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INSTITUTE FOR DEVELOPING NATIONS

Battling poverty in new ways



The Five Gates Community near Monrovia was among the sites visited during the IDN's most recent work in Liberia.

ALEX BARNEY

By KIM URQUHART

The Institute for Developing Nations has been harnessing the experience and passion of Emory's faculty and students, and the strengths and leverage of the University's networks, to address issues related to understanding and alleviating the underlying causes of poverty in the developing world.

In its relatively short existence, the University-wide research institute, founded in 2006 in partnership with The Carter Center, is already making quite an impact.

The IDN has formed a working group on Liberia to identify ways to reduce gender violence,

funded five research workshops for Emory faculty to develop action-oriented research proposals in partnership with in-country researchers, provided 18 scholarships for undergraduate students to study development issues abroad, partnered on capacity-building projects with Mexico's Centro Fox and Ethiopia's Addis Ababa University, and held a groundbreaking academic conference in Cape Town, South Africa.

"For all of IDN's projects, working in mutually beneficial partnerships with local experts is a very high priority," says Director Sita Ranchod-Nilsson.

"Working in partnership works against unequal rela-

tionships where U.S. institutions have the expertise and knowledge to 'fix' African development challenges with money or technology. Working in partnership prioritizes local knowledge and local solutions. It also helps us to have a better understanding of what is important to the communities with which we work."

That view of partnership is part of the IDN's unique approach to development. By bringing together Emory's academic resources, the experience of nongovernmental organizations, and strategic partnerships with scholars, policy makers and research institutes in the developing world, the

IDN is also in a unique position to design and promote new strategies to improve the lives of those living in poverty.

The IDN is building collaborative relations with The Carter Center and plans to reach out to other NGOs, like CARE, where the IDN's new associate director Colin Beckwith worked for more than 20 years prior to joining the staff in August.

Despite the "tremendous resources" that have been poured into development work over the years, progress has been limited and uneven, says Ranchod-Nilsson. The IDN

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Emory manages economic decline

By NANCY SEIDEMAN

For the past two months Emory leadership has been heavily engaged in assessing and developing strategies to manage the impact of the national economic downturn on the University's current operation, and on the budgeting process for fiscal year 2010.

At the Oct. 29 Administrative Council meeting, Executive Vice President for Finance Administration Mike Mandl and Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Earl Lewis conveyed that ongoing decreases in cash management income, due to falling interest rates, have resulted in the need to cut an estimated \$6 million from this fiscal year's unrestricted operating budget, which began Sept. 1.

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Commission to review research policies

By RON SAUDER

President Jim Wagner has appointed an advisory commission to review Emory's management of potential conflicts of interest by faculty and staff members engaged in research and other professional activities. Paul Root Wolpe, director of Emory's Center for Ethics and a nationally recognized authority on biomedical research ethics, will chair the group.

In charging the President's Advisory Commission on Research Integrity and Professional Conflict Management, Wagner instructed it to "evaluate the completeness and appropriateness of our policies,

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NEW ONLINE AT EMORY.EDU

www.AtlantaCTSI.org

The Atlanta Clinical and Translational Science Institute (ACTSI) has a new Web site design that provides updated aesthetic and easier navigation for multiple site audiences. To strengthen the ACTSI brand, the homepage now includes funding sources, a redesigned ACTSI logo, tagline, and the logos of the three ACTSI academic partners: Emory, Morehouse School of Medicine, and Georgia Tech.

Highlights include a rotating window featuring stories about community, discovery, training, resources and the national Clinical and Translational Science Awards. A Spotlight section features ACTSI investigators; the Achievements section presents awards, accomplishments and purchases; the Events and Seminars section announces ACTSI community events; and the ACTSI News section offers "Weekly eRoundups."

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EMORY PROFILE: Cindy Bryant



ANNMARIE POYO

Cindy Bryant is executive assistant to the vice president and secretary of the University.

A good sport

Executive assistant has team spirit in office and on the field

By PATTI GHEZZI

Most days, Cindy Bryant stays busy helping trustees get information they need. But not long ago, she got to boss President Jim Wagner around as co-captain of an employee softball team.

Bryant, executive assistant to the vice president and secretary of the University, was also her team's pitcher in a tightly contested game against students.

"We lost by one run," she laments. "The student's team scored four runs in the last inning. We were done in by errors on our part, but, whatever, it was fun."

Bryant loves it when her passion for sports intersects with her career in administration. "With my competitive nature, it's perfect," says Bryant, who bowls, plays tennis and a little flag football.

"Anything that requires good hand-eye coordination, I'm usually pretty good at," she says. "Sports are good for bonding. If you're in a team environment, it helps you come together."

When collaborating on the planning of a retreat for the Board of Trustees recently,

Bryant organized a tennis tournament as an alternative for participants who didn't want to play golf. Several of the trustees' wives enthusiastically signed up. "That really worked out," Bryant says.

Those who know her praise Bryant for her big heart, which she displays when she encourages a colleague to take tennis lessons and when she cracks a joke to lighten a stressful situation.

"You have to be able to laugh," Bryant says. "I wouldn't say I'm an extrovert, but when you're upbeat, people want to be around you."

She makes it a point to smile even when she's on the phone. "People can hear it in your voice," she says.

Bryant grew up in Atlanta and earned a business management and accounting degree from Shaw University in Raleigh, N.C. She got her first professional job as a stenographer at North Carolina State University.

Bryant returned to Atlanta in 1988 to be close to her mother, Elaine Jones, whom she describes as a "social butterfly." From there Bryant worked in many different jobs from office manager to commercial real estate paralegal. She eventually

landed as an executive assistant to a chief information officer. "I've had so many careers, and it always equips you for the next thing," she says.

Before her death in 2003, her mother encouraged Bryant to leave the stressful corporate world and return to academia.

The following year, Bryant had a chance to take her mother's advice. She went to work at Emory College, assisting Rosemary Magee, then senior associate dean for resources and planning. Magee was named vice president and secretary of the University in 2005. She encouraged Bryant to apply for her current position, "and the rest is history," Bryant says.

Being back in the academic environment she loves feels like coming full circle. "The students are so knowledgeable," she says. "I just love to soak it all in."

She takes advantage of on-campus seminars and attends sporting events to show her Emory spirit. She serves on the Employee Council. She and her colleagues share an interest in writing and reading.

At first, Bryant was intimidated by the idea of working with the trustees, but they bonded easily over shared

Southern roots. She takes pride in supporting them as they set the course for the University. She is especially helpful when it comes to events. "They'll call me and say, 'Cindy, I got this in the mail, do you know what this is all about?'" Bryant says. "Usually I do, but if I don't, I can find out."

