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The Emory Eagle Eye is a weekly look-ahead report to help Emory leaders anticipate the top news, events and public policy activities that will impact the Emory community. If you have an item or a report to include in a future edition, please send to Laura Diamond at laura.diamond@emory.edu or Rachel Jones at rachel.e.jones@emory.edu.

Priority Communications Initiatives

• The Emory News Center will feature mathematician Hao Huan, whose proof of the sensitivity conjecture is among Discover Magazine’s “Top 50 Science Stories that Matter” for 2019 and Popular Mechanics’ “10 Biggest Math Breakthroughs” of the year. The News Center will also continue to feature the university’s King Week events and the announcement of Emory’s partnership to bring Science Gallery to Atlanta.

• Robert Franklin, the James T. and Berta R. Laney Professor in Moral Leadership, was interviewed for a CNN.com article on the leadership traits of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The article will run on Saturday, Jan. 18.

• C-SPAN 3 recorded African American Studies professor Carol Anderson’s class on efforts in the early 1960s to register African American voters in Mississippi. The lecture will air during C-SPAN’s American History TV series on Sunday, Jan. 19.

• The Atlanta Journal-Constitution will feature an op-ed from Jonathan Lewin, CEO of Emory Healthcare and Emory’s Executive Vice President for Health Affairs on Sunday, Jan. 19. In the column, Lewin reflects on Emory’s role assisting Grady Memorial Hospital after a leak destroyed more than 200 beds at the safety net hospital.

• Two Nature papers on bringing HIV/SIV out of its hiding places in animal models (including non-human primates) will be published on Wednesday, Jan. 22. This comes from a collaboration between Yerkes and UNC scientists. Together, the papers represent a step toward making the leading HIV cure strategy feasible. There has been some national media interest.

• Cynthia Willett, professor of philosophy, will be a guest on Pacifica Radio’s “Rising Up with Sonali” show on Thursday, Jan. 23, to discuss a new book co-written with her sister, Julie Willett, titled “Uproarious: How Feminists and Other Subversive Comics Speak Truth.”

Events

• The Emory community will honor Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.’s life and work with numerous activities during the week of Jan. 20. King Week will feature lectures, discussions and community service opportunities that reflect his vision for civil rights and social justice. A full schedule of events can be found here.

• The Drew Charter School in Atlanta will celebrate the opening of “Speak What Must be Spoken,” a traveling exhibit from Emory’s Billops-Hatch Collections, on Wednesday, Jan. 22. The public will be invited to explore the exhibit and watch performances by the students. Emory News Center will cover the event.