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## Hospital name change enhances mission



The new name Emory University Hospital Midtown will help affiliate Emory Crawford Long Hospital more closely with the University's health system. JACK KEARSE

By SARAH GOODWIN

Emory Crawford Long Hospital has been renamed to Emory University Hospital Midtown (EUHM), following the Emory University Board of Trustees' decision.

For more than 70 years, Emory's Midtown hospital has been wholly owned and operated by Emory University. The hospital will continue its

growth in research and clinical trials, educating the next generation of health professionals, and providing the latest and most advanced medical technology and patient care.

President Jim Wagner says the decision emphasizes the importance of EUHM within Emory's health system: “Being more clearly affiliated with Emory in the public eye will help expand upon the hospital's

100-year tradition of providing outstanding care to people in metro Atlanta and throughout the region.”

Fred Sanfilippo, executive vice president for health affairs and chair of Emory Healthcare, says the change “will fuel progress toward the Woodruff Health Sciences Center's goal of being the 21st century model for an academic health sciences and services center. By clarify-

ing the hospital's relationship with Emory's entire health system, the new name will enhance its already impressive reputation in the community — enabling even greater opportunities for cutting-edge research, world-class education and high-quality patient- and family-centered care.”

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## Vicente Fox will speak to graduates

By BEVERLY CLARK

Former President of Mexico Vicente Fox will deliver the keynote address at Emory's 164th commencement ceremony Monday, May 11. He will receive an honorary doctor of laws degree.

“Vicente Fox has proven himself a charismatic and insightful speaker as well as an agent of positive transformation in his own country,” says President Jim Wagner, who will preside over the ceremony for about 3,600 graduates.

“Emory has been fortunate to forge academic partnerships with Centro Fox, which is the first presidential library and center of its kind in Mexico. As our graduates step into a world where the international affairs of the United States are undergoing profound changes, it will be fitting to hear from a leader who has sought to address the challenges facing our own hemisphere.”

Three other individuals also will be recognized during Commencement with

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## Trustees meet, discuss priorities

By NANCY SEIDEMAN

The Emory University Board of Trustees met Feb. 11–12 to review and discuss the University leadership's progress in fulfilling its strategic priorities in light of new economic realities, approve tuition and fee rates for the next academic year, and to acknowledge and celebrate recent achievements of the Emory community.

“Trustee meetings are a time for representatives of the university community to have an opportunity to share our

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## Medical building dedicated to trustee

By SYLVIA WROBEL

Emory's School of Medicine building will be named for Trustee Emeritus James B. Williams, retired chairman and CEO of SunTrust Banks Inc.

On Feb. 11, Ben Johnson, chair of the Emory University Board of Trustees, presided over the dedication of the James B. Williams Medical Education Building.

Emory is honoring Williams' 35 years of service on the

Board of Trustees and to the University, and for his leadership on the Woodruff Health Sciences Center Board, the committee of the board charged with governance of the Woodruff Health Sciences Center, of which the medical school is a part. He chaired the WHSC Board for more than 20 years and continued service on the board until late last year, providing key counsel to a succession of WHSC CEOs, including Charles Hatcher, Michael M.E.

Johns and Fred Sanfilippo.

“Jimmy Williams is a remarkable leader who always carried forward the vision for Emory's health sciences first supported by his friend and mentor Robert W. Woodruff,” says Johnson. “We can think of no better way to honor Jimmy Williams than to put his name prominently on one of the Woodruff Health Sciences Center's most transformative new buildings.”

Opened last fall, the James B. Williams Medical Education

Building unites the historic anatomy and physiology wings, recently renamed for Charles and Peggy Evans.

The modern new building gave the medical school its first on-campus home, made possible the implementation of an innovative new curriculum and enabled a 15 percent increase in enrollment, helping alleviate the U.S. physician

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## EMORY PROFILE Simona Perales



Simona Perales is a senior advisor in the Office of Admission.

KAY HINTON

# Breaking out of the box

## She's Midwestern, Mexican American, and much more

By CAROL CLARK

Simona Perales is used to standing out in a crowd. She was raised in Columbus, Wisconsin, a tiny town with few Hispanics. Her parents had left their rural homes in Mexico to work as migrant laborers in the United States, eventually settling in the Midwest, where they found factory jobs.

"My dad really embraced life in small-town, middle America," says Perales, a senior advisor in the Office of Admission. "Columbus has a beautiful park, and a Fourth of July parade with lots of fireworks. It also has a great school system."

It wasn't easy, however, to be the only Hispanic in her elementary school class. "It was hard dealing with being one of the smartest kids in the class, and an ethnic minority," she recalls. "I was an easy target for bullies because I was so obviously different. There was no hiding that I had brown skin."

Despite being different, Perales excelled in school and developed a healthy sense of identity. Colorful Mexican

blankets drape the chairs in her office in B. Jones Center. A John Deere calendar hangs on the wall behind her. "I'm still very much the Midwestern girl," she says, laughing.

Perales first came to Emory in 1994, as a student. "I liked that Emory was in a big city that was home to so many civil rights leaders," she says.

The financial aid process, however, was daunting: Perales had to manage all the details, since her parents did not understand the process and were not confident with English. Perales completed three semesters, then had to take one off. The stress of college, while dealing with the complexities of finances, became too much.

"I am so grateful that one of the financial aid officers tracked me down," Perales says. "He said, 'Do you want to come back to school?' I got choked up and said, 'Yes, I do.' He told me, 'Then you and I are going to figure out how to make this work.' Suddenly, I didn't feel alone anymore."

Perales returned and immersed herself in her major, Theater Studies. She worked with EN-ACT, a program that

brought actors to inner-city schools to perform scenes on topics like HIV and pregnancy prevention. Afterwards, the actors stayed in character and took questions from the audience.

"The more I did this work, the more I realized that we have a responsibility as adults to listen to young people, learn from them, and try to guide them through a very tough time," Perales says.

After graduating, Perales managed a community center in Wisconsin, before deciding that she missed Atlanta. In 2006, she found her dream job at Emory, working as a senior admission advisor, with a special focus on recruiting Latino/Hispanic students. Only about 5 percent of Emory College students are Hispanic, but a campus-wide effort is under way to increase that percentage, Perales says. Faculty, staff and administrators are behind the drive to recruit Latinos, both at the local and national levels.

"Emory is a place where you can have hope that big changes are possible and will happen," Perales says. Especially for

new immigrants, the hope of achieving the highest levels of education can be an emotionally charged topic.

"Sometimes when I go to an event targeted at Latino students, people break down in tears," she says. "I remember a dad who was so overwhelmed with emotion for his son, after I explained how Emory could be financially feasible for him."

