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Lent in Word and Song

PROVOST BRIEFING

March 26, 2018

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Here are some of this week's top stories and a look ahead.

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Faculty Funding Opportunities

Taking Applications Now!

Click on the link below for detail and how to apply.

- [CETL Teaching Fellows](#) - April 6, 2018
 - [Zampell Faculty Fellows](#) - April 6, 2018
 - [Davis Educational Foundation Experiential Education Grants](#) - April 6, 2018
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No Open Office Hours with the Provost this Week

Open office hours will resume after the Easter break

There will be no office hours with the Provost this Wednesday, March 28. Office Hours will return on Wednesday, April 4.

Gabrielle Calvocoressi

Tuesday, April 3

4:00 PM

The Writers House

[Gabrielle Calvocoressi](#) is the author of *Apocalyptic Swing*, *The Last Time I Saw Amelia Earhart* and, most recently, *Rocket Fantastic*. She is the senior poetry editor at *Los Angeles Review of Books* and teaches at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Read more about her and her work [here](#).

For more information about this and other events, please visit the [Writers House website](#).

Introduction to Academic Governance

Tuesday, April 3

4:00 - 5:00 PM

Crowe Hall, Room 210

There will be a presentation given by the Faculty Senate Executive Committee and the Merrimack AAUP Chapter introducing academic governance at Merrimack. This is part of the new faculty orientation and all faculty are welcome and encouraged to attend. There will be an opportunity for discussion at the event and light refreshments will be served.

The event is being co-sponsored by the Faculty Senate Executive Committee, the Merrimack Chapter of the AAUP, and the Office of the Provost.

CETL Mobile Training with Sue Burch from Apple

Wednesday, April 10

Provost Conference Room, Austin Hall

Whether you're new to teaching and learning with mobile technology or a seasoned mobile instructor, we encourage you to further your pedagogical reach by registering for this week's development sessions with one of Apple's best faculty developers. Consider one of the following sessions and register here: [Registration Link](#)

Make it and Take it - Your way! 12:30 - 2:30 PM (All levels welcome, lunch provided)

During this interactive session move around the room exploring strategies to engage students and assist with classroom management. Bring your ideas and fully charged/updated device.

- Create interactive content with iMovie, GarageBand, and Explain Everything
- Explore creative classroom management strategies with Apple Classroom, Plickers, Socrative, and Poll Everywhere
- Create virtual packets (Numbers) and reflective journals (Keynote)

You set the agenda! Book an individual session with Sue (various appointment slots throughout the day)

Personalized 15-minutes appointments

Distinguished Lecture: The Impact of Prevention On the Global Burden of Chronic Disease

Thursday, April 19

Welcome Reception: 3:00 - 3:30 PM

Event: 3:30 - 4:30 PM

Rogers Center of the Arts

Presented by **Dr. Howard Koh**, Professor of Practice in Public Health Leadership, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health and the Harvard Kennedy School. Dr. Koh served as the 14th Assistant Secretary of Health for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), after being nominated by President Barack Obama and being confirmed by the U.S. Senate.

[RSVP HERE](#)

Sponsored by the School of Health Sciences

Faculty Regalia Request

We are taking requests for faculty regalia rentals. If you are in need of regalia for the 2018 Commencement, Honors Convocation, and/or Baccalaureate Mass, please access the Regalia Form via the following link: [Request Form](#). There is an option rent or purchase this year. Rental costs will be paid by the College, however purchases will not. Please submit your request by **April 13, 2018**.

Edward G. Roddy Outstanding Teacher Award 2017-2018

Edward G. Roddy, 1921-1985, Merrimack College Professor of History and scholar who throughout his life demonstrated a devotion to teaching excellence, care and concern for students and a deep dedication to learning.

NOMINATIONS: Faculty and graduating seniors are asked to nominate a full-time Merrimack College professor for the honor of the *Edward G. Roddy Outstanding Teacher Award*. Students and faculty should consider a wide variety of qualities when submitting a nomination, which may include but are not limited to:

- Ability to engage and inspire student learning, creativity, and independent thinking inside and outside the classroom
- Encouragement of student participation
- Enthusiasm and vitality toward teaching and learning

- Effective and/or creative course design and redesign
 - Employment of pedagogical techniques that are fair and respectful of differences among students
 - Advisement and/or mentoring of students that reflect care, concern, and expertise
 - Adjustment to interests and needs of students based upon formal and informal assessments
 - Active involvement in student research projects
 - Significant effort in promoting mobile, tech-enriched teaching and learning environments
 - Comments: Please include specific details of how the above qualities are exemplified by this nominee. Nominations will be accepted until April 15 using this [nomination form](#).
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Faculty Tenure Reception

Thursday, April 5, 2018

5:00 - 7:00 PM

Merrimack Club, Sakowich Campus Center

Please join us to celebrate the newly Tenured Faculty.

RSVP to bianchiniv@merrimack.edu by **Friday, March 30, 2018**

2nd Annual Lenten Backpack Drive

Last year during Lent, the Grace J. Palmisano Center for Campus Ministry sponsored our first annual Backpack Drive. This drive is different than the other drives we sponsor, such as the toy and gift card drive during Advent and Christmas that brings happiness into the life of the child. This collection is more somber and certainly more sad. This drive is in coordination with the Massachusetts Department of Children and Family Services. We have been asked for help as they deal with the tragic brokenness of families and the unfortunate need to relocate children in danger to safety. Specifically, there are requesting donations of items that would fill overnight backpacks with supplies a child or a teenager would need when they must be placed in Emergency Foster Care for one or two nights.

Please see the [list for the type of items](#) that would be appropriate to donate. Backpacks themselves may be gently used but the clothing and other supplies should be new. Donations can include anything from fully loaded backpacks to single items on the list. We also welcome donations of cash with which we will purchase needed items. Please bring any donations you would like to the Grace J. Palmisano Center for Campus Ministry on the 3rd Floor of the Sakowich Campus Center (suite 350) by **Friday, April 5.**

For more information or questions please contact our Augustinian Volunteer, Maggie Morrin at morrinm@merrimack.edu.

McQuade Messenger

The Spring 2018 issue of the McQuade Messenger, the Library's newsletter, is now available [here](#).

Win an Award? Publish a Paper? Quoted in a News Article?

Share your good news! Send your accolades to [Ken Gornstein](#) in the Office of Communications for inclusion in the [Notable & Quotable blog](#).

Other Events this Week

March 29

Holy Thursday, College Closed

March 30

Good Friday, College Closed

Future Events

15th Annual Tolle Lege Reception

Thursday, April 26 **Rescheduled Date**

4:00 PM

Writers House

Please join us and congratulate your colleagues. This year's speakers include April Bowling, Cynthia Carlson, Fan Chen, Anne Flaherty, Autumn Ridenour, Rory Tannebaum, and Allan Weatherwax. Refreshments will be served.

2018 Commencement Weekend

May 19-20

Saturday, May 19

Legacy Reception

11:00 AM - Merrimack Stadium Viewing Patio

Honors Convocation

1:00 PM - Hammel Court, Volpe Athletic Center

Baccalaureate Mass

4:00 PM - Collegiate Church of Christ the Teacher

Graduate Hooding Ceremony

4:00 PM - Hammel Court, Volpe Athletic Center

Sunday, May 20

Commencement (combined undergraduate and graduate)

10:00 AM - Merrimack Stadium

Faculty line up and additional details still to come.

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