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Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.

November 5, 2009

—ROMANS 13:11-12 (NRSV)

Intercom deadline

The deadline for each issue of the *Intercom* is 4 P.M. Tuesday. To help us ensure the speed and accuracy of production, please use the *Intercom* e-mail address, intercom@messiah.edu, or the user-friendly submission form on the *Intercom* website at messiah.edu/intercom/submit.html to send in information. If you have questions, please call the office of marketing and public relations at ext. 7342.

Remembering one another

Ed Kuhlman, professor emeritus of education, would appreciate prayers for him and his wife as they try to cope with very serious health issues. Kuhlman suffered a heart attack last month and underwent an angioplasty procedure to determine the extent of his heart damage. In addition, Ginger will be entering Hospice as she struggles with terminal cancer. He requests prayer that she sense God's grace and presence during this time. Their address is 69 Pine Way, Fayetteville, PA 17222.

Campus people

Messiah College welcomes the following new employee: **Micaiah Smith -Morris**, Harrisburg Institute grants coordinator. Welcome to the community!

Approximately 1,500 people attended the Taste of Central Pennsylvania event held at Harrisburg's Strawberry Square Nov. 1. The monies raised at this year's event supports the mission of the food bank. The event featured music from local entertainers, food and drink from participating restaurants, caterers, colleges, food/beverage purveyors, a raffle, and a silent auction. The highlight of the event included the People's Choice Award which was awarded to Messiah College dining services. This was Messiah's 12th year participating in this annual event. Congratulations to Executive Chef **Percell Green** and his staff. Our thanks to the many corporations, individuals, restaurants, and other participants who gave their time and funding to make this event so successful!

David Pettegrew, assistant professor of history, and William Caraher recently presented a paper titled "Between Sea and Mountain: The Archaeology of a 20th Century 'Small World' in the Upland Basins of the Southeastern Korinthia," for the Modern Greek Studies Association Biennial Symposium in Vancouver, Canada.

David Weaver-Zercher, professor of American religious history and chair of the biblical and religious studies department, was the keynote speaker in Roberts Wesleyan's common reading program, "Roberts Reads." Each year Roberts Wesleyan College selects one book to serve as its campus-wide common reading text, and this year's selection was Weaver-Zercher's book, "Amish Grace: How Forgiveness Transcended Tragedy."

“Coffee and Conversation” planned for Nov. 12

Employees are invited to attend the first quarterly “Coffee and Conversation” forum Thursday, Nov. 12 with President Phipps, Provost Randy Basinger, and College Vice Presidents for informal conversations followed by a question and answer session on important campus topics. This forum will be held in Frey Hall, room 150 from 4 - 5 p.m. Please contact the president’s office if you have any questions at ext. 2820. Please see attachment at the end of this “Intercom” for more information.

President Phipps to host open door days

President Kim Phipps will host six “Open Door” Days during the 2009-2010 academic year to meet individually with students and employees on topics that are important to them. “Open Door” Day is an opportunity for you to meet with the President in her office on the second floor of Old Main. The President’s conference room adjacent to her office is used as a waiting room. A schedule for these dates and times may be found on the president’s Web page at messiah.edu/offices/president. Please call the president’s office at ext. 2000 if you have any questions. The dates are:

Tuesday, Nov. 17, 1 – 4 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 10, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 1, 1 – 4 p.m.

Friday, March 12, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Monday, April 12, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

American Democracy Lecture to feature Louis Fisher

On behalf of the department of politics, we invite students and department faculty to join us for the 2009-2010 American Democracy Lecture sponsored by the Center for Public Humanities and the department of politics. The event will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 10 at 7 p.m. in Parmer Cinema of Boyer Hall. A book signing featuring Fisher’s text, “The Constitution and 9/11: Recurring Threats to America’s Freedom,” will follow the lecture in Howe Atrium.

The speaker is Louis Fisher, specialist in constitutional law at the Law Library of the Library of Congress. Fisher is author of many publications. Some of his more recent pieces include “Congressional Abdication on War and Spending” (2000), “Religious Liberty in America: Political Safeguards” (2002), “The Politics of Executive Privilege” (2004), and “Military Tribunals and Presidential Power: American Revolution to the War on Terrorism” (2005). During his service with CRS he was research director of the House Iran-Contra Committee in 1987, writing major sections of the final report. Fisher has been invited to testify before Congress on such issues as war powers, state secrets, NSA surveillance, executive spending discretion, presidential reorganization authority, Congress and the Constitution, the legislative veto, the item veto, the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings Act, executive privilege, executive lobbying, CIA whistle blowing, covert spending, the pocket veto, recess appointments, the budget process, the balanced budget amendment, biennial budgeting, and presidential impoundment powers. He has been active with CEELI (Central and East European Law Initiative) of the American Bar Association traveling widely in Eastern Europe.

The department of education fall research forum slated for Nov. 12

Nancy Patrick, associate professor of special education, will present “Research and Development of the Wireless Enabled Remote Co-presence: Assistive Technology to Improve Employment Outcomes for Secondary Students with Autism Spectrum Disorders,” on Thursday, Nov. 12 at 4 p.m. in Boyer Hall, room 131. A reception, beginning at 3:30 p.m. in Howe Atrium will precede the presentation. Research is being conducted in partnership with Symbionyx Foundation through the Collaboratory. Please see the attachment at the end of this “Intercom” for more information.

Reminder from accounts payable

The accounts payable office will not be issuing checks the week of Nov. 23 due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Please plan accordingly. If you have check needs please process a week in advance.

