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CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY FACULTY & STAFF NEWSLETTER
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“Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.”

Hebrews 13:20-21 ESV

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Designate Choice Dollars by March 31

This is a friendly reminder for all eligible Thrivent Financial members to direct your remaining 2014 Thrivent Choice Dollars by March 31, 2015. The Thrivent Choice program is a charitable grant program that allows you, our members, to recommend where Thrivent Financial distributes a portion of its charitable grant funds each year.

To direct Thrivent Choice Dollars visit thrivent.com/thriventchoice or call 800-847-4836. Call 402-643-2540 (Seward office) for any questions or concerns.

CONCORDIA NEWS & EVENTS

Why and How of Mission Trips Workshop

The Romans 1:16 Endowment is a newly established endowment to help offset the travel expenses of faculty and staff who organize and sponsor mission/service trips for Concordia students. We are offering a workshop for CUNE faculty and staff to jump start additional mission opportunities.

This workshop will help those who would like to lead a mission trip for students but don't know where to get started. Come find out: What is mission? Why do we do mission trips? What makes an effective mission experience? What goes into planning and leading a mission experience for students? What is needed to apply for the Romans 1:16 Endowment?

This workshop takes place on Monday, March 30, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Join us for all or part of this time. You can purchase lunch at the Grill or bring your own lunch.

Panel addresses Ferguson, Missouri, considerations

On Tuesday, March 31, at 7 p.m. in TLEC auditorium, Professors John Hink, Russell Moulds and Tim Heidorn will speak on the topic and issues surrounding Ferguson, Missouri. Professor Bruce Creed will moderate the discussion. This will be a great opportunity for a rich discussion with faculty, students, staff and community members. All are welcome.

Concordia brings national artist to Seward

Help welcome the Emmy award winning, nationally renowned artist Eric Rieger (HOTTEA) to Seward in April by yarn bombing in his honor. Visit cune.edu/yarnbomb for inspiration and a video sharing his story.

HOTTEA uses yarn to create art that co-exists with a public space non-destructively—a safe and beautiful alternative to graffiti. He will create new, unique installations of his yarn work in downtown Seward April 8–11 as this year's special guest of **Concordia University's 2015 Jones Fine Art Series**.

Families can watch HOTTEA build his masterpieces downtown between April 8 and 10, or they can meet him while he is in town:

Open House and Artist Talk

Thursday, April 9, 5 to 7 p.m.
Jones National Bank & Trust Co.

Meet the Artist

Saturday, April 11, 9 to 10 a.m.
JD's Coffee Shop

Find more information at cune.edu/yarnbomb.

Annual Scholastic Half-Price Book Fair

The annual Scholastic Half-Price Book Fair will be held in TLEC 113 on Saturday, April 11, during the Gathering of the Talents. It will be open to the campus and Seward communities April 13–15, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Thursday, April 16, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Latest news

Check out what's happening at Concordia. Get more details for these news and events at cune.edu/news.

Cinderella theatre performance

Concordia students will present "Cinderella with the Commedia Players" by Lane Riosley March 27 at 7:30 p.m., March 28 at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. and March 29 at 2 p.m. All shows will be in the Studio Theatre in the lower level of the Music Building.

Gospel Mime

A group of Concordia students will perform a retelling of the story of Jesus Christ this Easter season in the second annual Gospel Mime. The performance will be held at 8 p.m. on March 27 and at 7 p.m. on March 30 and 31 in Weller Auditorium at Concordia.

Marxhausen Gallery features Concordia student artwork

The best of Concordia students' artwork, as judged by Concordia's full-time art faculty, will be on display at Marxhausen Gallery from March 29 through April 17.

Annual One-Act Play Festival

Concordia students will direct and perform five one-act plays covering genres including comedy and suspense in the annual One-Act Play Festival April 16–18 at 7:30 p.m. each evening in the Studio Theatre of the Music Building on Concordia's campus.

Annual half-price book fair

Books and more for children, teachers, parents and other community members will be on sale for half price at Concordia's annual Half-Price Scholastic Book Fair from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. April 13 to April 15 and from 10 a.m. to

4:30 p.m. April 16. The fair will be held in room 113 of the Thom Leadership Education Center on Concordia's campus.

University Chamber Choir local concert

Concordia's 16-voice University Chamber Choir will perform a variety of sacred and secular choral pieces in its concert at 3 p.m. on Sunday, March 29, at St. John Lutheran Church in Seward.

Annual Thank You Celebration

Concordia celebrated the generosity of its donors at its annual Thank You Celebration on March 21 at The Cornhusker, a Marriott Hotel, in Lincoln, Nebraska. During the event, Concordia presented Dr. Paul and Susan Dumke of Fort Collins, Colorado, with its Sower Award, which recognizes prolonged and significant service or giving to the university.