Bryant thrives in the hectic environment. "We're the Office of the Secretary, but we're under the Office of the President," she says. "Our offices work hand-in-hand."

She enjoys the flexibility her career in administration has afforded her. "You get to do a little bit of a lot of things," she says. "In this position, you get a complete overview of the University, and I love it."

Next up: Kickball at Candler Cup

Cindy Bryant will head back to the field to do battle for the coveted Candler Cup. Bryant is assistant coach for the President's Office team, who will take on the Provost's Office in kickball on Wednesday, Nov. 5 at 3:30 p.m. in the Quad.

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Seeking clues to life in stardust



Susanna Widicus Weaver in her new astrochemistry lab. ANN BORDEN

By CAROL CLARK

It is now widely theorized that meteorites and comets brought water and basic biological materials to the early Earth, creating a primordial soup from which more advanced life emerged. But how did these biological materials form? And what are the chemical processes and ingredients needed to wind up with DNA?

Emory is one of a handful of universities in the country probing space for the answers to these questions, through an astrochemistry program launched by Susanna Widicus Weaver.

"We know that meteorites contain amino acids and sug-

ars, the basic building blocks of life," says Weaver, assistant professor of physical chemistry. "These small molecules are out there, and somehow we ended up with life. But at what point did the chemistry cross over into the more biologically important molecules, and why did that happen? Was Earth just a coincidence, with all the conditions right to form DNA?"

A Hubble Space Telescope photo of the Orion Nebula, a breathtaking swirl of dust and gases, hangs in her office. "I don't get pretty pictures like that. I get a spectrum," she says, pointing to a radiograph. "Each line in the graph represents a specific frequency, which corre-

sponds to the rotational transition of a molecule."

The results may not look spectacular, but when Weaver aims a radio telescope at the stardust in the Orion Nebula, she is seeking the ingredients of life. "It's fascinating to go back to the beginning and try to look at the very first molecule that formed, and then try to figure out how life evolves, using the interstellar medium as a model for what could have happened on Earth," she says.

Astrochemistry draws on astronomy, laboratory spectroscopy and chemical modeling to study chemical mechanisms in space. Weaver, who received her Ph.D. from Caltech and joined Emory this fall, is skilled in all three of these specialized areas.

"She is developing the technology to look at things we've never been able to look at before, within the largely unexplored terahertz range," says David Lynn, chair of chemistry. Lynn is also co-leader of The Origins Project — a joint effort by Emory and Georgia Tech to understand what molecules were present on pre-biotic Earth. The astrochemistry program extends the reach of The Origins Project into deep space, billions of years beyond the Earth's formation.

Weaver is interested in certain transient molecules — bridges to the formation of simple molecules of sugars and amino acids. She theorizes that the transient molecules are present in deep space. On Earth, however, they are unstable, existing only for the blink of an eye.

Weaver is developing methods to make the molecules and keep them stable in a laboratory environment. She is also developing a high-sensitivity spectrometer that works in the terahertz range — the transmission frequency of the transient molecules. Recording the spectral "fingerprints" of the molecules in the lab will provide a guide to search for them in space.

Weaver is a frequent visitor to the Mauna Kea Observatory on the Big Island of Hawaii, where she acquires terahertz spectra with a 10.4-meter radio astronomy dish. When the Herschel Space Observatory is launched next year, providing the first terahertz instrument in space, she will have more chances to seek matches to her lab data.

She hired four undergraduates to join her three graduate student researchers. The students are now setting up the astrochemistry lab in the basement of Atwood. Three one-ton tables with pneumatic legs have been installed. On one of them rests a length of PVC pipe that the students helped outfit to do spectroscopy. It will serve as a test model, until the arrival of equipment needed to build the terahertz prototype.

"We're actually helping make things," says Mary Radhuber, a freshman majoring in physics and chemistry. Radhuber had never heard of astrochemistry until she met Weaver, but she was eager to join the lab. "I always wanted to be on the forefront of something new, and now I am," she says.

ACCLAIM

Delores P. Aldridge was re-elected as chair of the International Black Women's Congress in September.

The IBWC holds annual conferences on issues impacting women of African descent.



She has also been re-elected as the secretary of the Board of Trustees, Clark Atlanta University.

Aldridge is the Grace Towns Hamilton Professor of Sociology and African American Studies.

Mary Gullatte, associate chief nursing officer at Emory Crawford Long Hospital, has been awarded the 2008 APEX Publication Award of Excellence for the "Clinical Guide to Antineoplastic Therapy: A Chemotherapy Handbook" for which she is the editor.

The Oncology Nursing Society Publishing Division received the award from APEX this year in the book and e-book category. In addition, Gullatte has been selected to conduct an international training workshop for the Makati Medical Center in the Philippines.



James M. Hughes, professor of medicine and public health, was elected vice president of the Infectious Diseases Society of America at the annual ICAAC/IDSA meeting in Washington, D.C.

Hughes serves as executive director of the Southeastern Center for Emerging Biologic Threats; director of the Emory Program in Global Infectious Diseases; senior advisor, Emory Center for Global Safe Water; and senior scientific advisor for infectious diseases, International Association of National Public Health Institutes.



Laleh Khadivi, Emory's 2007-09 Creative Writing Fellow in Fiction, received a 2008 Whiting Writers' Award on Oct. 29 at a ceremony in New York City. The \$50,000 award recognizes 10 young writers. Khadivi's first book, "The Age of Orphans," is a historical novel set in Iran during the first Shah's ascent to power.



"Acclaim" recognizes the accomplishments of faculty and staff. Listings may include awards and prizes; election to boards and societies; and similarly notable accomplishments at Emory or in the wider community. Emory Report relies on submissions for this column. Contact: ltking@emory.edu.

Emeritus professor's novel takes on church



Eugene Bianchi

KAY HINTON

By JAMES HARPER

In his first novel "The Bishop of San Francisco," Eugene C. Bianchi introduced Bishop Mark Doyle who falls in love with his therapist and challenges the Vatican on various issues. Now comes a second novel, "The Children's Crusade: Scandal at The Vatican," which goes on sale Nov. 4. No stranger to controversy, Bianchi's latest novel tackles perhaps the Catholic Church's greatest modern moral crisis, the clerical abuse of children.

"While the main background of 'Crusade' is clerical child abuse, other controversial themes arise, such as celibacy

Author appearance

A book signing and discussion with Eugene Bianchi, author of "The Children's Crusade: Scandal at The Vatican," is scheduled for Dec. 3 at the Druid Hills Bookstore, at 4 p.m.

and democracy in the church. Another important aspect of the book is to what lengths an institution will go in order to survive," says Bianchi, professor of religion emeritus and former director of Emory's Emeritus College.

