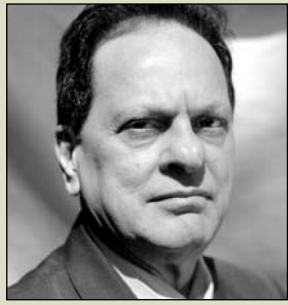


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Tibet Week displays a colorful pageant of sound and silence

Buddhist monks from the Drepung Loseling Monastery perform traditional music at the sand mandala opening ceremony. Created from millions of grains of colored sand, construction of the mandala was among the arts and cultural events featured as part of Tibet Week 2008.

Films, workshops and lectures included a presentation by Emory science faculty of their experience teaching science to Buddhist monastics at the historic launching of the Emory-Tibet Science Initiative in India.

Presented by the Emory-Tibet Partnership in conjunction with the program in South Asian Studies and the Claus M. Halle Institute, Tibet Week followed the October visit of His Holiness the Dalai Lama to Emory as Presidential Distinguished Professor.

University statement on Tibet

Our thoughts are with our friend and colleague, His Holiness the Dalai Lama, as he seeks a nonviolent resolution of the conflict in Tibet. We remain deeply committed to continuing our programs in Tibetan religion, culture and language, both on our Atlanta campus and in Dharamsala and southern India, as a way of preserving and fostering greater understanding of Tibet's unique heritage of learning.

At the same time, our relationships in China are also extensive and historic, and we fully honor and value the principled commitments we have made with our academic partners in Beijing, Nanjing and elsewhere in China. Perhaps more than any other institution, universities stand for the belief in nonviolent resolution of difference — for the solution of difficulties by means of discourse, openness and free inquiry — and we trust that our academic partners in China understand and share Emory's devotion to this principle.

International education is a cornerstone of Emory University. In recent years the Emory community has shown particular interest in fostering open dialogue about some of the world's most complex problems, from the Middle East stalemate to the racial history of our own university. Respectful dialogue about the way forward for China and Tibet is an example of the kind of conversation the University seeks to promote in nonviolent ways.

President Jim Wagner
March 19, 2008

Series spotlights luminaries in arts and humanities

By KIM URQUHART

Some of the world's leading scholars of the arts and humanities, as well as artists, will visit Emory as part of a new series "Luminaries in Arts and Humanities" sponsored by the Office of the Provost.

"The series will provide platforms for discussions about transformative areas of inquiry," said Santa Ono, vice provost for academic initiatives and deputy to the provost.

The Luminaries series began last year with a focus on the natural sciences, bringing

internationally renowned scientists to speak and engage with the Emory community. This series, along with the "Life of the Mind" lunchtime lectures that spotlight Emory's own outstanding scholars, aims to foster a community of engagement with the most intriguing ideas of

our time.

The Luminaries series provides an opportunity "to hear the very best and most interesting ideas" from those "who are very much in the center of creating our culture of arts and humanities," said Gordon Newby, chair of the Department

of Middle Eastern and South Asian Studies (MESAS), who helped organize the series.

The free lectures are designed to appeal to a broad audience of faculty, staff and students as well

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NEW ONLINE AT EMORY.EDU

www.emory.edu/
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The Office of the Provost Web site has a new look. To help support the intellectual work and lives of faculty, students and staff at Emory, a new design launched Feb. 1.

The redesign was based on feedback from the community to help improve usability, access to information and spotlight members of the community and their contributions, the creators said.

FIRST PERSON ESSAYS

Do you have an opinion you'd like to share? A story to tell? An experience to reflect on? Emory Report provides an opportunity to reach out to faculty, staff, students, alumni and others through its weekly First Person essay section. To learn more, contact Editor Kim Urquhart at kim.urquhart@emory.edu or 404-727-9507.

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EMORY PROFILE: Bhagirath Majmudar



KAY HINTON

"I'm interested in so many things besides medicine," says Bhagirath Majmudar, professor of pathology and associate professor of gynecology and obstetrics, who is also an artist and a priest.

Humanitarian at heart

Doctor finds joy in teaching, counseling and community

By ROBIN TRICOLES

When Bhagirath Majmudar interviews prospective medical students, he looks for the ones who have a head — and a heart — for medicine.

"Medicine is not just a profession. It's deeply humanitarian," says Majmudar, professor of pathology at Emory School of Medicine. The recipient of several teaching awards during his 35 years here, Majmudar's kindness and compassion begin with his students and extend to his patients and the community.

"The most phenomenal part about being a teacher is the interaction with students. I tell them in their second year that they are standing under a load of information, but in the fourth year they will be able to come to me and argue that they do not agree with me. And that will be a proud moment in my life," he says.

Also an associate professor of gynecology and obstetrics, Majmudar says nothing compares to witnessing the birth of a baby. But he adds, "Pathology was my love at first sight. It's very interesting. You see sick patients, healthy patients, surgery, infections and congenital problems. Pathology is a science of concepts,

and it's a very optical science. Most of the diagnoses are made by sharpness of sight and a quick recapture of optical memory."

The field includes several subspecialties such as clinical, experimental and immunological pathology. Majmudar chose to specialize in anatomic pathology, which includes autopsies and surgery. "I'm primarily a surgical pathologist, specializing in gynecological pathology. I often work in a room next to the OR where a surgical specimen can be brought in for evaluation. Sometimes the surgeon brings it in, and we look at it together. And sometimes the surgeon is an excellent pathologist. We are closely tied together, so we manage a patient's care through consultation and humanity," he says.

When the patient's care involves a gloomy prognosis, Majmudar is there to lend both professional and spiritual support to the patient and his family. "I help these patients by giving them perspective. For example, if a physician tells a patient he has a 50 percent chance of a two-year survival. I will tell him, yes, that may be true, but it does not guarantee that anyone else is going to live more than two years. There are no guarantees.

"I also talk with patients

about their fears, their family, and how long they really want to live. Often they'll say, 'The way I am, I don't want to live much longer anyway.' It turns out they often are afraid of what is going to happen to them after death. I tell them I can't prevent the process, but maybe I can make the process more peaceful," he says.

Majmudar finds his peace in his love for community and the arts. "I'm interested in so many things besides medicine. I'm passionately in love with Sanskrit. And I like art, literature and poetry," he says. He has a passion for acting as well and has appeared locally in several original plays and has penned others. Majmudar, faculty adviser to Emory's Hindu Student Council, also has served as a Hindu priest for the past 30 years.

