

The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.

—LAMENTATIONS 3:25-26 (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

On Sept. 3 **Tha Viraya** suffered a mild stroke and was hospitalized for 10 days. Tha worked in dining services for 17 years and for campus events the last three years. “I would like to thank everyone for the beautiful flowers and cards. It has been warming for me to see such an outpouring of support from friends. I feel better now that I am home recovering with family. Please keep me and my family in your prayers.”

Campus people

Messiah College welcomes the following new employee: **Ashley N. Beadore**, annual giving coordinator. Welcome to the community!

This year marks the 200th anniversary of the birth of Charles Darwin and the 150th anniversary of the publication of his famous book “On the Origin of Species.” Last weekend at the American Academy of Religion meeting in Montreal, there was a special session on “Darwin and Religion” to commemorate both events. The main address was given by **Ted Davis**, professor of the history of science. The commentators were theologians Sarah Coakley (Harvard) and Susan Thistlethwaite (Chicago Theological Seminary).

David Hagenbuch, associate professor of marketing, recently presented a paper titled “Serving Society by Serving Employees” at the American Marketing Association’s annual Frontiers in Service Conference, held in Honolulu, Hawaii. The conference, which was co-sponsored by the University of Maryland’s Robert H. Smith School of Business Center for Excellence in Service and by the University of Hawaii, draws academics and business practitioners from around the world; 32 different countries were represented at this year’s conference.

The graduate counseling program is pleased to have **Skyla Miller** (’06) join the staff part-time as the program’s practicum and internship coordinator. Skyla holds a master of arts in school counseling, is a National Certified Counselor (NCC), and will be a great asset to the graduate counseling program.

Timothy Peterson, Philadelphia Campus program director and director of urban studies, is quoted in the Fall 2009 issue of “CCCU Advance,” issuu.com/cccu/docs/fa2009_cccu_advance?mode=embed&layout=http%3A. The article author asks Christian colleges with urban campuses to explain how students become a part of the city.

Randall Zwally, senior lecturer in music, and Robin Setcavage, music teacher at Mechanicsburg Middle School, made an invited presentation to the District 11 Chapter of the PA Music Educators Association at Montgomery County Community College on Nov. 3. The topic of the presentation was “Using the Guitar as a Teaching Tool in the Public School Music Classroom.” Setcavage and Zwally

will also collaborate in the annual combined concert of their two schools' guitar ensembles on Sunday, Dec. 13 at 4 p.m. in Hostetter Chapel. Admission is free.

Robert J. Russell to speak at lecture series on Nov. 14

The Central Pennsylvania Forum for Religion and Science is sponsoring three lectures on the theme "Theology and Science: From Creation to New Creation," Saturday, Nov. 14 in Hostetter Chapel. The featured speaker is Dr. Robert J. Russell, Ian G. Barbour professor of theology and science in residence at the Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, and founder and director of the Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences. The lectures explore a variety of topics on the frontiers of the creative mutual interaction between Christian theology and the natural sciences, from a theology of creation as it interacts with both scientific cosmology and evolutionary biology, to a theology of the new creation based on the bodily resurrection of Jesus and the challenge to it raised by scientific cosmology. The series begins at 10 a.m. and ends at 4:30 p.m. For more information go to messiah.edu/godandscience/fall09/russell.html. Tickets are required, but are free for students and employees.

Vernon L. Asper to speak at seminar on Nov. 23

The department of biological sciences will host a seminar on Monday, Nov. 23 at 4:30 p.m. in Parmer Cinema. Vernon L. Asper ('78) will present a talk titled "Exploration of Gas Seep Communities on the Seafloor of the Gulf of Mexico." Asper is professor of marine science at the University of Southern Mississippi but is currently teaching environmental science this fall at Messiah College. See attachment at the end of this "Intercom" for more information.

Development Update: Messiah College Trustees present Alumni Centennial Challenge

The Messiah College Board of Trustees has recently joined together to fund a **\$100,000 Alumni Centennial Challenge** during Messiah College's Centennial year. This Challenge is being offered to motivate alumni to make first-time and increased gifts to Messiah College during our Centennial year. Here's how the Challenge works:

- First time gifts to the annual fund from alumni will be matched dollar-for-dollar, up to \$100. Should the alum give more than \$100, the first \$100 will be matched.
- Increased previous-year or current-year gifts to the annual fund will also be eligible for the Challenge. The increased portion of the gift will be matched dollar-for-dollar, up to \$100.

