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Upcoming Events in Our Community

2010 DOUGLAS STURM DIALOGUE PRESENTS:

JUSTICE, REPARATION, AND FORGIVENESS

Finding a Moral Vocabulary for America's Racial Future

DATE: Thursday, February 4, 2010, 7:00 P.M.

LOCATION: Gallery Theatre, Langone Center

SPEAKERS: Robin W. Lovin and Victor Anderson

Robin W. Lovin is Cary Maguire University Professor of Ethics at Southern Methodist University. His career includes service as dean of Perkins School of Theology at SMU and 13 years as a faculty member at the Divinity School of the University of Chicago. His books include *Reinhold Niebuhr and Christian Realism*, *Christian Ethics: An Essential Guide*, and *Christian Realism and the New Realities*.

Victor Anderson is professor of Christian Ethics at Vanderbilt Divinity School, African American and Diaspora Studies and Religious Studies. He has devoted his career to the study of religion, ethics, and culture, seeking to understand the power that these disciplines have to influence human life and actions. Anderson is author of three books: *Beyond Ontological Blackness: An Essay on African American Religious and Cultural Criticism*; *Pragmatic Theology: Negotiating the Intersections of an American Philosophy*; and *Religion and Public Theology and Creative Exchange: A Constructive Theology of African American Religious Experience*. A past co-editor of the *African American Religious Life and Thought Series*, Anderson has contributed essays and articles to several scholarly journals and has edited books in his field.

Sponsored by the Departments of Religion and Political Science and the Social Justice College

Black History Month Programs: Lecture and Film Presented by Union County Historical Society

LECTURE: *People as Property: Slavery and the Underground Railroad at the Dale House 1793-1840*

DATE: February 14 at 2:00 P.M.

LOCATION: The Dale/Engle/Walker House, Strawbridge Road, off Route 192, just west of Lewisburg

FILM: *Safe Harbor* at 2:00 P.M. Feb. 28. *Safe Harbor* is a story of freedom fighters — free blacks and whites — in northeastern Pennsylvania who supported the anti-slavery movement.

DATE: February 28 at 2:00 P.M.

LOCATION: The Dale/Engle/Walker House, Strawbridge Road, off Route 192, just west of Lewisburg

Exhibits and house tours are included in both programs.



NAACP: UNSUNG HEROES OF BLACK HISTORY Project

The following letter was distributed to members and supporters of the NAACP on first of February, announcing its new “Unsung Heroes of Black History” project. The project invites anyone and everyone to submit stories (and photos) to add to the project. The website to access a set of such “Unsung Heroes” and to learn how to submit additional nominations is: <http://naACP-unsung-heroes.tumblr.com/>.

The letter is from Ben Jealous, President and CEO of the NAACP:

“Every February, we celebrate the triumphs and accomplishments of African-Americans as families, classrooms, and libraries across the nation commemorate Black History Month. It is a time to recognize the giants of our struggle, from Harriet Tubman to Martin Luther King, Frederick Douglass to Barack Obama.

“But history is more than just a collection of famous people and major dates. Indeed, it is a multi-layered narrative in which individual decisions lead to collective movements, where context, timing and personalities combine to create the space for social change to occur.

“Without question, the Montgomery Bus Boycott needed a Rosa Parks to take her legendary stand, but it also depended on the thousands of individuals making the courageous decision morning after morning to risk their jobs, their health and their safety to bring a measure of justice to the Jim Crow South. Each of these participants deserves our recognition too.

“Every organizer who fought against workplace inequality, every neighbor who registered his or her block to vote, is an unsung hero of black history.

“This month, the NAACP has launched “Unsung Heroes of Black History Month,” a new interactive web-based feature celebrating these little known black history heroes. NAACP members and supporters around the country will have the opportunity to upload a photo and tell the story of their favorite unsung hero to be published on our website. Viewers will be able to read, learn and comment on their stories.

“The world-changing advances made by African-Americans were neither pre-ordained nor inevitable. They are the product of thousands of individuals who changed the world with small decisions every day.

