QuestBridge paves way for bright applicants

By BEVERLY CLARK

Freshman Dennis Nguyen remembers the day late last fall when he found out he was going to Emory University — and with a full ride.

“My mom was crying and my dad couldn’t have had a prouder expression on his face,” says Nguyen, one of Emory’s first QuestBridge Scholars.

Emory joined a select coalition of schools last year to partner with QuestBridge, a national nonprofit that links highly qualified, low-income students with full four-year scholarships and support at some of the nation’s best colleges. The campus welcomed its first group of QuestBridge Scholars this fall — 10 for Emory College of Arts and Sciences and one at Oxford.

Emory Cares. Do you?

If the consistent growth of the University’s most prominent alumni-led service program is any indication, then the answer is a resounding “yes.”

Emory Cares International Service Day 2008, a core program of the Emory Alumni Association, will take place in November in more than 40 locations across the country and around the world.

And it reaches more than just alumni, especially in Emory’s hometown.

“Emory Cares International Service Day has grown into one of the most effective and enjoyable ways to bring the Emory community together,” says Jennifer Hayward, the EAA’s assistant director for alumni programs and development.

Students and Emory organizations have already been using the internal iTunes U site to access course materials, presentations and other resources, averaging 1,200 downloads per week. This semester, 30 active academic courses and more materials are offered to students, faculty and staff through “Exclusively Emory.”

Emory’s public site will go live Oct. 28 with more than 800 tracks in 42 album collections. Ranging from academic and research materials to news and events, visiting learners can find consumer health information in collections like Mini Medical School, or tune in to Carlos Conversations, a series of podcasts that explores works of art in the Carlos Museum. Alumni can reminisce with Emory Glee Club tracks from the 1960s, and fans of Salman Rushdie can listen to his interviews as Emory’s Distinguished Writer in Residence.
From wildlife to civilization

Primate disease ecologist tracks germs in the wild

By CAROL CLARK

A chimpanzee once turned Thomas Gillespie into a yo-yo while he was ascending a tree with a rope and harness. "Chimpanzees have 10 times the strength of a man and they like to play with you when you're on a rope," he says. "They'll grab it and bounce you up and down." There is no typical day at the office for Gillespie, assistant professor of environmental studies and one of the world's leading primate disease ecologists, with research projects ongoing in Congo, Uganda and Tanzania.

"One of the most harrowing things you will ever experience is having a full-grown, male silverback gorilla get in your face when he feels threatened. You can feel and smell his breath," he says. The male gorillas beat their chests and use other displays of their immense power to intimidate and control the other males in their group.

"Ours is a high-tech, data-driven approach," Gillespie says. "We're gathering data from a range of disciplines — including computer modelers, lab-based scientists and field researchers. We also consult with virologists, epidemiologists, and ecologists in other countries, and we have a network of research sites around the world where we can deploy our technology to track pathogens in their natural habitat.

"Chimpanzees — and other wild primates — are the likely reservoir of the Ebola virus," Gillespie says. "We've documented cases of Ebola infection in chimpanzees in the Democratic Republic of Congo, and we're working with local communities to reduce the likelihood of human contact with infected animals.

"We're also working with local communities to develop sustainable logging methods, to reduce the risk of human contact with infected animals and to protect the health of both humans and wildlife."
Alumni awarded Emory Medals

By KaITYL DENNHY

The 2008 Emory Medalists include a groundbreaking surgeon whose dedication and devotion to medicine extends beyond the Emory campus and around the world. Mansour's work dramatizes the importance of impact in our community through leadership, and a businessman whose lifelong relationship with Oxford College will continue to leave a lasting impression on generations to come.

Awarded by the Emory Alumni Association, the Emory Medal is the highest award given exclusively to alumni. This year's black-tie optional award ceremony was set for Oct. 23 at the Emory Conference Center Hotel.

Kamal Mansour ’68MR began his unwavering relationship with Emory when first named chief resident in cardiothoracic surgery at Emory University Hospital in 1968. An international pioneer in cardiothoracic surgery, Mansour has shared his passion for medicine with thousands of Emory students, faculty and patients as a chief resident, professor, and mentor over the last 35 years.

