You can sign up to bring a baked good on the Political Action Network (PAN) board at the Divinity School.

So again here are the major details:

When: Feb. 23, 2007

Where: Divinity Common Room

Time: 6:30-10

Cost: Donation at the door

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Office of Women's Concerns

As part of this semester's OWC programming, "Voices: Preaching, Teaching, and Speaking as a Feminist and Womanist," there will be a FREE PIZZA LUNCH next Wednesday at NOON in the PDR (Private Dining Room). We will have a three-person panel, including: Ellen Armour, Monique Moultrie, and a guest minister from the community. The panel topic for this event:

Feb 21: "Voices: articulating through vocabulary and language"

All are welcome (we did not have one man attend our last forum and that saddens us. When we say ALL are welcome we mean it. So, if you're concerned about gender justice and like pizza, come).

Coming Up:

March 21: "Voices: Instructing"

April 18: "Voices: In action"

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Cal Turner Program

Becoming a "professional" has its rewards. It also has its obligations and duties to the wider society. Truth be told, often the rewards are found in the fulfillment of our professional obligations. This spring, the Cal Turner Program for Moral Leadership in the Professions has invited young leaders in their professions who are striving to put their professional education to work for the social good. These are leaders in developing solutions to deep social problems. Their efforts enrich the lives of many. Please come and participate in these discussions, whose focus is on this question: How can our professional education make a real difference in the world?

The first student discussion in this series focuses on the Shade Tree Family Clinic, a free health clinic founded and operated by Vanderbilt Medical School students. The goal of the clinic is to address the acute and chronic health needs of uninsured and underinsured patients in the East Nashville area. Kristina Collins and Katie Cox, the organizers of the Shade Tree Family Clinic, will describe the function of the free clinic, the story of its inception, and the relationship between gaining professional expertise and attending to serious social problems while still enrolled in a Graduate degree program.

Discussion Leaders: Katie Cox and Kristina Collins, fourth-year Vanderbilt Medical School students

Tuesday, February 20, 2007, 5-7 pm Location: Law School, Room 222 (Bennett Miller Room)

Pizza and soda will be provided. Please register in advance by visiting our website at [http://www.vanderbilt.edu/moral\\_leadership/eventstu.htm#stuPP](http://www.vanderbilt.edu/moral_leadership/eventstu.htm#stuPP) and clicking on the "Register" button, or by calling the Cal Turner Program office at 343-5447.

We hope you will join us!

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As always, all are invited to attend. Bring a friend.  
Tax Prep assistance for families earning less than \$40,000 in 2006  
Easley Community Center  
1000 Edgehill Avenue  
Jan 20<sup>th</sup> - April 14<sup>th</sup>  
Tues/Thurs 5-8 pm  
Sat 10-2 pm  
Sponsored by The Vanderbilt University Office of Community, Neighborhood and Government  
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GALA - March 23 - Save the Date

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the information to [sherry.willis@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:sherry.willis@vanderbilt.edu) All information must be received by the  
afternoon on Thursday for the following week's E-Communicator.