

WEEKLY CALENDAR

MONDAY, October 29

Spring 2008 registration begins

TUESDAY, October 30

WEDNESDAY, October 31

10:10 a.m. Weekly Worship Service

All Faith Chapel

4:00 pm Religion and Politics in Tennessee: A Report from the Field
Divinity G-27

THURSDAY, November 1

7:30 a.m. Community Breakfast – Immersion in Namibia

Assistant Dean Trudy Stringer & Professor Barbara McClure
Refectory

FRIDAY, November 2

10:10 a.m. Coffee Hour

Common Room

11:30 a.m. P&P

Tillett Lounge

12:10 p.m. CPE Session

Private Dining Room (details below)

1:00 p.m. GPAC Meeting

Tillett Lounge

2:00 p.m. GDR Faculty Meeting

Private Dining Room

Oct. 28-Nov. 1: Turner Center for Church Leadership: "Preaching the Gospel for These Times." Featured lecturers and preachers are Professors Brad Braxton, John McClure, Ted Smith and Mary Lin Hudson. The conference will be at Scarritt-Bennett Center. Please contact Danny Redding-Rhodes for more information

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Professor Richard A. Cohen, the Isaac Swift Distinguished Professor of Judaic Studies at the University of North Carolina, Charlotte will talk on "The Time of Ethics" at 2:10 p.m., Monday, October 29 in Buttrick 103. Professor Cohen is the author and editor of innumerable major works on Emmanuel Levinas, Paul Ricoeur, and Continental Philosophy such as "Face to Face with Levinas" and "Ricoeur as Another."

His more recent and forthcoming works include "Ethics, Exegesis and Philosophy: Interpretation after Levinas"; "The Wisdom of Love: Philosophical-Ethical Dialogues"; "Levinas and Spinoza"; "Political Monotheism: Justice, Ethics, Religion and Power – Levinasian Perspectives."

His talk will be followed by a group discussion with Professor Cohen on "Conversations on Ethics and Society: The Time of Levinas-I" that will include Professor Lisa Guenther and Katharine Loevy of the Department of Philosophy and others. The follow-up discussion with Professor Cohen will be held in 015 Buttrick beginning at 3:15 p.m.

Community Breakfast

Thursday, November 1, 2007
7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

The Refectory

Vanderbilt Divinity School

Featuring

Assistant Dean Trudy Stringer and Professor Barbara McClure

"Immersion in Namibia: Africa and the Church-
Justice and Promise for the Twenty-First Century "

Breakfast \$10

Reservations Necessary

Please RSVP to (615) 936-8453 or register online at www.vanderbilt.edu/divinity (click "Events")

by October 29, 2007

INTERESTED IN CPE?

Viki Matson will conduct an ORIENTATION TO CPE session on Friday, Nov 2 at 12:10 in the Private Dining Room. At this session you can learn more about the expectations of CPE, the ways it fits into a theological education, the application process, and much more. Feel free to bring your lunch.

Upcoming Events for the Center of the Study of Religion and Culture

Religion and Politics in Tennessee: A Report from the Field

Tuesday, October 30, 2007

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm

Divinity Room G27

Reception to follow

In the summers of 2006 and 2007, graduate field researchers worked in communities throughout Tennessee as part of the [CSRC's project on Religion and Politics](#). Come hear preliminary findings from their second summer of research. [Link here for an article from the Register about the project's first year.](#)

Please share the attached flyer with your colleagues and students.

for more information, please contact
Center for the Study of Religion and Culture
132 Buttrick Hall
Nashville, TN 37240
615.322.8910 | csrc@vanderbilt.edu November 15
4:00 pm, Wilson Hall 103

Religious Environmentalism: Promises and Challenges
Roger S. Gottlieb, Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Tuesday, November 6, 2007
5:00 - 6:30 p.m.
Vanderbilt Divinity School
Room G-23

**A HUMOROUS, INSIGHTFUL LOOK AT
GENDER IDENTITY DISORDER**

Rev. Ronnie Elise Elrod
www.eliseelrod.com

Second Presbyterian Church of Nashville will host a free screening of the documentary "Golden Rule Ethics: Reclaiming the Rightful Role of Faith in Politics" on Thursday, November 8, beginning at 7 p.m.

Produced by the Nashville based Baptist Center for Ethics, the documentary is rooted in the theological conviction that God is neither a Republican nor a Democrat and that neither party is thoroughly moral nor completely immoral.

The DVD explores the rightful role of faith in politics through interviews with clergy and politicians in Alabama, Missouri and Tennessee. It expands the moral agenda from the narrow list of issues prioritized by the Christian Right to the fuller expression of issues found in the Christian tradition, beginning with the biblical priority of doing justice.

A panel headed by the Rev. Robert Parham of the Center will respond to the 30 minute documentary.

The screening is co-sponsored by *Doing Justly*, a multi-denominational coalition of Christians in Nashville who seek to help church members better learn how to “walk the walk” of faith.

