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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Faculty/Staff Campaign in September
Please prayerfully consider making a gift to Concordia by Sept. 30 as part of the 2015 Faculty and Staff Campaign. Participating in the campaign is a chance for each of us to affirm that we are “all in” with the mission of Concordia—that we believe a Christ-centered, academically excellent higher education experience is needed now more than ever. And that we care about and support each other in this important work that, equipped by God, we do together each and every day.

All faculty and staff have already received or will receive via campus mail a campaign packet with background information and instructions on how to give in support of Concordia. If you have any questions, please contact Joan Payzant in the Office of Institutional Advancement at extension 7221 or joan.payzant@cune.edu.

CONCORDIA NEWS & EVENTS

Panel regarding Supreme Court Decision about same sex marriage
On Oct. 6 at 7 p.m. in the TLEC auditorium, Concordia will have a panel on the Supreme Court decision regarding same sex marriage. The panel will consist of Professor Tobin Beck, Professor Dirk Reek and Seward attorney Tina Marroquin. Dr. Russ Moulds will moderate. There will be time for questions and answer. This is event is open to all.

“The World has Failed: An Evaluation of Contemporary Genocide Studies and Activism”
On Oct. 7 at 12:40 p.m. in the TLEC auditorium, Dr. J.D. Bowers will speak on “The World has Failed: An Evaluation of Contemporary Genocide Studies and Activism.” Bowers’ talk is part of the Looking Beyond Speaker Series funded by Martin and Regina Maehr.
Dr. Bowers is currently director of the Honors College at the University of Missouri as of August 2015 and was previously the associate professor history and the director of Northern University’s Genocide and Human Rights Institute.

Alaska mission team informational meeting
Please consider attending an informational meeting on Sunday, Sept. 27, at 7 p.m. in the St. John Heritage Room if you would like to learn more about getting involved with the 2016 Alaska mission team. Topics covered include ministry opportunities through Bible and basketball camp, prayer needs and fundraising opportunities, as well as the dates and cost of the trip and minimum age requirements to participate.

Please contact Bill or Pam Peters (402-643-4290) or Jan Bruick (TLEC 003, ext. 7304) if you have any questions.

Latest news and event details
Check out what’s happening at Concordia. Get more details regarding these news and events at cune.edu/news.

Festival brings back previously featured authors, offers two community events
Concordia will host its 20th annual Plum Creek Children’s Literacy Festival Oct. 1–3, 2015, on campus in Seward. The anniversary festival will honor its history by showcasing authors and illustrators who have participated in festival activities in past years. Some new presenters will also participate this year.

Homecoming
Alumni of Concordia University, Nebraska will be welcomed back to campus Oct. 9–11 for special events during the 2015 Homecoming and Alumni Reunion Weekend. See details at cune.edu/homecoming.

Next Marxhausen Gallery exhibit
Concordia will display artwork curated by Robert Mahoney as part of a new Marxhausen Gallery of Art exhibit entitled “The Picture...Thoughts of Portraiture and Representation from Concordia’s Permanent Collection of Art” from Oct. 5–Nov. 4. An opening reception will take place Oct. 11 from 1 to 4 p.m. with a special talk from Robert Mahoney at 2 p.m. in the Thom Leadership Education Center (TLEC) auditorium.

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

COMMUNITY EVENTS/EXTRAS

Princess Power Event is STEAMing with Fun
On Sunday, Sept. 27, from 2 to 5 p.m., little princesses, in their favorite dresses, will be making their way to Lincoln Children’s Museum for Princess Power. Along with spending the day with grown up “princesses” in beautiful gowns, they will be doing fun activities based on S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics).

Princess Power aims to let children enjoy dressing up and playing make believe while focusing on the idea that every princess has super powers and potential through learning. Registration is online at LincolnChildrensMuseum.org and is $20 for little princesses who are museum members and $30 for non-members. An adult princess attendants can enter the kingdom at no charge while their princesses receive three hours of fun activities and will get to go home with all of the goodies they produce with their creative powers.