In that time, Majmudar has performed more than 200 marriages, many interfaith: Jewish and Hindu, Catholic and Hindu, Baptist and Hindu. He has performed ceremonies in town and out of town, some as close as Boston and some as far away as California.

"When I conduct a wedding it is a responsibility," says Majmudar. "I meet with the couple before, ask them questions, and prepare them for the wedding.

"The most phenomenal part about being a teacher is the interaction with students. I tell them in their second year that they are standing under a load of information, but in the fourth year they will be able to come to me and argue that they do not agree with me. And that will be a proud moment in my life."

— Bhagirath Majmudar, professor of pathology

Then after the wedding, for many years, I keep track of how things are going. The couple often sends pictures of their home and their children.

"Performing the ceremony is not a job done, it's a responsibility undertaken because I care for them. And it's a joy."

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"All this relocation means we've got a whole lot of displaced people in our society. Church affiliation is strongly linked with people finding a place and feeling at home. People are seeking to connect with a group of people."

— Thomas Frank, professor of religious leadership and administration, in "Finding Faith that Feels Right Leads to Change" in Delaware News Journal March 16

HOSPITAL MILESTONE

New heart makes perfect birthday gift



ANN BORDEN

Emory University Hospital's 500th heart transplant patient Terry Green (pictured with wife Danette) has "a new lease on life."

By CAROL CLARK

Terry Green was born at Emory University Hospital on March 20, 1947. He recently returned to the hospital to undergo a heart transplant, recovering in time to celebrate his 61st birthday at home with his family.

"If I'm not reborn, I've at least been given a new lease on life," Green said at a March 19 press conference, marking his status as the hospital's 500th heart transplant patient. "I fully intend to enjoy this second go-round."

Flanked by his wife, Danette, David Vega, surgical director of Emory's heart transplant program and S. Raja Laksar, his primary cardiologist, Green described how a combination of factors led to "a sudden meltdown" of his heart near the end of 2006. He went on the transplant waiting list, and checked into the hospital earlier this year when his condition deteriorated. Nine days after the March 8 transplant surgery he was able to leave the hospital.

"I'm mighty grateful for everything the Emory doctors and staff have done for me," said Green, a Lawrenceville resident

and the father of 31-year-old twins. "They got my bacon out of the fire."

"This is a huge milestone for us," Vega said of the 500th heart transplant. Emory is celebrating the 20th anniversary of its heart transplant program — the largest and most comprehensive in the state of Georgia, with patient survival rates higher than the national average.

In addition to 500 adult heart transplants, Emory Clinic cardiothoracic surgeons have performed more than 200 pediatric heart transplants at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. Emory is also driving the development of other therapy options for heart failure, including the implantation of artificial heart pumps, or ventricular assist devices.

An avid sports fan and a long-time folk dancer, Green is now undergoing rehabilitation to regain strength lost in his legs during the weeks of hospitalization. "It's just a matter of cinching up your bootstraps and getting back to doing what you do, enjoying life," he said.

Luce Scholar will pursue Asian art conservation

By BEVERLY CLARK

Senior Anne Marie Gan is one of 18 Americans selected as a 2008–2009 Luce Scholar for a year of hands-on experience and work in Asia, and the fourth Emory student selected for the highly competitive scholarship since 2000. The Luce Scholars program provides stipends and internships for scholars to live and work in Asia for one year, and immerse themselves in Asian culture.

Gan is an art history and Italian major from Dallas, and an active member of the Emory Scholars program as the recipient of the full tuition Charles and Anne Duncan Scholarship. She is a volunteer docent for the Carlos Museum and founder of the Art History Club at Emory. She has served as a freshman adviser and a participant in the Transforming Community Project.

Gan has completed two art conservation internships. In Asia, Gan plans to work in an art conservation setting, such as a lab or field site, in which conservators of different nationalities work together.

"I expect that my work in Asia will draw heavily upon my past experience in the American method of objects conservation but I hope to also acquaint myself with other approaches while in this international setting," says Gan, who is awaiting her placement. "I am so grateful to the Luce Foundation for giving me this amazing opportunity. I am also thankful for all of the support I've received from family, friends and mentors at Emory who enabled me to win the scholarship."

The Asian Foundation, which provides support for the Luce Scholars, arranges placements based on the scholar's specific interests and qualifications. Founded in 1974, the purpose of the Luce Scholars is to increase awareness of Asia among future leaders in American society.



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— Anne Marie Gan, senior and 2008–09 Luce Scholar

Candidates are nominated by 67 colleges and universities.

"To be chosen as a Luce Scholar, you have to be the best of the best — and that really is Anne Marie. The foundation recognized, as we did, that with her substantive internships in conservancy, she's ready to step into a job placement working to protect priceless museum pieces in Asia," says Dee McGraw, director of Emory's National Scholarships and Fellowships Program. "Having been born in the United States, with Thai heritage, Anne Marie literally embodies the Luce Foundation's goals. The experience will greatly influence her future work and broaden her professional relationships, just as it is intended."

Crystal Apple Awards honor teaching

By KIM URQUHART

Seven Emory professors, cited by their students as going above and beyond in their search for knowledge and involvement in the Emory community, earned Crystal Apple Awards in a Feb. 25 ceremony. The annual awards for excellence in teaching are sponsored by the Residence Hall Association.

The 2008 Crystal Apple award winners are: Excellence in Undergraduate Seminar Education: Janice Akers (theater studies); Excellence

in Undergraduate Lecture Education: Tara Doyle (religion); Excellence in Undergraduate Business Education: Clifton Green (business); Excellence in Undergraduate Nursing Education: Michael Neville (nursing); Excellence in Graduate and Professional School Education: John Witte Jr. (law); The William H. Fox Award for Emerging Excellence: Eric Weeks (physics); The Laura Jones Hardman Award for Excellence in Service to the Emory Community: Tara Myers (dance).

ACCLAIM

Murray Baron, professor of radiology, has received the Gold Medal Award by the North American Society for Cardiac Imaging (NASCI).



Baron received the award for demonstrating outstanding dedication and motivation to the cardiovascular imaging field.

Recipients of the award are chosen for their significant contributions to the field.

William Foege was honored at Research!America's 12th Annual Advocacy Awards Gala on March 18 in Washington D.C. with the Raymond and Beverly Sackler Award for Sustained National Leadership.