The successful completion of this Challenge will provide an additional \$200,000 or more for the annual fund, which will make a powerful and immediate impact at Messiah. For more information, contact Rachel Pease, director of annual giving, at ext. 5066.

Business office to host soup and sweet sale to benefit needy families

Each year the business office holds a homemade soup sale to raise funds so a family in need may have a meaningful Christmas. Earlier in the year we held an ice cream social and those funds are being added to these monies so that we can bring Christmas to two families.

We will again sell soup for \$3 per bowl and wrapped cookies, fudge, etc. for \$2 each in the business office lobby on Thursday, Nov. 19 between 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m., or until the soups and desserts are all sold. Come enjoy a warm bowl of soup or a homemade sweet and support our effort to make two families' Christmas holidays special.

Reminder to faculty

Spring term textbook responses will be due Wednesday, Nov. 18. If you are unable to submit your response by this date for any reason, please contact Aleisha Wildon, assistant Campus Store manager, via e-mail at awildon@messiah.edu to provide an alternative submission date. For additional details and instructions, please see the mass e-mail sent to the community of educators (COE) and/or the posting on COE-Net. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Deadline approaching for ITS budget requests

The deadline for information technology services (ITS) and department meetings this year is Monday, Dec. 7 and time is quickly running out. Please see attachment at the end of this "Intercom" for complete details.

Union Café offers daily specials

Football specials:

Every Monday from 7 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. enjoy eight wings with celery and blue cheese dressing for \$4, mozzarella cheese sticks for \$3.75, a slice of cheese pizza for \$1.50, or an order of fries for \$1.50. Come in for your snacks and get ready to watch the game! (Football specials also available Saturdays and Sundays from 1 – 8 p.m.)

Make your own stromboli:

Every Tuesday from 5 – 8 p.m. choose your favorite toppings and we'll make a stromboli just for you for \$4.59! Available toppings include pepperoni, sausage, ham, grilled chicken, bacon, onion, pepper, mushroom, olives, tomato, pineapple, BBQ sauce, ranch dressing, and Buffalo sauce.

Big cookie sandwich:

Every Wednesday from 7:30 – 10:30 p.m. enjoy a big cookie ice cream sandwich. Vanilla ice cream between two chocolate chunk cookies for \$2.99; evening snacks don't get better than this!

Pulled pork BBQ sandwich:

Every Thursday from 5 – 8 p.m. enjoy a pulled pork BBQ sandwich. Available as either an individual sandwich for \$3.19 or combo with fries and any size fountain drink for \$4.39. The perfect hot sandwich for your evening meal!

\$1 tacos:

Every Friday from 5 - 8 p.m. enjoy a delicious taco filled with seasoned beef, cheese, and shredded lettuce with taco sauce and/or sour cream. At \$1 each, make a dinner of it and order three, four, or more!

Reminder from office of marketing and public relations

The office of marketing and public relations would like to remind you that if you will need any print publications in the spring and summer, now is the perfect time to initiate these jobs and get them on our schedule before the end of the semester. Our office has the responsibility of editing, proofreading, designing, and coordinating the mailing for all College publications that will be seen by or mailed to any off-campus audience of 50 or more people. Please remember to contact Print and Web Project Coordinator Missy Hepfer at ext. 5381 or by e-mail at mhepfer@messiah.edu, for these types of publications.

Opportunity to advertise campus events or organizations

The department of conference services can advertise your event on television screens throughout campus. All you need to do is create a PowerPoint slide about your event and e-mail it to infochan@messiah.edu. You can even create short videos that can be broadcast on these screens. Be sure to send slides in PowerPoint format and videos in one of the following formats: AVI, ASF, MPEG, MPG, or WMV. Take advantage of this quick and easy method of promoting your event or organization!

Postal services tip

Did you know that any academic or health-related campus mail to a student must be in a sealed envelope, including returned test papers which bear a grade? This is due to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and the fact that our students share mailboxes with other students.



HUMAN RESOURCES

Volunteers needed for employee Christmas luncheon

► **Positions available**

Coordinator of Telecounseling
Pantry Lead II

► **Birthdays**

Volunteers needed for employee Christmas luncheon

Each year, in the spirit of the season, employees volunteer to help with set-up, serving, and clean-up at the employee Christmas luncheon. This allows our colleagues in dining services and campus events to more fully participate in the event. In addition to our traditional volunteer activities, we are looking for several employees to help with a project prior to the event this year. Please consider volunteering at one of the November lunch sessions if you enjoy craft activities.