Why novel writing? "There is a fictional way of writing about religion that appeals to me because it deals with the imagination as well as the intellect," says Bianchi.

"A principal aim of a novel is to tell a story about personal and social change that grips the reader," he says. "It needs compelling characters and an engaging plot. Moreover, the story line must be paced to keep the reader turning pages."

"As I was exploring an academic topic some years ago, it occurred to me that I could turn the subject into a lively novel. The result was my first novel, 'The Bishop of San Francisco.'"

Both of Bianchi's books are critical of certain structures in the Catholic Church and have in

common rebellious protagonists. While he dismisses the idea of himself as a crusading novelist, Bianchi acknowledges the positive and negative influences of religious institutions on people's welfare.

As a religious scholar and a former Jesuit, Bianchi has been observing change in the Catholic Church for many years. He has authored numerous books and essays in religious studies as well as the spirituality of aging.

As a novelist, Bianchi writes about what he knows best, and in the case of the Catholic Church, "it's almost like osmosis — I know how these people operate, how they would react in different situations" so he can get inside the minds of his central characters and expose the "cracks that you see as individuals and a major institution go through the strain of change."

Bianchi says his main preoccupation as a novelist is with creating lively characters in situations of struggle. "I try to avoid making the characters in my novels just vehicles for ideology," he says.

Bianchi came to Emory in 1968 as a professor of religion and served as the founding director of the Emeritus College when it was organized in 2001. He spearheaded many initiatives designed to enhance the relationship between the University and its emeritus faculty.

With two novels under his belt and his recent retirement from the Emeritus College, what's next for Bianchi? He has recently turned over the first draft of a memoir to his agent, and it's possible that a third novel depicting the further adventures of the maverick Bishop Doyle would complete what he sees as a trilogy.

Emeritus College director named

Nannette Partlett will serve as the new director of the Emeritus College of Emory University, the Provost's Office announced recently.

Partlett is an educator, administrator and advocate of higher education. She most recently spent six years in academic administration and teacher education at Washington and Lee University, where collaborative programs and curriculum development were among her areas of responsibility.

As director of the Emeritus College, Partlett will work with a wide group of constituents to develop a strategic plan for the program, establish its formal bylaws, and address opportunities and challenges related to faculty retirement.

TAKE NOTE

Reminder of policy on voting

Emory employees are encouraged to vote either before or after work hours, according to University policy. With the presidential election this week, human resources issued a reminder of the voting policy.

No provisions are made to pay the employee for this time, the policy states. However, special requests for time off up to two hours will be considered if an employee's work schedule would prevent him or her from voting.

For more information on the voting policy, see <http://policies.emory.edu/4.89>.

Retrieve books from Library Level 7

A Saturday retrieval of books from Level 7 of the Woodruff Library will be available beginning Saturday, Oct. 25.

Level 7 is closed for renovation until early 2009. Books from that floor are stored at an off-site location during construction, notes Melanie Bunn, circulation, stacks and storage leader for Emory University Libraries.

"Adding Saturday retrieval days ensures that faculty, staff, students and other users don't have to wait over the weekend for books they really need," Bunn says. "That becomes increasingly important to the campus as we approach the end of the semester."

Books requested after 12:30 p.m. each Friday and before 12:30 p.m. each Saturday will be delivered that Saturday afternoon between 3 and 4 p.m. They can be picked up at the self-service area on the third floor, across from the circulation desk.

Level 7, expected to reopen in January, is being converted to compact shelving to increase capacity and make the library's collections easily accessible.

Dinner offer supports Emory

Eat dinner at Floataway Café on Thursday, Nov. 6, and 20 percent of the proceeds will be donated to the Office of Sustainability Initiatives and Educational Food Gardens. The special celebration of sustainability will feature fare from chefs Anne Quatrano, Clifford Harrison and Drew Belline.

Emory's Educational Food Gardens were founded in 2006 to integrate sustainability into the University's curriculum and operations, including energy, water, waste, transportation, food, recycling, greenbuilding and greenspace.

Floataway Café is open for dinner at 6 p.m. For reservations, call 404-892-1414. Visit www.emory.edu/sustainability and www.starprovisions.com for more information.

IDN: Partners on action-oriented research

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draws from the interdisciplinary scholarship undertaken at Emory to offer nontraditional approaches to development issues, and bring new voices to the conversation.

The IDN is creating one such conversation in post-conflict Liberia, where gender-based violence threatens to subvert the rule of law. A working group of faculty from across the University and staff from The Carter Center traveled to Liberia last spring to begin multi-disciplinary research in partnership with local scholars and experts (see *First Person essay*, p. 7). This kind of work-

ing group is one way the IDN is encouraging faculty and graduate students to engage in action-oriented research.

Pamela Scully, a member of the IDN's academic advisory board, said the trip to Liberia led her to rethink how to approach the issue of women's human rights in post-conflict societies. "The IDN has been absolutely pivotal both in terms of reorienting my research and has liberated me to become an engaged scholar," says Scully, associate professor of women's studies and African studies.

Scully has now received seed funding from the IDN to host a research workshop this spring on women, gender and justice in post-conflict societies with

the goal of developing research that will result in real change. "I want to ask hard intellectual questions, through conversations with people who are doing work with NGOs and on the ground, and partner in a way that builds new bridges between academia and practice," she says.

Among the other Emory faculty working with the IDN to develop action-oriented research on Liberia is Paul Zwier, professor of law and director of Emory Law's Advocacy Skills Program.

"IDN helps in being able to think about how to do a project well and do it in a way that's going to be most useful to the Liberians," says Zwier, whose

research initiative explores the effectiveness of Liberia's formal judicial systems, particularly in cases of gender-based violence.

The IDN's work is not without challenges.

"We are working against a history of colonialism and neo-colonialism. Trying to build partnerships out of that history is a real challenge, but I also think the rewards of working that way make that challenge not only worthwhile, but absolutely necessary," says Ranchod-Nilsson. "And out of this will come a re-imagining of development theory and practice. If we can play a role with our partners in that re-imagining, then we're doing good work."

BUDGET: Steps taken to preserve priorities

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The amount, which represents less than 1 percent of a total \$702 million unrestricted budget, will be split between schools/colleges and administrative units. The Ways and Means Committee will send letters to deans and directors within the next few days with more detailed information, including a timeline for budget revisions.

Emory Healthcare, which has different revenue streams, is in the process of evaluating the impact that the economy is having on the health care industry and will address those effects in future communications.

Assuming that the current national economic trend continues, the Ways and Means Committee determined that there will need to be expense reductions in the \$60 million range for FY10 — a challenge that deans and directors were asked to begin addressing now in partnership with their colleagues with the goal of having a balanced budget in place by February. The \$60 million figure will impact the unrestricted operating budget and other activities funded from endowment and investment support. FY10 begins on Sept. 1, 2009.