From California to New York, from small towns to big cities, from new immigrants to people with U.S. roots going back centuries, Perales loves learning the stories of the Latino students she encounters around the country.

"It's important for people to understand that Latino culture is not just one thing," she says. "It's all different colors and shapes and economic backgrounds. I'm a Buddhist who was raised Roman Catholic. My boyfriend is African American. I listen to hip-hop and I know just about every cumbia out there. It's exciting, how everything has changed so fast from my parents' generation."

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## Students honored for humanitarian focus



(Front from left) **Javier Gutierrez, Shauna Mettee, Ramone Williams.** (Back from left) **Karl Kroger, President Jim Wagner, Jeffrey Schram, Stephen Deaderick**

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• **Stephen R. Deaderick,**  
Emory College senior

Deaderick was honored for the “exceptional service” he has provided to the Office of Multicultural Programs and Services the past four years, and for his leadership in ensuring the overall welfare of Emory’s diverse community. Among many activities, he co-founded “All Mixed Up,” a student organization to address the specific needs of students of mixed racial heritages, religions and transnational backgrounds. As a MORE mentor advisor, he works closely with freshmen to ensure that each student has access to resources and social networks that will make them successful at Emory.

• **Jeffrey Schram,**  
Emory College senior

His nominator and friends describe him as “inspiring” with a strong sense of empathy and kindness toward all. Schram has volunteered with the Special Olympics and has devoted much time as a mentor and “supervisory friend” for an Emory staff member’s son who has Down syndrome. He also serves as co-president of SHOAH, the Holocaust Awareness group on campus, and is deeply involved with the Inter-Religious Council.

• **Ramone Williams,**  
Emory College junior

Williams was honored for her breast cancer research and advocacy and campus leadership on College Council. Williams has made an extraordinary commitment to research as an undergraduate at the Winship Cancer Institute on Triple Negative Breast Cancer, a highly aggressive, metastatic form of breast cancer. She has spearheaded multiple awareness programs and fundraisers for TNBC. Williams also volunteers as a MORE mentor and biology tutor, and is active in the School of Medicine’s Pipeline Program for Atlanta public school students.

• **Javier Gutierrez,**  
Rollins School of Public Health

An obstetrician, Gutierrez and his wife founded a small hospital more than a decade ago in Leticia, a remote area in the Amazon jungle of Colombia. The hospital grew from 6 to 30 beds and they were able to establish a satellite hospital 70 miles up river from Leticia. Javier and his wife and two sons have continued to serve the population in Leticia for 14 years. Upon graduation from the Rollins, Gutierrez will return to Colombia to continue to provide quality care to the native people of the Colombian Amazon.

• **Karl Kroger,**  
Candler School of Theology

Kroger, president of the Social Concerns Network at Candler, is known as an activist and a seeker of justice for the poor and the oppressed. Kroger was recognized for his work as an advocate for Troy Davis, a current death row inmate convicted in 1991 of the 1989 murder of Savannah police officer Mark MacPhail. This past year, he organized a broad base of supporters across campus and community lines to bring attention to the Davis case. On Oct. 24, 2008, three days before Davis scheduled execution date, the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals issued a stay of execution, still in effect, to review the case due to discredited eye witness testimony.

• **Shauna Mettee,**  
Rollins School of Public Health

Already a registered nurse, Shauna Mettee is seeking dual degrees from the School of Nursing and the School of Public Health. As leader of the School of Public Health Student Outreach, she has expanded the scope of the team to add more real learning experiences as well as skill training. She also works closely with the homeless in Atlanta, and has worked in underserved areas of the globe including Guinea Bissau and Bangladesh.

By **BEVERLY CLARK**

Three undergraduates and three graduate students were recently named the University’s 2009 Humanitarian Award winners.

The honor recognizes students who embody a spirit of volunteerism and sense of community, both on campus and off. President Jim Wagner gave out the awards to the six recipients in a ceremony earlier this month.

Students are nominated for the Humanitarian Award by

peers, staff and faculty members for demonstrating honesty, integrity, responsibility and a sense of community; for special acts of courage and friendship; and for committing an unusual amount of time and energy in service to others.

Chosen from a pool of more than 60 nominees, this year’s honorees are extensively involved in both local and international community volunteerism and activism. The winners, with highlights of their service, include:

## COMMENCEMENT: Keynote and honoraries announced



Mexico’s former president **Vicente Fox** will address graduates at Emory’s 164th Commencement ceremony May 11.

JON ROU

Cristobal area of Mexico; and academic exchanges between students and faculty from Emory and partner institutions of Centro Fox.

In 2000, Fox was elected president of Mexico as the candidate of the Alliance for Change, which pledged to end government corruption and restore the economy. He became the first person elected president of Mexico independent of any affiliation with the Institutional Revolutionary Party, which had held power without interruption for 71 years. His inauguration marked the first time that an incumbent government in Mexico peacefully stepped aside for the opposition party.

During his six-year term, Fox successfully proposed legislation to increase the rights of Mexico’s indigenous peoples; made progress in negotiating cooperation with the United States in addressing drug trafficking and illegal immigration; increased public access to governmental information and greater freedom of expression; and reduced Mexico’s foreign debt and rate of inflation. Prior to his presidency, Fox served in the federal Chamber of Deputies and was governor of the state of Guanajuato.

Fox studied business in Mexico City and later earned an MBA from Harvard University. Prior to his career in politics, Fox was president of Coca-Cola Mexico, where he had started as a delivery-truck driver.

## Bike Emory gives freshmen free ride

By **JAMIE SMITH**

The Great Bike Contest winners will soon be rolling around campus in style on their brand new Absolute 4.0 Fuji Bicycles. Fourteen winners were selected by a panel of cycling experts and commuters from essay entries received from Emory freshmen.

To enter, participants wrote essays describing why they needed a bike. Excerpts of the winning essays will be featured on [bike.emory.edu](http://bike.emory.edu).

All winners received a new Fuji Absolute 4.0 bike plus a Louis Garneau helmet, a LED headlight, a taillight and a Bulldog-brand u-lock.

Including this contest, Bike Emory has awarded 27 bikes to Emory students, faculty and staff through the generous contributions of its partners.

Funding for this contest was made possible through a gift from an anonymous donor to the University.

### Contest winners

Edward Chen  
Yan Chen  
William Eye  
Timothy Fetzler  
Xavier Fowler  
Josh Goldman  
Peter Hlawitschka  
Brent Jones  
Kaitlin Key  
Mu Gung Kim  
Matthew McMurray  
Brent Morel  
Selin Nugent  
David Smith

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honorary degrees: Nancy Cantor, chancellor and president of Syracuse University, who will receive a doctor of laws; former U.S. Surgeon General David Satcher, currently director of the Morehouse School of Medicine’s Center of Excellence on Health Disparities, who will receive a doctor of science; and Robert Spano, Grammy-Award winning conductor and music director for the Atlanta Symphony, who will

receive a doctor of music.