A former director of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, he is currently a Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation senior fellow and an emeritus presidential distinguished professor at Rollins School of Public Health.

Lorraine V. Murray, public services assistant in the Candler School of Theology, will have her fourth book published by Ignatius Press in March. Titled "Confessions of an Ex-Feminist," it is described as a spiritual autobiography.



Murray, who holds a doctorate in philosophy, writes a religion column for the Atlanta Journal-Constitution and for The Georgia Bulletin, the newspaper of the Catholic Archdiocese of Atlanta. She has also taught philosophy and English.

Thomas Thangaraj, D.W. and Ruth Brooks Associate Professor of World Christianity, will receive an honorary degree from and serve as baccalaureate speaker for LaGrange College.



He is a member of the think-tank, "Thinking Together," that brings theologians of various faiths annually. It is sponsored by the Office of Inter-Religious Relations, World Council of Churches, Geneva, Switzerland.

Thangaraj, who received his doctorate in theology from Harvard, taught in India prior to joining the Emory faculty in 1988.

"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: ltk@emory.edu.

TAKE NOTE

Bike riders pedal for vaccine funds

Take a ride for research. Action Cycling Atlanta's AC200 is in its sixth year raising funds for HIV/AIDS vaccine research by the Emory Vaccine Center.

This year's bike ride, from Atlanta to Rock Eagle and back, is May 17-18.

All students and employees of the University, Healthcare and The Carter Center can ride for Team Emory. Emory will reimburse registration fees.

For more information and to register, see actioncycling.org. Team Emory chairperson is David Hanson at david.hanson@emory.edu.

Innovation to be celebrated

Emory's Office of Technology Transfer presents its annual "Celebration of Technology and Innovation" Tuesday, April 1 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Emory Conference Center, Silver Bell Pavilion.

Emory awards will include Start-up of the Year (GeoVax Inc., based on HIV vaccine research by Harriet Robinson and colleagues); Deal of the Year (Therapeutic Treatment of Chronic Infections, a licensing agreement of discoveries by Rafi Ahmed and colleagues); Innovation of the Year (G2 Carpool Technology, using a system developed by John Notarantonio); and Significant Event of 2007 (Triptcor Pharmaceuticals, a start-up based on inflammatory disease research by Dennis Liotta and colleagues).

Please RSVP to 404-727-1785 or to www.ott.emory.edu.

Tax forms available in Woodruff Library

A selection of federal and Georgia state tax forms are available for pick-up at a tax forms kiosk near the second floor reference desk in the Robert W. Woodruff Library.

Emory makes DeKalb history

Emory will be among five history-makers honored by DeKalb County at a special awards ceremony Thursday, March 27.

The University, Martin Luther King Jr., Manuel Maloof, Narvie J. Harris and Scott Candler will have commemorative bricks laid in their honor outside the steps of the Old DeKalb Courthouse on the square in Decatur, where the ceremony will take place.

"Emory has been a 'history maker' in DeKalb County since moving its campus from Oxford in many ways, including a number of medical 'firsts,' and we take great pride in the preservation of our historic buildings on the Quad and Lullwater House," said Betty Willis, Emory's senior associate vice president for governmental and community affairs and current chair of the board of trustees for the DeKalb History Center.

Emory, Atlanta Public Schools inaugurate Confucius Institute



TOP: Students from Coan Middle School and Toomer Elementary perform at the inauguration of the Confucius Institute. BOTTOM: Helping to celebrate the inauguration were (from left to right) President Jim Wagner; Xian Zhou, associate vice president of Nanjing University; the Hon. Madam Qiao Hong of the People's Republic of China Consulate General in Houston; Elizabeth Webb of the Georgia Department of Education; and Atlanta Public Schools Superintendent Beverly Hall.

By ELAINE JUSTICE

Faculty and administrators from Emory, Nanjing University in China and Atlanta Public Schools were on hand March 19 at Sammie E. Coan Middle School in Edgewood to mark the inauguration of a unique partnership: the establishment of the Confucius Institute in Atlanta.

The institute is the first in the state of Georgia and the only one in the nation to be jointly administered by a private university and a public school system. Its mission is to help introduce k-12 instruction in Modern Standard Chinese throughout the state of Georgia and foster knowledge of Chinese language and culture in the greater metropolitan Atlanta area.

Housed at Coan Middle School, the Confucius Institute in Atlanta is "designed to be a gateway to Chinese language and culture for individuals, families, communities and schools in metro Atlanta and the surrounding area," says Rong Cai, Emory associate professor of Chinese Studies and the inaugural director of the institute.

"Our agenda is driven by two things only: to meet the needs of the local community and our com-

mitment to meet those needs," said Cai at the inaugural, where Juliette Apkarian, chair of Russian and East Asian Languages and Cultures, presided.

Speaking at the inaugural, President Jim Wagner said that Emory's relationship with China dates to the 1850s. Students from China were among Emory's first international students, he said, and Young John Allen, a member of the class of 1858, became one of the founders of modern Chinese journalism in Shanghai.

Today Emory has a growing interdisciplinary program in Chinese studies, faculty who are engaged in numerous research initiatives, visiting faculty from China, and students who travel extensively throughout East Asia, said Wagner. He and Provost Earl Lewis visited China in 2007 to launch a new joint project in medicine in Beijing and meet with Emory alumni there.

The Confucius Institute in Atlanta is funded with a renewable, three-year grant from the Chinese Language Council International (Hanban), which is affiliated with the Ministry of Education of China. It is the 41st such institute in the United States.

APPOINTED

Hrair Balian, an attorney with background in international conflict mediation and democratic governance for organizations including the United Nations, is the new director of The Carter Center's Conflict Resolution Program.

As director, Balian will oversee the program's efforts to monitor conflicts around the world and work with other Carter Center programs on human rights, democracy, the Americas and China.

Balian most recently served as director of the office of the U.N. Secretary-General's High Representative for the Elections in Cote d'Ivoire, where he focused on facilitating and certifying democratic elections.

Jeffrey P. Koplan has been appointed vice president for global health. Koplan will continue to serve as director of the Emory Global Health Institute, a position he has held since the Institute was established in 2006.

In addition to leading Emory's Global Health Institute, Koplan is president and a co-founder of the International Association of National Public Health Institutes and leads its sub-secretariat, which is housed at Emory.

Koplan is a former director (1998-2002) and a 26-year veteran of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Timothy W. Olsen on Jan. 1 became chair of the Department of Ophthalmology and director of Emory Eye Center. He holds the F. Phinizy Calhoun Sr. Chair.

