

THE AQUINAS COLLEGE CONTEMPORARY WRITERS SERIES WELCOMES AUTHOR/EDITOR SVEN BIRKERTS

Sven Birkerts will give a presentation at Aquinas College on **Thursday, April 20**. The evening reading and discussion will be at **7:30 p.m. in the Wege Center Ballroom**. The event is free and open to the public.

Birkerts has taught writing at Harvard University, Emerson College, Amherst and is currently a lecturer at Mt. Holyoke College. He is also a core member of the Bennington Writing Seminars. Since July of 2002, Birkerts has been the editor of *AGNI*, the web-based version of the acclaimed literary journal and edited *Tolstoy's Dictaphone: Writers and the Muse* (Greywolf), *Writing Well* (with Donald Hall) and *The Evolving Canon* (Allyn & Bacon). He is the author of six books including *An Artificial Wilderness: Essays on 20th Century Literature* (William Morrow), *American Energies: Essays on Fiction* (William Morrow), *The Gutenberg Elegies: The Fate of Reading in an Electronic Age* (Faber & Faber) and *My Sky Blue Trades: Growing Up Counter in a Contrary Time* (2002 Viking) to name a few.

Lila Wallace-Reader's Digest Foundation and the Guggenheim Foundation have awarded grants to Birkerts. He was the winner of the Citation for Excellence in Reviewing from the National Book Critics Circle in 1985 and the Spielbogel-Diamonstein Award from PEN for the best book essays in 1990.

The Aquinas College Contemporary Writers Series was founded by a grant from Tony Foster, M.D. '73 and Linda Nemece Foster '72. The series kicked off in 1997 by bringing well-known authors to Aquinas College for a public reading and a workshop with students. Nobel

April 17, 2006

Prize winning poet Seamus Heaney will be a special guest of the Aquinas Contemporary Writers Series on Wednesday, May 10, 2006. For information, call (616) 632-2127 or visit www.aquinas.edu/library.

Wednesday, May 10

7:30 p.m.: Aquinas College Contemporary Writers Series presents **Seamus Heaney, acclaimed Irish poet Nobel Prize winner for Literature**. Seating is limited. First come first served. Wege Student Center Ballroom. Free.

ART NEWS

Sunday, April 9-Saturday, May 6

Aquinas College Gallery Exhibit. **Bachelor of Fine Arts Exhibit**. Monday-Thursday, 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.; Friday, 10:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 2:00-6:00 p.m. Aquinas Art and Music Center Gallery. Free.

MUSIC NOTES

Sunday, April 23

2:00 p.m.: Aquinas College Music Department Spring Concert. Kretschmer Recital Hall, Aquinas Art and Music Center. Free.

Thursday, April 27

7:30 p.m.: Aquinas College Spring Jazz Night. Kretschmer Recital Hall, Aquinas Art and Music Center. Free.

COMMENCEMENT 2006 EVENTS

Saturday, May 6

10:00 a.m.: Aquinas College Baccalaureate Mass. St. Roberts of Newminster Church, 6477 Ada Drive S.E.

2:00 p.m.: Aquinas College Commencement. Aquinas College Field House, 1580 East Fulton.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Friday, April 21

8:15 a.m.: Aquinas College **AQ Day** for high school juniors, seniors and their families. For information, visit our Web site: aquinas.edu/admissions.

Wednesday, April 26

3:00-5:00 p.m.

Albertus Hall Second Floor

General Chemistry Student Poster Session

First-year chemistry students (CY112) will be presenting the results of their individual laboratory projects. These projects describe synthetic and analytic aspects of chemistry and have taken most of the semester to complete. The campus community is invited to browse the display and talk to the students about their work. Come for fifteen minutes, an hour, or whatever fits your schedule. Refreshments!

"STOP THE HATE" PROGRAM, April 26 & 27

It's looking to be a busy month for Multicultural Affairs. This month we're putting on a "**Stop the Hate**" program on April 26 and 27 on campus. The program will be divided up into two parts:

April 26 - We will be having a resource fair on the Wege Mall which will integrate many organizations around Grand Rapids with the Aquinas student body in order to raise awareness and foster one of our core values of service to the community.

April 27 - We will be having two guest speakers in the Loutit Room. The first speaker, at **12:15 p.m.** is *Larry Hamlin* who will be asking the question "*Is your Christianity colorblind?*" This will take a closer look at the religion of Christianity and race as it relates toward hate crimes. The second, at **3:00 p.m.**, is *Rachael Stern*, a GVSU graduate intern who will be speaking on "*Responding to Hate on Campus.*"

This program will be very advantageous as it deals with a very real issue in today's society. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to send me an e-mail at -jackssta@aquinas.edu.

Wednesday, May 17

6:00 p.m.: Aquinas Emeritus College Evening honoring Dick and Barbara Young, Community Leaders. Cost: \$150 per person. Aquinas College Field House. For reservation and/or information call (616) 632-2430.

Wednesday, May 24-Friday, May 26

9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.: Aquinas College Haiti Garage Sale. The funds raised benefit Haitian teachers at the Aquinas sister school in Borel, Haiti. Aquinas College Gate House, 1605 Robinson Road, S.E. Sponsored by Aquinas Campus Ministry. For information, call (616) 632-2488.