Around the globe, Mansour serves as an ambassador of Emory and American medicine. He frequently returns to his native country of Egypt to operate on patients in Egyptian teaching and university hospitals, and has been awarded the shield of medicine as one of the top 10 Egyptian doctors in the world. Most recently, Mansour and his wife Cleo established the Emory at Oxford College, which has Episcopal affiliations, and is a sterling example of an alumna who gives back to the alma mater every day. Sugarman first joined the Emory community earning a degree in business, and after a short career as an advertising and sales promotion manager from 1969–66, Sugarman joined the rabbinate in 1971 as an assistant rabbi at the Temple Hebrew Benevolent Congregation of Atlanta and became senior rabbi in 1974.

Still, despite his busy life-style, Sugarman has honored his alma mater in every way possible. Sugarman joined the Oxford College Board of Trustees and the Emory Board of Visitors. He also plays an active role in the Atlanta community as the recipient of the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Community Service and The National Conference for Community and Justice Lifetime Achievement Award.

Hugh Tarbutton ’23, ’30B, ’52Ox–’55B, who began his dedication to Emory at Oxford College, shares an unbreakable dedication to his alma mater. After graduating from the business school, Tarbutton has led a successful career in business. His high-level positions have included serving as the director of the Woodruff Division of Georgia and president of Sandverson Railroad Company, a position he continues to hold.

In the cases of Kamal Mansour, Alvin Sugarman and Hugh Tarbutton, the Emory Medal can be considered a life-time achievement award — except that our 2008 recipients continue achieving exceptional things. Their leadership in the Emory community continues to grow, and all of us can be thankful for their cherished contributions,” says Leslie Wingate, senior director for alumni programs. “On behalf of the entire division, the EAA is proud to congratulate our new Emory Medalists.”

School of Law honors exemplars

Three individuals who have made extensive contributions to the legal profession and the community are the recipients of Emory Law’s 2008 Distinguished Alumni Awards: John Dowd ’65L; Susan Hoy ’96L and Terri Plummer McClure ’81L. This year’s recipients will be honored at an awards ceremony Nov. 13 at Gargan Hall.

The Emory Law Distinguished Alumni Award was established in 1985 to recognize outstanding alumni who have achieved distinction in legal practice, teaching, research or public administration and who have demonstrated distinguished service to Emory Law, the Emory Law Alumni Association or Emory University.

“The outstanding caliber of graduates makes the selection process for the Distinguished Alumni Awards exciting and thoughtful,” says Dean David Partlett.

He called the three alumni “exemplars of lives well lived in our profession of service.”

Max Cooper will be honored Nov. 1 by the Association of American Medical Colleges with the 2008 Award for Distinguished Leadership in the Biomedical Sciences.

The award recognizes outstanding clinical or laboratory research conducted by a medical school faculty member.

Cooper joined Emory School of Medicine this year as a Georgia Research Alliance Eminent Scholar and professor of pathology and laboratory medicine. He also holds appointments as professor at the Emory Vaccine Center and at the Emory Center for AIDS Research in the Rollins School of Public Health.

Clifton Craig and Pamela Scully received a starred review in the Oct. 21 issue of Publishers Weekly for their upcoming book, “Sara Baartman and the Hottentot Venus: A Ghost Story and a Biography.” By “The more people dig into the limited remaining evidence but the biography wears its research lightly, the more believable this well-written and fascinating story of a woman whose story should be a ‘house figure,’” the review notes.

Craig is professor of history at The Institute of African Studies, part of the Institute of Critical International Studies.

The Institute of Medicine (IOM) has elected School of Public Health and psychology and neurology professor Helen Mayberg to its 2008 class of 65 new members. Election to the IOM, considered one of the highest honors in the fields of medicine and health, recognizes individuals who have made major contributions to the advancement of the medical sciences, health care and public health.

John Witte Jr., director of the Center for the Study of Law and Religion, was named to the United States Council on Library and Information Resources’ second public lecture in Berry’s 2008 Oberlin Lecture Series. His address, “Separation of Church and State,” which has been discussed extensively by experts, students and citizens, is moderated by Max Cooper.

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Early gifts fuel Campaign Emory

By MARIA LAMEIRAS

Although Campaign Emory was only publicly announced on Sept. 25, the machinery driving the historic $1.5 billion fundraising effort rumbled to life more than three years ago.

Shortly after taking the job as president of Emory University in 2003, Jim Wagner marshaled leaders on all levels to examine the University’s practices and programs in order to determine what was needed to move them to the level of a world class university.