Olsen joined Emory School of Medicine from the University of Minnesota, where he served as professor of ophthalmology since 1998, held the William H. Knobloch Retina Chair and served as the director of the Minnesota Lions Macular Degeneration Center at the university, established in 1998 under his leadership.

Research conducted by Olsen on proteins of age-related macular degeneration using the Minnesota Grading System has won awards internationally.

Michael Shutt has been appointed director of the Office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Life and assistant dean for Campus Life.

Shutt is currently the assistant dean of students for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Resource Center at the University of Georgia. He previously served as an Alcohol and Other Drug Counselor at UGA and has been involved with the university's Diversity Council and several university committees and task forces.

Shutt will begin his duties at Emory on June 16.

The institute will:

- Serve as a regional resource center for teacher-training and curriculum design
- Host a wide range of cultural and educational events open to the community
- Assist APS in developing Foreign Language Model Sites for k-12 Chinese instruction that can be replicated by schools statewide
- Offer classes in Chinese language and culture geared toward Atlanta's business community, teachers, parents and the public
- Facilitate academic exchanges at all levels and in all disciplines between Emory and Nanjing University

"Appointed" is an occasional column announcing key hires and promotions at or affiliated with Emory University.

REPORT FROM: Information Technology

Conference points way to PDA security

Over the last few years, the demand for remote access to e-mail and calendar information has risen dramatically. Constant access to e-mail via a PDA device or smartphone is becoming essential to doing business at Emory, with more than 900 devices already syncing against the Exchange infrastructure. BlackBerries, Treos and other smartphones are becoming common sights everywhere you go, and it's not hard to figure out why — there's something strangely addictive about feeling plugged in to e-mail whether you're on the shuttle, out of town, or in a meeting.

But what happens when the device is lost or stolen? Losing a device loaded with confidential e-mails and contacts can cause potential problems for employees and for the University. When you're panicked and can't find your smartphone, what should you do?

Many of you may remember the old commercial featuring an elderly person alone in their home: they have fallen and can't get up, but because they have a special device, they can get the help they need. We may not have the same kind of panic button, but we do have ways to help when your device has gone missing. As always, a little advance preparation and prevention can make all the difference.

Here is a short list of things to do:

- If you deal with confidential information that is stored on your device, then it should be encrypted. Most PDAs offer some built-in means of encrypting your data and third-party utilities exist for nearly all models.
- If you deal with confidential information that is stored on your device, then it should be password protected. Even a simple PIN can buy precious time when

your device is lost or stolen.

- When you realize that your device has been lost or stolen, immediately call your Help Desk or Local Support contact.
- Either through a ticket/e-mail/phone call the PDA device can be remotely wiped.

After looking this over, you're probably saying to yourself, "that all makes sense, but how do I make it happen? What else can I do to keep my PDA secure?" You can contact your local support representative for help in setting up your PDA as securely as possible. And, you can come to the fourth annual Information Security Awareness Mini-Conference on Wednesday, March 26, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Cox Hall Ballroom.

The conference, "Protecting Your Emory Information Resources," will offer information on current and evolving computing security threats, Emory's

information security programs and safeguards and responsible computing practices that will help you protect your valuable data and Emory's networked resources. One specific session, "Securing Remote Devices and Using Good Security Practices While on the Internet," will discuss directly how to protect your PDA device.

If you would like to attend, you must register, and seats are filling up fast. Check out the following link for more information and registration: http://it.emory.edu/security_conference.

This will be a great resource, and we hope to see you there.

Jay Flanagan is senior manager, information technology.

LUMINARIES: Series will illuminate humanities, arts

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as to the wider community, and will be held this spring and into the fall semester. In some cases, the Luminaries in Arts and Humanities is co-sponsoring speakers hosted by others at Emory, including this spring the Sheth Lecture, the Kemp-Malone Lecture and Seminar Series, the English department and MESAS.

The series began March 20 with Stephen Greenblatt, one of the world's leading scholars of Shakespeare and the John Cogan University Professor of the Humanities at Harvard University. The spring line-up includes author Shashi Tharoor and historian Nell Irvin Painter. Other speakers are being recruited from a range of the arts and humanities for the fall semester.

Luminaries in Arts and Humanities schedule to date

March 30

Shashi Tharoor, novelist, and former under-secretary general of the UN. 5 p.m. Tull Auditorium, Law School.*

April 6

William Dalrymple, historian and writer. 4 p.m., Jones Room, Woodruff Library.*

April 10

Nell Irvin, painter, professor of American history, Emerita, Princeton University. 12:30 p.m., 208 White Hall.

Sept. 30

Pauline Yu, President of American Council of Learned Societies. Time and location TBA.

Oct. 20-21

Semir Zek, Professor of Neurobiology, University College, London. Time and location TBA.

Notes: *These lectures are co-sponsored by Luminaries in Arts and Humanities.

For more information, contact the Office of the Provost at 404-727-6055.

Emory seeks new head of parking and transportation

By DAVID PAYNE

It's a milestone worth noting: as of February, 13.5 percent of Emory's 22,000 employees are now registered to use one of the University's several commute options. Eventually, Emory wants to increase that figure to 1 in 4 employees by 2015.

In order to meet its goal, Emory recently began a national search to fill the position of associate vice president of parking and transportation. The position, which is currently vacant, oversees all parking decks and parking assignments, as well as the University's expanding portfolio of alternative transportation programs.

These include Emory's vanpool and carpool initiatives, bike/pedestrian programs,

Zipcar and its Cliff shuttle system, which thousands of students, commuters and campus travelers use daily. Emory's investment in the shuttles is particularly noteworthy: the Cliff shuttle fleet is one of the largest private fleets in metro Atlanta.

The University also plans to fill the position of director of parking and community services, who will report to the new associate vice president of parking and transportation. Bill Collier, who currently runs Emory's parking services, has announced his retirement.

Emory expects to fill these positions this summer. For more information, contact Melissa Boshart in Human Resources at melissa.boshart@emory.edu.

SNAPSHOT



JACK KEARSE

Is it a match? Residencies revealed

Graduating medical students at Emory School of Medicine gathered on campus March 20 for the highly anticipated moment when they discover where they will train as residents. Students simultaneously opened sealed envelopes in the presence of friends and family during the suspenseful annual Match Day ceremony.

