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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, or submissions to the editor. The submission deadline for the next edition of Weekly Bulletin will be Tuesday, February 19, 2013, at 4 p.m.

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- Cyrus Bina’s Latest Book Released by Palgrave Macmillan
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Featured Events

German Conversation Table
Mondays, 6 p.m.
Student Center, Turtle Mountain Cafe

Anishinaabe Language Table
Mondays, 7 p.m.
Student Center, Turtle Mountain Cafe

French Conversation Table
Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
Student Center, Turtle Mountain Cafe

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

GWSS Discussion Series—Jennifer Rothchild: "Whose Breasts Are They? Social Constructs in Breastfeeding Advocacy and Breast Cancer Awareness Programs"
Wednesday, February 13, 5:30 p.m.
Imholte Hall 109
Game Night @ Briggs Library  
Friday, February 15, 6 p.m.  
Briggs Library

Post-Valentines Day Improv Show!  
Friday, February 15, 7:30 p.m.  
Humanities Fine Arts Recital Hall

Valentines Square Dance  
Friday, February 15, 9 p.m.  
Student Center, Oyate Hall

CAC Films Present—The Silence of the Lambs  
Friday, February 15, 9:30 p.m.  
Science and Math 2950

Jazz Ensemble Concert  
Saturday, February 16, 7:30 p.m.  
Humanities Fine Arts Recital Hall

GWSS Discussion Series—Bradley Deane: "Imperial Masculinity and Cultural Cross-Dressing"  
Tuesday, February 19, 5:30 p.m.  
Imholte Hall 109

Wednesday, February 20, 7:30 p.m.  
Humanities Fine Arts Raymond J. Lammers Proscenium Theatre

Concert: Guante  
Wednesday, February 20, 9 p.m.  
Student Center, Oyate Hall


News and Announcements


Morris students are playing a major role in system-wide legislative efforts. At both the <http://bit.ly/UxYhjI>2013 University of Minnesota Legislative Briefing and the <http://bit.ly/12tQ68e>Support the U Day Rally, Morris students demonstrated outstanding leadership efforts while advocating for a proposed two-year tuition freeze for resident undergraduate students at the University of Minnesota.

<http://bit.ly/XrRpmW>Morris Receives Language Revitalization Grant from Minnesota Indian Affairs
Council

Morris recently received an Ojibwe Language Revitalization Grant from the Minnesota Indian Affairs Council, which will fund the Mino-Gikin’dasowin (Good Knowledge) Project. This project will expand Morris’s Ojibwe language offerings and build partnerships with tribal, immersion, and Ojibwe-teaching K-12 schools regarding field experiences for Morris education students.

Morris to Host AISES Region 5 Conference

Morris will host the 2013 American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES) Region 5 Conference, which will be held Thursday, February 28, through Saturday, March 2. AISES regional conferences aim to educate students about the contributions made by American Indians in science and engineering fields while inspiring them to strive toward college, graduate school, and professional careers.

Morris to Host Post Racial Comedy Tour

Morris will host Christian Lander and Elon James White in a convocation on Tuesday, February 26, at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Center’s Edson Auditorium. Lander, creator of the pop culture phenomenon Stuff White People Like, and White, the award-winning creator of This Week in Blackness, address the question of what it means to be “post-racial” in their Post Racial Comedy Tour. This event is co-sponsored by the Campus Activities Council (CAC) Convocations Committee, World Touch Cultural Heritage Week, and Black Student Union.

Next Community Meal Set for Monday, February 25

The next Morris Community Meal will be held on Monday, February 25, at 5:30 p.m. at Faith Lutheran Church (108 West Eighth Street, Morris). This month’s menu includes meatloaf and side dishes, with vegan, vegetarian, and gluten-free options available. The event is free and open to all members of the Stevens County community.

Next Café Scientifique to Focus on Phenomena of Light

The next Café Scientifique will take place on Tuesday, February 26, at 6 p.m. at the Common Cup Coffeehouse (501 Atlantic Avenue, Morris, MN 56267). Sylke Boyd, associate professor of physics, will lead the discussion, entitled "Sundogs and Halos and Pillars—oh my." Café Scientifique is supported in part by a grant to the University of Minnesota, Morris from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute through the Precollege Science Education Program.

Accomplishments

A Prelude to the Foundation of Political Economy: Oil, War and Global Polity, by Cyrus Bina, distinguished research professor of economics, was released this month by Palgrave Macmillan. Praised by such top scholars as John Weeks, professor emeritus of economics at the University of London, Chuck Davis, professor of labor studies at Indiana University, and Anwar Shaikh, professor of economics at the New School for
Social Research, Bina’s new book is a “groundbreaking volume of theory and strategy on political economy and polity of the twenty-first century, which unites domains of economics, politics, international relations, and the environment in an organic whole.”

Luciana Ranelli ’13, Duluth, is currently featured on the Rocky Mountain Biological Lab (RMBL) alumni donor page. Last summer Ranelli participated in RMBL’s National Science Foundation (NSF) Research Experience for Undergraduates Program.

In the News


Morris students were commended for their participation in last week’s Support the U rally in both the Star Tribune and the Morris Sun Tribune.