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The Concept:

“Spring Arbor University is a community of learners distinguished by our lifelong involvement in the study and application of the liberal arts, total commitment to Jesus Christ as the perspective for learning and critical participation in the contemporary world.”

Message from the Dean

Welcome to our inaugural Graduate Studies e-newsletter! Through the combined efforts of staff and student workers, we have been able to create something simple and easy-to-read. You will find helpful links to programs and information, as well as faculty and program highlights.

We hope you will enjoy it.

Dr. Robert P. Hamill

News & Events

Commencement

Saturday, May 15

10:30 am - MAE, MSE, MBA, MBAO, MCOM, MSFL

2:30 pm - MAC, MAOM, MAOMO

GPS Commencement Luncheon and In-Service

Saturday, May 15

12 pm - 1:30 pm

Program Highlights

MAOM

- This fall, MAOM will become a Master of Science in Management (MSM)
- The MSM will include a newly-approved research course

MBA

- MGT 617 & MGT 607 will change from residency courses to online courses
- The NYC trip will take place during MGT 607

MAC

- 2 new electives have been approved:
 - Social & Cultural Diversity, Foundations of Marriage and Family Therapy
- CNS 678 will focus on faith integration and replace CNS 677

MSN

- Four courses were formally approved by the Graduate Council:
NUR 510, NUR 522, NUR 532, NUR 501

MSE

- A new 35-credit master's degree in special education with the new cross-categorical endorsement for mild-to-moderate disabilities is in review at the MDE – as part of this, 2 new courses were approved

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Verse of the Year

Micah 6:8: "He has shown all you people what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."

Faculty Highlights

Margaret O' Rourke-Kelly published *Phenomenal Woman: The Dora Stockman Story*, and was awarded a Faculty Scholarship Grant for further study.

George Griffin presented at the CAHEA conference with the paper being published by Indiana Wesleyan University; also awarded a Fulbright Fellowship to teach in Georgia (former Soviet Union country).

Janet Glaes earned her Ph.D. in Counselor Education from Western Michigan University.

Wally Metts as president, hosted and presented at an Association for Christian Collegiate Media retreat and under sponsorship by the World Journalism Institute, presented at the College Media Advisors Conference.

Brian Lugioyo contributed articles on justification and penance to the revised *New Dictionary of Theology*, and his dissertation is to be published with Oxford University Press.

Bob Hamill participated in an HLC-NCA decennial accreditation review at Southern Nazarene University and submitted an article to the Chronicle of Higher Education.

Rick Wallace was selected by the editor-at-large of *Inc. Magazine* to help found and launch The Small Giants Community to promote excellence in small Businesses, and will be published in *Christian Business Academy Review*.

Naomi Larsen participated in the CCCU International Forum, is SAU's representative for the *Christian Scholars Review*, and published *Gender in Society*.

Marty Covey was recognized for five years of service by the National Council on Family Relations and was published in the *Journal of Family Theory and Review*.

Robert Woods co-authored *Prophetically Incorrect: An Introduction to Christian Media Criticism*, which is to be published this year; he is also president of the Religious Communication Association.

Angela Kirby received a Faculty Scholarship Grant to continue work on research related to rural education, poverty and policy, with plans to publish.

Mary Darling conducted pre-seminar and breakout sessions for REFRESH '09 and worked on second book with Tony Campolo.

Candy McCorkle was named director of the MAC program.

Caleb Chan was approved for participation in the 2010 Leadership Development Institute.

Terri Pardee was promoted to associate professor of psychology and granted tenure.

Kathryn Bell reviews article submissions for *The English Journal* and is secretary of the Michigan Alliance of Reading Professors.

Kathleen Wilcox presented at the University Council of Education Administration, the Michigan Reading Association Conference, and received a Faculty Scholarship Grant for further study.