Grand Rapids Festival 2006 Film & Video Competition

If you are a local producer or a novice who enjoys making movies, applications are available for the Festival 2006 Film & Video Competition and can be picked up at GRTV, 711 Bridge NW, (upstairs in the Westwood Library) or downloaded at www.festivalofthearts.org. All applicants must be residents of Allegan, Barry, Ionia, Kent, Ottawa, Montcalm, Newaygo, or Muskegon County. Entries should all be submitted on videotape or DVD and produced within the last 2 years and not have been previously submitted to the Festival Film & Video competition. **The deadline is May 1, 2006.** Festival takes place this year on June 2, 3, & 4.

For more information about the film and video competition and Festival of the Arts in Grand Rapids call (616) 459-1919 or check out the website at www.festivalofthearts.org

Grand Rapids Festival 2006 Regional Arts Competition Application Forms Now Available

Application forms are available for artists interested in entering the Festival 2006 Regional Arts Competition. The competition is open to all artists including, but not limited to, photographers, sculptors, painters, metalworkers, jewelry makers, furniture makers, ceramists, printmakers and multimedia artists who live in Allegan, Barry, Ionia, Kent, Montcalm, Muskegon, Newaygo and Ottawa counties. There is no age limit. Fees are \$15 for one piece of artwork and \$10 for two.

For more information on the art competition and where to pick up the application forms, call Festival of the Arts in Grand Rapids (616) 459-1919 or check out the website at www.festivalofthearts.org

The Festival 2006 Regional Art Competition is sponsored by Festival of the Arts in Grand Rapids and the Grand Rapids Art Museum.

CAREER & COUNSELING SERVICES

Upcoming Events

Career Fair 2006

There will be a free Career Fair at Baker College of Owosso on **Wednesday, April 26 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** There will be over 50 employers including: Sparrow Health Systems, AFLAC, Michigan Department of Corrections, and Citadel Marketing Group. Bring plenty of resumes and wear your best professional attire. For more information visit www.baker.edu

Wayne State University Pre-Med Symposium

This opportunity is for undergraduate students interested in the field of medicine. They will discuss admission to medical school, interviewing, what to expect from the curriculum and MCAT preparation. The event will take place **Saturday, April 29 from 8:30 to noon with an optional tour from noon to 1:00 p.m.** Pick up a registration form in the Career & Counseling office on the first floor of Hruby.

Diversity Leadership Program

Monster.com is sponsoring a free weekend workshop to help develop career skills. There are scholarship opportunities and all expenses will be paid to and from the event. For more information visit <http://www.monsterDLP.com>.

Many employers have been busy posting jobs and internships for you on eRecruiting! There are 1300 listings including 43 in Finance/Banking, 79 in Education, and 59 in Healthcare. Here are some of the most recent employers requesting applications.

Awareness Sports Marketing Majestic Innovations Hantz Group

Many job and internship opportunities have also been sent to us via fax and email. Stop in to Career and Counseling Services and take a look through our Job and Internship binders.

Some summer job postings:

Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp- Life-guards, counselors, and health staff.

Camp Wehakee- Female counselors at Catholic Christian camp

YMCA Camp Manitou-In- Camp Nurse

Camp Coca-Cola- Team leaders, group leaders, activity instructors

Interlochen- Counselors, and instructors

Visions- Nurse, counselor, lifeguard, job coach, dining hall manager, driver

Camp Blodgett- Counselors, early childhood specialists

INTERNSHIP

It's never too late to start an internship. You can still add one for fall. To find out more, call ext. 2905 to schedule an Internship Information Session today.

Be sure to check **eRecruiting** for all internship postings. If you don't remember your password, the site will send you a reminder. Go to **Aquinas.erecruiting.com** today!

Internship Info Session

Want to gain experience and get a competitive edge on the job market? Attend an Internship Info Session to find out about internships. Call ext. 2905 to schedule an Info. Session.

Fifth Third Bank Minority Scholarship

This scholarship is for students of color majoring in business from Fifth Third Bank of Michigan. If you are interested in applying for the scholarship, contact Laretta at ext 2901.

COUNSELING

Grieving: A Process that Takes Time

Participate in an interactive exercise that will help you recognize when you've experienced a loss. (Saying "goodbye" at the end of the year can be a loss.) What to expect when loss occurs and suggestions on how to process through grief will be explored. This event will take place on **Tuesday, April 18th from Noon to 1:00 p.m.** in the private dining room. Sponsored by Career & Counseling Services.

Job Opening

The Career and Counseling services office is looking for student workers to fill open office positions. If you would like to apply for the job bring your resume to the 1st floor of Hruby Hall and fill out an application. The position would begin in the fall or summer if interested. If you have any questions call ext 2905.

Summer Tips

Summer is only 5 weeks away and the career and counseling staff would like to congratulate all of the seniors who will be receiving their diplomas in May. Remember, the Career & Counseling office will be open all summer to suit your needs should you need help finding a job or polishing your interview skills. For those of you who aren't graduating, here are some tips to help make your summer as rewarding and relaxing as possible.