The participating Emory students were among thousands nationwide who applied for residency positions at U.S. teaching hospitals through the National Residency Match Program (NRMP) that annually matches students with residency programs.

Of the 113 Emory graduating seniors, 108 participated in the NRMP. Thirty-six students will spend all or part of their residencies in the state of Georgia in Emory's Affiliated Residency Training Programs.

"The results of this year's residency matching demonstrate once again the strength and caliber of medical students educated by Emory University School of Medicine," says J. William Eley, executive associate dean for medical education and student affairs, Emory School of Medicine.

Brain awareness moves into mind of community



Neurologist Jonathan Glass is among the many Emory faculty, staff and students who are shaping the understanding of the brain, spotlighted during Brain Awareness Month.

JON ROU

By ROBIN TRICOLES

Every Friday, neurologist Jonathan Glass, director of Emory's ALS Clinic, meets with dozens of patients with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS). He and his staff of specialists, including physicians, nurses, therapists, social workers and volunteers, carefully attend to the physical and emotional needs of their patients.

"We don't have a cure. So, when people come here, they get a very high level of care because of the staff and because of the research that's going on here, and the patients recognize that," says Glass.

When Glass isn't seeing patients, he can be found conducting neuroscience research. And he's not alone. Hundreds of Emory faculty, staff and stu-

dents in diverse fields such as psychology, chemistry, biology, anthropology, nursing, ethics, and even business are shaping the understanding of the brain and how it works — or doesn't work — when it comes to disease and injury. Cognitive disorders, neuromuscular diseases, stroke, sleep, neuro-rehabilitation and neuro-oncology are just a few of the areas Emory researchers are focusing on. And neurosciences is one of the key initiatives in Emory's university-wide strategic plan.

To highlight the importance of brain education and research, Gov. Sonny Perdue met with scientists from Emory and Georgia State University this month as he signed a proclamation declaring March "Brain Awareness Month" in Georgia. In honor of the event, scientists from the Center for

Behavioral Neuroscience and the Atlanta Chapter of the Society for Neuroscience have created multiple opportunities for the community to meet local neuroscientists and take part in celebrating the brain.

As part of the month-long celebration, Emory graduate student Kim Maguschak and other members of the Society for Neuroscience and the Center for Behavioral Neuroscience will work throughout March and April with more than 100 Atlanta teachers and volunteer neuroscientists to coordinate free k-12 classroom visits. During the visits, students will get to touch a real brain, play brain games and learn about careers in neuroscience. Other educational events include a Brain Expo at Zoo Atlanta on April 5.

Study: Benefit of Mediterranean diet may be in the antioxidants

By QUINN EASTMAN

People who consume a diet similar to a Mediterranean diet tend to have lower levels of oxidative stress, which can contribute to heart attack and stroke, according to Emory researchers.

"We've known about the protective effect of the Mediterranean diet, but this begins to show how antioxidants in the diet may be bringing about that effect," says

study leader Viola Vaccarino, a professor of medicine (cardiology) and epidemiology.

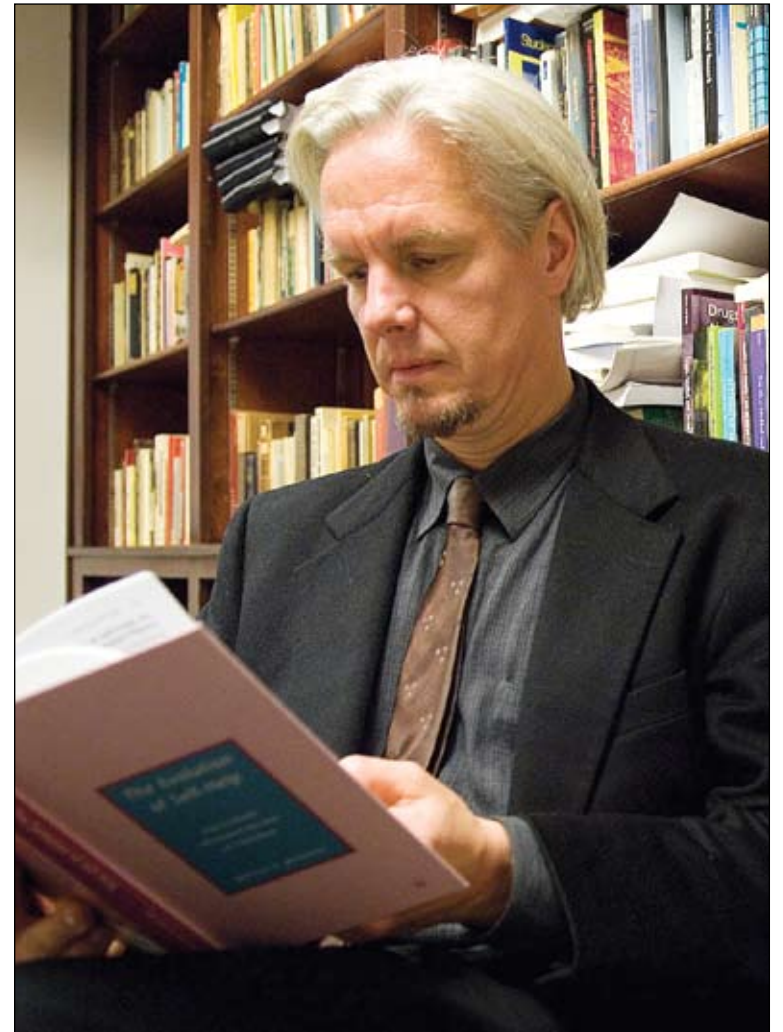
A Mediterranean diet is characterized by large amounts of fruit, vegetables, whole grains, fish and poultry and low amounts of red meat.

Vaccarino's team studied the association between diet and oxidative stress in 297 male twins who are Vietnam-era veterans.

"Our work shows that the effects of diet are independent from genetics and familial factors," said Emory cardiovascular researcher Jun Dai.

"It means everybody can benefit from a healthy diet, whether you have genetic risk factors for cardiovascular disease or not," added Dai, who presented the findings at a March 14 American Heart Association conference.

Self-help: American as apple pie, Oprah



Matthew Archibald, assistant professor of sociology, has just published "The Evolution of Self-Help."

BRYAN MELTZ

By CAROL CLARK

The camera pans over a somber group of people in a church basement. They sit on folding chairs in a circle, some of them sipping coffee from Styrofoam cups.