Fox founded Centro Fox in 2007. It is the first presidential library and museum to be established in Mexico, and its activities include a “center for the advancement of democracy” modeled loosely after the work of The Carter Center. Current collaborations between Emory and Centro Fox include a jointly organized research conference on migration to be held this year; an expansion of the Emory Global Health Institute’s field partner sites in the San

## NEWSMAKERS

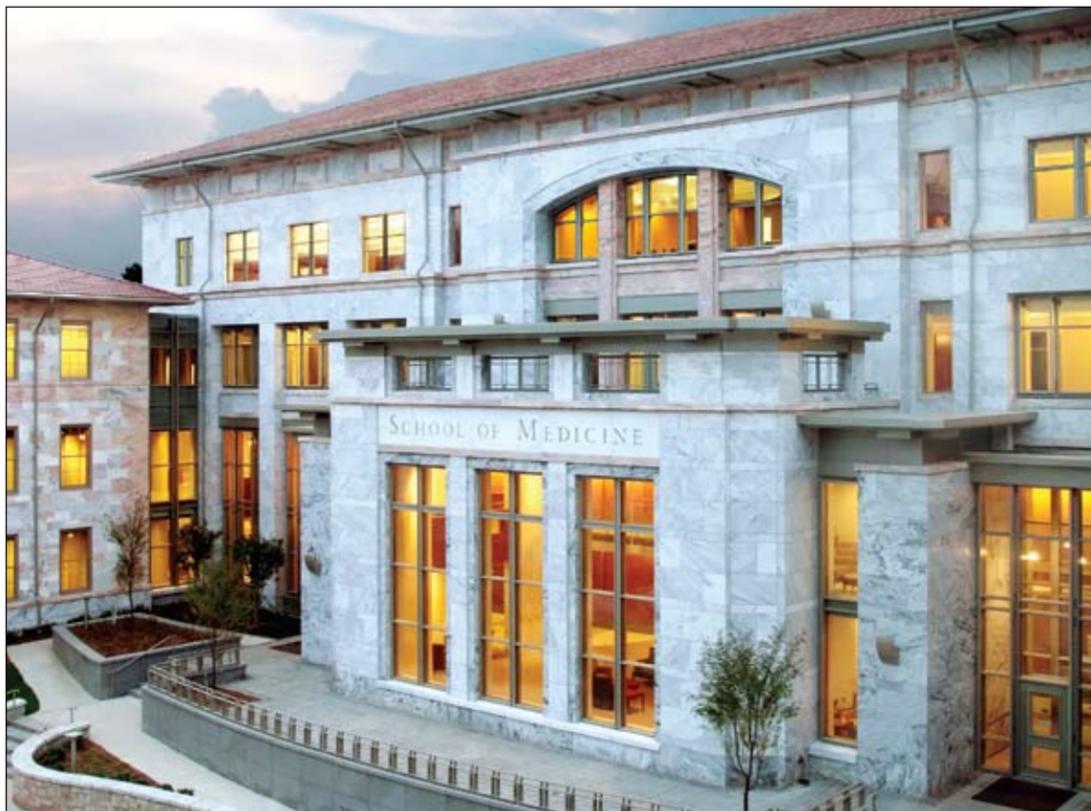
“Today’s donor is more interested in what’s going on than showing their name on an honor roll. It’s kind of going by the wayside.”

— **Susan Cruse, senior vice president of development and alumni relations, in “Donor honor roll lists fading away for schools,” the Atlanta Business Chronicle Feb. 6.**



## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### WILLIAMS: 'Visionary' leader in medical school's growth



JACK KEARSE



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Trustee Emeritus James Williams is honored at the Feb. 11 dedication of the James B. Williams Medical Education Building.

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shortage projected by decade end.

"Naming this important facility the James B. Williams Medical Education Building is an honor for the medical school, as well as a tribute to a man whose leadership contributed to the medical school's dramatic rise to one of the nation's top 20 research-oriented medical schools," says School of Medicine

Dean Thomas J. Lawley.

"Jimmy Williams provided visionary leadership through an era of great transformation," says President Jim Wagner. "He successfully chaired Emory University's capital campaign in the 1980s. During the next quarter of a century, he oversaw and helped secure the capital for unprecedented growth in Woodruff Health Sciences Center research, patient care and teaching, while helping steer the patient care enter-

prise through challenges on which many other institutions floundered."

Sanfilippo, executive vice president for health affairs and CEO of the Woodruff Health Sciences Center since 2007, says, "Jimmy Williams was deeply involved in the extensive building and renovation plan now under way along the Clifton Corridor and the Emory Midtown campus. It's fitting that his work on this transformational project be recognized

in one of the first great buildings to be completed."

Jimmy Williams graduated from Emory College in 1955. Joining the Trust Company of Georgia, he quickly rose through the ranks to become its president.

In 1979, Robert Woodruff, legendary leader of The Coca-Cola Company, made Williams a member of the Coca-Cola Board of Directors and asked him to chair Emory University's capital campaign, to which the

Emily and Ernest Woodruff Foundation had just given \$105 million, then the largest gift to an educational institution in history.

Williams had become an Emory Trustee in 1973. Now Emory effectively became his second job, even as he led the Trust Company to remarkable profitability, and then took on the expanded job as president and CEO of SunTrust Banks. In 2004, Williams received an honorary doctorate from Emory.

## BOARD: Trustees celebrate community achievements

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collective accomplishments with the University's governing group, but it also is a time for us to receive counsel, guidance and approval for the University's direction," says President Jim Wagner. "We had extensive discussion about how the new economic realities that we are dealing with will influence aspects of how we fulfill our mission, and the investments that we need to continue to make in providing a high-quality educational experience for our students."

Action taken by the board included:

- Approval of the 2009-10 tuition, fees, room and board for all colleges, graduate programs and professional schools. The tuition for undergraduate students at Emory College of Arts and Sciences will increase 4.7 percent to \$37,500.

"Emory is committed to

meeting its top strategic priorities which includes attracting and enrolling the best and brightest students, recruiting and retaining a faculty of distinction, offering need-blind admissions and providing demonstrated financial need for continuing students," says Earl Lewis, provost and executive vice president for academic affairs.

- Renaming of Crawford Long Hospital to Emory University Hospital Midtown (see story, Page 1).

