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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE NEXT DEANERY ARE DUE OCTOBER 6, 2008.

The Deanery provides a variety of information for faculty. It announces committee decisions such as course changes approved by Educational Policy Committee, amendments to the Faculty Handbook, and other faculty business. It also publishes announcements about grants, fellowships, and research opportunities that come to the Provost's Office, as well as news about professional activities (articles published, papers given, or other participation in conferences and workshops) and other items of general interest to the faculty.

Faculty who wish to submit material for The Deanery should forward it to Lori Duff in the Provost's Office, via e-mail, disk, or in a form ready for publication.

I. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

| Committee | Chair | Location | Time |
|------------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| Faculty Steering | Bob Moss | Ferguson 204 | 1:10-2:00 Fridays |
| Faculty Personnel | Cliff Harris | Ferguson 111 | 5:00-7:00 Mons/Weds |
| Curriculum & Resources | Drew Christopher | Alumni Conf. Rm. | 8:00-10:00 Thursdays |
| Faculty Development | Marcy Sacks | Rob 206 | 4:45-5:30 Tuesdays |
| Budgets, Salaries & Benefits | Geoff Cocks | Ferguson 204 | 1:10-2:00 Tuesdays |

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM COMMITTEES

From Faculty Personnel Committee:

Christopher Van de Ven's name was not included in the list of faculty who were approved to receive a bonus this fall.

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Global Studies Committee:

The Global Studies Committee has approved the following courses as meeting the requirements for global category credit:

- History 150 – Africa’s Past and Present (Eaton)
- History 217 – Europe 1789-1918 (Baxter)
- Japanese 101 – Elementary Japanese (Mohri)
- Japanese 102 – Intermediate Japanese (Mohri)
- MLAC 105 – Intercultural Understanding and Global Issues (P.Myers)

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Historical & Cultural Analysis Committee:

The Historical & Cultural Analysis Committee of C&RC has approved the following course as fulfilling the H&C mode requirement:

Religious Studies 289 Special Topics: Early Christianities: The First Five Centuries
Instructor: Dr. Nancy Weatherwax MWF 2:10-3:00 Units: 1

Description: This course explores the diversity of early Christianities over the first five centuries in the Greco-Roman world and beyond. The unifying theme will be the dual trajectories of change and continuity in beliefs and practices in early Christian communities, as the categories of “orthodoxy” and “heresy” are constructed and a normative mainstream eventually emerges. Topics include Christological and Trinitarian controversies, processes of scriptural canonization, sacraments and spirituality, leadership structures, roles of class and gender, martyrdom, interaction with the wider culture, and church-state relations. Students will read a wide range of writings by early Christians, including noncanonical gospels.

II ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE ACADEMIC AFFAIRS OFFICE

As announced at the September 11, 2008 Faculty Meeting, Douglas White has been appointed to the part-time position of Associate Director of the Institute for the Study of the Environment effective Fall 2008. "Doug will begin immediately, working on many of the projects and administrative aspects of the Institute. As many of you know, Doug has been one of the staunchest supporters of the Institute since its inception, regularly teaching ENVN 102, participating in many of our field trips, supervising student research projects, and being involved in most of our service projects. You may not know that Doug has also been extremely influential in "behind the scenes" work in designing our shaping our program. Doug is an Ecologist, with a PhD from Rutgers University." (Tim Lincoln)

The Teaching Professor and Magna Publications invite presentation, panel discussions, and interactive poster session proposals for the sixth annual “Teaching Professor Conference.” The

goal of the conference is to produce substantive work so that teaching professors can improve practice and add legitimacy to their role as teacher scholars. The deadline for submitting a proposal is October 27, 2008. Visit <http://www.teachingprofessor.com> for more details.