Schedule and informational interview:

If you have an idea about what you want to do after graduation make sure it isn't just fluff. Talk to someone who works in the field you would like to pursue and make sure it is everything you hope it is. Not sure where to start? Check with your Chamber of Commerce, family and friends to see if they know anyone in your field of choice.

Volunteer:

Whether you are interested in government, education or business, there are always non-profit organizations, campaigns and schools looking for volunteer help. Even if you can only give a couple of hours a week every little bit helps and will also look good on a resume.

If you want to work with children:

Check out summer camps. There is a plethora of jobs available and posted in the Career & Counseling office for anyone who is looking to spend time at a summer camp or park & recreation programs.

FINANCIAL AID OUTSIDE SCHOLARSHIPS 2005-2006

The Financial Aid office has information on the scholarships listed below that are available from a source other than Aquinas College. Stop in the office for an application.

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

Scholarships are available for students who have been diagnosed with cancer. Applicants must be Michigan or Indiana residents age 20 or under. Applications are available online at www.cancer.org/scholarships or by calling 1-800-723-0360. **Deadline is April 18, 2006.**

AQUINAS COMMON APPLICATION

10 different scholarships are available for Aquinas students. Each has its own requirements. Applications are available in the Financial Aid Office. **Deadline is May 5, 2006.**

SALLIE MAE FUND

Scholarships are available for full time students who demonstrate financial need and have a family adjusted gross income of \$30,000 or less for 2005. Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 2.5. Applications are available in the Financial Aid Office and online at www.salliemae.org. Additional scholarships for Hispanic and African American students are also posted on the website. **Deadline is May 31, 2006.**

AICPA MINORITY

Scholarships are available for minority students with a declared major in accounting. Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.3 and have completed at least 30 credits, including at least 6 credits in accounting. Applications are available online at www.aicpa.org/diversity and in the Financial Aid Office. **Deadline is June 1, 2006.**

NORBERT J HRUBY

Scholarships are available for first time students in the Continuing Education or Graduate programs (or students in these programs who have not attended Aquinas in the past 2 years). Scholarships are awarded based on leadership and/or community service and are renewable for 7 consecutive years or until graduation, whichever comes first. Applications are available in the Financial Aid Office. **Deadline is June 30, 2006.**

THIS WEEK AT AQUINAS

Monday..... 17

Noon-3:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room
1:00 p.m.-Baseball @ Rochester (DH) Rochester, MI
2:00 p.m.-SOFTBALL vs CONCORDIA
3:00 p.m.-WOMEN'S TENNIS vs CALVIN COLLEGE
@ WILCOX PARK
6:00-9:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room
9:00-11:00 p.m.-Field House-Open Gym

Tuesday..... 18

Noon-3:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room
3:00 p.m.-Baseball vs Hope (1, 9 innings) @ 5/3rd Ball Park
3:00 p.m.-Softball @ Indiana Tech
6:00-9:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room
9:00-11:00 p.m.-Field House-Open Gym

Wednesday..... 19

Noon-3:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room
2:30 p.m.-MEN'S TENNIS vs KALAMAZOO COLLEGE
(SITE TBA)
3:00 p.m.-Women's Tennis @ Adrian College
Tecumseh, MI
4:00 p.m.-SOFTBALL vs HOPE COLLEGE
6:00-9:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room
9:00-11:00 p.m.-Field House-Open Gym

Thursday..... 20

Noon-1:00 p.m.-Eucharistic Adoration, Bukowski Chapel
Noon-3:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room
4:30 p.m.-Weekday Mass, Bukowski Chapel
6:00-9:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room
9:00-11:00 p.m.-Field House-Open Gym

Friday..... 21

Noon-3:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room
1:00 p.m.-BASEBALL vs GOSHEN (DH) KIMBLE STADIUM
2:00 p.m.-MEN'S TENNIS vs OLIVET (SITE TBA)
3:00 p.m.-WOMEN'S TENNIS vs OLIVET NAZARENE
UNIVERSITY @ WILCOX PARK
3:00 p.m.-Softball @ Cornerstone

Saturday..... 22

11:00 a.m.-Outdoor Track & Field – Northwood Invitational
@ Midland, MI
Noon-WOMEN'S TENNIS vs AQUINAS ALUMNI
@ GRAND RAPIDS, MI
1:00 p.m.-Baseball @ Madonna (DH) Livonia, MI
1:00 p.m.-SOFTBALL vs SIENA HEIGHTS
2:00 p.m.-MEN'S TENNIS vs ST. FRANCIS (SITE TBA)

Sunday..... 23

1:00 p.m.-BASEBALL vs MADONNA (DH)
KIMBLE STADIUM
7:00-9:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room
7:00-11:00 p.m.-Field House-Open Gym
9:00 p.m.-Sunday Mass, Bukowski Chapel

Monday..... 24

Noon-3:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room
6:00-9:00 p.m.-St. Joseph Hall-Weight Room
9:00-11:00 p.m.-Field House-Open Gym

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