

# The Academic Bulletin

from the Office of the Provost of Calvin College  
Friday, October 30, 2009

## *From the Provost*

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At the Faculty Assembly last week, I had the pleasure of announcing the new Faculty Lectureship Award and its first recipient, Craig Hanson, of the Department of Art and Art History. I want to remind you that Craig's lecture and a subsequent reception will be held next Monday, November 9, at 7:00 p.m. in the new art history classroom (SC 150, next to the Center Art Gallery). By tracing historical links between the arts and the sciences, Craig's work provides a contextual understanding of the "two-culture" mentality in today's academy. For more information about the award and the inaugural lecture, see: <http://www.calvin.edu/admin/provost/scholars/facultylectures/>.

Please come to the lecture if you can, and enjoy some community-building discussion afterward.

*Claudia Beversluis, provost*

## *Permission to be absent*

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Last week there were eighty-one reported cases of H1N1 flu among Calvin students, up from fifty cases the week before. It is believed that the number of cases reported represents half the amount of actual cases. According to the Center for Disease Control, flu incidence within a population increases steadily for several weeks, peaking around the sixth week. If Calvin is in week two of six, the peak will likely come just in time for Thanksgiving.

**Please make sure that your students know they have permission to be absent from class if they have the flu, and that they should not return to class until they have been free from the primary symptoms for two days. And please follow these same guidelines yourself!**

## *Nagel Fellowships*

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The Nagel Institute invites applications for research awards from all full-time tenure track and term-appointed faculty members of Calvin College and Calvin Theological Seminary. Two Nagel Fellowships will be awarded this academic year, for amounts ranging between \$2,000 and \$6,000 in support of faculty scholarship pertaining to the study of world Christianity. Applicants must submit the online application located at [www.calvin.edu/nagel/fellowships](http://www.calvin.edu/nagel/fellowships). The deadline for applications is November 30, 2009. For further information, contact Donna Romanowski ([drom@calvin.edu](mailto:drom@calvin.edu)) or Joel Carpenter ([jcarpent@calvin.edu](mailto:jcarpent@calvin.edu)).

## *Race to Unity*

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On November 5–6, 2009, a national network of black and white Christian leaders is sponsoring a major conference at the Kentwood Community Church. "Race to Unity" is coordinated by the

network's founder, the Rev. Ray McMillian, of Cincinnati, Ohio; featured speakers include Dr. Tony Evans of Dallas, Texas; Dr. Joseph Stowell, president of Cornerstone University; and pastors Marvin Williams, Scott Hagan, and many others. Register online for the conference at [www.racetounity.com](http://www.racetounity.com). A special luncheon for educators will be held on Friday, Nov. 6, featuring Katrina Browne, featured recently in the PBS documentary "Traces of the Trade." Tickets are \$10 for the luncheon only; contact Rick Wilson at 616-204-7362.

### ***College Chaplain Installation Service***

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The installation service for Mary Hulst as Calvin College chaplain has been rescheduled for Wednesday, November 18, at 4:00 p.m. in the College Chapel. Refreshments will follow. For more information, visit [www.calvin.edu/faith/chaplain-installation.html](http://www.calvin.edu/faith/chaplain-installation.html).

### ***This Week on Campus***

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#### Tuesday, November 3

- Meijer Chair book presentation: Henry Baron and Dick Harms, *Famous Frisians in America*. 3:30, Meeter Center Lecture Hall

#### Wednesday, November 4

- The Stob Lectures: David C. Steinmetz (Duke Divinity School), "Calvin and the Impotent God." 7:30 p.m., Seminary Chapel

#### Thursday, November 5

- Benefits Fair 2009. 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., Spoelhof Fieldhouse Complex
- SEM presentation: Chad Neher, Jennifer Roosien, and Ashlee Lust (Perrigo Co.), "Perrigo: Science Careers in Industry." 11:30 a.m., Science Building 110
- Department of Sociology and Social Work lecture: Kelsey Timmerman, "Where Am I Wearing?" 3:30 p.m., Commons Lecture Hall
- Liberia presentation. 3:30 p.m., Meeter Center Lecture Hall
- The Stob Lectures: David C. Steinmetz (Duke Divinity School), "Calvin and Spiritual Real Presence." 7:30 p.m., Seminary Chapel

#### Friday, November 6

- SEM presentation: Mike Bishop (Alma College), "Explorations in home range, foraging area and defended territory in Veery (*Catharus fuscescens*)." 1:30 p.m., Science Building 010
- Christian Perspectives in Science lecture: Bill Struthers (psychology, Wheaton College), "The Seven Temptations of Neuroethics." 3:30 p.m., Science Building 110
- Climate change lecture: Sara Kaweesa (A-Rocha Uganda Initiative), "Ankle-Deep in Reality." 3:30 p.m., Commons Lecture Hall
- University of Michigan organ recital: 8:00 p.m., College Chapel