About 1,200 leaders and supporters were set, Emory leaders and development officers began reaching out to Emory’s top supporters and were rewarded with a number of leadership gifts that brought the campaign to a total of $836 million raised by the time Campaign Emory was publicly announced, says Susan Cruse, senior vice president of development and alumni relations. Among them:

• The Woodruff Foundation’s recent $261.5 million gift will be used primarily toward constructing a new state-of-the-art Emory Clinic, opening in 2013 to provide the best possible health care available anywhere. Over the past three years, the Woodruff Foundation also has supported a doctorate of nursing practice program at Emory and renovation of the Woodruff Health Sciences Center Administration Building.

• Gifts of more than $51.5 million from the O. Wayne Rollins Foundation and Grace Crum Rollins to the Rollins School of Public Health, the Michael C. Carlos Museum, and ongoing support to the Rollins Pavilion at Emory University Hospital. The bulk of the gift, $50 million, is helping fund construction of the new Claudia Nance Rollins Building at the Rollins School of Public Health.

• The Coca-Cola Foundation has joined alumni and friends in supporting Emory Advantage, a financial aid program that provides grants to lower-income students and caps debt for middle-income students, with a gift of $3 million.

• A $6 million gift from Weldon “WSC” and Mary Laney Keely ’83C–’00T supports Emory Advantage scholarships, Emory’s Center for Humantistic Inquiry, and Candler School of Theology.

• A $12 million Juvenile Diabe tes Research Foundation gift is advancing promising in sil research to treat diabetes.

• The Helene Fullard Health Trust gave more than $5 million to create the Fullard Fellowship Endowment, which allows students with degrees in other fields to train for a nursing career in ser vice to vulnerable populations, supporting the Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing and its priority of helping alleviate the nursing shortage.

• Bradford Curray, an Emory trustee for 20 years, is investing nearly $3 million in several Emory schools and units. His charter able remainder trust will provide need-based scholarships to Korean students at Emory.

Although much remains to be done before the campaign ends in 2012, Cruse says an enormous amount of work has already been accomplished as a part of Campaign Emory.

“It’s like putting on the wheels of the train; it is already running,” Cruse says. “The push has already been a 50,000 stronger campaign to a broader constituency, showing that we have the momentum to do great work and it takes it to move the campaign forward.”

To read more about Campa ign Emory’s priorities by school and unit, visit www.campaign.emory.edu.
When you get more than 100 senior leaders together — especially leaders as energetic and creative as those in the Woodruff Health Sciences Center — innovative ideas are bound to result. That’s just what happened at a recent interactive session in which Emory engaged some of our best minds around a crucial topic: achieving the WHSC goals.

As we expected they would, our leadership proposed many thoughtful and promising recommendations. WHSC should explore ways to help fulfill its goals of being the 21st century model of an academic health sciences and services center; an international leader in the highest quality patient care, research, education and public service; and a collaborative, inspirational environment that attracts and retains talented people. I’m confident that it will only be a matter of time before we begin to see these great ideas in action, underpinned by several critical success factors we’ve building to ensure success as we pursue our goals.

As several leaders pointed out, the Woodruff Health Sciences Center is a relatively young organization, and we’re maturing as a model academic health sciences center. In the short term, that growth process involves the ability to assess, understand and shape our organizational culture — a process we’ll soon be undertaking, again with the input of a large group of our senior leaders. By proactively addressing our cultural evolution, we can ensure that our culture is well aligned with our values. That’s one way we’re working to achieve our goals.

Another involves the old adage “form follows function.” It’s an architectural precept meaning that the design of a building should be determined by its intended purpose. A similar tenet in biology is the relationship of structure to function, which is often used as the basis for developing drugs and other compounds with specific properties. To help ensure that the tactics we employ to achieve our goals succeed, we’re working hard to develop the appropriate organizational structures to match our desired organizational functions and culture, as well as to facilitate our lifesaving and life-affirming programs.

Finally, as a result of a lengthy and collaborative process, WHSC has clarified our goals and expected organizational supports and is collectively working toward. Now that we have developed specific goals tied to our vision, we’ve engaged in a process to ensure that our strategies for achieving them are equally clear and attainable. As our young organization continues to grow and change, we’ll keep shaping a constructive culture, aligning our structural frameworks to ensure success in achieving our goals, and employing clear strategies developed through collaboration with our outstanding partners. Our proactive efforts will help ensure that we don’t experience growing pains, but rather growing opportunities for success in achieving our goals — and in transforming health and healing...together.

Please share your feedback at ephraimedb@emory.edu.

Fred Sanfilippo is executive vice president for health affairs, CFO of the Woodruff Health Sciences Center and chairman of Emory Healthcare.