In managing this financial issue, Lewis encouraged his colleagues to take the opportunity to "step back and consider what you should and should not be doing. We're inviting participation from everyone across the board to be creative and strategic in determining what is necessary and germane to our mission, and what is not."

President Jim Wagner reinforced the University priorities that he set forth in his Oct. 8 community letter. "The story continues," Wagner said. "We don't know where the bottom is to the national economic situation, but we have restated our principles, and we know what action we need to take now to preserve our priorities as we move forward."

Administrative Council

members discussed the opportunities presented by the budgetary necessity to reexamine priorities, emphasized the need for managers to make sure that employees who were facing personal financial difficulties knew of University resources to help them, and encouraged leadership to continue to communicate about all aspects of the economic situation to the Emory community.

Mandl noted the challenge of maintaining energy and momentum when "people are working very hard already" to build an infrastructure to support Emory's aspirations and vision. "Where appropriate, we need to decrease current activities in areas that do not support our priorities. How we manage and lead through this situation can make this a positive time for Emory," Mandl said. "I have every confidence that will be the case."

Emory priorities

President Jim Wagner outlined the following budget priorities in an Oct. 8 community letter:

- Investing in competitive, merit-based salaries to reward, retain and attract the best faculty and staff.
- Investing in the financial aid required to retain and attract the best students, regardless of their economic standing.
- Completing all the construction we have started and reviewing the timing and pace of future projects.
- Investing in research and teaching in accord with school-based and University-wide strategies.
- Investing in Campaign Emory, the success of which is critical to our future.
- Investing in research compliance and support.

To read the letter, visit www.emory.edu/home/news/releases/2008/10/emory-and-the-economy.html.

RESEARCH: Panel will give guidance

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the effectiveness of our practices, and the mettle of our culture concerning financial and professional conflicts of interest."

His charge to the commission noted that corporate funding for university research "represents an important source of private funding serving a public good."

"Allowing for appropriate support and for flexibility in relationships outside the University, however, places a special responsibility on the University. We must sustain strong policies, practices, and a culture geared toward eliminating the possibility that individuals, wittingly or unwittingly, might compromise or bias scholarly contributions, research findings, patient care, teaching, mentoring, and by extension the University's reputation," he said.

Wagner did not give the commission a specific deadline but asked it to work "diligently and briskly" on its assigned task of making an advisory report, along with concrete recommendations for improvement.

Wolpe, Asa Griggs Candler professor of bioethics, is a past president of the American Society for Bioethics and Humanities, the national professional organization for scholars in bioethics and the medical humanities, and is co-editor of the *American Journal of Bioethics*. He also serves as the first chief of bioethics for NASA.

A longtime faculty member at the University of Pennsylvania before coming to Emory earlier this year, Wolpe served as principal investigator in an internal audit of human subjects protections after the tragic death of teenager Jesse Gelsinger in a gene therapy trial.

Other commission members will be Dennis Choi, Dennis

Commission will "evaluate the completeness and appropriateness of our policies, the effectiveness of our practices, and the mettle of our culture concerning financial and professional conflicts of interest."

— President Jim Wagner

Choi, associate vice president and executive director of the Comprehensive Neurosciences Initiative; Max Cooper, an immunologist in the School of Medicine and Georgia Research Alliance Eminent Scholar; Consuelo Kertz, professor of accounting, Goizueta Business School; Christian P. Larsen, professor of surgery and director of the Emory Transplant Center; Polly J. Price, associate dean of faculty and professor of law; John Stuhr, distinguished professor and chair of the Department of Philosophy; Kathy Griendling Taylor, professor of cardiology; Elaine Walker, Dobbs Professor of Psychology; and Carl Washington, professor of dermatology.

Serving as staff to the commission will be Michael M.E. Johns, chancellor of the University; Steve Sencer, deputy general counsel; and David Wynes, vice president for research administration. Anita Bray of the chancellor's office will be project coordinator.

The creation of the commission follows recent media attention to the work of Sen. Charles Grassley (R-Iowa), who has raised questions about possible conflicts of interest between academic medical researchers and pharmaceutical companies, including Emory psychiatry professor Charles Nemeroff.

REPORT FROM: The CARTER CENTER

Working to smooth democracy's path in Ghana

A Carter Center delegation visited Ghana recently to assess ongoing difficulties with voter registration processes and other concerns ahead of Dec. 7 presidential and parliamentary elections. The delegation met with the election commission, political actors, representatives of civil society, and the media.

The visit is part of the Center's ongoing support to Ghana's efforts to conduct peaceful, credible and transparent democratic elections. Since arriving in Ghana in July, Carter Center teams have observed voter registration and provided assistance to civil society and domestic observer groups so that they and the public at large are prepared to observe

the elections.

"The Carter Center is concerned about the deterioration of public confidence in the elections process and the potential for violence, but we are hopeful that significant improvement can still be made before elections," said John Stremlau, Carter Center vice president for peace programs and member of the delegation, along with former Canadian Assistant Chief Electoral Officer Ron Gould, elections operations expert Glenn Cowan, and Carter Center Assistant Director of the Democracy Program John Marsh.

The Center's long-term observers have been deployed throughout Ghana to monitor voter registration, campaigning and other political

activities; the first team worked in late July and the current team deployed on Sept. 18. They will be joined by a 50-person delegation closer to election day on Dec. 7.

"Our long-term observers play a vital role," said Keith Jennings, director of the Center's Ghana field office. "Their observations help the Center analyze the pre-electoral environment and lay the logistical foundation for the larger delegation."

Ghana's 2008 elections are seen widely as a watershed moment that could strengthen its democratic systems as the country approaches the constitutionally mandated end of the Kufuor presidency. With no presidential incumbent or clear frontrunner among the candidates, the

political environment is intensifying.

The Center hopes the presence of its international observers will encourage fairness in the electoral process and acceptance of the election results by all political stakeholders.

The Carter Center previously sent a delegation to observe Ghana's historic 1992 elections, the country's first democratic presidential election in more than 30 years. In addition, the Center's health programs have been active in Ghana since 1986 to eradicate Guinea worm disease and prevent trachoma. The Center has observed 71 elections in 28 countries since 1989.

Deborah Hakes is media relations coordinator for The Carter Center.

'Evolution Revolution' marks Darwin's influence

By CAROL CLARK

Charles Darwin was a 21-year-old student when he set sail on the HMS Beagle in 1831, launching his curious, young mind — and the world of science — into whole new realms of discovery. For five years he explored great rainforests and isolated islands, collecting specimens and recording his observations for history.

