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Nominations Sought: President's Award for Outstanding Service

[The President's Award for Outstanding Service](#) was established in 1997 to recognize faculty and staff who have provided exceptional service to the University. This award is presented each spring and honors up to 12 active or retired faculty and staff who have gone well beyond their regular duties and have demonstrated an unusual commitment to the University community. Nominations are March 11, 2016. For more information, contact Vickie Courtney at courtney@umn.edu or 612-625-4805.

Consultative Committee Wants to Hear from You!

The Consultative Committee invites the campus community to submit concerns and questions to the 2015-2016 committee members. This campus governance committee is charged to discuss topics, concerns and issues related to instruction, research, personnel, service functions, student affairs, and finance in the context of improving campus decision-making by providing a cross-campus perspective and enhancing communication. To submit feedback, please contact [Julie Eckerle](#) and/or [Jayne Blodgett](#).

Accomplishments

Burks Presents at the 95th Annual Meeting of the TRB

Stephen Burks, professor of economics and management, presented "[Is the Labor Market for Truck Drivers Broken?](#)" on Tuesday, January 12, in Washington, DC at the 95th Annual Meeting of the Transportation Research Board (TRB), which is an operating arm of the National Academies of the US. Burks also presided at the "Industry-based Trucking Research" lectern session in which the paper was given, as the Chair of the sponsoring committee, standing technical Committee AT060, Trucking Industry Research. The presentation was co-authored with Kristen Monaco of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, and addressed some issues considered in Morris's long-running [Truckers & Turnover Project](#).

Perrine '02 Wins Sousa/Ostwald Award

[Composer, conductor and Cornell College music professor Aaron Perrine '02 was awarded the 2015 Sousa/Ostwald Award from the American Bandmasters Association.](#) The award recognizes an exceptional composition for concert band and is, according to Cornell College Dean Joe Dieker "arguably the most prestigious and coveted composition award for band music in the nation."

Alumnus Accepted to DNR Training Program

Kylan Hill '15 was selected for a highly competitive Department of Natural Resources training program. Hill was one of only six selected applicants from a pool of 1,000.

In the News

Kildegaard Quoted in AgWeek

Arne Kildegaard, professor of economics and management, is quoted in an [AgWeek story on wind-solar energy](#). Kildegaard comments on a Juhl Energy proposal for solar-wind hybrid projects.

Skrove '14 Plays at Prince's Gala Event

Lukas Skrove's '14 band, PHO, is mentioned in a [Star Tribune Artcetera blog post](#). The band played with Larry Graham at night two of Prince's Gala Event at Paisley Park.

Arrowsmith '73 Profiled by HometownSource

[Valorie Arrowsmith '73 talks jobs and life with HometownSource](#). Arrowsmith, who is known locally for her involvement with the St. Croix River Education District and the We R Able program, has studied 13 languages is one of two people in the state certified to teach K–12 Swedish.