President’s Peace Commission

Mission Statement

The President’s Peace Commission fosters an ethical commitment to participate in the establishment of world peace and social justice. The Commission encourages respect for human rights and dignity of all people. The Commission annually hosts symposia that offer opportunities for students, faculty, and staff to grow in their active pursuit of peace and justice. Through the symposia and other activities, the Commission seeks to build within the St. Mary’s community a greater awareness of the Roman Catholic and Marianist perspectives on peace and justice. The President’s Peace Commission reflects the University community through student, staff, and faculty representatives appointed by the University President.

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Spring 2004 Program
Tuesday, March 23–Thursday, March 25

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Bioethics:
Everything You Wanted to Know About Life or Death, But Were Afraid to Ask

Tuesday, Oct. 21–Thursday, Oct. 23, 2003
University Center, Conference Room A
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TUESDAY, OCT. 21, 2003

9:45 AM  Race, Class, and Gender: Who Gets Health Care?
Moderator: Charles L. Cotrell, PhD; President, St. Mary's University
Panelists: Charles Pruski, MBA; Executive Assistant to the Director of Health, San Antonio Metropolitan Health District
Charles P. Mouton, MD; Family and Community Medicine, UTHSCSA

11:10 AM  New Ways of Making Babies
Moderator: Carrie Gaines, PPC
Panelists: Thomas B. Pool, HCLD, PhD; Fertility Center of San Antonio
Rev. John A. Leies, SM, SThD; Theology, Center for Professional Ethics, St. Mary's University

12:35 PM  From Dolly to The Boys From Brazil: Cloning Human Beings
Moderator: Ymelda Rivera, PPC
Panelists: Rev. R.B. Williams, OP, JD; Prior, Dominican Priory of Sts. Catherine and Thomas
C. Hardin Rahe, PhD; Agriculture, Texas State University–San Marcos

THURSDAY, OCT. 23, 2003

9:45 AM  Human Guinea Pigs? Ethical Issues in Human and Animal Experimentation
Moderator: Minita Santizo, PPC
Panelists: Miguel Bedolla, MD, MPH, PhD; Bioethics, Pontifica A tenue Regina A postolorum of Rome; Family and Community Medicine, UTHSCSA
Christopher S. Smith, DVM; University of Texas–Houston, Rice University

11:10 AM  Your Organ, My Life: Organ Transplantation
Moderator: Patrick Simeroth, PPC
Panelists: Charles Hinkley, PhD; Philosophy, Ethics; St. Mary's University, Texas State University–San Marcos

12:35 PM  When Dr. Death Pulls the Plug; Euthanasia and Physician Assisted Suicide
Moderator: Jeremiah Ellis, PPC
Panelists: Vincent Luizzi, JD, PhD; Philosophy, Texas State University–San Marcos
Deborah Baruch-Bienen, MD, FA CP, PhD; Medicine, Bioethics, UTHSCSA