"The world was Charles Darwin's to possess. And that's the way a young person should see the world, at least once in his or her life," said E. O. Wilson, in the keynote for "Evolution Revolution: Science Changing Life."

The Emory conference kicked off events anticipated for the 150th anniversary in 2009 of Darwin's "On the Origin of Species." The groundbreaking treatise established evolution by natural selection as the basis for the diversification of nature.

"What Darwin proposed turned everything upside down," said Wilson, an evolutionary biologist and professor emeritus at Harvard University.

Darwin scandalized Victorian society with the idea of apes as human ancestors. And he posited his theory that man originated in Africa and then spread around the Earth long before fossil evidence could back him up.

"The man was irritatingly accurate. He seldom made a mistake," Wilson said. "I guess he was lucky. Well, he was also very careful."

Darwin's theories are no less relevant today, Wilson stressed, noting that an understanding of evolutionary processes is key to preserving our species — and our planet.

Wilson, who has been called the heir to Darwin, has discovered hundreds of new species during his career, and is a passionate advocate for considering the many more species that remain undiscovered.

SCIENCE OF SEDUCTION

Just as organisms have evolved myriad ways to seduce one another and pass on their genes, there are many ways to seduce the public into a greater understanding of science, said Olivia Judson, who opened the second day of the conference.

"I didn't like biology very much in high school. It seemed like an exercise in brute-force memorization," said Judson, an evolutionary biologist and columnist for the New York Times. It wasn't until she entered college that she discovered how evolution — the major concept



E. O. Wilson is considered an heir to Darwin. ANNAMARIE POYO

of biology — connected all the random details of life.

"I began to understand that you can see patterns in nature, and that you can make predictions," Judson said. Evolution offers "an incredibly optimistic view of the world," she added, since it gives you a method to make sense of it.

EVOLUTION IN ACTION

The conference brought together panels of leading scientists working at the forefront of evolutionary concepts.

Frans de Waal, Charles Howard Candler Professor of Psychology, and Todd Preuss, associate professor of neuroscience, discussed human similarities and differences with our closest genetic cousins, non-human primates.

Leslie Real, Asa Griggs Candler Professor of Biology, described how evolutionary principles allow researchers to track the rise of new diseases such as HIV, SARS and Ebola.

Michelle Lampl, Samuel Candler Dobbs Professor of Anthropology, talked about how birth weight predicts adult health, and the critical bearing of fetal health on an individual's future health.

David Lynn, Asa Griggs Candler Professor of Chemistry, and Georgia Tech biochemistry professor Nicholas Hud discussed how understanding the evolution of molecules could lead to new drugs, energy sources and even the fabrication of tissues and organs.

Robin Tricoles contributed to this story.

UNIVERSITY GOVERNANCE ROUNDUP

University Senate hears about morale, the economy

At the Oct. 28 University Senate meeting, Executive Vice President for Finance and Administration Mike Mandl noted the multiple impacts on the economy, including the stock market, lack of credit and lower interest rates and also family incomes and what that might mean for financial aid.

Provost Earl Lewis told the Senate the University would be spending time looking at the undergraduate program including retention of freshmen and the six-year graduation rate. He also summarized the different duties, some of which have recently

changed, of the senior provosts.

President Jim Wagner was particularly concerned, Senate president Steven Culler said, about morale at the University, comparing the situation to riding a bike uphill in fog. Many of the problems are external and it's hard to judge how near the top of that hill you are, Wagner said, but he also indicated there was a lot of momentum at Emory.

Culler said Senior Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations Susan Cruse presented an outlook at Campaign Emory, noting what Senate members can do to help.

Campus amenities among topics at Employee Council

Ron Sauder, vice president of communications and marketing, encouraged members at the Oct. 5 Employee Council meeting to direct questions from the media to his department, saying it helps turn the queries into trend reports.

Athletics and Recreation Director Tim Downes presented ways staff members can access athletics and recreation on campus, such as memberships at Woodruff P.E. Center, Clairmont pool, yoga/aerobic/dance classes, and free attendance at athletic events.

Human Resources Associate Vice President Theresa Milazzo said HR's focus is on diabetes this year; approximately 8 percent of the Emory population (employees or their dependents) and 24 million Americans are affected. Two diabetes fairs are planned for Jan. 23 and Jan. 30.

Andy Wilson, director of residence life, talked about the campus plans for residence halls, those recently built and others to be soon built or renovated, then took about 30 council members on a tour of one of the new halls.

Faculty Council focus on hiring, promotion, tenure

The Faculty Council will look to its Nov. 19 meeting to approve its bylaws. Ten elected members are needed for a quorum to approve, Council president Steve Culler said, and not enough were present at the Oct. 21 meeting.

At that meeting, Alyssa Lederer from the Faculty Staff Assistance Program discussed National Alcohol Awareness Week, during which the council co-sponsored two events.

Sylvester Hopewell, assistant director of equity Equal Opportunity Programs, gave an overview of the faculty gender and diversity issue in

each school, "a summary of where we are today," Culler said.

The University has also started collecting data never gathered before on faculty promotion and tenure, according to Culler. Culler said Senior Vice Provost for Academic Planning and Faculty Development Claire Sterk's presentation showed that they are handled differently in every school.

Culler also moderated a roundtable on concerns related to hiring dual-career couples and what Emory is doing to increase the probability of hiring these.

— Leslie King

Anthropology class investigates election



Anthropology professor Debra Spitulnik (left) and Sarika Kasaraneni conduct ethnographic research related to the upcoming presidential election.

KAY HINTON

By BEVERLY CLARK

The consuming nature of American politics appears to have divided the nation into extremes of red and blue, right and left. But in the middle, the nuances of human behavior are not so starkly black and white, as some anthropology majors are discovering this semester.

The election season has provided plenty of fodder for original research in a course this fall on ethnographic writing taught by Debra Spitulnik, associate

professor of anthropology. From documenting casual conversations on the Quad to interviewing campaign workers in rural Georgia, the class is experiencing a deep immersion in the skills and techniques of anthropological fieldwork.

Previous classes have produced individual ethnographic accounts of topics such as the WoodPEC climbing wall, the hospital emergency room, Starbucks and family life, but the election provides a great opportunity for students to do research under a

common theme, Spitulnik said.

“Choosing the election was a natural fit. Things are happening everywhere. Nearly everyone is interested and involved in some way,” she says. “There are endless facets of this process that merit ethnographic documentation and examination.”

Students are investigating a range of issues, such as principles of etiquette, disclosure and advocacy within political conversations, nonverbal communication, interaction with media, political displays, social gather-

ings around political events and the meanings people place on democratic participation. In the process, they’re learning how to document human behavior within the natural unfolding of everyday life and write up an anthropological analysis of their own data, Spitulnik says.