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Culture and strategy help WHSC achieve goals

By LIZ CHILLA

“All of us need to exert a renewed effort to ensure that we as Americans will be able to celebrate, and not apologize for, our compliance with the Universal Declara- tion of Human Rights,” said former President Jimmy Carter.

Curating his opening remarks for “Advancing the Consensus,” a conference organized by Emory Law students in honor of the 60th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR), the former president called at Emory Law brought together a distinguished group of human rights lawyers, scholars, practitioners and activists to discuss the UDHR in light of its successes and shortcomings.

— Adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations in 1948, the UDHR marked the beginning of a new global consensus that put human rights at the forefront of international concerns.

“There were no negative votes,” said Carter in reference to the declaration’s adoption. “It was the atrocities of World War II, especially the Nazi Holocaust, that finally brought humanity to acceptably accept it. But it’s sobering to realize that right now, it would be absolutely im- possible for the global community to app- rove the Universal Declaration of Hu- man Rights.”

“Advancing the Consensus” — a joint venture of Emory Law students from the Emory Public Interest Committee (EPIC), the Emory International Law Society, and the Emory International Law Review — centered on three main themes cur- rently challenging the state of human rights: environmentalism, globalization and religion. Through workshops, panels and interactive roundtable discussions, the conference organizers sought to es- tablish an open dialogue about the UDHR and the future of human rights.

Nobel Peace Prize recipient, lawyer and woman’s rights advocate Ela Bhatt, a keynote speaker for the conference, shared her views on human rights glob- ally and in her home country of Iran. She argued that Islam and human rights can intersect in a topic she cited widely in Islamic states and around the world.

“Human rights is an international val- ue system,” she said. “It has nothing to do with the East or the West, with Muslims or Christians, but belongs to the entire human race.”

Bhatt challenged Emory students to educate themselves on human rights is- sues throughout the world. “You young American people are the future of this world and can make it a better place,” she said.

The conference’s final keynote address was delivered by Uendara Baxi, a law professor the University of Warwick School of Law in the U.K.

In the spirit of human rights, several efforts are being taken to make the conference sustainable, such as limiting energy con- sumption and cutting back on unneces- sary plastic and paper waste. The stu- dents also planted two trees on the lawn school grounds to offset the carbon foot- print produced by the conference.

‘Advancing the Consensus’ on global human rights

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Emory CARES: Service has international reach

iTunes U: Downloads access best and brightest

...for faculty, staff and student groups to contribute will be ongoing.

Wendy Darling, who produces audio and video content for the Woodruff Health Sciences Center, says it is easy to post to iTunes U. “We see iTunes U as another way to reach people, to share our content with people who might not have found it otherwise,” she adds.

Jan Gleason, executive director of University marketing, agrees. “iTunes U is a way to create content that meets people’s needs,” simply one more distri- bution channel to bring greater visibility to Emory as a region- al, national and international leader in higher education.

Emory plans to add more content as the school year progresses. “The site is in its infancy,” says O’Daniel. “It’s very exciting to have so much terrific content already, the growth is going to be expo- nential.”

Tune in

Learn more about Emory on iTunes U, including how to contribute content, at: itunes.emory.edu

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Lack of vitamin D linked to Parkinson’s disease

By QUINN EASTMAN

A majority of Parkinson’s disease patients had insufficient levels of vitamin D in a study published in the October issue of Archives of Neurology. The fraction of Parkinson’s patients with vitamin D insufficiency, 55 percent, was significantly more than that of patients with Alzheimer’s disease (41 percent) or healthy elderly people (36 percent).

The finding adds evidence that low vitamin D is associat- ed with Parkinson’s, says neurologist Marian Evatt, assis- tant director of the Movement Disorders Program at Wesley Woods Hospital.

“We found that vitamin D insufficiency may have a unique association with Parkinson’s, which is intriguing and war- rants further investigation,” Evatt says.

The connection could come partly because patients with Parkinson’s have mobility problems and are seldom exposed to the sun, or because low vitamin D levels are in some way relat- ed to the genesis or progression of the disease.

Most Americans get the majority of their vitamin D from exposure to sunlight or dietary supplements, with fortified foods as a minor source. Only a few foods in nature contain substantial amounts of vitamin D, such as salmon and tuna fish.

The body’s ability to produce vitamin D using UV-B radiation from the sun decreases with age, making older individuals at increased risk of vitamin D deficiency.

Doctors have known for decades that vitamin D plays a role in bone formation. More recently, scientists have been uncovering its effects elsewhere, including producing peptides that fight microbes in the skin, regulating blood pressure and insulin levels, and maintaining the nervous system.

