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

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Please send comments, questions, and submissions to the <u>editor</u>. The submission deadline for the next edition of *Weekly Bulletin* will be Tuesday, May 6, at 10 a.m.

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- Yvette Butler '11 Published on CNNOpinion

Featured Events

Jane Addams Project

Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Imholte Hall 111

Spanish Conversation Table

Wednesdays, 6 p.m. Student Center, Turtle Mountain Cafe

Fundamentals of Acting Public Presentation

Thursday, May 1, 10:15 a.m. Humanities Fine Arts, Raymond J. Lammer Proscenium Theatre

Voice and Movement Public Presentation

Thursday, May 1, 12:15 p.m.

Humanities Fine Arts, Raymond J. Lammer Proscenium Theatre

Annual Senior Studio Art Student Exhibit II Opening Reception

Thursday, May 1, 7 p.m.

Humanities Fine Arts, Edward J. and Helen Jane Morrison Gallery

Lorie Line Concert

Thursday, May 1, 7:30 p.m. Student Center, Edson Auditorium

Concert Choir Concert

Thursday, May 1, 7:30 p.m. Humanities Fine Arts, Recital Hall

Last Day of Instruction

Friday, May 2 Morris campus

University Choir Concert

Friday, May 2, 7:30 p.m.

Humanities Fine Arts, Recital Hall

Study Day

Saturday, May 3 Morris campus

CAC Concerts Presents: Cloud Cult

Saturday, May 3, 4 p.m.

Campus mall (Rain site: Student Center, Edson Auditorium)

Midnight Breakfast

Sunday, May 4, 11:59 p.m. Dining Hall

Final Exams

Monday, May 5-Thursday, May 8 Morris campus

Commission on Women's Annual Celebration of Women

Wednesday, May 7, 11:30 a.m. LaFave House

News and Announcements

Green Prairie Community Awarded LEED Green Building Certification

LEED is the nation's preeminent program for the design, construction, and operation of high-performance green buildings.

Morris Joins the Made in Minnesota Program

The program gives incentives to those who utilize solar energy systems.

Faculty and Staff Honored at Recognition Dinner

The event provides an opportunity to congratulate award recipients and thank retirees for their service.

Morris to Celebrate 51st Commencement

More than 375 students will receive their degrees on Saturday, May 10.

Take the Student Employment Survey

Please take some time to complete this confidential <u>online survey</u>. The information gathered will help the campus improve its efforts to support student employment. The survey will be available until May 16. If you have questions or concerns, please contact <u>Alissa Melberg</u>.

4th Annual Alumni and Students Networking Event Announced

The 4th annual Alumni and Students Networking Event, sponsored by the UMM Alumni Association and donations from Morris alumni and friends, will take place on Friday, October 3, in conjunction with Homecoming weekend. The Office of Alumni Relations invites staff and faculty members to submit names of alumni who might be interested in participating and visiting classrooms during the event. For more information, please contact Erin Christensen '05.

Enterprise Systems Upgrade Program Update

The latest edition of Enterprise Systems Upgrade Program's (ESUP) The Upgrade is available now. In this issue:

- 'Preferred name'—big win for University
- 'One OHR': HRMS launches high-level training for entire OHR staff
- U Welcomes New Development and Testing Environments

View this issue and more at upgrade.umn.edu.

This Week in Photos

Students <u>planted fruit trees</u> on Arbor Day, swimmers, cyclists, and runners competed in the <u>30th annual Tinman</u> <u>Triathlon, student leaders celebrated, award-winning faculty, staff, and retirees</u> were honored, and the UMM Alumni Association enjoyed <u>The Little Mermaid</u> at <u>Chanhassen</u>. Enjoy <u>these photos and more</u> today!

Accomplishments

A research paper from Morris's Truckers & Turnover Project was included in the social sciences section of the Council on Undergraduate Research's quarterly <u>Undergraduate Research Highlights</u>. **K. Maurer '09**, **K. Rocha '11**, and **R. Potter '13**, along with **Jon Anderson**, professor of statistics, **Stephen Burks** associate professor of economics and management, J. Carpenter (Middlebury College), L. Götte (University of Lausanne), D. Nosenzo (University of Nottingham), and A. Rustichini (University of Minnesota, Twin Cities), were co-authors of the <u>article</u>, which was published in 2013 by the journal *Experimental Economics*. The paper analyzes behavioral economic experiments conducted with University students and Morris-area adults in 2007–08, in comparison to the same experiments done with trainee truckers in a Wisconsin driver-training program.

In the News

Yvette Butler '11 had an <u>opinion piece</u> published by CNN. In it, she argues that last week's Supreme Court ruling on Michigan's affirmative action policy in college admissions reflects a "sad history" of racial hurdles. Butler is a third-year student at George Washington University School of Law.

The **Circle of Nations Indigenous Association** was <u>featured on the Native News Network</u> after hosting a forum on Morris's tuition waiver for American Indian students. Their goal was to alleviate tensions that arise as a result of the waiver.

The *Morris Sun Tribune* reported that **Morris students**, **staff**, **and faculty** gathered in the West Central Research and Outreach Center Children's Garden to dedicate a new chimney swift tower, which will provide a home for the native birds that were displaced after the demolition of the old Morris school building.