- Celebrating the naming of Emory's School of Medicine building for Trustee Emeritus James B. Williams, retired chairman and CEO of SunTrust Banks Inc. (see story, Page 1).

- Election of Bishop James E. Swanson Sr., resident bishop of the Holston Conference of the United Methodist Church, to a six-year term as trustee, bringing the total board membership to 40. An award-win-

ning preacher, Swanson oversees the Holston Conference, which includes more than 900 churches in Tennessee, southwestern Virginia and northern Georgia.

Board activities included a panel presentation, "Internationalization: Perspectives and Partnerships," which included participation by a dean, faculty member, student and a member of the Emory International Advisory Council. The council, whose international membership includes alumni and leaders from varied professions and countries, is charged with supporting Emory in shaping its strategy for international engagement.

## HOSPITAL: Name highlights Emory ties

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Emory's Midtown hospital celebrated its 100-year anniversary in 2008, and is an important part of Atlanta's health care history and heritage.

Today, EUHM is a 511-bed community-based, acute care teaching facility. Chief Operating Officer Dane Peterson leads the hospital with its nearly 2,900 employees, 947 Emory medical faculty and nearly 537 private practice community physicians.

"Emory University, being more visible on the hospital's campus between the Peachtrees, will strengthen the hospital's position as a symbolic gateway between Midtown and Downtown," says John T. Fox, CEO of Emory Healthcare.

The institution's history dates back to 1908, when two physicians, Edward Campbell Davis and Luther C. Fischer, opened the 26-bed Davis-Fischer Sanatorium.

In 1931, the hospital was renamed Crawford W. Long Memorial Hospital in honor of

Crawford W. Long, the Georgia physician who discovered sulphuric ether for use as an anesthetic and was the first doctor to use anesthesia during surgery.

"We hope our patients and their families, as well as our staff and physicians, will see that while we have grown into a premier academic medical center, the Crawford Long name and its place in history will continue to be a source of pride," says Fox.

While focused on Emory's three-tiered mission of excellent patient care, cutting-edge research and a dynamic destination for education, the Midtown Atlanta landmark will also remain true to its heritage and history. The hospital will maintain some of its historical signage, while adding the initials CL for Crawford Long onto much of its new signage. A museum-quality historical display will remain in a prominent location, and EUHM's museum, which further details its long-standing history, will be highlighted to both patients and visitors.

REPORT FROM: Office of Information Technology

## Streamlined communications speak to savings

In our very challenging fiscal climate, I thought it would be helpful to outline the cost-saving activities that my Office of Information Technology has been focused on. I'd like to talk about what has been happening with e-mail and phones, and how the foundation we've been laying should enable more efficient and cost-effective communications in the near future.

You only need to go back a few years in Emory history to observe the plethora of systems that were used for basic communications. We had two major phone systems, more than 50 e-mail systems, and multiple high-level organizational units involved in communications-related activities.

Fast forward to February 2009 and the landscape has changed considerably. We have moved more than 20,000 faculty and staff at Emory University and Emory Healthcare to common voice and e-mail systems and now have an organizational structure in my University Technology Services division that no longer separates data, voice or communication services into multiple siloed units.

Reducing the number of communications systems that we support and streamlining our organizational structure has resulted in significant cost savings. Overall, the latest organizational changes we made in UTS resulted in more than \$700,000 in recurring annual cost savings. These changes, among others, are allowing us to absorb more than \$1.5 million in mandatory new recurring expenses in FY10, such as those associated with vendor maintenance increases and bringing new systems like PeopleSoft financials on line.

Although not all of the noted savings can be attributed to our efforts to streamline communications, the changes do account for a significant portion. As we decommission additional pieces of our legacy systems we expect we will be able to continue reducing expenses, so these resources can be invested back into Emory.

### New communication options

In addition to lower costs, a simplified voice and e-mail infrastructure will ultimately provide additional Emory-

focused communication services. Down the road, we expect this will also allow us to support innovative, low-cost technologies like Skype.

I'm often asked why I think it is more cost effective for us to offer central e-mail, or why we don't adopt free offerings from Google or Microsoft. My first response is usually to reframe the question since I don't believe it makes sense to talk about e-mail any more as a standalone offering.

Our communications vision is to tie e-mail, voice mail, instant messaging, fax and video into one seamless environment. In the technology industry, this is usually referred to as "unified communications." Those of you who have moved to our new systems can already get your e-mail, voice mail and faxes in one common inbox. The feedback we've received on this capability has been very positive.

For some members of our community, cost is going to be more important than features. In line with that thinking, we are assessing the degree to which we can use products like Skype to reduce our communications costs, while preserving

adequate levels of security and network performance. If you do a Google search on "Skype and universities," you'll see that some have outright banned it, some tolerate it, and some facilitate its use and have taken steps to make it more secure.

We intend to do everything we can to support an optimal configuration of Skype, and are even exploring third-party products that may allow us to tie it into our new Voice Over IP-based phone system, so calls could be forwarded from conventional Emory phones. By early this summer, we expect to have final recommendations on how to optimize the use of Skype at Emory. Please note that our scope for this project is limited to Emory University, and will not include Emory Healthcare workstations.

Please feel free to e-mail me your reactions to our new communications directions: rich.mendola@emory.edu.

*Rich Mendola is vice president for information technology and chief information officer.*

## Project Compass: What does it mean for you?

By DAVID PAYNE

On Sept. 1, Emory University and Emory Healthcare will make a significant transition to the new PeopleSoft Financial accounting system. The initiative, named "Project Compass," will replace the current FAS system at the University and hospitals, and the CODA system at The Emory Clinic.

The new technology, PeopleSoft, includes nine subcomponents, or "modules," that work in synch to share and integrate information throughout Emory's accounting systems.

The nine modules include:

- Accounts Payable
- Accounts Receivable (non-patient)
- Billing (non-patient)
- Asset Management
- Commitment Control (budget tracking)
- General Ledger
- Grants (University only)
- Project Costing
- Travel and Expenses

The new accounting system will integrate with existing Emory systems, such as Emory Express/SciQuest, PMM, IDX, HealthQuest, and others, to provide seamless sharing of data.

### Key points about Project Compass

#### Why is Emory changing its accounting systems?

Emory's current systems are simply outdated. FAS and CODA are heavily customized, poorly documented, and lack vendor support. These risks, coupled with Emory's growth over the last 20 years, have initiated the need to implement a new and consistent technology across all of Emory. The goal of the new system is to improve efficiency and functionality and ensure continuity in financial accounting across Emory.

#### Who will be affected by Project Compass?

This transition will affect nearly every individual and every department at Emory.

