

# THE HONORS AMBO

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Dear Honors Students,

What's your favorite Thanksgiving tradition? Sweet potatoes or apple pie? Football or 5ks? Whatever your plans this week, we wish you a happy Thanksgiving!

On Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, we will kick into Christmas mode! Check out all the fun holiday happenings!

## *On campus for Thanksgiving break?*

**Join Fr. Jude for a Thanksgiving feast!**

Free food and great company are guaranteed. Find details and sign up at [ministry.cua.edu](http://ministry.cua.edu)



## *Calling all pictures!*

Your pictures deserve more than just an occasional "like" on Facebook. Let's put them on the big screen! Email pictures of you and your Honors friends from this semester to [purpleke@cua.edu](mailto:purpleke@cua.edu), and Katie will add them to our Christmas dinner slideshow! This slideshow will be played on a loop throughout the Christmas dinner. Commemorate the good times you've had! **Deadline for submissions: Tuesday, November 26.**

## *And speaking of Christmas...*

### **Annual Honors Christmas Dinner**

*Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, Pryz Great Room*

Don't forget to RSVP to the evite! Enjoy scrumptious food and festive Christmas music. Don't forget to wear your holiday best. See you there!



### **Ladies of Walton, what do you want for Christmas?**

We have already promised the men of McDonald a Christmas present, and now we are looking for the perfect one for you! What would you put on the Walton Christmas list? What would be a fun game or nice addition to your lounge? Email us and let us know!

### **Bring a book, win a book.\***

A proud alumna of the University Honors Program, Eleanor Brasfield, is currently serving in the Peace Corps in Zambia. Her local school is eagerly seeking new or used books of all kinds. Storybooks for children are in special demand, but all books, including textbooks, would be welcome! Bring a **book or a dollar** to the Christmas Dinner or to 112A McMahan, and you will be entered into a raffle to win a copy of Prof. Andreas Widmer's *The Pope and the CEO: John Paul II's Leadership Lessons to a Young Swiss Guard*. Prof. Widmer was a guest speaker at our Hitchhiker's Guide to Culture, and his book promises to be wise and riveting.

*\*dependent upon participant's luck*

## *A Penny for your Thoughts (Page 1)*

*"I don't know half of you half as well as I should like; and I like less than half of you half as well as you deserve." - J.R.R. Tolkien, The Fellowship of the Ring*

## Christmas Events Calendar

### CUA Wind Ensemble Concert

Wednesday, Dec 4 7:30 p.m.

Pryz Great Room

The Benjamin T. Rome School of Music presents a concert by the CUA Wind Ensemble conducted by John Mitchell, director. Featured will be "Repertoire Pas Redouble" by Camille Saint Saens/translated by Arthur Frackenpohl; "Prelude and Fugue in D Minor" by Bach/Moehlmann; "Ambrosian Hymn Variants" by Donald White; "Dancing At Stonehenge" by Anthony Suter; "October" by Eric Whitacre; "Longford Legend" by Robert Sheldon; and "March of the Revolutionary Guard" by Bedrich Smetana/Nelhybel. Admission is free.

### HRC Christmas Party

Wednesday, Dec 4 7:00pm-9:00pm

McDonald Lounge

Men of McDonald and Ladies of Walton! Ring in the Christmas season with Christmas music, carols, and plenty of Christmas sweets.

### Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony and Greccio

Friday, Dec 6 5:00pm-7:00pm

Pryz Atrium

The Office of the President, Campus Ministry, and the Benjamin T. Rome School of Music present the University Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony. With Greccio (the Franciscan Christmas tradition of a live Nativity) and caroling.

### Christmas Concert for Charity

Friday, Dec 6 7:30pm

The Benjamin T. Rome School of Music and the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception present the 24th Annual Christmas Concert for Charity. The concert is free and open to the public. A free-will offering benefits Bethlehem House, which runs homes for adults with intellectual disabilities in Brookland and Riverdale, MD. For a list of works to be performed, visit [music.cua.edu/calendar/index.cfm](http://music.cua.edu/calendar/index.cfm).

### Women's Chorus Concert

Saturday, Dec 7 7:30 pm

St. Vincent de Paul Chapel, CUA Campus

The CUA Women's Chorus presents their Christmas concert, *It Was a Winter Wild*, singing the music of Britten, Dello Joio, Handi, Haydn, and others. Featuring Danielle Talamantes, soprano; Elizabeth Hill, piano; Paul Campbell, organ; and Kevin O'Brien, conductor.

## STUDENT CORNER

### Psychology Achievements

On Saturday, sophomore Honors student Kateri Noble presented a poster at a conference for The Association for the Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies in Nashville, Tennessee! Her poster was titled, "Pretreatment Neuroticism and Psychological Inflexibility as Predictors of Outcome following a Mindfulness Intervention for Stress." Kateri presented and fielded questions for an hour, and also got to meet some eminent psychologists. Kateri was sponsored by a scholarship from the Merkel Fund. Congratulations, Kateri!



l-r: Dr. Carol Glass, Kateri Noble, and Dr. Diane Arnkoff

### Would you like to be a symposiarch?

We are looking for two Honors students, currently sophomores or juniors, who are interested in organizing our Honors Symposia for the next year. These events are held usually twice per semester and give a small group of students the opportunity to have dinner with a professor in one of the Honors residence halls. Your responsibilities would be simple: invite a professor to dinner and pick a date; make a flyer and advertise the event; and make dinner the night of. Rachel Ray culinary skills are not required; very basic cooking skills are just fine! If you are interested in being one of next year's symposiarchs, please contact [purplele@cua.edu](mailto:purplele@cua.edu).

### Thinking about CUA for grad school? Work with the Honors Program!

Honors Program alumni (or soon-to-be alumni) are eligible to apply for the Honors Graduate Fellowship. Work 20hrs/week while enrolled in a CUA graduate program, and receive full tuition remission and a generous stipend. Deadline to apply: Feb. 15, 2014. More information forthcoming.

### LSC 522. Digital Content Creation and Management

Tuesdays, 3:40-6:10pm. Instructor: Dr. Ingrid Hsieh-Yee

Try something new – take a course in the Dept. of Library and Information Science! This course covers how individuals and organizations create, communicate, use, and manage digital information content for learning, work, and play. Students will learn to use information technologies to create and manage digital content and develop strategies to use information technologies effectively and responsibly. Social media will be examined in depth. Digital media and Web applications will be studied for their impact on individuals and society. For more information, please see the attached course description.

### A Penny for your Thoughts (Page 2)

*"I have learned that to be with those I like is enough." - Walt Whitman*