Second Presbyterian Church is located at 3511 Belmont Boulevard in Green Hills. The event will take place in the church’s Café, located on Graybar Avenue just off Belmont.

30th Annual Holocaust Series: Broken Silence

This coming week's events in Vanderbilt's Thirtieth Annual Holocaust Lecture Series.

Sunday, October 28, 7 p.m.

"Deep Evil and Deep Good: The Concept of Human Nature Confronts the Holocaust"

Lecture, Schulman Center

Between June 1942 and May 1943, a battalion of some five hundred German reserve police officers, many working-class family men, made their way through occupied Poland killing 38,000 Jews, one-by-one, face-to-face. During these same months on the other side of Europe, the villagers of the southern French town of Le Chambon-sur-Lignon secretly took in thousands of Jewish refugees, hid them on outlying farms, fed them and clothed them, and arranged for their escape to neutral Switzerland. Professor Michael Bess examines the various strategies that have been followed by historians, psychologists, social scientists, and philosophers, in the effort to explain the chasm that separates the wartime behavior of such seemingly "ordinary" groups of Europeans. Professor Bess is the Chancellor’s Professor of History at Vanderbilt University specializing in twentieth century Europe. He is the author of three books including *Choices Under Fire: Moral Dimensions of World War II* (2006).

Thursday, November 1, 7 p.m.

"Children of Hitler’s War"

Lecture, Flynn Auditorium, Law School

The Nazis put children at the heart of their racial war; German and Jewish, Polish and Czech, Sinti and disabled children were all to be separated along racial lines, ultimately, between those who were to live and those who were to die. At the same time, children fell prey to bombing, mechanised warfare, starvation policies and mass flight. But children were not only passive victims; they became active participants, going out to smuggle food, ply the black market, and care for sick parents and siblings. As they absorbed the brutal new realities of German occupation, they acted it out in their games: Polish boys playing at being Gestapo interrogators and Jewish children at being ghetto guards or the SS. Drawing on a wide range of new sources, from welfare and medical files to private diaries, letters and drawings, Professor Nicholas Stargardt evokes the individual voices of children under Nazi rule and brings their experiences of the war together. Professor Stargardt has written extensively about modern German history and the Holocaust, most notably in his acclaimed *Witnesses of War: Children’s Lives under the Nazis* (2006 and

2007). He is a Fellow of Magdalen College, Oxford, where he teaches modern European History.

November Events

Monday, November 5, 7 p.m.

Saul Friedländer

"The Years of Extermination: an Integrated History of the Holocaust"

Lecture, Wilson Hall 103

Thursday, November 15, 6 p.m.

Andrew Goldberg

"The Armenian Genocide"

Film, Wilson Hall 126

Monday, November 12, 5:30 p.m.

Keith McDaniel

The Clinton 12 (in conjunction)

Brief reception followed by Film and Discussion with director, at The Bishop Joseph Johnson Black Cultural Center

Thursday, November 15, 7:35 p.m.

Peter Balakian

"The Transmission of Trauma Across Generations: Writing a Memoir About Growing Up in the Suburbs and the Armenian Genocide"

Lecture, Wilson Hall 126

Survey on the Use of Bibliographic Management Software

Bibliographic management software packages like EndNote and RefWorks can help you do your research. Among other things, they can store references to articles, books, and other resources that you might be using in a paper or other document, and they enable you to insert citations and bibliographies into papers with ease.

The Divinity Library would like to know whether you currently use bibliographic management software. We'd also like to know how we can assist you in using or learning to use such packages.

To that end, we'd be grateful if you took a very BRIEF (4 question) survey, which you can find at this URL:

<http://survey.library.vanderbilt.edu:8080/survey/entry.jsp?id=1193331424671>

MC WOMEN'S CENTER EVENTS, SERIES AND PROGRAMS

(Events listed by dates and include any events, programs and series for which the Women's Center is solely responsible or for which we are a major sponsor or collaborator.)

OCTOBER 2007

(October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month)

PURPLE RIBBON CAMPAIGN

Wear a purple ribbon to show your support for ending domestic violence. Ribbons will be available throughout the month.

Date: Month of October

Location: Various

For more information, please contact kacy.silverstein@vanderbilt.edu.

4th ANNUAL ECONOMIC SUMMIT FOR WOMEN

An event of the Tennessee Economic Council for women and the TN Economic Council Foundation to explore the economic status of women in a variety of areas, create dialogue around those issues and work towards positive and meaningful change. The summit will feature breakout sessions on a variety of topics related to the economic status of women and girls in Tennessee. The summit also features the "E" Awards to honor women and teen who are making a difference in various areas of economic empowerment for women and girls. In addition scholarships will be awarded to 3 high school students and 3 non-traditional students (one each from each of the 3 great divisions of Tennessee). Keynote speakers and presenters include: Karyl Innis, Patricia Schroeder, Coach Melanie Balcomb and many more.