If you currently use an FAS subcode for department expenditures, the FAS numbers will change. If you currently use a health care accounting FAS/CODA number, that number may change. This will impact departmental purchases at the bookstore, travel expenses, departmental budgets and University grant accounts, to name a few.

#### When will Project Compass affect you?

On Sept. 1, 2009, all FY 2009-2010 expenditures will need to be processed through the new accounting system.

To prepare for this transition, Project Compass Learning Forums will begin this spring.

These sessions are designed to provide you with a high-level view of the new accounting system and a discussion around what is changing with the implementation of PeopleSoft. Training programs for this transition will begin in July. Training will provide the hands-on and Web-based learning exposure to the new system.

#### What is next?

Look for updates in Emory Report and on the Project Compass Web site, [www.compass.emory.edu](http://www.compass.emory.edu). Sign up for the Compass Directions e-newsletter for regular updates.

Take advantage of the briefings and tutorials that are planned for this spring and anticipate training this summer.

If you have not attended a Project Compass Town Hall Overview, sign-up to attend the last session: Monday, Feb. 23; 10:30 a.m.–noon; Dobbs University Center, Winship Ballroom.

RSVP for the Town Hall meeting at [www.compass.emory.edu](http://www.compass.emory.edu).

## SNAPSHOT



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### Campus camp-out for a cause

"We wanted to take student activism to another level," says Sebastian Castro (second from left), one of the students who braved wind, cold, rain and canned food rations in a 24/7 campus camp-out. "The Tico Tent Project" raised awareness and money for the people affected by a 6.3 magnitude earthquake that struck the province of Alajuela, Costa Rica Jan. 8.

### Learn about Emory and the economy at Town Hall

Emory and the economy is the focus of the Employee Council's 2009 Town Hall discussion set for Thursday, Feb. 19, from noon to 1 p.m.

Guest speakers are President Jim Wagner; Provost Earl Lewis; Fred Sanfilippo, executive vice president for health affairs and CEO of Emory Healthcare; and Mike Mandl, executive vice president for finance and administration.

The four will provide background on the current economic downturn as it relates to Emory University and Emory Healthcare and answer questions from those attending.

"This is an incredible opportunity to hear directly from Emory's leadership about what's going on in the Emory community," says Employee Council President Matt Engelhardt, "as well as to reconnect with fellow staff, faculty and students across campus."

The annual event, which will be webcast, will be held in the School of Law's Tull Auditorium. Light refreshments will be served.

## Illuminating hidden civil rights collections



Provost Earl Lewis and Southern Christian Leadership Conference CEO Charles Steele (right) look over the civil rights organization's documents that Emory acquired last spring.

ANN BORDEN

By ELAINE JUSTICE

Emory's Manuscript, Archives, and Rare Book Library is one of four institutions that will share a \$900,000 grant awarded by the Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR) to support "Working for Freedom: Documenting Civil Rights Organizations," a collaborative project designed to bring to public notice more than a

dozen "hidden" manuscript collections housed in Atlanta and New Orleans archives.

Emory and the Auburn Avenue Research Library on African American Culture and History received a joint award of \$400,000, while the Robert W. Woodruff Library of the Atlanta University Center and the Amistad Research Center at Tulane University were awarded \$250,000 each to complete their

projects. Funds for the CLIR grant were provided by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation.

At MARBL, the grant will be used to help process materials in the archive of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), which Emory acquired last year. Auburn Avenue will process materials in its collections on the Atlanta Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

(NAACP) as well as the personal papers of Andrew Young.

Together, the SCLC archive at Emory and NAACP and Andrew Young papers at Auburn Avenue chronicle some of the most transformational moments and movements of the civil rights era, says Randall Burkett, curator of Emory's African American Collections.

The SCLC archive contains some 1,000 boxes, the second

largest collection at MARBL, says Burkett. Most of the materials date from after the death of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. in 1968 (the King Library and Archives at the King Center holds most pre-1968 items). The archive at Emory chronicles SCLC presidencies of Ralph David Abernathy and Joseph Lowery, who succeeded King.

"What's important about these materials is the detailed documentation about local chapters, such as field agent reports, local dues that were being submitted, and receipts and reimbursements made," says Burkett. "From these types of records you can get a very good sense of the work being done on the ground and who were the active participants of SCLC work throughout the South."

The joint grant to Emory and Auburn Avenue will allow each institution to hire a lead archivist and graduate students from area universities to help with processing the collections, says Susan McDonald, coordinator of arrangement and description services at MARBL and director of the project.

"The grant means we will be able to do this work much, much sooner than we could have possibly done it otherwise," she says.

"We're excited about giving graduate students with an interest in these materials the opportunity to work on them," says McDonald. "MARBL will benefit from their subject expertise and they will learn about doing archival research; it's win-win for everyone."

The processing teams at Emory and Auburn Avenue will be using for the first time a technique called the Greene-Meissner processing model, which advocates "more product, less process" and should help streamline the teams' ability to deal with such large collections.

## Blocking toxic effects boosts clot-buster safety

By QUINN EASTMAN

Since the introduction of the life-saving clot-busting drug tPA more than a decade ago, evidence has been accumulating that it can be a double-edged sword. Although tPA (tissue-type plasminogen activator) remains the only FDA-approved treatment for acute stroke, it can also contribute to inflammation and brain cell damage.

"tPA is a protein released naturally by the body in response to a blood clot," neurologist Manuel Yepes says. "But it's clearly not just dissolving the clot."

Research by Yepes and his colleagues suggests that blocking tPA's toxic effects could make it safer and allow doctors to use it more often on patients experiencing a stroke. The results were published online Jan. 15 by the American

Journal of Pathology.

Yepes' team is testing strategies for blocking LRP1, a molecule that transmits inflammation signals triggered by tPA. They have shown that in mice, genetically removing LRP1 from brain cells called microglia softens tPA's impact on the brain.

They are now testing a natural inhibitor of LRP1 called RAP in the laboratory. Co-treating or even pre-treating stroke patients with RAP might soften tPA's effects.

Doctors in community hospitals can often be reluctant to administer tPA to patients who appear to be having a stroke, because tPA has been shown to increase the risk of bleeding in the brain, Yepes said.

## American, Chinese partnership in biomedical engineering

By HOLLY KORSCHUN

Two highly respected biomedical engineering programs in the United States and China are breaking new ground in international academia as they begin to enroll the inaugural class of a new joint Ph.D. program.

Members of the Wallace H. Coulter Department of Biomedical Engineering at Georgia Tech and Emory traveled to Beijing last fall to finalize the program details with the Department of Biomedical Engineering at Peking University (PKU).

"To my knowledge, this joint Ph.D. program is the first of this type showcasing international cooperation in education between China and the United States," says Jianhua Lin, Peking University provost. "Forming a partnership with Georgia Tech and Emory will

enhance our research and education in general and will provide a great opportunity for our BME students."

