

The Academic Bulletin

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Committee Reports, Mandates, Minutes

Do you wonder what your favorite faculty governance committee is up to this semester? Find out in one simple click: committee rosters, mandates, minutes, and reports to Faculty Senate are posted at www.calvin.edu/admin/comm.

Dutch-American Heritage Day

West Michigan will celebrate Dutch-American Heritage Day on Thursday, November 19, with dinner, music, and a special lecture, "Our America? How the Dutch Won and Lost a Continent," by Dr. Hans Krabbendam, historian at the Roosevelt Study Center in Middelburg, the Netherlands. The celebration will be held at the Pinnacle Center in Hudsonville beginning at 5:45. The cost is \$15 per person. For tickets, contact Henk Aay (aay@calvin.edu).

Accessible Learning Institute

Faculty are invited to attend the MSU Accessible Learning Institute Friday, November 20, 2009, 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the MSU Union. Recommended by colleagues in Calvin's Office of Academic Service, the institute is an opportunity for faculty, administrators and those working with students to learn from national experts how to better support students with disabilities as well as students with various learning styles. Topics include "Maintaining Academic Integrity in a Program While Accommodating Students with Disabilities" and a panel discussion on using "universal design" to create physically accessible spaces. The nominal registration fee covers a continental breakfast, lunch, and a substantial array of speakers/experts. For more information or to register, go to <http://fod.msu.edu/facDevOpportunities/AccessibleLearning/about.asp>.

Alumni Association Faculty Research Grants

The Calvin Alumni Association has \$25,000 available in 2009-10 to support faculty research projects. The CAA seeks to fill a niche in funding for items not covered by other Calvin grant programs, such as travel expenses and hiring student research assistants; salary support is not provided. Grant criteria and application forms are available at www.calvin.edu/alumni/about/grants/. Applications are due Monday, January 11, 2010.

Next Week on Campus

Sunday, November 8

- German Department lecture: Wolfgang Groeger and Wallace Bratt, “Social Justice, Revolution and the Church. Twenty Years after the Berlin Wall.” 6:00 p.m., Woodlawn Ministry Center

Monday, November 9

- CCCS lecture: Larry Braskamp (senior fellow, American Association of Colleges and Universities), “Enhancing a Global Perspective on Campus.” 3:30 p.m., Commons Lecture Hall

Tuesday, November 10

- GGES Department seminar: Joel Adams (computer science, Calvin college), “Stark Beauty: A Trip Around Iceland’s Ring-Road.” 3:30 p.m., North Hall 078
- Engineering Department seminar. 3:30 p.m., North Hall 010

Wednesday, November 11

- International Development Studies lecture: Joel Van Dyke (director, *Estrategia de Transformación*), “Street Psalms: The Gospel as Experienced by Gangs, Street Youth, and the Extreme Poor in Central America.” 3:30 p.m., North Hall 159

Thursday, November 12

- SEM lecture: Jim McCusker (MSU), “The Science of Solar Energy Conversion: An Inorganic Chemist in ExxonMobil’s Court.” 11:30 a.m., Science Building 110
- Meeter Center lecture: Piotr Wilczek (Honors College, the University of Warsaw), “Polish Calvinism in Crisis: The Emergence of the Antitrinitarian Theology in the 16th Century.” 3:30 p.m., Hekman Reading Room 415
- Campus Ministries workshop: Sharon Bytwerk, “Ignatian Examen.” 4:00 p.m., Hiemenga Hall 315