SILENT WITNESS EXHIBIT

A display of life-sized red wooden silhouettes representing women killed as a result of domestic violence in Davidson County. They will be displayed at various offices on campus.

Date: October 24-30, 2007

Location: Various offices on campus and agencies in the community.

For more information contact kacy.silverstein@vanderbilt.edu.

TAKE BACK THE NIGHT

Take part in this night of healing. Join Project Safe at the Vanderbilt University Margaret Cuninggim Women's Center in a community rally and march against domestic and sexual violence. The event will feature displays of the "Clothesline Project," vocal performance, information and a key note speaker.

Date: October 29, 2007; 7:15 p.m.

Location: Originates on the Vandy campus on Olin Lawn and end at Centennial Park.

For more information contact vicky.basra@vanderbilt.edu or kacy.silverstein@vanderbilt.edu.

WELLNESS BASH

The Wellness Bash is an annual fair event held in the Student Recreation Center (SRC). The Wellness Resource Center invites different wellness-related groups and companies to come and demonstrate their services. Some of the services previously involved with the

Bash have been Angelic Touch Massage, Vanderbilt Sports Medicine, Vanderbilt Student Health and the Margaret Cunningham Women's Center. There are also lots of giveaways from local companies. Representatives of the Vanderbilt Feminists and the IMAGE student group will have a booth with information about women's health. We hope you will stop by and visit our booths.

Date: October 31, 2007

Location: Student Recreation Center at Vanderbilt

For more information about the event, contact wellness.center@vanderbilt.edu or visit their website at: www.vanderbilt.edu/wellnesscenter/wellnessbash.html

NOVEMBER 2007

RACE FOR THE CURE: NOVEMBER 3rd

The Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation Race for the Cure® Series raises significant funds and awareness for the fight against breast cancer, celebrates breast cancer survivorship, and honors those who have lost their battle with the disease. With funds raised by the Komen Race for the Cure® Series, the Komen Foundation with its Affiliate Network is able to fund breast cancer research grants, meritorious awards, and community outreach programs. Up to 75 percent of the net proceeds raised by the Greater Nashville Race for the Cure® stays in middle Tennessee to fund outreach programs and initiatives that address the specific unmet breast health needs of our community, and a minimum of 25 percent of net proceeds raised supports the Komen Foundation Award and Research Grant Program. The Margaret Cuninggim Women's Center supports this event and the Vandy Feminists usually organize a team each year to participate.

Date: November 3rd;

Location: Bicentennial Mall in Nashville

For more information visit the website at: <http://www.komen-nashville.org/race.htm> or contact co-chairs Dawn Barnes Davis and Julie Filson at race@komen-nashville.org.

HAND IN HAND TRAINING

Hand in Hand is a group of students, staff and faculty trained to help students make informed decisions about services and options available to them related to sexual assault, dating/domestic violence, and stalking. We invite you to our volunteer training the weekend of September 28, 29 and 30. Training lasts 16 hours and addresses violence against women on campus and in the Nashville Community. You will learn how to support and connect survivors to resources on and off-campus.

Date: November 9-12 Times: TBA

Location: TBA

For more information and to register email Amy-Lee at Amy.l.gillard@vanderbilt.edu

WOMEN IN ACADEME SERIES: ENGAGING YOUR NETWORK

This session will focus on giving tools and information to graduate level women on building/engaging a network to assist in navigating graduate school work, grants and career development. This is a brown bag event, so bring your lunch and join us. This series of workshops, co-sponsored by the Margaret Cuninggim Women's Center, the BRET Office of Career Development and the Warren Center for the Humanities explores

issues pertinent to women in the academy and aims to foster dialogue between women in varying locations within the academy. Sessions are open to all Vanderbilt graduate students, professional students, and post-docs.

Date: November 9, 2007; 12:10 - 1:30 pm

Location: Warren Center for the Humanities; Vanderbilt University

For more information, please contact stacy.nunnally@vanderbilt.edu. RSVPs are appreciated, but not required.

INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK

International education Week is an annual, international event initiated by the U.S. Department of State and Department of Education, and coordinated at Vanderbilt by the office of International Student and Scholar Services and The Vanderbilt International Office. The week promotes programs that prepare Americans for a global environment and attract future leaders from abroad to study, learn, and exchange experiences in the U.S. To learn more about International Week throughout the country, please visit: <http://iew.state.gov/>. To get more information on the International Education Week events on campus, please visit: www.vanderbilt.edu/iss.

Date: November 12th - 16th, various times

Location: Various locations; Vanderbilt University

For more information, please contact sherif.barsoum@vanderbilt.edu.

Folks - share your announcements!! Email your announcements to sherry.willis@vanderbilt.edu by 10:00 a.m. on Friday, and they will be placed in the weekly E-Communicator.