Animal studies show polymer beads deliver drugs safely to heart

By QUINN EASTMAN

Researchers at Emory and Georgia Tech have developed tiny polymer beads that can slowly release anti-inflammatory drugs and break down into non-toxic components.

When injected into rats’ hearts after a simulated heart attack, the drug-embedded microspheres reduce inflam- mation and scarring, the researchers found.

The results are scheduled for publication in the November issue of Nature Materials.

Doctors believe that certain anti-inflammatory drugs, if delivered directly into the heart after a heart attack, could pre- vent permanent damage and reduce the probability of heart failure later in life.

Getting those drugs to the right place at the right time is more challenging than simply swallowing an aspirin, says biomedical engineer Michael Davis.

“If you look at previous stud- ies to see what it would take to get enough of those drugs into the heart, they did things like direct injections twice a day,” he says. “And there are clear toxicity issues if the whole body is exposed.”

As an alternative, Davis and graduate student Jay Sy turned to microspheres (1/50 of a mil- limeter wide) particles made of a material called polylactides, developed by Georgia Tech engi- neer Niren Murthy.

The microspheres break down over a few weeks in the body, releasing an experimental drug that inhibits an inflamma- tory enzyme.

Davis said the drug gradu- ally leaches out of the polylactide particles. In addition, they are eaten by white blood cells called macrophages.

“These are actually cells we’re trying to reach with the drug, because they’re involved in the inflammatory response in the heart,” he says. “The mac-rophages can surround and eat the particles, or fuse together if the particles are too big.”

Davis said polylactides have advantages over other biodegradable polymers, in that they break down into neutral, excre- table compounds that aren’t themselves inflammatory.

In contrast, most poly- mers used in suture or grafts are made into particles small enough to be known in the body, they cause inflamma- tion — exactly what the drugs are supposed to stop, he says.

Nick Surbery (right), Emory’s first playwriting major, collaborates with student actors to bring his latest play to life.

By CAROL CLARK

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For two years, Surbery was an undeclared major. He took classes in theater studies and the English department’s Creative Writing Program, but the major he wanted wasn’t listed in the catalog. Meanwhile, Jim Grimsley, senior writer- in-residence in English, began team-teaching playwriting with Lau Paulsen, a lecturer in the-ater studies and director of the Playwriting Center at Theater Emory.

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Seminar offers time well-spent

By LESLIE KING

For some personal economic situations, come up with everything Woman Should Know About Her Financial Future. The fortuitously-timed one-day seminar will be Saturday, Nov. 1, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in Governor's Hall in the Miller-Ward Alumni House. For the three-hour session include buying and selling a house; skills for negotiation; how to take control of a credit file; myths and realities about Social Security; and 2008 income tax. Participants will also learn how to develop a financial plan. Presenters include a financial advisor, an attorney, a career consultant, and a retirement planning consultant and a financial education specialist.

Sponsored by the Center for Women at Emory and the Emory Alumni Association, the session is part of a series ongoing since 1999 that presents financial and legal experts who give the most up-to-date information and who address participants' specific circumstances.

This article originally appeared in the summer 2008 issue of Emory Lawyer.
**Ensemble Sirius among November concerts**

By JESSICA MOORE

Ensemble Sirius, the contemporary piano-percussion duo of Stuart Gerber and Michael Fowler, leads off the November concert calendar as Emory Coca-Cola Artists-in-Residence presenting a free concert of a rare work by German composer Karlheinz Stockhausen on Nov. 8, p.m., at the Performing Arts Studio.

One of America’s leading leading organizers, Paul Jacob, presents a free program including works like Samuel Barber’s “Preludes and Fugues in B Minor,” and Marcel Dupré’s “Prelude and Fugue in B Major, Op. 7,” as part of the University Organist Recital Series, Nov. 2, 4 p.m., at Emory Concert Hall.

Emory’s Flora Glenn Candler Concert Series continues on Nov. 7, p.m., at the Schwartz Center, with a performance by the Warsaw Philharmonic conducted by Antoni Wit and joined by pianist Valentina Lisitsa. The program includes Liszt’s “Piano Concerto No. 1,” Beethoven’s “Symphony No. 2, Op. 72,” and Chopin’s “Fantasie in E minor” with Mary Emory Professor of Piano William Ransom in a free concert
cosponsored by the Pro-Mozart Society of Atlanta and Emory Chamber Music Society on Nov. 9, 7 p.m., at the Schwartz Center. Brother and sister duo William Ransom, violin, and Kate Ransom, piano, perform sonatas of Beethoven and Brahms in “Ransom Notes,” an Emory Choral Society Noontime Series concert on Nov. 21, at the Carlson Museum.