Craft Sessions: Thursday, Nov. 19 and Monday, Nov. 23, 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. (join us for your lunch hour; bring your lunch along) in the Eisenhower Board Room.

We've always been blessed with a multitude of volunteers the day of the event; we expect the same this year. If you haven't participated before, or if you've had a great time volunteering in the past, join us! Please consider volunteering for one of the following time slots on Friday, Dec. 18:

Setup: 9-10:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Serving: Two 45-minute shifts during lunch; meet at 11:40 a.m. for instructions.

Cleanup: 2:30 -3:30 p.m.

Please contact Brittany Dean, human resources intern, at hrintern@messiah.edu or ext. 2289 to volunteer.

Positions available

Coordinator of Telecounseling — The department of admissions currently has an opening for the position of coordinator of telecounseling. This is a full-time, 12-month, administrative position. Along with traditional recruitment activities, this position provides leadership to the telecounseling initiatives and is responsible for communicating the mission of Messiah College to prospective students and their families. College admissions experience preferred; some supervisory experience preferred. Bachelor's degree is required. Skills and characteristics required for position: effective interpersonal skills, especially focused on student and family counseling; excellent written, oral communication, and organizational skills; strong project management skills; general computer proficiency; ability to conduct and evaluate research; ability to work independently and provide follow up effectively; ability to work well under pressure to meet deadlines and goals; ability to relate well with a broad spectrum of constituencies, including people from diverse and culturally varied backgrounds; and the ability to manage a large team and drive them to meet deadlines and goals in a positive and proactive manner. This position requires a valid driver's license and the ability to travel frequently. Many duties of this position are performed during the evening and weekend hours. A detailed job description is available in human resources or on the College website at messiah.edu/offices/hr/job_opportunities/admin.html. To apply, please submit a letter of interest, detailed résumé, and statement of faith to Messiah College, Human Resources, Box 3015, Grantham, PA 17027 or e-mail humanres@messiah.edu. (Application materials are preferred via e-mail.) Job-related questions should be directed to Dana Britton, director of admissions, at ext. 2493. Applications will be reviewed upon receipt and will be accepted until the position is filled.

Pantry Lead II — The department of dining services currently has an opening for the position of pantry lead II. This is a full-time, 12-month, band 7B position. This position is responsible to plan, prepare, and produce all cold foods for catering and the student dining room; ensuring that both quality and quantity are maintained. Must have a high school diploma or equivalent; two years of culinary training/experience; ServSafe certification; and experience with high volume restaurant or institutional

cooking. Other requirements include: clean appearance and work habits; ability to organize and coordinate production; accuracy with recipes; knowledge about the use and care of food service equipment; and ability to read and follow recipes. Applicants should provide a letter of application and a current résumé. Application materials should be sent to Messiah College, Human Resources, Box 3015, Grantham, PA 17027 or e-mail to humanres@messiah.edu. (Application materials are preferred via e-mail.) A detailed job description is available in human resources or on the College website at messiah.edu/offices/hr/job_opportunities/admin.html. Job-related questions should be directed to Mark Wirtz, director of dining services, at ext. 6008. Application materials will be reviewed upon receipt and will be accepted until the position is filled.

Happy birthday! 

11/15: Creta Bieber, Glen Brubaker, Heather Hostler

11/16: Katie Deitch, Phil Lawlis, Donna Werner

11/17: Chad Frey, Kenneth Hasseler, Bounma Inthavong, Cindy Petersheim

11/18: Janet DeRosa, Jim LaGrand, Nancy Soulliard, Michael True

11/19: Michele Thomas, Tim Whitmoyer

11/20: Sherron Biddle, Hieraal Kane-Osorto, Morris Sider, Carol Wickey

11/21: Jim Jackson, Anna Seip

Announcements

Free:

Batteries — The sound and lighting department frequently has nine-volt batteries that are only partially used. These batteries are still adequate for use in most small electronic devices, but they can no longer be utilized in our sound equipment. If you are able to use them, please contact Jonathan Bert at ext. 7394 or at jburt@messiah.edu.

For sale:

Corner computer desk — Two shelves for books, one computer compartment, six other compartments for storage, and a monitor shelf. Measurements: front: 71 in., side compartment width 24.5 in.; wall width 48 in.; height 55 in. Photos available. Asking \$75. Call Don at ext. 2030.