Representatives from Georgia Tech, Emory and PKU have been laying the groundwork for this program during the past five years. Faculty collaborations have been funded by seed grants from the Coulter Foundation and, as a result, several new research projects are already under way.

"Our partnership with the recently formed College of Engineering at PKU is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for us to create a new paradigm for international biomedical engineering education and research," says Larry McIntire, chair of the Coulter Department. "The infrastructure being created within our departments will allow our students and faculty to learn how to conduct research and

business in a global arena and will prepare them to become international leaders in 21st century biomedical engineering industry and academia."

Adds President Jim Wagner: "We are very excited about launching this new global endeavor in biomedical engineering that joins the diverse strengths of three excellent institutions."

Students will have an advisor at their home campus and co-advisor at their secondary campus. Primary classes and research will take place on the home campus. However, students will also spend at least a year taking classes and participating in research in the co-advisor's lab on the secondary campus. Classes will be taught in English and a single dissertation will satisfy the thesis requirements of all three institutions.

## Forum

FIRST PERSON Evan Goldberg

## Ambassador for Emory, on campus and abroad



Evan Goldberg at an event in Paris city hall.

SPECIAL

By EVAN GOLDBERG

I spent my senior year at Emory the way most students without plans for graduate school did: looking for jobs. The last place I thought to seek employment was on campus. However, by chance I ended up back at Emory in a position that fits me perfectly.

In the second semester of my senior year I was fortunate to take a political science course with Professor Holli Semetko, vice provost for international affairs. Although I had already secured a job with a consulting firm in Washington D.C. shortly before graduation, with my parent's encouragement, I changed my plans and became a member of the staff of the Office of International Affairs (OIA) and The Claus M. Halle Institute for Global Learning.

As a part of the Office of the Provost, OIA is Emory's central

base for international initiatives and is an administrative umbrella for a number of key academic and service units. OIA promotes Emory internationally through diplomacy, publications, Web sites, events and networks. OIA is home to Emory's International Student and Scholar Programs office, which serves more than 2,800 international students and scholars at Emory and their host departments. OIA is also home to The Halle Institute, which brings policymakers and public intellectuals from around the world to Atlanta and Emory, and supports faculty research and student engagement.

My position is interesting because it combines political science with event planning, which are both passions of mine. I do research and use my international studies background often in my position, but at other times my function is specifically

planning all the details of events, ranging from catering to travel.

Emory has great relationships with foreign institutions, which allow for many benefits including study abroad, coordination on research and international fellowships. However, these connections do not come without effort. It takes a lot of work to develop and maintain them.

This is a big part of what OIA does. We often host foreign delegations aimed at fostering our existing partnerships and creating new ones. In October I organized the visit of a delegation of university educators and administrators from Mumbai, India, who met with faculty from various schools looking to create new international relationships.

In my short time with OIA and The Halle Institute, I have worked with visitors from many countries, including Germany, India, France, Turkey, Georgia, Russia, Japan and Sweden. I often act as an escort for our guests while they visit Atlanta, and am able to interact with them closely. These experiences have developed my understanding of international issues, whether it is the health care system of Russia or Japan's efforts in Iraq.

I represented Emory in Paris, where I had been an exchange student in my junior year. In October I traveled to Paris to assist with a major event held at the incredible city hall or "Hotel de ville," under the auspices of the French presidency of the European Union. The event brought together leaders from nongovernmental organizations in developing nations, Emory alumni, and an exhibition and series of presentations.

The Halle Institute cosponsored a "Cartooning for Peace" portion of that event and I worked with political cartoonists Jean Plantu of *Le Monde* and Mike Luckovich of the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*. Our alumni abroad were very grateful to have an opportunity to reconnect

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with Emory and fellow alumni: 800 people, including many Emory alumni, attended.

In November, I organized Emory's Turkish Lecture Series luncheon with the visit of Turkish Ambassador to the U.S., His Excellency Nabi Sensoy. This included an evening event at the Miller-Ward Alumni House where the Turkish Honorary Consul General for Georgia presented a check to Emory College Dean Bobby Paul to complete the Turkish Lecture Series endowment.

I also worked with Emory School of Law to host a delegation led by the president and vice president of the constitutional court of the Republic of Georgia. By the end of their visit I had come to know them so well that they invited me to visit the court, which is in the beautiful coastal city of Batumi.

The events I organize are not limited to internationals. In cooperation with professor Greg Berns, distinguished chair of neuroeconomics, and his Center for Neuropolicy at Emory, I organized a conference in Washington, D.C. on the neurobiological mechanisms of political conflict, cosponsored by the Air Force Office of Scientific Research.

My position is helping me develop professionally and academically. It has opened my eyes to many possibilities. My interactions with diplomats and scholars from around the world have had a profound impact on my plans for the future. Ultimately, I would like to become an ambassador for the United States.

I encourage everyone to explore our programs. Information can be found online at [www.international.emory.edu](http://www.international.emory.edu), [www.emory.edu/ISSP](http://www.emory.edu/ISSP) and [www.halleinstitute.emory.edu](http://www.halleinstitute.emory.edu).

## SOUNDBITES

## Inaugural poet reads at Emory

The work of poet Elizabeth Alexander draws from history, and is also infused with a rare foresight, said Kevin Young, professor of English, in introducing her recent reading at Emory. Alexander was the poet for Barack Obama's inauguration.

"There can never be enough poems with food in them. And, of course, when you start talking about something to eat, you're talking about something much larger," Alexander said, before reading "Fried Apples."

She said that one of her books was inspired by a white woman who dared to open in 1832 a school for black girls in Connecticut. "It's a way to think about the as-yet-unresolved quest for equal opportunity for education for all of our children."

—Carol Clark

## Holocaust survivor advocates tolerance

Hollywood could never adequately portray the events of the Holocaust, said Roman Kent, a Holocaust survivor who gave a recent talk as a guest of Emory Hillel and the German Studies Department.

"There is no way that anybody can put in a film what really happened," Kent said. "Can a film depict the smell of burning flesh?"

Kent is president of the Jewish Foundation for the Righteous and the author of a memoir, "Courage Was My Only Option." He was born in Lodz, Poland, in 1929. "Only education can prevent a future Holocaust," Kent told the students. "Tolerance cannot be assumed. It has to be taught."

—Carol Clark

## Integrative history vital, scholar says

Holocaust historian and author Saul Friedlander describes a photograph of a newly minted medical graduate of University of Amsterdam in September 1942: "From one single photograph, the viewer gets information of a vast number of interactions" between German, Dutch and Jewish institutions, and "at the center of it all, the fate of a Jewish individual."