Emory student ensembles present a variety of free concerts of classical and world music in November, including: Emory Early Music Ensemble, Emory Early Music Ensemble, and the Emory Masteringers and Women’s Choral Ensemble, under the direction of Jody Miller, director of the Emory University choirs.

**ADVANCE NOTICE**

**Series offers Emory authors**
The Evening with Emory Authors features a reading and discussion followed by a reception and booksigning by faculty authors.

Oct. 28: Patricia Bauer, associate professor of research and psychology professor, and Caroline Schausmann, assistant professor in German studies, will read and discuss their work on memory.

Bauer’s book is the first to combine studies of infant autobiographical memory with similar studies conducted with adults. Schausmann’s work juxtaposes literary texts by six contemporary German writers who search for meaning in order to reconstruct a family history.


Both events are at 5:30 p.m. in the Jones Room of the Woodruff Library. They are sponsored by the Office of the Provost and the Academic Senate, sponsored by the Office of the Provost and the Academic Senate.

**Terrorism exhibit at medical school**

A photographic exhibit, “Inside Terrorism: The X-ray Picture,” that has traveled the country will be Nov. 3–7 at Emory.

Hosted by the School of Medicine’s Department of Radiology, the exhibit opens with a lecture by artist Diane A. Covert on Nov. 3 at 4:30 p.m. followed by a reception. The event and exhibit, held in the medical school lobby, are free and open to the public.

The exhibit is designed to expose the realities of terrorism on a civilian population through the use of X-rays and CT scans from two of the largest hospitals in Jerusalem.

For more information, call 404-727-5269.

**Friday, Oct. 31**

**Women’s Volleyball v. Juniata College. 7 p.m.**

**Saturday, Nov. 1**

**Ensemble Sirius, 8 p.m.**

Performing Arts Studio.

**Sunday, Nov. 2**

**Paul Jacobs, organ. 4 p.m.**


**Wednesday, Oct. 29**

**Benefits of Exercise for Osteoarthritis. Jaylinn Williams, Georgia State University. 7:45 p.m.**

The Emory Cine, 5th Floor Conference Room. Free. 404-778-7777.

**Drug Resistance and Hypersensitivity issues in Patients with Trichomonas Vaginalis Infections.**

W. Evan Secor, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, presenting. 8 a.m. 101 Faculty Office Building, Grady Campus. Free. Claire Hackworth@emory.edu.

**Thursday, Oct. 30**

**Stigma, Social Inequality and HIV/AIDS Among LGBT Populations.**

4 p.m. Mark Fasola, presenting. 4 p.m. 206 Anthropology Building. Free. dwest@emory.edu.

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Ensemble Sirius
cosponsored by the Pro-Mozart Society of Atlanta and the Emory Chamber Music Society on Nov. 9, 7 p.m., at the Carlson Museum.

The Vega String Quartet and soprano Katherine Blumen performed the premiere “Ophelia’s Gaz” a chamber opera by Emory music professor Steven Voss with text from Pulitzer-winning poet Natasha Trethewey’s “Bell’s Ophelia” as part of the Emory Chamber Music Society Emory University concert series on Nov. 15, 8 p.m., at the Schwartz Center.

Brother and sister duo William Ransom, piano, and Kate Ransom, violin, perform sonatas of Beethoven and Brahms in “Ransom Notes,” an Emory Choral Society Noontime Series concert on Nov. 21, at the Carlson Museum.

Emory student ensembles present a variety of free concerts of classical and world music in November, including: Emory Early Music Ensemble, Emory Early Music Ensemble, and the Emory Masteringers and Women’s Choral Ensemble, under the direction of Jody Miller, director of the Emory University choirs.

**Monday, Oct. 27**

**RSS Workshop. Jason Puckett, presenting. 2 p.m. 310 Woodruff Library. Free. 404-727-0147.**

**Tuesday, Oct. 28**

**Achieving Leadership Potential. 8:30 a.m. 1599 Clifton Road. Free. 404-727-7607.**

**Wednesday, Oct. 29**

**Working Through Conflict. 8:30 a.m. 1599 Clifton Road. Free. 404-727-7607.**

**Thursday, Oct. 30**

**Project Management. 8:30 a.m. 1599 Clifton Road. Free. 404-727-7607.**