

Schedule of Events

Winter 2012

Christ College Symposium welcomes members of the wider University and local communities to join in convivial discussion on a different thought-provoking topic each week.

January

- 19** *AbUSed: The Postville Raid*
Maryn Olson '02
Student and Family Services Coordinator
Postville, Iowa Community School District
- 26** *An Architectural and Social History of Valparaiso's Linwood Avenue Neighborhood*

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- 2** *Cabin Fever:
A Suburban Father's Search for the Wild*
Tom Montgomery Fate
Author
- 9** *Christ College Student Scholarship II*
- 16** *Issues in Health Care in Central America*
Amy Cory
Assistant Professor of Nursing
Valparaiso University
- 23** *Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore:
The National Park You Don't Know*
Constantine J. Dillon
National Park Service Superintendent

March

- Tues 27** *Christ College Freshman Debate One*
- Thurs 29** *Christ College Freshman Debate Two*

April

- Tues 10** *Christ College Freshman Debate Three*
- Thurs 12** *Christ College Freshman Debate Four*

All events take place in the Christ College Refectory, Mueller Hall.

Christ College Symposium Winter 2012



Thursdays 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Christ College Refectory
Mueller Hall, Valparaiso University

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All events are free and open to the community. All events are Core approved.



January 19

AbUSed: The Postville Raid
Maryn Olson '02
Student and Family Services
Coordinator, Postville Iowa
Community School District

In 2010 critically acclaimed documentary filmmaker Luis Arqueta captured the story of the May 12, 2008 U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement raid of a meat-packing plant in rural Postville, Iowa, where hundreds of Hispanics were employed. The film weaves together personal stories of the individuals, the families, and the town directly affected by the events of the raid—the largest raid of a single workplace in US history—and presents the human face of the issue of immigration reform as a cautionary tale against abuses of constitutional human rights. Valparaiso / Christ College alumna Maryn Olson will describe her experiences as coordinator of the Postville Response Coalition. The 96-minute documentary will be screened on January 12 and January 16, 2012 at 7:00 pm in the Christ College Refectory, Mueller Hall.

January 26

An Architectural and Social History of Valparaiso's Linwood Avenue Neighborhood

What do houses tell us about the meaning of family, neighborhood, and nation? Last fall students in Professor Gretchen Buggeln's Christ College seminar "The American Home" studied the lower Linwood Avenue neighborhood adjacent to the Valparaiso University campus. In this Symposium students from her class will offer their findings in an illustrated presentation, emphasizing architecture, landscape, and the lively history of this close-knit community.

February 2

Cabin Fever: A Suburban Father's Search for the Wild
Tom Montgomery Fate, Author

The author of five books of nonfiction, including *Beyond the White Noise: Mission in a Multicultural World*, a collection of essays, *Steady and Trembling*, a spiritual memoir, and *Cabin Fever*, a nature memoir. His essays have appeared in *Orion*, *Iowa Review*, *Christian Century*, *Sojourners*, and many other journals and anthologies; and they regularly air on NPR, and Chicago Public Radio. He teaches English at the College of DuPage in suburban Chicago. His appearance is co-sponsored by the Wordfest program of the Valparaiso University Department of English.

February 9

Christ College Student Scholarship II

The CC Student Scholarship Symposium features analytical, critical, creative research projects by current Christ College students. Authors will present their work and respond to questions from the audience.



February 16

Promoting Health in Central America
Amy Cory
Assistant Professor of Nursing
Valparaiso University

Since 2007, Professor Amy Cory has worked with Valparaiso's nursing, premedical arts and pre-dental students in urban Costa Rica and rural Nicaragua in programs aimed to improve health inequities related to gender, ethnicity and socioeconomic status. As students have worked alongside local health care providers in homes, workplaces, and medical and dental clinics, they have focused on health promotion and disease prevention as well as the diagnosis and management of disease processes among medically underserved populations. Dr. Cory will provide an overview of health care in Central America as it compares to the U.S. health care system, and the implications of the global health care environment.



February 23

Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore: The National Park You Don't Know
Constanine J. Dillon
Superintendent,
National Park Service

Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore encompasses over 15,000 acres of dunes, beaches, bogs, marshes, swamps, prairie remnants, and historic sites along the southern shore of Lake Michigan. Natural features include Mt. Baldy, the park's premiere sand dune rising 126 feet above Lake Michigan. Though it was established more than 45 years ago, Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore remains a mystery to many people in the region. Confusion regarding the location of the park, its mission, and its programs conspire to render the park less than it should be. This talk will look at why Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore has yet to reach its potential as an economic and quality of life asset to the region and how the public can contribute to the success of this national treasure.

Twenty-Sixth Annual Christ College Freshman Debates

Tuesday, March 27

Thursday, March 29

Tuesday, April 10

Thursday, April 12

6:30-7:45 pm, Christ College Refectory

The exciting Christ College Freshman Debates are the culmination of first-year students' research, preparation, and practice of the arts of oral argumentation. Teams of freshmen, coached by Christ College faculty and senior students, will debate four timely and significant issues to be announced. Competition is civil and high spirited. At the conclusion of each debate, audience members vote their minds by leaving the assembly through a door marked PRO if they favor the resolution or through a door marked CON if they oppose the proposition. Votes are counted and announced at the end of the evening.