Vadal Bolds, a senior anthropology major, has been listening in to conversations between classes and around campus, conducting interviews and observing how people interact when they’re talking politics. Although

she is still conducting research and taking notes everyday, she’s made some interesting observations.

“You would expect a college campus to be more open, but I’m finding that people are a little apprehensive in talking about politics unless they know someone else is a fellow supporter. The conversations tend to be relatively open or they shut down right then and there,” Bolds says.

And as a student, she also is learning that “it’s one thing to read and critique the fieldwork of ethnographers, but when you try to do it yourself, it’s not as easy as it seems. It definitely opens your eyes to other people’s perspectives.”

Field sites have included public spaces on campus, family homes, residence halls, campaign offices, fraternities, meetings and events organized by student organizations such as the Collegiate Society of America and Young Democrats, and even Facebook.

“As a place of human interaction, Facebook is a site where the ethnographer can observe ongoing activities and interactions, including various forms of symbolic display,” says Spitulnik.

Concurrently, Spitulnik is conducting research on young adults’ (ages 18-25) experiences of media and politics. “I’ve been able to share my experiences as an ethnographer alongside theirs, and also push them to further analyze their data in terms of theoretical arguments about citizenship, nation, identity formation, American culture, youth culture, communicative practices and the role of media,” she says.

“First and foremost students are learning how to be ethnographers,” Spitulnik adds. “But at a more profound level, it means that as they become ethnographers, they deepen their understanding of anthropology as a discipline, and in particular they deepen their understanding of what it means to document and analyze a culture, subculture or community from the inside out and the outside in.”

New textbook first in print and online

By HOLLY KORSCHUN

A second-edition textbook, co-edited by Emory biochemist Richard Cummings, is the first new textbook edition to be simultaneously released in print and made available free online. “Essentials of Glycobiology” is the largest, most authoritative volume available on the structure, synthesis and biology of glycans — molecules that coat cell surfaces and proteins and play important roles in many normal and disease processes.

The new edition was published through a collaboration of the Consortium of Glycobiology Editors, the Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, and the National Center for Biotechnology Information, a

division of the National Library of Medicine at the National Institutes of Health. The online version is available at: www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/bookshelf/br.fcgi?book=glyco2.

“This textbook and the online edition will open the world of glycosciences to professionals from many different disciplines and should serve as a model for the open approach to publishing, as well as providing needed illustrations and teaching aids,” Cummings says.

Cummings is the William Patterson Timmie Professor and chair of the Department of Biochemistry in the School of Medicine. He also prepared and drew many of the illustrations in the book.

The release of the book followed the Oct. 14 celebration

of International Open Access Day, which highlighted prior successes in providing such open access to research journals.

“This approach ensures that everyone, from the layperson to the high school student to the graduate student in a developing country, has free access to the knowledge the book contains, while increasing awareness of the availability of a printed edition that may be more suitable for some readers’ requirements,” said the book’s senior editor Ajit Varki, a professor at the University of California, San Diego.

The online version will be fully searchable, and there are plans to provide links to not only current, related resources in PubMed/MEDLINE, the

most commonly used biomedical literature database, but also to other relevant Internet sites. The online format will also enable the editors to periodically revise and update the text, in collaboration with the Press and the NCBI.

The content of the second edition of “Essentials of Glycobiology” has been completely updated and expanded to reflect the new findings and extensive progress in the field of glycobiology that has occurred since the first edition appeared nearly 10 years ago.

Cummings will be recognized for his contributions as a pioneer of glycobiology with the 2008 Karl Meyer Award, to be presented by the Society for Glycobiology later this month.



Richard Cummings

SPECIAL

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CAMPUS QUESTION

What do you think the priority for the next president should be?

"The economy should be the No. 1 priority — and jobs, people who are out of work."

Nathaniel Walker Jr.
(parking and community services)



"The economy, particularly the banks. But also national security, including immigration laws and the war in Iraq."

Dora Castillo
(Emory Healthcare laboratories)



"The economy. The next president should get the people back to work. Get our jobs from overseas and put them back here."

Victor Armstrong
(parking and community services)



"Education, particularly of young children. If we invest more in education, a lot of things could be different: how we spend our money, the choices we make."

Charon Gaskins
(prospective student)



"The government doesn't spend enough time worrying about its own constituents. There needs to be more balance between dealing with domestic problems and issues as well as foreign and international problems. The government needs to find a balance."

Matt Roberts
(graduate student)

FIRST PERSON

Women on front line of Liberian justice

By CASEY DUNNING

Every Tuesday, the West Point Women gather in a dark, tiny cement-block room to discuss the past week's events and any community issues currently affecting their lives. Many issues come up, including recent incidents of rape and domestic violence, the high rates of teen pregnancy, and the pressing need for income-generating opportunities.

Their gathering place is located in the center of West Point, an urban slum of some 62,000 inhabitants located in Monrovia, the capital of Liberia. The West Point community is characterized by extreme poverty and the conditions that accompany it: 95 percent unemployment, lack of sanitation, high illiteracy rates, and rampant violence, especially against women.

I had the opportunity to meet with the West Point Women in their community on my most recent trip to Liberia. I work at the Institute for Developing Nations and first went to this small West African country last March as part of IDN's Working Group on Gender-Based Violence (GBV) and Rule of Law.

On this trip, I went to Monrovia with Alex Barney, a Fellow at Emory Law School's Center for Advocacy and Dispute Resolution, to gather data on gender-based violence cases and the Liberian justice system in preparation for a research workshop on "Access to Justice" funded by the IDN.

The goal of the workshop was to develop a research project on what happens to GBV cases in the judicial system. This research project is unique in that it also includes a focus on extrajudicial mechanisms of mediation; in other words, the study will explore the alternative, and perhaps preferable, methods that community groups or traditional authorities use to resolve cases that drop out of the formal system.

As we discussed this research project with many of our Liberian

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an colleagues, one partner suggested that we meet with Nelly Cooper, head of the West Point Women. The West Point Women formed their organization in 2002, during the final years of Liberia's brutal civil war. They organized to address the needs of the women in their community, needs that were overlooked during the war and its aftermath. The West Point Women provide access to emergency care, refuge, and counseling for women who have been raped and battered.

Especially remarkable in light of the extremely high unemployment rate, the West Point Women are completely self-sufficient. Money for a new sewing machine, or a taxi to transport a woman who has been raped to the hospital, comes from a collective pool of dues that women voluntarily offer each week.

Women are asked to give 10 Liberian dollars (about 15 cents) each week to sustain and grow the West Point Women's community work. The women invest in themselves and their community and get very little assistance from the government or the many international non-governmental organizations that are in Liberia to address GBV.