Art sessions for elementary students

The art department at Concordia invites elementary students to participate in Saturday morning art sessions. The sessions are divided by age group and encourage youth in pre-kindergarten through sixth grade to learn about and create art.

Concordia events

Check out Concordia's event calendar at cune.edu/events.

COMMUNITY EVENTS/EXTRAS

“Wild Pecos Bill” visits the library

Seward Memorial Library will host “Wild Pecos Bill” adapted by R. Eugene Jackson and performed by the York College Traveling Children's Theatre on Saturday, April 11, at 1 p.m. It's the Story of Pecos Bill in the rootin'-tootin', ropin' and shootin' and shootin' wild, wild, west!

From an infant raised coyotes to a grown man rescuing his “forever” sweetheart, Sweet Sue. Pecos Bill has one adventure after another. During the one-hour show Pecos Bill rids the town of outlaws, tames wild desert creatures, and rescues his sweet Sue from a couple of mean hombres.

Lasso in a little bit of Americana in this story-theatre style play. Children who have not yet attended school must be accompanied by an adult.

Bicycle needed

In search of a 20-inch youth bike. Please contact jared.kite@cune.edu.

Doctoral gown

Free black doctoral gown available to a good home. Please contact jessica.kite@cune.edu for more information.

43rd Army National Guard Band Concert at Utica High School

Sunday, April 12, at 2 p.m.

The following pieces will be featured on the concert:

Opener, arr. Eric Richards

Star Spangled Banner, Francis Scott key

Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, by John Philip Sousa

Variations on a Shaker Melody, by Aaron Copland

Scenes for the Louvre, by Norman Dello Joio

Black Horse Troop, by John Philip Sousa
Wagon Wheel, Dylan/Rucker
Ultimate Patriotic Sing-A-Long, by Jerry Brub

Armed Forces on Parade

- U.S. Marines: "The Marine's Hymn"
- U.S. Navy: "Anchors Aweigh"
- U.S. Air Force: "Off We Go Into the Wild Blue Yonder" U.S. Coast Guard: "Semper Paratus"
- U.S. Army: "The Army Goes Rolling Along"
- The Stars and Stripes Forever, by John Philip Sousa

Italian greyhound to good home

- Rescued from a family who could no longer care for him
- 5 years old
- Registered with papers
- Trained
- Mild mannered

Please call or email Don or Brenda Robson with questions or interest at:

Don: 402-641-7498 or don.robson@cune.edu
Brenda: 402-643-7376 or brenda.robson@cune.edu

Apartments for rent

645 N. Columbia, one-bedroom apartment for rent. \$395/month plus gas and electric. A garage is available for \$80/month.

8 Lincoln Street apartment, washer and dryer in apartment. \$650/month plus gas and electric. No garage.

Call Roger at 402-466-1022 or Judy at 402-617-2483 with questions or interest.

Additional resources are available on the next page.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

The following resources will be available in Connections each week for your reference.

Concordia University, Nebraska social media

Concordia University, Nebraska

- www.facebook.com/ConcordiaNebraska
- www.twitter.com/CUNE

Concordia Alumni

- www.facebook.com/ConcordiaNebraskaAlumni
- www.twitter.com/CUNEAlumni

Concordia Athletics

- www.facebook.com/ConcordiaBulldogs
- www.twitter.com/CUNEBulldogs

Concordia Career Services

- www.facebook.com/CUNECareers
- www.twitter.com/CUNECareers

Church resources

St. John Lutheran Church

- Website: www.stjohnseward.org
- Calendar: <http://stjohnseward.org/aboutstjohn/calendar>
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/stjohnseward

The Rock Lutheran Church

- Website: www.therockseward.org
- Calendar: <http://therockseward.org/calendar.html>
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/therockseward

Community resources

Visit the links below to see what's going on around the community:

- Seward County Independent: www.sewardindependent.com
- Seward Chamber of Commerce: www.sewardne.com
- Seward Memorial Library: www.sewardlibrary.org

Thrivent Financial

Thrivent Financial has provided more than \$170 million through its Thrivent Choice® program to help congregations, educational institutions and other nonprofit organizations. Thrivent Choice lets you recommend where some of Thrivent Financial's charitable funds go. Find out more about Thrivent Choice at these links:

- Thrivent Choice program details and eligibility: www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice/program/index.html
- Thrivent Choice campaigns provide even more dollars toward your organization of choice: www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice/campaigns/index.html

Chartwells newsletter

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