Submissions for the "Undergraduate Research Highlights" feature of the Winter 2008 issue of the CUR Quarterly are being accepted until Friday, November 14, 2008. Highlights consist of brief descriptions of recent (past six months) peer-reviewed research or scholarly publications in scholarly journals. These publications must be in print and must include one or more undergraduate co-authors. To be considered for publication as an Undergraduate Research Highlight, a submission should include the information listed below and must conform to CUR guidelines. Submissions must be sent to the Editor of the Quarterly by email (Kelly McConaughay - kdm@bradley.edu). Submissions not selected for inclusion in the Quarterly will be put onto the Highlights portion of CUR's web site.

Members of Albion College faculty participate in a *Graduate Student Mentorship Program* with the University of Michigan's Rackham Graduate School and the Center for Research on Learning and Teacher (CRLT). Mentoring a faculty member involves an initial lunch (paid by U/M) to plan a teaching project and one or two subsequent campus visits to carry out the project. Examples of projects include: mentees guest teaching; mentees observing classes; mentees prepare an assignment for class, among others. If you are interested in serving as a mentor, please contact Judy Lockyer in the English Department.

In the Spring 2008 publication of Liberal Education, Albion College's science complex was profiled on the cover and in photos within an article written by Jeanne Narum, Project Kaleidoscope, entitled "**Transforming Undergraduate Programs in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics: Looking Back and Looking Ahead** (http://www.aacu.org/liberaleducation/le-sp08/le-sp08_Narum.cfm).

III SCHOLARLY AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Robert Doyle (Music adjunct) was invited to become part of the Teaching Faculty for the Institute for Contemporary Commercial Music held at Shenandoah Conservatory in Winchester, Virginia. The Institute focuses on the vocal pedagogy of teaching non-classical musical styles (Musical Theatre, Jazz, Pop, Rock, Folk, etc.) through Somatic Voicework(sm) - The LoVetri Method. Albion College hosts a satellite program for Level I in the spring. It is taught by the founder of the Institute, Jeannette LoVetri of New York City and Doyle. **Maureen Balke** (Music) and **John King** (Music adjunct) both hold Level I Certification in Somatic Voicework(sm) - The LoVetri Method.

Doyle also will appear as a crime scene photographer in the new Clint Eastwood film "Gran Torino." The movie was filmed in Highland Park, Michigan, and Doyle hopes his scene doesn't end up on the cutting room floor.

David Seely (Physics) presented an invited paper titled “*Production of long-lived H_2^- , HD^- , and D_2^- during grazing scattering collisions of H_2^+ , H_3^+ , D_2^+ , D_3^+ and D_2H^+ ions with KBr , KCl , and LiF surfaces*” at the 20th International Conference on the Application of Accelerators in Research and Industry (CAARI). The conference was held August 10-15 in Ft. Worth, TX. The manuscript will be published in a forthcoming volume of the American Institute of Physics (AIP) Conference Proceedings series. Two additional coauthored submitted papers were also presented at that conference: C.C. Havener, D.G. Seely, J.D. Thomas, and T.J. Kvale, “Isotope Effects in Low Energy Ion-Atom Collisions” and J.D. Thomas, T.J. Kvale, D.G. Seely, and C.C. Havener, “Determination of the secondary emission coefficient γ in electron capture cross section measurements in low-energy, multiply-charged ion atom collisions.”

In addition, David was coauthor of a recently published paper with H. Bruhns, H. Kreckel, and D.W. Savin of the Columbia Astrophysics Laboratory and C.C. Havener of the Physics Deivision at Oak Ridge National Laboratory, titled “Low-energy charge transfer for collisions of Si^{3+} with atomic hydrogen,” (Phys Rev. A. **77**, 064702 (2008)). Another paper, previously reported in the November 2007 *Deanery*, titled "Rotating Dual Wire Beam Profile Monitor Optimized for Use in Merged-Beams Experiments" was published in *Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research A* (D.G. Seely, H. Burhns, D.W. Savin, T.J. Kvale, E. Galutschek, H. Aliabadi, and C.C. Havener, Nucl. Instrum. Meth. in Phys. Res. A, 585 (2008) 69.