Don't get left out...send in your spring public events

The office of marketing and public relations is again producing a Highlights brochure to promote the public events occurring on campus during the spring semester. In an effort to bring more people to campus, we will mail the brochure to more than 5,000 homes in the community in early January. To ensure your public event is included, i.e. a concert, recital, play, lecture, conference, performance or any other event at which you would welcome the general public, please send the event, date, time, place, contact name, admission charge (if any), and phone number to Kim Christen kchriste@messiah.edu no later than Friday, Nov. 6.

If your events are unable to be finalized by that date, please forward them to the marketing and public relations office as soon as they are confirmed. Although we will be unable to include them in the brochure, we will still be able to advertise them on our public events line as well as through news releases.

The Highlights brochures have been very well received in the past and demand for them has been high, both on and off campus. If you would like to order a quantity for your own department's use, please call Kim Christen at ext. 7326. There will be a charge of \$12 per 100 brochures (12 cents per copy) to cover the additional printing costs.



HUMAN RESOURCES

► Birthdays

Happy birthday!

Apologies to those whose birthdays did not appear in last week's Intercom:

10/31: Susan Donat, Darlene Luciano, Brian Sheaffer, Ernest Tilman

11/01: Laurie Owens, Anita Voelker

11/02: Jonathan Bert, Rhonda Good, Gloria Hile, Alex Lemmon

11/03: Susan Jaycox

11/04: John Beaney, Mike Blount, Bob Brown, David Kasperek, Susan Smith

A very happy birthday to:

11/05: Laura Johnson, Teri Rader

11/06: William Barko, Ashley Cole, Brent Good

11/07: Shawn Gingrich, Brooke Good, Charissa Zehr

11/08: Linda Nye, Beth Transue, Erik Wiedman

11/09: Greg Gearhart, Michael Rice

11/11: Rick Bentz, Gary Emberger, Diane Kanode, Cathy Poiesz, Joe Sheldon

11/12: Diana Coulson-Brown

11/13: Ken Mark

11/14: Shawna Raymond, Karen Sapp

Announcements

Free:

Direct TV satellite dish with mounting bracket — Switched to digital cable and don't need any more. Contact Shawna at sraymond@messiah.edu or ext. 3800.

For sale:

House — Two-story, four bedroom home located at 830 Grantham Road. Solidly built in the 1940s with real wood; no formaldehyde, hardwood floors. Many updates including wiring, insulation, ceiling fans, and new high-efficiency windows throughout. Beautiful four-season sunroom addition, attached two-car garage, 80 ft. wide × 140 ft. deep lot with big backyard, nicely landscaped, overlooking Grantham Pond. Great neighborhood, short walk to campus. Offered at \$265,000. Contact Don at ext. 7169 or dpratt@messiah.edu.

West Branch Novelty Company 1940s cedar chest — Good condition, \$150 obo; **Black Futon mattress** — Full-size, good condition, from bunk bed replaced by mattress, \$20; **Dark cherry jewelry armoire** — Approximately three feet tall with two swing out doors at the sides, and six pull-out drawers in center, good condition, \$35; **Stereo equipment** — Technics SB-CR99 stereo speakers, excellent condition, \$100 obo for pair; Pioneer SX1100 stereo amplifier, good condition, \$40; Harmon Karden TD302 tape deck, good condition, \$50; **DeLongi Penguino portable AC unit** — Rated 11,000 BTU, purchased new in 2008, \$400 obo. Photos available. Please contact bsheaffe@messiah.edu if interested.

Outside organization announcements:

West Shore Evangelical Free Church will be hosting an evening of worship — Join in a time of worship Sunday Nov. 15 at 6:30 p.m. Please join us in this season of thankfulness as we focus our attention on our glorious and loving God - the One who was, and is, and is to come. West Shore Evangelical Free Church is located at 1345 Williams Grove Rd., Mechanicsburg, PA 17055.

Grantham Women's Club to meet Nov. 9 — The Grantham Women's Club will meet at Hoss's Steak and Sea House Monday, Nov. 9 at 6 p.m. to celebrate its 50th anniversary. Present and former members are welcome, reservations may be made by calling 766-7948 or 766-5003. Bonus Books will be available at the meeting or by calling 697-0487.

Reflection

*Just because something doesn't do what you planned it to do
doesn't mean it's useless.*

THOMAS A. EDISON
U.S. inventor

Scroll down for attachments

you are invited to



COFFEE, CONVERSATION, AND Q&A'S

WITH PRESIDENT PHIPPS,  PROVOST RANDY BASINGER,
AND MESSIAH COLLEGE VICE PRESIDENTS

Thursday, November 12, 2009 | 4-5 p.m. | Frey 150
Please call the president's office if you have any questions, ext. 2820



EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH FORUM

Department of Education
Messiah College

Research and Development of the Wireless Enabled Remote Co-presence: Assistive Technology to Improve Employment Outcomes for Secondary Students with Autism Spectrum Disorders

Special Educators, Engineers and Computer Scientists Solving Problems Together

Nancy J. Patrick
Department of Education
Messiah College

The Wireless Enabled Remote Co-presence (WERCware) system is an assistive technology and intervention that enables remotely located job coaches to provide appropriate, individualized and timely supports to students with ASD in community-based vocational and work experience employment. The job coaches provide instruction and guided practice in the use of the intervention strategies including social scripts, behavior prompts, coping strategies, and positive behavior support to increase the positive behaviors sought by employers. The specially designed strategies can be designed and implemented in such a way that they help students with ASD learn new skills in the area of social relatedness, adaptability/flexibility, work habits and productivity leading to an overall improved quality of life. It is also predicted that an overall increase in work related capabilities has strong potential to improve employment outcomes.

November 12, 2009
Boyer Hall Room 131
4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Reception and Refreshments
Boyer Hall Atrium (1st floor)
3:30 – 4:00 p.m.

All faculty, staff, students, and visitors are welcome.