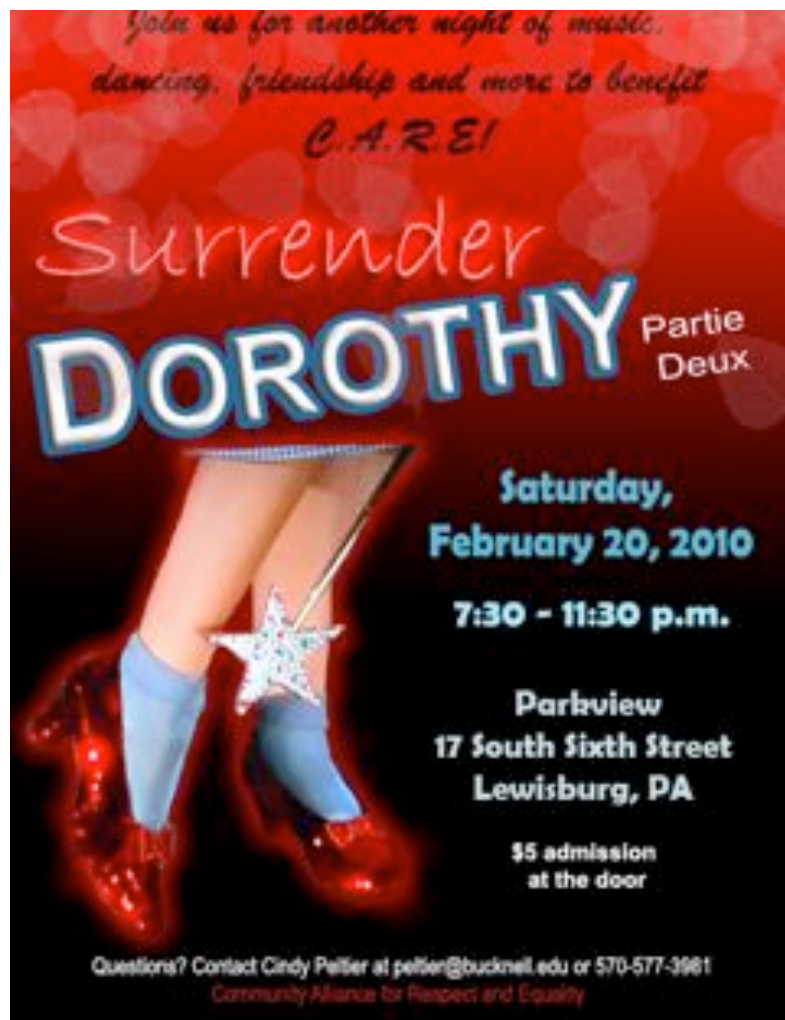
“When you share a story of an unsung hero, we can expand our understanding of the narrative of black history, one hero at a time. Thank you.”

CARE Dance on February 20th - Save the Date

TIME: 7:30–11:30 P.M.

LOCATION: Parkview behind Puirseil’s Irish Pub, 15 South 6th Street, Lewisburg

People had such a good time at the *Surrender Dorothy* CARE dance last November at the Lewisburg Club, we have decided to hold another one so please, save the date and plan to come ready to rock ‘n roll. \$5 admission at door. For more information contact Cindy Peltier at peltier@bucknell.edu or call 570-577-3981.



Facing Race: A Multimedia Installation & Performance

DATE: February 27th at 2:00–4:00 P.M.

LOCATION: Larison Hall, Bucknell University

Bucknell University's Center for the Study of Race, Ethnicity and Gender in collaboration with eight Bucknell Professors and their students will be producing a unique public happening that creatively explores the theme of race in the 21st century. Facing Race: A Multimedia Installation & Performance featuring performance artist E. Patrick Johnson, the chair of the Northwestern University Department of Communications,

For more information, please contact Carmen Gillespie at carmen.gillespie@bucknell.edu Admission is free.

Moral Dilemmas: Principles and Stages of Moral Development

DATE: February 8, 7:00–9:00 P.M.

LOCATION: Geisinger Medical Center's Henry Hood Center for Health Research, Intermediate Conference Room #4, 100 Academy Ave., Danville
INSTRUCTOR: Chaplain Karl A. Pölm-Faudré, Ph.D., Director of Education, Research and Outreach, Division of Spiritual Care, Geisinger Medical Center, Danville, Pa

The complexity of life today has brought many people to reflect once again on how they make moral decisions. Morality, or ethics, pervades all domains of life, each within itself, as well as how the domains of life interrelate to yield a sense of wholeness.



religious principles of conduct, a humanistic ethical code, well reasoned assertions, personal experience, or some combination of the preceding? Is there any moral system that is trans-cultural and globally relevant? By what criteria is any moral system evaluated? On the most immediate and concrete level, how do you make a moral decision?

These and related questions will be considered in light of a research packet of contemporary investigations, a review of developmental psychologists Kohlberg and Haidt's schemas of moral development, and selected case studies of moral dilemmas.

Please be aware that 'moral' development is distinct from stages of 'faith' development as for example articulated by James Fowler, or stages of 'spiritual' development as for example articulated by Ken Wilber or James Marion.

Handout materials will be provided for each registered participant.

REGISTRATION: Limited Enrollment. Reservation required. To register, call Tina or the voice mail at 570-271-3700 and leave the workshop title, your name, contact phone number and email address in a slow, clear voice.

Stages of Spiritual Development: An Interdisciplinary Study

DATES: A two-session workshop on Monday evenings

February 15 and 22, 7:00-9:00 P.M.

LOCATION: Location, Instructor, and Registration are the same as those for the Moral Dilemma class listed above.

Can a person be spiritually immature? The scriptures of all the world religions indicate such to be the case. What would be the characteristics of spiritual maturity, and how would it be attained?

Employing a developmental model, an evolving international and interdisciplinary consensus among theologians, philosophers, psychologists, sociologists, anthropologists and neuropsychologists suggests a paradigm of six stages of spiritual development.

In this two-session workshop, we will examine this paradigm as it applies to the nature of the divine, human nature, good and evil, divine-human and human-to-human relationships, salvation and the meaningful existence. Illustrations of the six stages will be offered from Judaism, Buddhism and Christianity.