Whether in real-life or in countless Hollywood productions, Americans immediately recognize the scene of a self-help support group in session. "We can read it culturally. Self-help groups have diffused through our society and are an accepted part of health care," says Matthew Archibald, assistant professor of sociology.

Archibald began studying the self-help phenomena as a graduate student. His book, "The Evolution of Self-Help: How a Health Movement Became an Institution," was recently published by Palgrave MacMillan.

America provided fertile ground for developing a self-help tradition, he says. "The U.S. is a really decentralized system and early immigrants had to figure out how to do things at the local level. Hundreds of years later, we're still doing it that way."

A group of U.S. veterans who lost limbs in battle formed one of the first documented self-help groups in 1919, called the Society for the Wooden Leg. But Archibald says the movement really took off in 1935 when two struggling alcoholics in New York launched Alcoholics Anonymous — considered the granddaddy of modern-day self-help.

By the 1950s, he says, a shift in attitudes toward the mentally handicapped spurred parents of children with disabilities like Down Syndrome to start support

groups, as they sought ways to care for their children outside of institutions.

During the freewheeling 1960s, self-help exploded as addictions came out of the closet and groups formed "for everything you could think of," Archibald says. Later, confessional talk-show hosts like Phil Donahue and the queen of self-help, Oprah Winfrey, made it okay to air your most embarrassing flaws on national TV, which Archibald says further ingrained the self-help ethos into the mainstream consciousness.

Today the movement is accepted — and even encouraged — by the medical establishment. Archibald's research turned up 589 self-help groups for chronic mental or physical conditions that have national chapters, but he admits that the number is debatable, depending on how you define self-help. The national chapters serve as umbrellas for thousands of local branches, making it even harder to quantify, he adds.

Scientific research on the effectiveness of self-help groups remains ambiguous, he says, adding: "I think it's really good for groups of people facing adversity to challenge institutions of power and help keep them honest."

Like movements for civil rights, the self-help tradition has played a major role in shaping the American psyche, Archibald concludes. "It's about self-actualization and seeing your condition differently by confronting it," he says. "We're an upstart society that became a world power by constantly reinventing ourselves."

Forum

FIRST PERSON

My 'greater jihad' at campus peace vigils

Reflections in light of the fifth anniversary of the Iraq War



Thee Smith is an associate professor in the Department of Religion.

BRYAN MELTZ

By Theophus "Thee" Smith

In our religion department I'm privileged to teach at the nexus of multiple faith traditions, and to enjoy adventures in Jewish, Muslim and Christian dialogue. I say 'adventures' because it is exhilarating, sometimes scary, but mostly like a fascinating off-road wilderness trek to discover in another faith tradition something that enhances one's own religious journey. That has been my experience with the Muslim teaching on 'lesser' and 'greater jihad.'

The lesser jihad as I understand it (I'm no scholar of Islam but a studious reader and comparativist) is the struggle one wages externally to defend the faith in allegiance to Allah and in opposition to the enemies of God.

By now we are all familiar with the stereotypical version of such external struggle in the form of holy war. (It remains disputed whether acts of religious extremism by terrorists qualifies as 'holy' even in that sense.) However, Islam has always taught that there is a greater jihad: the interior struggle waged in one's own soul to advance the believer's moral and spiritual allegiance to Allah by defying all the forces that war against the soul's integrity and commitment.

That's what I experience at our campus peace vigils every Tuesday and Friday: my own personal, interior jihad. The specific jihad I practice has been described in more psychological (and perhaps more accessible) terms by Marshall Rosenberg. Rosenberg is one of the nation's foremost trainers in "nonviolent communication" and he describes a key practice of NVC in terms that I call a kind of

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mental and emotional hygiene.

Before you engage in any activist venture, he coaches, be sure to cleanse yourself of any 'enemy images' that you harbor of your opponents. To the degree that you project such images onto those who differ on an issue, he claims, you will diminish your own ability to see and leverage the vantage points where their real human needs offer a nonviolent solution to the presenting conflict.

Real human needs, say what? But I don't want to know their real human needs. I just want them to fulfill my need for them to change sides in our conflict; fulfill my need for them to side with me on the issues. I only want to know how to get them to change, not how to discover their humanity or their needs.

Precisely. Treating my opponents as 'the other,' objectifying them as literal 'objects' at my disposal, is precisely why I will fail to enlist them in my own interests because (as we are perenni-

ally learning) human beings resist becoming only objects. We resist, that is, becoming what Martin Buber called an "it." To be human, on the contrary, is to insist on being also a subject in one's own right; what Buber called a "thou" in his classic monograph, "I and Thou." (Compare Kant's maxim, "never to treat persons only as a means, but also as an end-in-themselves.")

So there I am at the vigil reading the names of our war dead, or silently holding a banner, or actively handing vigil fliers to passersby and simultaneously, therein, practicing the interior jihad of refusing to regard pro-war advocates as enemies. Rather than indulge in enemy images, attitudes and passions, I struggle in my own mind to see fellow human beings whose genuine needs for personal and social, national and international integrity are being fulfilled through positions, strategies and policies different from my own.

It would be incumbent on me and my supporters, in the framework of NVC, to discover, display and compellingly offer alternative means to fulfill the real needs of such compatriots. But I will never engage that dimension of the issues by simply projecting enemy images onto them.

Walter Wink calls it 'how not to become what you hate' in his acclaimed study, "Engaging the Powers." So that's why I'm there every week as often as I can make it, joining STAND with ME (Members of Emory) every Tuesday at 1 p.m. and the Fearless Fridays folks at noon. Each week I experience for myself that, if I do something proactive with my im-

pulse to disrespect, vilify or demonize my fellow citizens who support the war, then I will actually be waging peace at the peace vigils — first of all with those very same fellow citizens.

The alternative of course is the irony of fostering a peace vigil that is functionally 'warfare by other means.' Rather let peace begin within the peace advocates themselves, who will thereby be fortified to find resources that extend peace externally in everwidening circles — from one's more moderate fellow citizens to one's more lethal opponents.

Yes, despite the prevailing stereotypes of peace advocates and nonviolence proponents as hopelessly naive, I do in fact acknowledge that we have real, toxic or vicious or lethal opponents (not all of whom are foreign, I should add). I also insist however, with Gandhi and King, that our nonviolent orientation enjoins us to eschew rage and hatred toward such opponents. Instead the truly nonviolent goal is 'willing the well-being of both victims and perpetrators in the fullest possible knowledge of the nature of the violation,' as Marjorie Suchocki says in "The Fall to Violence."

