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Summary:

(September 13, 2004)-An invitational celebration to honor UMM's scholarship donors and student scholarship recipients -- a Scholarship Jubilee -- will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, in Oyate Hall of the Student Center at the University of Minnesota, Morris.

Invitees will join the UMM community to honor talented UMM students who have received privately-funded scholarships for the 2004-2005 academic year, and in recognizing the generosity of donors who have made their scholarships possible.

"With over 100 privately funded scholarships at UMM, we have much to celebrate. Our generous benefactors enjoy this opportunity to meet the students who receive their scholarships," said Maddy Maxeiner, associate vice chancellor for external relations and director of fund development. "The Scholarship Jubilee also recognizes the talented and deserving students who have received these scholarships. It's a joyful and proud fall occasion."

The Scholarship Jubilee will be a highlight of an event-filled weekend.

Following the Jubilee, the UMM Cougar football team will meet Trinity Bible College in a 1 p.m. game at the UMM football field. Tickets are available at the field gate.

On Sunday, Sept. 26, the UMM Alumni Association, the UMM music discipline and Sarlettes Music in Morris will co-sponsor an extraordinary musical event -- a special concert by duo pianists Valentina Lisitsa and Alexei Kuznetsoff. The performance will begin at 4 p.m. in Recital Hall of Humanities Fine Arts.

The Ukrainian couple, now living in the U.S., are noted for seemingly playing as independent artists, yet achieving an amazing unity of spirit and technique. Their orchestra engagements have included tours as soloists with the Orchestra National de France with performances in New York's Lincoln Center and Boston Symphony Hall among others.

Tickets for the duo piano performance are available by calling the UMM Music Office, at 320-589-6234.

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