211 Band to perform in York
The 211 Band will be performing a concert, sponsored by Faith Lutheran Church Youth Group (LYF), on the York College campus in the Campbell Center on Saturday, Oct. 17, at 7 p.m.
Tickets are $10 for adults and $7 for students and are available at the following locations:

- Faith Lutheran Church, 1214 Ohio Ave, York
- The Spot, McGehee Hall, York College, East 9th & Kiplinger Ave, York
- Email: LYF.Faith@gmail.com
- Call: 402-266-1529

This event is open for all ages with doors opening at 6:30 p.m. You can find out more about the band at 211band.com.

Wheat Ridge donor reception
Mark Schoepp is involved in worship and Bible Study at St. John Lutheran Church the weekend of Sept. 26 and 27. While he’s here, he’d like to say “Thanks!” to the many Wheat Ridge supporters from St. John and Concordia University. Please join him on Saturday, Sept. 26, 4 p.m. in the fellowship hall at St John.

The only two agenda items include: 1) sharing heartfelt thanks and 2) bringing you up to speed on what Wheat Ridge is currently doing (including information on some current projects/grant recipients).

If you currently are or ever have been a supporter of Wheat Ridge, we hope you’ll come. Please RSVP to mark@wheatridge.org by Sept. 21.

“Take a Musical Journey through ‘A Good American’”
Dr. Wendy Schultz of Concordia will lead an exploration of the many styles of music mentioned in the 2015 All Seward Reads Together novel, “A Good American.” From operatic arias through the foundations of jazz to music of the ‘60s, Alex George’s novel is a feast for the ears.

Don’t miss out on this unique listening experience, which will be hosted by Seward Memorial Library, on Sunday, Sept. 27, at 2 p.m.

Library offers several ASRT programs
Seward Memorial Library will be hosting several programs in conjunction with the 2015 All Seward Reads Together (ASRT) selection, “A Good American” by Alex George. Get out your calendar and mark these special dates:

- “Take a Musical Journey through ‘A Good American’” with Dr. Wendy Schultz as she shares the sounds mentioned throughout this novel on Sunday, Sept. 27, at 2 p.m.
- Seward Memorial Library invites the community to listen to the author, Alex George, talk about his book “A Good American” on Sunday, Oct. 4, at 2 p.m.

Additional resources are available on the next page.
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](http://www.facebook.com/ConcordiaNebraska)
- [www.twitter.com/CUNE](http://www.twitter.com/CUNE)

Concordia Alumni
- [www.facebook.com/ConcordiaNebraskaAlumni](http://www.facebook.com/ConcordiaNebraskaAlumni)
- [www.twitter.com/CUNEAlumni](http://www.twitter.com/CUNEAlumni)

Concordia Athletics
- [www.facebook.com/ConcordiaBulldogs](http://www.facebook.com/ConcordiaBulldogs)
- [www.twitter.com/CUNEbulldogs](http://www.twitter.com/CUNEbulldogs)

Concordia Career Services
- [www.facebook.com/CUNEcareers](http://www.facebook.com/CUNEcareers)
- [www.twitter.com/CUNEcareers](http://www.twitter.com/CUNEcareers)

**Church resources**
St. John Lutheran Church
- Website: [www.stjohnseward.org](http://www.stjohnseward.org)
- Calendar: [http://stjohnseward.org/aboutstjohn/calendar](http://stjohnseward.org/aboutstjohn/calendar)
- Facebook: [www.facebook.com/stjohnseward](http://www.facebook.com/stjohnseward)

The Rock Lutheran Church
- Website: [www.therockseward.org](http://www.therockseward.org)
- Calendar: [http://therockseward.org/calendar.html](http://therockseward.org/calendar.html)
- Facebook: [www.facebook.com/therockseward](http://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](http://www.sewardindependent.com)
- Seward Chamber of Commerce: [www.sewardne.com](http://www.sewardne.com)
- Seward Memorial Library: [www.sewardlibrary.org](http://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](http://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](http://www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice/campaigns/index.html)

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