# E-COMMUNICATOR NO. 26 VANDERBILT DIVINITY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER April 5, 2004

#### WEEKLY CALENDAR

### MONDAY, April 5

10:10 a.m. Dean Hudnut-Beumler and faculty members meet with students to discuss the Divinity School Divnity G-23

### TUESDAY, April 6

### WEDNESDAY, April 7

10:00 - 11:00 Community Worship Service

All Faith Chapel

12:10 – 1:00 Gable – Lavendar Lunchtime

**Divinity Private Dining Room** 

12:10 – 1:00 The Cal Turner Program Faculty Lunch

Bartholomew Room Law School

For more information contact Joanne Sandberg 2-4491

4:00 p.m. Tom House – Ecstatic Humiliation: The Collision of Catholicism and Gay Desire Co-Sponsored by Gable and the Carpenter Program in Religion, Gender and Sexuality Divinity G-23

## THURSDAY, April 8

5:00 p.m. Rabbi Harold White

"Jewish Mysticism: Lessons for a Well-Balance Student" Schulman Center

## FRIDAY, April 9

10:00 - 11:00 Coffee Hour Divinity Commons Room

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Vanderbilt Hillel's Cafe Einstein presents:

Rabbi Harold White, Professor of Theology at Georgetown University

" Jewish Mysticism: Lessons for a Well-Balanced Student."

Thursday, April 8 - 5:00 p.m. - at the Schulman Center. Food will be served.

Rabbi Harold white served as a U.S. Navy Chaplain at Parris Island, S.C., and with the 7th Fleet in the Pacific. He has served as a congregational rabbi at the Dublin Jewish Progressive Congregation in Dublin, Ireland and was the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation Director at American University for nine years before being appointed Jewish Chaplain of Georgetown University, where he has been for the last 35 years. Rabbi White is the first rabbi to be appointed to a full time position at a Catholic university. He teaches in the Theology Department of Georgetown and has been very active in creating a milieu for Jewish-Christian theological dialogue. Rabbi White's current academic interests center about Kabbalistic Studies and the Judaic Roots of Christian scripture.

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## Job Opportunities

The church is Salem Lutheran in south Baltimore, close to the football and baseball stadiums as well as the harbor. The church has a close relationship with Christ Lutheran--which is a bit more traditional--right on the harbor. Provides a 5-bedroom, 3-story parsonage... Check them out: <a href="http://www.salemsouthbaltimore.org">http://www.salemsouthbaltimore.org</a> and <a href="http://www.christinnerharbor.org">http://www.christinnerharbor.org</a>

Internship opportunities at McKendree Village

McKendree Village has openings for 3-4 internships in the Pastoral Care Department for the summer of 04 and/ or the 04-05 academic year. Duties would include 10 hrs per week of pastoral visitation and occasional sharing in Worship and devotion leadership. Students would also share on call duties one weekend per month, and would join in regular Pastoral Care Staff meetings. Compensation would be in the form of free housing in the Parsonage on the Hermitage TN campus and a deep staff discount for food at either of the McKendree dining rooms. The parsonage is 4 bedrooms, 2 ½ baths, Living Room, Dining Room, Den, Kitchen and Laundry Room. McKendree is 15 miles from the Divinity School.

McKendree is a Continuing Care Retirement Center affiliated with the United Methodist Church and Vanderbilt Medical Center. There are 700 residents on the 42 acre campus in 40 cottages, 240 independent living apartments in the Towers, 90 assisted living apartments in the Manor and a 300 bed nursing home which includes a 50 bed rehab unit and 100 beds for Alzheimer's and related dementia. In addition to individual visitation the Pastoral Care Department offers 4 worship services each week, weekly devotions in four different areas of the campus, two traditional Bible Studies and Disciple Bible Study, weekly prayer groups and special services.

If you are interested, please contact Viki Matson as soon as possible.