May your own jihads provide you, too, with rigorously informed, self-critical and challenging struggles, as have mine. And may our campus vigils be emblematic of a 'new world order'; a nobler order of warriors who wage the greater jihad. Or with less grandiosity: maybe it will be enough if you and I respectfully acknowledge each other, other participants and passersby too, in the midst of all the conflicting views and opinions converging at our next vigil.

SOUNDBITES

Mandala speaks across boundaries

Agnes Scott College professor Abraham Zablocki's March 19 lecture on contemporary Tibetan Buddhism couldn't have been more timely, given against the backdrop of international protests sparked by the 49th anniversary of Tibet's uprising against China's invasion.

Standing alongside a sand mandala — which represents the impermanence and inter-connectiveness of life — Zablocki said that Tibetan Buddhism is "booming these days" from Taiwan to Africa, from Israel to the former Soviet block.

"Beyond the political dimension — the mandala speaks to people across cultural boundaries and taps the human imagination," Zablocki said. "The intersection between the real and imagined Tibet generates a new, vital transnational form of Tibet Buddhism, that reflects people's inner lives and the genuine spiritual growth that can come through the exploration, study and practice of Tibetan Buddhism."

— Nancy Seideman

Justice urged for Rwandans

The Rwanda genocide of 1994 is a festering wound that can only be healed by bringing those who headed up the massacre to justice, warned Susan Allen, director of Emory's Rwanda Zambia HIV Research Group, at the Sheth Lecture on March 11.

Many of the organizers of the genocide are now living free in the United States and elsewhere, said Allen, who is raising funds to help a Rwandan filmmaker complete a documentary called "Killers Among Us."

"It's in everybody's interests to bring these perpetrators to justice," Allen said. "If we don't seize this opportunity [for Rwanda], then all these much more complex situations, like Darfur, can simply not be solved."

— Carol Clark

Change, stability part of adulthood

"Change and transition is the norm for adults. Remaining just the way you are is the odd thing," Marshall Duke, Charles Howard Candler Professor of Psychology, told Employee Council members March 19.

"We alternate between periods [of stability] in our lives, called 'eras,' about seven or eight years," he said, and transition, periods of change that last three years or so.

For what maintains our stability during changes, researchers look at family rituals and stories. The way people observe holidays, for example, become ritualized — "and the rituals remain the same no matter where you are in life."

— Leslie King

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ADVANCE NOTICE

Choi to speak on drug remedies

Dennis Choi, a neuroscientist who has done groundbreaking research on brain and spinal cord injury, will discuss "When the Mind Fails: The Search for Pharmaceutical Remedy" on Wednesday, April 2.

Choi's speech, beginning at noon in the Jones Room of the Woodruff Library, is part of the University's Life of the Mind Series. The free, lunchtime lectures showcase a leading faculty member each month and are framed in a way that non-specialists can understand.

Choi is executive director of the Neuroscience, Human Nature and Society Initiative within the university-wide strategic plan, and director of the Comprehensive Neuroscience Center at Woodruff Health Sciences Center.

Forum on Emory in community

"Emory in the Community: Past, Present, and Future," the history of the University's volunteer service, current philanthropic initiatives and future community engagement, is the topic of a symposium Friday, April 4, from 2 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Miller-Ward Alumni House.

The event includes a keynote address by Vice President and Deputy to the President Gary Hauk. Two panel discussions will explore "From Emory into the Community: Alumni and Emeriti Experiences" and "Working With and In the Community: A Student and Community Partner Perspective."

For more information and to register, contact Rhonda Dubin at 404-712-8834 or rdubin2@emory.edu.

Lend an ear to student recitals

The end of the spring semester is highlighted by an assortment of undergraduate and graduate music student recitals ranging from flute to organ, voice to conducting.

Upcoming recitals include Ashish Ankola, flute, March 30 at 2 p.m.; W. Gray Reilly and Michael Spinner, guitars, April 5 at 2 p.m.; Kate Vangeloff, voice, April 5 at 5 p.m.; Collin Richardson, organ, April 5 at 8 p.m.; Grace Lopez, piano, April 6 at 2 p.m.; and Claudia Parsons, flute, April 6 at 5 p.m. All student recitals are free.

For the full calendar of recitals, including locations and program information, visit www.arts.emory.edu.

Athletics

Wednesday, March 26

Men's Baseball vs. DePauw University. 3 p.m.*

Men's Tennis vs. Kalamazoo College. 2 p.m.*

Friday March 28

Men's and Women's Track and Field Emory Asics Classic. 3 p.m. *Also March 29 at 9 a.m.**

Saturday, March 29

Women's Softball vs. Piedmont College. 1 p.m.*

*Woodruff P.E. Center. Free. 404-727-6447.

Film

Wednesday, March 26

"Shadows of Forgotten Ancestors." 8 p.m. 205 White Hall. Free. 404-727-6761.

Friday, March 28

"Avenue Montaigne." 7:30 p.m. 205 White Hall. Free. 404-727-5886.

Performing Arts

Tuesday, March 25

Reflect and Evolve Dance Performance. Noon. Reception Hall, Carlos Museum. Free. 404-727-6118.

Alice Walker, author, reading. 6 p.m. Glenn Auditorium. \$10; \$5 with Emory ID. 404-727-5050. *\$5 tickets are limited and only one per Emory ID. When \$5 tickets are sold out, the remaining tickets are \$10. Limit four tickets total per person.*

Wednesday, March 26

Emory Jazz Combos. 8 p.m. Emerson Hall, Schwartz Center. Free. 404-727-5050.

What's New in Poetry Reading. Andrew Zawacki and Julie Carr, poets, reading. 8 p.m. Harris Hall lounge. Free. 404-727-6223. *Refreshments provided.*

Sunday, March 30

Student Recital. Ashish Ankola, flute, performing. 2 p.m. Emerson Hall, Schwartz Center. Free. 404-727-5050.

Religion

Sunday, March 30

University Worship. Josephine Jackson-Smith, African Orthodox Catholic Church, preaching. 11 a.m. Cannon Chapel. 404-727-6225.

Seminars

Tuesday, March 25

"The Global Marketplace and Environment." Johnny Isaakson, Georgia Senator, presenting. 11:30 a.m. Cox Hall Ballroom. Free. amreen.ukani@emory.edu.