The photograph, he says, can be seen as "the very notion of an integrated history of the Holocaust."

Friedlander was the guest lecturer for the Feb. 9 Tam Institute of Jewish Studies' Tenenbaum Family Lecture Series.

A debate in the 1980s sparked Friedlander's advocacy for the "inclusion of the Jewish dimension along with others within an integrative history of the Nazis."

"Integrated history leads to connections otherwise only dimly perceived," he said.

—Leslie King

## A need for balance between religion, human spirit

By ELAINE JUSTICE

At his Distinguished Faculty Lecture on "American Secularism and American Muslims: Challenges and Prospects" during Founders Week, Abdullahi An-Na'im said he resonates with aspects of the University's strategic plan, particularly "where courageous inquiry leads," "race and difference" and "religion and the human spirit."

"There is a tension between religion and the human spirit in the sense that religion signifies a drive for conformity, whereas the human spirit signifies critical inquiry," said An-Na'im. "I'm trying to stress the need for balance between the stability that religious communities need through a higher level of conformity, and the need for criti-

cal dynamic inquiry that gives meaning to the lives of communities."

An-Na'im, Charles Howard Candler Professor of Law and senior fellow of the Center for the Study of Law and Religion, also took a moment to celebrate the Jan. 20 inauguration of President Barack Obama: "Americans have reaffirmed the possibility of human inclusive transformation . . . what is wonderful is that it can happen any day to any of us. We don't have to wait for it."

The Faculty Council is soliciting nominations for next year's Distinguished Faculty Lecturer. Nominations will be accepted through March 1. For more information, contact Faculty Council chair-elect Kenneth Carter at [kenneth.carter@emory.edu](mailto:kenneth.carter@emory.edu).



Charles Howard Candler Professor of Law Abdullahi An-Na'im delivered this year's Distinguished Faculty Lecture.

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## ADVANCE NOTICE

### 'Monologues' visits for V-Day

The Center for Ethics is hosting a noon lunch on Monday, Feb. 23 with Eve Ensler, the creator of "The Vagina Monologues," and Denis Mukwege, recipient of a United Nations human rights prize for his work against sexual violence in the Congo.

The event is part of V-Day, a global movement to stop violence against women and girls. RSVP to [ethics@emory.edu](mailto:ethics@emory.edu).

The play, "The Vagina Monologues," will be performed Friday, Feb. 27, and Saturday, Feb. 28, at 8 p.m., and Sunday, March 1, at 2 p.m. in the Performing Arts Studio. Tickets are available at the Center for Women and online at [womenscenter.emory.edu](http://womenscenter.emory.edu).

Further information about V-Day can be found at [www.v-day.org](http://www.v-day.org).

### Music, dance celebrate 'Gita'

A celebration of Charles Howard Candler Professor Laurie Patton's new translation of "The Bhagavad Gita" will be Thursday, Feb. 19, in the Performing Arts Studio.

The Gita Translated: A Festival of Poetry, Dance & Music will feature readings of the text in Sanskrit and English; interpretations of the verses in dance choreographed and performed by Kuchipudi dancer Sasikala Penumarthi; and in music composed by Steve Everett and Tong Soon Lee of the Department of Music and performed by members of the Vega String Quartet and the Emory Gamelan Ensemble.

A book signing follows the performance, a program of the Religion, Society and the Arts Initiative. Tickets are \$10; free for students and are available at the arts box office, 404-727-5050.

### Alyce Miller is feminist reader

Alyce Miller, author of two story collections, "The Nature of Longing" (winner of the Flannery O'Connor Award) and "Water" (winner of the Mary McCarthy Prize), and a novel, "Stopping for Green Lights," will give this year's Feminist Founder's Reading in conjunction with the Spring 2009 Creative Writing Program Reading Series. The reading is set for Monday, March 2, at 6:30 p.m. in 311 Woodruff Library, with a reception at 6 p.m. and a book signing to follow.

Miller will also hold a colloquium, Tuesday, March 3, 2:30 p.m., in N301 Callaway Center. Both events are free and open to the public.

For information: [www.arts.emory.edu](http://www.arts.emory.edu).

## Film

### Monday, Feb. 16

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH: "Express."** 9 p.m. Harland Cinema, Dobbs Center. Free. [jeffrey.martin@emory.edu](mailto:jeffrey.martin@emory.edu).

### Tuesday, Feb. 17

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH: "Black in America."** 11:30 a.m. Harland Cinema, Dobbs Center. Free. [dmwong@emory.edu](mailto:dmwong@emory.edu). Also at 5 p.m.

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH: "A Winter Tale."** 7 p.m. 208 White Hall. Free. 404-727-6848. Discussion with director to follow.

**"The Round Up."** 8 p.m. 205 White Hall. Free. [jsteffe@emory.edu](mailto:jsteffe@emory.edu).

### Wednesday, Feb. 18

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH: "NO! The Rape Documentary."** 6:30 p.m. 110 White Hall. Free. [arafi@emory.edu](mailto:arafi@emory.edu).

## Performing Arts

### Tuesday, Feb. 17

**University Organist Recital Series: John Scott.** 8 p.m. Emerson Hall, Schwartz Center. Free. 404-727-5050.

### Wednesday, Feb. 18

**Emory Youth Symphony Orchestra.** 8 p.m. Emerson Hall, Schwartz Center. Free. 404-727-5050.

### Thursday, Feb. 19

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH: "Black Pioneers."** Emory African dancers and steppers, performing. 5 p.m. Business School Commons. Free. 404-727-6754.

**The Gita Translated: A Festival of Poetry, Dance & Music.** 8 p.m. Performing Arts Studio. \$10. 404-727-4282.

### Friday, Feb. 20

**BRAVE NEW WORKS: Reading "The Fifth Great Ape."** 7 p.m. Theater Lab, Schwartz Center. Free. 404-727-5050.

### Saturday, Feb. 21

**BRAVE NEW WORKS: Reading "Two Evolving Plays."** 5 p.m. Theater Lab, Schwartz Center. Free. 404-727-5050.

**FLORA GLENN CANDLER CONCERT SERIES: New York Philharmonic Lorin Maazel, conducting.** 8 p.m. Emerson Hall, Schwartz Center. \$80. 404-727-5050.

## Religion

### Sunday, Feb. 22

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH: "Where the Wind Blows" Ecumenical Christian Worship.** 11 a.m. Cannon Chapel. Gregory Ellison '99, preaching. Voices of Inner Strength, performing. Free. [bdyoung@emory.edu](mailto:bdyoung@emory.edu).