Alex and I travelled to West Point to meet with Nelly Cooper and four of her West Point colleagues. For about an hour, the women explained in Liberian-English the wide range of services they provided for the women and children in their community.

If a woman was raped in the middle of the night, she found a "West Point Woman" who would see that she received medical attention and had police intervention. If the police were not taking a case of domestic violence seriously, the West Point Women would collectively intervene with the police until the police responded appropriately.

In cases of GBV, a member of

the group would travel to the couple's home to do mediation and offer gender sensitization to the husband, making sure to monitor the couple in later weeks to ensure the violence was not repeated.

In their small office, the West Point Women also offered various skills training, literacy programs, and counseling for young girls and women. While we were there a number of young women, many who were either pregnant or with their babies, came by to use the sewing machines that were lined up against the wall, or to practice weaving 'country cloth' on homemade hanging looms.

A table by the door held the results of their work — aprons, bags and woven scarves. The West Point Women understand that providing economic opportunities to women is a critical part of addressing GBV.

In hearing these women explain all they did, I could not help but be impressed; in walking around West Point with them after our discussion, I became truly amazed. These women were greeted by everyone they passed with friendship and respect, from the youngest girl to the old man sitting by the makeshift soccer pit.

It was evident that their status came not only from their ability to organize collectively, but from the fact that they are part of the community. These women were not outsiders or even Monrovia elite, they were born and raised in West Point and thus acutely understood the problems and needs of their community. If the government or international organizations were not going to assist the raped and beaten women of West Point, then they would — at their own expense no less.

In my brief trips to Liberia, I have discovered that groups like the West Point Women exist throughout the country. Strong women have organized in communities across Liberia — both urban and rural — to advocate for those being forgotten and left



Casey Dunning

ALEX BARNEY

out of official legal and judicial channels.

The fact that these groups often do not receive support from government or the many international organizations that are in Liberia to address post-conflict challenges is puzzling. But even more troubling is that the experiences of these groups working in the day-to-day reality of gender violence are not informing the policies and programs being implemented to curb GBV.

The "Access to Justice" Workshop supported by the IDN included representatives from many local organizations, including the West Point Women. Their experiences of GBV and organizing within their community to address GBV are critical in shaping effective programs and policies in this area.

In allowing the experiences of someone like Nelly Cooper to guide and frame research, we can begin to do sustainable work that has an immediate and effective impact on gender-based violence and the rule of law.

SOUNDBITES

How E.O. Wilson became a scientist

How "the father of biodiversity" E.O. Wilson, keynote speaker at the "Evolution Revolution" conference Oct. 23-24, became a scientist: "I developed a passion as a kid for nature and natural history, for getting out, and for understanding everything."

"I think that we are at a period in our history where we've gone indoors too much. To people who say it's okay to grow up indoors in the cities and suburbs because people are perfectly happy, I would say cattle in an Abilene feedlot are happy but they're not really developing in a complete manner for their species."

— Carol Clark

Artist: Take a stand on Iraq

In front of a standing-room only crowd at the Visual Arts Gallery on Oct. 17, artist and anti-war activist Martha Rosler cited her photomontages of the Vietnam and Iraq wars, "Bringing the War Home," as a call to action: "My work is not just about war, it's about a way of thinking and being a citizen. My images are designed to simultaneously agitate and provide a still place where people can reflect on what is at stake and then take a stand."

"I want to drive the point home to Americans that we are responsible for what is happening in Iraq right now."

— Mary Catherine Johnson

Ambiguity in art and the brain

"Science isn't about measurement, science is about curiosity. Measurement is merely a means that science uses to satisfy that curiosity," said Semir Zeki, one of the world's leading researchers in neuroscience and the arts, in his lecture titled "Ambiguity in Art and in the Brain."

Studying the neural correlates of subjective mental states, such as creativity, art appreciation and love, is the basis for Zeki's research.

"I don't see how the study of neurobiology, which aims to study human contact and behavior, will be able to proceed much further without studying the product of the brain in terms of art, literature and music," he said as he closed out the 2008 Luminaries in the Arts and Humanities series on Oct. 21.

— Christi Gray

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ADVANCE NOTICE

Conversation with 'Ophelia' creators

In anticipation of the world premiere of "Ophelia's Gaze," the creators of this new chamber opera, Steven Everett and Natasha Trethewey, will be featured in a Creativity Conversation set for Wednesday, Nov. 5, at 7 p.m. in the Carlos Museum Reception Hall. Vice President and Secretary of the University Rosemary Magee moderates.

Everett, associate professor in the Department of Music, wrote the music with text from Pulitzer-winning poet and Emory Creative Writing Program faculty member Trethewey's poem "Bellocq's Ophelia." The world premiere is Saturday, Nov. 15.

Creativity Conversations are sponsored by the University's creativity and arts initiative.

Debut lecture on decisions, brain

The first major lecture by the Center for Mind, Brain, and Culture features Patricia Smith Churchland on Tuesday, Nov. 11 at 4 p.m. in the Winship Ballroom of the Dobbs University Center with a reception immediately following.

Churchland, President's Professor of Philosophy at the University of California at San Diego, will speak on "Decisions, Responsibility and the Brain."

Her work explores the impact of scientific developments on our understanding of consciousness, the self, free will, decision-making, ethics, learning, and religion, and issues concerning the neurobiological basis of consciousness, the self, and free will.

The lecture is free and open to the public.

Wallace-Sanders on 'mammy' image

Kimberly Wallace-Sanders, associate professor in the Graduate Institute of the Liberal Arts and the Department of Women's Studies, is the upcoming speaker in the Life of the Mind series.

Her topic is "Southern Memory, Southern Monuments, and the Subversive Black Mammy" and she will speak Thursday, Nov. 13, at 4 p.m. in the Jones Room of the Woodruff Library.

Wallace-Sanders said her focus will be on the chapter from her book, "Mammy: A Century of Race, Gender and Southern Memory," published in June, on the way the mammy figure has been represented. Her presentation will feature visuals of African American women engaged in the care of white children, including some never before seen together. She also said the topic will extend into her upcoming project.

Film

Wednesday, Nov. 5

"A Story of Floating Weeds." 8 p.m. 205 White Hall. Free. 404-727-6761.

Performing Arts

Monday, Nov. 3

READING: "Mammy: A Century of Race, Gender and Southern Memory." Kimberly Wallace-Sanders, Emory Institute of the Liberal Arts and author, presenting. 4 p.m. Druid Hills Bookstore. Free. 404-727-8337. *Book signing to follow.*

Thursday, Nov. 6

READING: "The Essential Writings of James Weldon Johnson." Rudolph Byrd, Emory Institute of the Liberal Arts, author, presenting. 4 p.m. Druid Hills Bookstore. Free. wwillis@emory.edu. *Book signing to follow.*

Friday, Nov. 7

Warsaw Philharmonic with Valentina Lisitsa, piano. 8 p.m. Emerson Hall, Schwartz Center. \$80; \$60 discount categories; \$10 students. 404-727-5050.

