A weekly news digest for University of Minnesota, Morris faculty, staff, and students

Vol. 5, No. 4: September 18, 2013

Editor: Jenna Ray

Please send comments, questions, and submissions to the editor. The submission deadline for the next edition of Weekly Bulletin will be Tuesday, September 24, 2013, at 4 p.m.

In this issue:

● Pride of the Prairie Farmers Market and Fall Feast
● Enrollment Hits Eleven-Year High
● Morris Named a Military Friendly School
● Student-Citizen Partnership Featured in Morris Sun Tribune

Featured Events

Jane Addams Project
Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
Imholte Hall 111

Spanish Conversation Table
Wednesdays, 6 p.m.
Student Center, Turtle Mountain Cafe

Russian Conversation Table
Fridays, 4 p.m.
Student Center, Turtle Mountain Cafe

Midwest Philosophy Colloquium
Wednesday, September 18, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, September 25, 7 p.m.
Imholte Hall 109

Careers in Biology Alumni Speaker Series
Thursday, September 19, 7 p.m.
Science 2950 (Auditorium)

Symphonic Winds Concert
Sunday, September 22, 2 p.m.
East Side Park

Primer Opening Reception
Monday, September 23, 7 p.m.
Humanities Fine Arts.

Pride of the Prairie Farmers Market
Tuesday, September 24, 1–5 p.m.
Campus Mall

Pride of the Prairie Fall Feast
Tuesday, September 24, 4:45 p.m.
Dining Hall

**Cafe Scientifique**
Tuesday, September 24, 6 p.m.
Common Cup Coffeehouse (501 Atlantic Avenue, Morris, MN 56267)

**Gloria Ladson Billings—“‘Stakes Is High:’ Educating New Century Students”**
Tuesday, September 24, 7 p.m.
Student Center, Edson Auditorium

Check out all of the campus events.

**News and Announcements**

**Enrollment Hits Eleven Year High**
With 469 freshmen and 99 new transfer students registered for the fall semester, enrollment is up at Morris. This is a 13.5 percent increase over fall 2012 and the highest freshman enrollment in 11 years.

**Morris to Dedicate Green Prairie Community**
Morris is pleased to invite the public to a formal dedication of the Green Prairie Community. The ceremony will be held in conjunction with Homecoming 2013 on Saturday, September 28, at 4 p.m.

**Barber Lecture to Address Medieval Bodies**
William Burgwinkle, professor of Medieval French and Occitan at Cambridge University, will be the featured speaker at the 2013 Barber Lecture on Tuesday, October 1, at 7:30 p.m. in the Humanities Fine Arts Recital Hall.

**Free Flu Shots Offered**
The UPlan Wellness Program is pleased to again provide free flu shots for University employees as part of the UPlan health plan benefits. All active employees are eligible, regardless of their benefit status. Shots will be offered at Health Services October 1–2 from 1–3:30 p.m. and at the Employee Health and Benefit Fair on November 11 from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. in Oyate Hall. No appointment necessary.

**Take the ESUP Survey Today**
The Enterprise Systems Upgrade Program (ESUP) is an Operational Excellence initiative dedicated to improving the University’s essential human resource, student service, and financial systems, including a thorough re-examination and redesign of related business procedures. This upgrade will enable the University to utilize additional enhancements and software functionality, increase operational efficiency and effectiveness, and improve the user experience. As University stakeholders of ESUP and its work streams, employees are invited to complete this anonymous online survey, the purpose of which is to gather information about awareness and understanding of ESUP and to help program management make better decisions. For more information, visit upgrade.umn.edu, or contact the team at ESUP@umn.edu.
Education News:

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION MAJORS—There will be elementary education application/information meetings for students interested in entering the elementary education program on Wednesday, October 9, and Thursday, October 24, at 5 p.m. in Imholte Hall 111. During the meeting, questions will be answered as to the pre-requisites required, when you should apply to the program, when you should begin the program, student teaching, graduation, etc. If you have already picked up your application packet, please bring it to the meeting. Further information about admission requirements may be found in the University of Minnesota, Morris catalog.

ATTENTION SECONDARY EDUCATION STUDENTS—There will be secondary education application/information meetings for students interested in entering the secondary education program on Monday, September 30, at 2:15 p.m. in Imholte Hall 203, and Thursday, October 31, at 2 p.m. in Science 3610. The meeting will provide information on recommendations, interviews, and deadlines for applying for admission to the program. Further information about admission requirements may be found in the University of Minnesota, Morris catalog.

This Week in Photos:

On September 16 Morris welcomed Evelyn Hu-DeHart as the featured speaker for the 2013 O. Truman Driggs Distinguished Lecture in History. Enjoy these photos from the event!

Accomplishments

For the third consecutive year, the University of Minnesota, Morris has been named a Military Friendly School by Victory Media. The 2014 Military Friendly Schools list honors the top 15 percent of colleges, universities, and trade schools that support American military service members and veterans as students.

Cyrus Bina, distinguished research professor of economics, has been invited to speak at Columbia University’s Seminar on Globalization, Labor, and Popular Struggles #671 on Monday, September 30. The title of Bina’s talk is “The Specter of Our Time: Oil, War, and Global Polity.”

Michael Lackey, associate professor of English, will lead an upcoming Institute for Advanced Study (IAS) Thursdays: Women in Religious Texts and Contexts session titled “New Voices in the Biographical Novel” on Thursday, September 26, at the University of Minnesota. Authors Anita Diamant, Rebecca Kanner, and Sherry Jones will join Lackey to discuss fiction, religious texts, and the biographical novel.

In the News

Kim Zimney Horning ’97 is featured in a story by the Morrison County Record. Horning recently returned to her home district to teach Spanish at her former high school.

The Morris Sun Tribune recently reported that Morris-area citizens and University of Minnesota, Morris students have come together to form a climate action group dedicated to informing elected officials and the general public about the dangers of runaway climate change and its effect on American food security. The group is the 122nd calling itself the Citizens Climate Lobby around the United States and Canada.