## Seminars

### Tuesday, Feb. 17

**"Who Are Our Students? Millennial Learners and Net Geners, and New Learning Styles in the Classroom."** Andrea Hershatter, business, presenting. Jones Room, Woodruff Library. 11:45 a.m. Free. [dtroka@emory.edu](mailto:dtroka@emory.edu).

**Pharmacology Seminar.** Joseph Hill, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, presenting. Noon. 5052 Rollins Research Center. Free. [orivera@pharm.emory.edu](mailto:orivera@pharm.emory.edu).

**"Nutrition for the Heart."** 5th Floor Conference Room, 1525 Clifton Rd. 12:15 p.m. Free. 404-778-7777.

**"Body and Armor: The Image of the Heroic Warrior."** Francois Lissarrague, Institut National d'histoire de l'art, Paris, presenting. 7 p.m. Reception Hall, Carlos Museum. Free. 404-727-4282.

### Wednesday, Feb. 18

**Faculty Panel on Research Practices.** Carol Newsom, religion; Dianne Stewart, religion; and John Witte, law, presenting. Noon. 102B Candler School of Theology. Free. [www.pitts.emory.edu](http://www.pitts.emory.edu).

**"Book Contracts 101: Your Rights as an Academic Author."** 4 p.m. 200 White Hall. Free. [abrow01@emory.edu](mailto:abrow01@emory.edu).

**"State of the Woodruff Health Sciences Center Address."** Fred Sanfilippo, Emory Healthcare, presenting. 4:30 p.m. Cox Hall Ballroom. Free. [www.emoryhealthsciences.org](http://www.emoryhealthsciences.org).

**"Indoctrination U."** David Horowitz, writer, presenting. 8:30 p.m. 208 White Hall. Free. [scott.mcafee@emory.edu](mailto:scott.mcafee@emory.edu).

### Thursday, Feb. 19

**"Structural Studies of the Membrane Protein Human Leukotriene C4 Synthase by Electron Crystallography."** Ingeborg Schmidt-Krey, Georgia Institute of Technology, presenting. 9 a.m. 600 Whitehead Building. Free. [kathy.cobb@emory.edu](mailto:kathy.cobb@emory.edu).

**"The Case of the Suleman Octuplets."** Kathy Kinlaw, ethics, and Donna Session, medicine, presenting; and Chad Slipe, law, moderating. 3 p.m. 575 Gambrell Hall. Free. [www.rdi.emory.edu](http://www.rdi.emory.edu).

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH: "Black in America."** Earl Lewis, provost, moderator. 5 p.m. 130 Commons, Ethics Center. Free. [dmwong@emory.edu](mailto:dmwong@emory.edu).

### Saturday, Feb. 21

**"War and Health Conference: A Symposium on Contemporary Issues."** White Hall. Free; \$10 suggested donation. [info@emergencyusa.org](mailto:info@emergencyusa.org).

### Sunday, Feb. 22

**Salman Rushdie: "Adaptation."** 5 p.m. Glenn Auditorium. Sold out. 404-727-9534.

## Special

### Thursday, Feb. 19

**Unsung Heroine Awards.** 5:30 p.m. Miller-Ward Alumni House. \$40; \$30, Friends of the Center for Women; \$15, students. [Sasha.smith@emory.edu](mailto:Sasha.smith@emory.edu).

## Visual Arts

### Thursday, Feb. 19

**Emory University's Art Gala.** 6 p.m. Lullwater Ballroom, Emory Conference Center. \$10. [www.emoryartgala.com](http://www.emoryartgala.com).

### Sunday, Feb. 22

**PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP FOR 8-12 YEARS: "Shadowing Harry Burton."** 2 p.m. Carlos Museum. \$15; \$12, members. 404-727-4282.

### Now Showing

**"Halfway to Invisible: An Exhibition by Eve Andrée Laramée."** Visual Arts Gallery. Free. 404-727-6315. Through March 6.

**"Tutankhamun: The Golden King and The Great Pharaohs."** Atlanta Civic Center. Ticket prices vary. [www.kingtut.org/](http://www.kingtut.org/). Through May 17.

**"Wonderful Things: The Harry Burton Photographs and the Discovery of the Tomb of Tutankhamun."** Carlos Museum. \$7 donation; free, Emory students, faculty and staff. 404-727-4282. Through May 25.

**"Slave, Soldier, Citizen: The Journey of William Henry Scott."** Manuscript, Archives and Rare Book Library. Free. 404-727-6898. Through Aug. 8.

# Concerts feature premieres, farewells

By JESSICA MOORE

March brings the final two Flora Glenn Candler Concerts of the season featuring the renowned Guarneri String Quartet in their last Atlanta appearance and the Vega String Quartet premiering new works by Emory music faculty in a concert with the vocal sextet Lionheart.

Composed of violinists Arnold Steinhardt and John Dalley, violist Michael Tree and cellist Peter Wiley, the Guarneri String Quartet will perform Franz Joseph Hadyn's "The Rider" String Quartet in G Minor, op. 74, No. 3, Hungarian composer Zoltán Kodály's "String Quartet No. 2, op. 10" and Maurice Ravel's "String Quartet in F Major" (March 3; 8 p.m.; \$52, \$39 Emory faculty, staff, \$5 Emory students).

Considered "among the most revered and enduring ensembles of its kind in the world," by National Public Radio, the quar-

ter has circled the globe numerous times since their formation in 1964.

The Vega String Quartet, Emory's Quartet in Residence, performs the world premiere of Emory music faculty Richard Prior's string quartet "intimations of immortality" and John Anthony Lennon's "Still the Fire" for saxophone, cello and piano (March 20; 8 p.m.; \$48, \$36 Emory faculty and staff, \$5 Emory students). Prior says his three-movement work of "exploratory musical essays" was "directly inspired by the world of literature and poetry, namely Dante, Shakespeare and Dylan Thomas."

Vega then joins Lionheart for Phil Kline's "John the Revelator." This emotional and mysterious work combines aspects of a traditional mass such as "Gloria" and "Kyrie" with a variety of innovative elements, including text from the Old Testament, poet David Shapiro and Samuel Beckett's monologue, "The



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Unnamable." The texts, which are accompanied by string quartet, are meant to suggest "a narrative of redemption in a blighted world," writes the composer Phil Kline who will give a pre-concert lecture at 7 p.m. for ticketholders.

Lionheart and the Vega

Quartet will give a "Perspectives on Performance" lecture/demonstration that is free (March 19, 2:30 p.m.). Both Phil Kline and Lionheart are Emory Coca-Cola Artists-in-Residence.

For tickets and information call 404-727-5050, or visit [www.arts.emory.edu](http://www.arts.emory.edu).