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The Religion and Personality Area Vanderbilt University Presents: "What is Mysticism: Perspectives from Two Disciplines" Tuesday, April 13, 2004 4:30 p.m., Tillett Lounge Vanderbilt University Divinity School

Dr. J. Patout Burns,
Malloy Professor of Catholic Studies
Vanderbilt Divinity School
AND
Dr. Ralph W. Hood, Jr.
Professor of Psychology
University of Tennessee---Chattanooga

J. Patout Burns has taught in the Divinity School and Theology Department of Loyola University of Chicago, at the University of Florida, and Washington University in St. Louis before coming to Vanderbilt. He is co-editor of the Journal of Early Christian Studies. His research has focused on Christianity in Roman Africa. He regularly teaches on Christian Mysticism.

Dr. Hood is Professor of Psychology at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. He has a long standing interest in the empirical study of religion. His research has focused upon religious experience, especially mystical experience. In addition he continues extensive field work on the serpent handling holiness sects of Appalachia He is a past president of the Psychology of Religion division of APA and a recipient of the William James award from that division. He was involved in the creation of the International Journal for the Psychology of Religion. He served as Book Review Editor and also as Co-editor. He is a past editor of the Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion. He is currently a board member of the Internationalle Gesellschaft Für Religionpsychologie. Recent books include two edited volumes published by Religious Education Press: Handbook of Religious Experience and Measures of Religiosity (with Peter Hill). Dimension of Mystical Experiences has just been published by Rodopi. In 2003, he completed a third edition of The Psychology of Religion: An Empirical Approach (with Bernard Spilka and Bruce Hunsberger) published in 2003 by Guilford Press.

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Globalization Forum Postcard Invite
PREVIEW FORUM

Globalization: Making the Local Connection

May 12, 2004

RECEPTION: 5 pm - FORUM: 6 to 8 pm

Fondren Hall

Scarritt-Bennett Center

This event is FREE and OPEN to the public

From the Guatemalan coffee we brew for breakfast, to our T-shirts made in Thailand, to the Japanese cars we drive, Americans are living in an interdependent and global world. An alphabet soup of international trade policies and players is transforming America, one Main Street at a time. From job security and education to immigration and natural resources, global forces are impacting local lives.

On May 12, 2004, we invite community organizations to get involved in a new dialogue and media project that brings together journalists and the communities they cover to dialogue about the sweeping changes brought about by globalization and what those changes mean at the local level. The topics discussed will relate to how globalization affects YOU in your everyday here, in Nashville. Screenings from five new television programs will be shown: CNN's Lou Dobbs Tonight: "Exporting America," Commanding Heights: The Battle for the World Economy, Livelyhood: Planet work, NOW with Bill Moyers, and T-Shirt Travels.

The Fondren Hall at the Scarritt-Bennett Center is located at 1008 19th Avenue South, Nashville, TN 37212. Directions can be found at www.scarrittbennett.org. Parking can be found off of 18th Ave. South in the Laskey lot.

Gene Policinski, Deputy Director at the First Amendment Center, will be moderating the forum. The event will open with a reception at 5 pm. From 6 pm to 6:30 pm there will be a general session for all attendees who will then break into small dialogue groups. Journalists will be spread out evenly in these groups. Around 7:30 pm all will reconvene for closing and end at 8 pm.

Please RSVP, if possible, to Kim Johnson, Diversity Manager of Scarritt-Bennett Center at (615) 340-7450 or email at kjohnson@scarrittbennett.org, or Diana Holland, Hispanic Link, at (615) 889-3390 or email at dianacholland@hotmail.com
For more information on Preview Forums go to www.previewforum.com
Global Action - Local Impact

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# Cal Turner Program

The Cal Turner Program announces a faculty discussion group meeting Wednesday, April 7. The discussion leader will be James Bacchus, who served for 8 years on the Appellate body of the World Trade Organization in Geneve, Switzerland. He will speak on the subject, "Global Trade and Global Justice from a Judicial Perspective." The discussion will be in the Bartholomew Room at the Law school. Lunch will be served. Please make reservations by calling the Cal Turner Office, 343-5447 or email calturnerprogram@vanderbilt.edu.

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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.