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The submission deadline for the next edition of *Weekly Bulletin* will be Tuesday, October 20, at 4 p.m. Please send comments, questions, and submissions to the [editor](#).

**In This Issue:**

- This Week Marks End of First-Half Term Classes
- Roger Rose Becomes Center for Small Towns Director
- Morris Is a Top Choice for American Indian Students
- Bjorklund '09 Reflects on Early Days at Morris

**Featured Events**

[Briggs Library Associates Annual Book Sale](#)

Wednesday, October 14, 12–7 p.m.

Thursday, October 16, 10 a.m.–5 p.m.

Student Center, Oyate Hall

**“Why Do We Tell the Truth when We Could Get Away with Lying for Financial Gain? An Experimental Study”**

Wednesday, October 14, 3:30 p.m.

Imholte Hall 109

[Elementary Education Application/Information Meeting](#)

Thursday, October 15 5 p.m.

John Q. Imholte Hall, 112

**“What Economists Have Learned about Charitable Giving from Experiments”**

Thursday, October 15, 7 p.m.

Imholte Hall 109

[Chamber Concerts](#)

Thursday, October 15, 7:30 p.m.

Humanities Fine Arts Building, Recital Hall

[End of Fall First-Half Term Classes](#)

Friday, October 16

Morris Campus

[Football vs Crown College](#)

Saturday, October 17, 1 p.m.

Morris, Minn.

[Women's Soccer vs Crown College](#)

Saturday, October 17, 1 p.m.

Morris, Minn.

[Men's Soccer vs Crown College](#)

Saturday, October 17, 3:15 p.m.

Morris, Minn.

### **Fall Break (No Classes)**

Monday, October 19—Tuesday, October 20  
Morris Campus

### **Fall Second-Half Term Classes Begin**

Wednesday, October 21  
Morris Campus

### **Come Grow with Us: Garden Tool Care**

Wednesday, October 21, 12–1 p.m.  
West Central Research and Outreach Center (46352 State Hwy 329, Morris, MN 56267)

### **Women's Soccer vs Bethany Lutheran College**

Wednesday, October 21, 1 p.m.  
Morris, Minn.

### **Men's Soccer vs Bethany Lutheran College**

Wednesday, October 21, 3:15 p.m.  
Morris, Minn.

[Check out all of the campus events.](#)

## **News and Announcements**

### **Roger Rose Becomes Center for Small Towns Director**

As an associate professor of political science, Rose is propelled by his interest in local and state policy.

### **Upcoming Theatre Season Demonstrates the Value of Different Perspectives**

Shows include *The Normal Heart*, *Eleemosynary*, *Pinocchio Commedia*, and *4.48 Psychosis*.

## **Take the Employee Engagement Survey**

This month the University of Minnesota is conducting its third E<sup>2</sup> Employee Engagement Survey. While you may receive many survey requests, it's important that you take 10 minutes to fill out this survey and let your voice be heard. The goal is to collect faculty and staff feedback and determine ways that supervisors, managers, and leaders can take concrete steps to create great work environments and effective cultures. Benefits-eligible faculty and staff received an email on October 12 from the Hay Group using the email address [UofMNSurvey@us.confirmit.com](mailto:UofMNSurvey@us.confirmit.com). Hay Group is an external vendor and is administering the survey. Take a few minutes to complete the survey based on your experience in your local workplace. Your answers are completely confidential and reporting will be aggregated with a minimum of 10 faculty and 10 staff responses per organizational unit to ensure responses are confidential. The Office of Human Resources is working with our human resources director, Sarah Mattson, who is available to answer any questions you have about engagement. If you have any issues with the survey link you receive, contact the Hay Group directly to request a new link at [UofMNSurvey@us.confirmit.com](mailto:UofMNSurvey@us.confirmit.com). Each survey link is customized and can only be used once.

### **This Week in Photos:**

- [Fall Campus Shots](#)

## Accomplishments

[Winds of Change has again named Morris one of the top 200 institutions in the nation in support of American Indian students.](#) Published quarterly by the American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES), *Winds of Change* is the leading nationally distributed magazine with a single-minded focus on career and educational advancement for American Indian and Alaska Native peoples, with an emphasis on science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM).

## In the News

Prompted by her Homecoming visit to Morris, **Calla Bjorklund '09** waxes poetic about her early days at Morris [in a blog post](#).

**Andrew Sletten '13**, admissions counselor, is the focus of a [story](#) by the *Morris Sun Tribune*. Sletten is the brains behind Morris's new performance venue, the Platform.