Sunday, Nov. 9

Phillipe Quint, violin, and William Ransom, piano. 3 p.m. Reception Hall, Carlos Museum. Free. 404-667-4700.

Religion

Sunday, Nov. 9

UNITY MONTH: Inter-religious Council Service. Rabbi Victoria Armour-Hileman, preaching. 11 a.m. Cannon Chapel. Free. 404-727-6225.

Seminars

Monday, Nov. 3

European Studies Seminar. Brian Vick, Emory history; and Sarah Rozalja Kyle, Emory Art History, presenting. 4:30 p.m. 323 Bowden Hall. Free. histjam@emory.edu.

"Diaspora as a Detour Through Modernity." Kobena Mercer, author, presenting. 5 p.m. Reception Hall, Carlos Museum. Free. 404-727-5050.

Tuesday, Nov. 4

FOOD FOR THOUGHT LECTURE: Dyula Masks. Jessica Gershutz, Emory art history, presenting. Noon. Reception Hall, Carlos Museum. Free. 404-727-4291.

Global Health Scholar Symposium. 3:30 p.m. Winship Ballroom, Dobbs Center. Free. 404-727-1427.

Wednesday, Nov. 5

Gyn Ob Department Grand Rounds: "Reproductive Endocrinology/Menopause." 101 Faculty Office Building, Grady Campus. 8 a.m. Free. claire.hackworth@emory.edu.

Roswell Voices: "Demographic Change and American Speech." William Kretzschmar, University of Georgia, presenting. 4 p.m. 112 White Hall. Free. 404-727-7904.

Comprehensive Weight Management Seminar. 5 p.m. Emory Clinic B. Free. 404-727-7777. Registration required. www.emoryhealthcare.org.

Creativity Conversation. Steven Everett, Emory music; and Natasha Trethewey, Emory creative writing, presenting. 7 p.m. Reception Hall, Carlos Museum. Free. 404-712-9894.

"Jesus of Nazareth, the Misunderstood Jew." Amy-Jill Levine, Vanderbilt University, presenting. 7 p.m. Allen Memorial Church, Oxford College. Free. 770-784-4628. dtheune@emory.edu.

Thursday, Nov. 6

Psychoanalytic Studies Lunch and Lecture. Amin Erfani, Emory, presenting. 11:45 a.m. Kemp Malone Library (N301), Callaway Building. Free. istrizh@emory.edu.

DAVID JOWERS LECTURE: "Getting Everyone Involved in Improving Quality and Safety in Health Care." Marjorie Godfrey, Dartmouth Institute for Health Policy and Clinical Practice, presenting. 4 p.m. Plaza Auditorium, School of Nursing. Free. 404-712-963.

Special

Tuesday, Nov. 4

Farmer's Market. 11 a.m. Cox Hall Bridge. Free. 404-727-6734.

Peace Vigil. 1 p.m. Cox Bridge Bell Tower. Free. 404-727-0636.

Wednesday, Nov. 5

Toastmasters @ Emory. 8 a.m. 231 Dental School Building. Free. 770-317-6285.

Visual Arts

Friday, Nov. 7

TUTORIAL. Peter Lacovara, Emory ancient Egyptian, Nubian and Near Eastern art, presenting. 7 p.m. Reception Hall, Carlos Museum. \$10; \$8 members. 404-727-4291. *Complimentary TUTinis and karkaday tea with admission.*

Gala Benefiting Villa International Atlanta. 6 p.m. The Carter Center. \$75. 404-633-6783.

Saturday, Nov. 8

Emory Arts Competition. 8 p.m. Emerson Hall, Schwartz Center. Free. 404-712-9894. www.creativity.emory.edu.

Now Showing

"From GW to GW: Presidents, Politics, and Primaries"; also, **"Presidents, Politics and Powers."** Levels 2 and 3, Woodruff Library. Free. 404-727-0136. *Through Nov. 15.*

"Latin American Posters: Public Aesthetics and Mass Politics." Schatten Gallery, Woodruff Library. Free. 404-727-0136. *Through Dec. 14.*

"Big Shots: Andy Warhol's Polaroid Portraits." Carlos Museum. \$7 donation; free, Emory students, faculty and staff. carlos.emory.edu. *Through Dec. 15.*

"Jason Francisco: A Concern with History (2003)." Visual Arts Building Reception Lobby. Free. 404-712-4290. *Through Dec. 18.*

Workshops

Tuesday, Nov. 4

Endnote Workshop. 1 p.m. 310 Woodruff Library. Free. jdpucke@emory.edu.

Wednesday, Nov. 5

Author's Rights Workshop. 2 p.m. 312 Woodruff Library. Free. hrwilli@emory.edu.

Google Scholar/Google Books Workshop. 2 p.m. 310 Woodruff Library. Free. liblab@emory.edu.

Thursday, Nov. 6

WORKSHOP FOR TEACHERS: "The Greeks Every Third Grader Should Know." Jasper Gaunt, Carlos Museum, presenting. 5 p.m. Carlos Museum. Free. 404-727-4291.

Friday, Nov. 7

Google Earth and Google Maps. 11:45 a.m. 314 Woodruff Library. Free. Michael.page@emory.edu.



"Envy." acrylic and pencil drawing, 1995.

Artist explores 'Deadly Sins and Other Matters'

For his first exhibition in over a decade, 30 of visual artist Roger Dorset's provocative works on paper are on view at Emory Visual Arts Gallery.

"Roger is an extraordinary and too-often overlooked artist whose work reflects profoundly personal, often anguished, responses to questions of good and evil, sin, guilt, sexuality, religion and the psychological traumas brought on by the human struggle to come to terms with these concepts," says Katherine Mitchell, the curator of the exhibition.

"Roger Dorset: Deadly Sins and Other Matters" will be on display through Nov. 29 at the Visual Arts Gallery. Visit www.visualarts.emory.edu to learn more.

— Mary Catherine Johnson

Global Health Symposium to showcase students

The Emory Global Health Institute's first annual Global Health Scholar Symposium is set for Tuesday, Nov. 4 from 3:30–5:30 p.m. in the Winship Ballroom of the Dobbs University Center.

Students from across Emory will present their 2008 global health field projects followed by a panel discussion with the Institute's advisory board. Light refreshments will be served.

Emory Global Health Institute Field Scholars are students from across Emory who have proposed innovative global learning projects that involve a partnership with local organizations in the country where they seek to conduct fieldwork.