"The ERK/MAPK Cascade and Entrainment of the Suprachiasmatic Circadian Clock." Karl Obrietan, Ohio State University, presenting. Noon. 5052 Rollins Research Center. Free. 404-727-5983.

Wednesday, March 26

AntiquiTEA: "Buy Your Share: Prints, Populism and Marketing in America 1934-42." Sarahh Scher, art history, presenting. 4 p.m. Reception Hall, Carlos Museum. Free. 404-727-6118.

"My Father's Country: Story of a German Family." Wibeke Bruhns, author and journalist, presenting. 6 p.m. 102 White Hall. Free. 404-727-3598.

Thursday, March 27

"Surgical Quality: The Role of Teamwork." John Sweeney, surgery, presenting. 7 a.m. Emory Hospital Auditorium. Free. 404-778-1903.

"Neurodegeneration in Yeast: Dissecting Cellular Mechanisms of Protein Aggregation." Michael Sherman, Boston University Medical School, presenting. Noon. Ground Floor Auditorium, Whitehead Research Building. Free. 404-727-5960.

"Greek Tragedy in the Theater and in Vase Painting." Oliver Taplin, University of Oxford, 7 p.m. Reception Hall, Carlos Museum. Free. 404-727-6118.

Friday, March 28

"Breaking Eggs, Making Omelets: Explaining Terror in Lenin and Stalin's Revolutions." Ronald Suny, University of Michigan, presenting. 2 p.m. 323 Bowden Hall. Free. 404-727-6555.

Sunday, March 30

"The Elephant, the Tiger and the Cell Phone: The Transformation of India in the 21st Century." Shashi Tharoor, Afras Ventures, presenting. 5 p.m. Tull Auditorium, School of Law. Free. 404-727-2108.

Monday, March 31

Women's History Month Keynote. Helen Thomas, "First Lady of the Press," presenting. 7 p.m. Tull Auditorium, School of Law. Free. 404-727-2001. *Book signing and reception to follow.*

Special

Wednesday, March 26

PlaceFest. 11 a.m. Asbury Circle, Dobbs Center. Free. 404-727-9916.

Friday, March 28

"Gathering of Voices on Health Care: Physical, Mental, Spiritual and Holistic Two-Day Conference." 10:30 a.m. Whitehead Building. Free, with Emory ID. 404-712-9674. *Day two of conference will be held at 130 School of Medicine.*

Saturday, March 29

National Black Herstory Awards Banquet. 6:30 p.m. 8th Floor, Rollins School of Public Health \$35, dinner included. 404-712-9674.

Visual Arts

Now Showing

"Collecting Excursions: An Installation by Linda Armstrong" Visual Arts Gallery. Free. 404-727-6315. *Through April 24.*

"Democratic Vistas: Exploring the Danowski Poetry Collection." Schatten Gallery, Woodruff Library. Free. 404-727-5050; www.arts.emory.edu. *Through May 26.*

"Visions and Revisions: An Exhibition of Poems in Process From MARBL's Literary Collections." MARBL, Woodruff Library. Free. 404-727-5050; www.arts.emory.edu. *Through May 21.*

Lost Kingdoms of the Nile Exhibition and Sub-Saharan African Galleries. Carlos Museum, 3rd Floor. \$7 suggested donation. 404-727-4282. *Through Aug. 31.*

Workshops

Monday, March 24

Google Scholar/Google Books. 3 p.m. 310 Woodruff Library. Free. 404-727-0178.

Tuesday, March 25

Working with Digital USGS Topographic Maps. 2:30 p.m. 312 Woodruff Library. Free. 404-727-2348.

Wednesday, March 26

Legal Resources for Emory College and Graduate Students. 4 p.m. 310 Woodruff Library. Free. 404-727-0143.

Thursday, March 27

Author's Rights. 2:30 p.m. 312 Woodruff Library. Free. 404-727-0127.

Week celebrates 60th year of human rights declaration

Emory faculty, students and administration join the broader Atlanta community for the annual celebration of Human Rights Week March 24-28, which this year honors the 60th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, created under the auspices of the United Nations.

Highlights of the week include a keynote talk by Atlanta Mayor Shirley Franklin followed by a panel discussion on student activism featuring U. S. Rep. John Lewis (D-Atlanta) and former Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee members.

This is the seventh year Emory has celebrated this "student-driven" week, said Dabney Evans, director of the Institute of Human Rights at Emory.

"That the specific activities are designed by students, based on students' interest, I think, speaks to the participatory nature of human rights," Evans said.

A Human Rights Festival concludes the week Friday, March 28, featuring an international market with fair-trade crafts, international music and other performances, plus several information booths by local and international organizations.

All events are free and open to the public. For more information, see <http://humanrights.emory.edu/> or call 404-727-4609.

Human Rights Week schedule of events

Monday, March 24

"The Legacy of the Civil Rights Movement on Human Rights Today: The Role of Student Activists." Atlanta Mayor Shirley Franklin, presenting. Congressman John Lewis and former Atlanta student activists, panelists. 7-8:30 p.m. Harland Cinema.

Tuesday, March 25

"Guantanamo Bay: Why Do We Care?" Charles Swift and Charles Shanor, Law School, panelists. 4-5:30 p.m. Gambrell Hall, Law School.

Death Penalty Abolition Photo Exhibit and Presentation. Scott Langley, photographer, and Laura Moye, Amnesty International, presenting. 7-8:30 p.m. 206 White Hall.

Wednesday, March 26

Lobbying at the Georgia Capitol: Women's Reproductive Health. 9-11:30 a.m. Coverdell Legislative Office Building, Room 306, 244 Washington St., Atlanta.

Atlanta Pride Human Rights Exhibit. Noon-2 p.m. Dobbs University Center.

Sex Trafficking in Atlanta: "Demand" Film Screening and Panel Discussion. 4-5:30 p.m. Rollins School of Public Health, Room P45.

"Not in Our Name: United Against Domestic Violence" Panel Discussion. 7:30-9 p.m. 206 White Hall 206.

Thursday, March 27

"Unnatural Causes" Film Screening and "Environmental Justice and Health Inequalities" Panel Discussion. 7-8:30 p.m. Harland Cinema.

Friday, March 28

Human Rights Festival: Globalization and the Right to Fair Working Conditions and Adequate Standard of Living. 12-3 p.m. Asbury Circle.