Mac I Book G4 — This very clean laptop comes with a 1.42GHZ power PC processor, 1 GB RAM, 80 GB hard drive, CD/DVD writer, airport extreme wireless card and adapter plugs for Firewire, USB and ethernet cables. Comes with built-in mic, projector cable adapter, power cord, and original program disks. Operates flawlessly and is very fast. \$350. To see or ask questions, please contact cdalen@messiah.edu.

Wedding dress — Jasmine satin polyester gown, ivory, with a short train, spaghetti straps, and ivory and silver beading. Originally a size four, altered to a size two, but alterations can be easily reversed, includes a tulle slip; **Veil** — Pearl comb barrette, fingertip-length, with pearls, sequins, and blusher. Dry cleaned and preserved. Asking \$300 obo; **Kincaid hutch and buffet** — Two-piece, dark maple hutch/buffet measures 73 in. high × 42 in. wide × 19 in. deep. Hutch has three cabinets and two drawers (one with felt liner); buffet has glass doors with two shelves and light. Excellent condition. Asking \$300 obo; **Crib** — Used standard baby crib, either side will slide, good condition. Asking \$25; **Sears Winnie the Pooh baby walker** — Feeding/play tray; adjustable height. Asking \$8; **Snow blower** — 8.5 HP, TroyBilt snow blower with 26 in. path, two-stage. Used approximately five hours, like-new condition. Asking \$600; **Mint U.S. stamps** — Ranging from 1950-1980. Blocks of four, some full sheets. Will sell at face value. Contact Denise at ext. 5615 or 432-2309.

1986 Ford Bronco — 4 × 4, 302 rebuilt motor, good transmission, body needs work. Good for parts, a farm truck, or to put a snow plow on. Asking \$500; **Vent-free natural gas fireplace corner unit** — 36 in. wide. Asking \$350. Installation available. Call 713-0458.

Outside organization announcements:

Messiah Community members perform with the Capitol Opera in “Samson and Delilah” — The Capitol Opera, whose founding general director is Kathleen Torchia ('70), offers its rendition of Camille Saint-Saens' “Samson and Delilah” Thursday, Nov. 12 through Sunday, Nov. 15. Further information can be found at capopera.com/harrisburg/pa_events.html. Tickets may be purchased online or in person at the box office prior to the performance. Members of the Messiah community performing in the production include: **Andrew Exner** ('10) - Samson; **Robin Lauermann**, associate professor of politics - chorus/ dancer; **Steffan Bomberger** ('11) - conductor; **Cimone Phillips** ('10) - orchestra; **Allison Ernst** ('13) - orchestra; **Harmony Niphakis** ('13) - orchestra; **Stephanie Rodgers** ('13) - orchestra; **Marcie Lehman** ('13) - orchestra; **Ruth Beaver** ('08) - orchestra; and **Aaron Patterson**, adjunct instructor in music - orchestra

Reflection

The cruelest lies are often told in silence.

ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON

Scottish author

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Department of Biological Sciences Seminar!

***Exploration of Gas Seep
Communities on the
Seafloor
of The Gulf of Mexico***



Vernon L. Asper, Ph.D.

**Adjunct Instructor in Biological Sciences, Messiah College
Professor of Marine Science, University of Southern Mississippi**



**Monday, November 23, 4:30 PM
Boyer 137 (Parmer Cinema)**

Have you scheduled your ITS/Department Budget Meeting yet?

The deadline for ITS/Department meetings this year is **December 7**. And time is quickly running out. If you're a designated budget manager, here's what you should do:

- Discuss and gather all IT requests for your area.
- Review your requests with your User Technology Services representative (formerly Desktop Services). Your representative can advise and help fine-tune your requests prior to the meeting.
- Schedule a meeting with ITS. (Please read the two-page [Overview of the ITS Budget Process](#) document in the Business Office Channel of MCSquare in preparation for the meeting. This document offers a step-by-step guide to the process, including a suggested list of who should be in attendance at the meeting.)

Below are the remaining dates for department meetings during this period. Please contact Sandy Kline at [ext.7200](tel:ext.7200) or email kline@messiah.edu for the availability of the Hoffman 206 conference room when scheduling your meeting.

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Week 1 | Nov. 9 | Nov. 10 | Nov. 11 | Nov. 12 | Nov. 13 |
| Week 2 | Nov. 16 | Nov. 17 | Nov. 18 | Nov. 19 | Nov. 20 |
| Week 3 | Nov. 23 | Nov. 24 | Nov. 25 | Holiday | Holiday |
| Week 4 | Nov. 30 | Dec. 1 | Dec. 2 | Dec. 3 | Dec. 4 |
| Week 5 | Dec. 7 | | | | |