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Please send comments, questions, and submissions to the editor. The submission deadline for the next edition of Weekly Bulletin will be Tuesday, January 28, at 4 p.m.

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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

Russian Conversation Table
Fridays, 4 p.m.
Student Center, Turtle Mountain Cafe

Soup & Substance
Wednesday, January 22, 5:30 p.m.
Imholte Hall 111

ARTIST TEACHER SCHOLAR Opening Reception
Thursday, January 23, 7 p.m.
Humanities Fine Arts, Edward J. and Helen Jane Morrison Gallery

Performing Arts Series: Speaking in Tongues—World Music
Saturday, January 25, 7:30 p.m.
Student Center, Edson Auditorium

French Film Festival: Les Adieux à la reine / Farewell, My Queen
Monday, January 27, 7 p.m.
Student Center, Edson Auditorium

Convocation with Chris Hedges
Tuesday, January 28, 7:30 p.m.
Student Center, Edson Auditorium

Check out all of the campus events.

News and Announcements
Chancellor Johnson Elected Chair of AASHE Board

Chancellor Johnson will lead the national association of colleges and universities as it works to create a sustainable future.

Rojas Conducts Farm-to-Institution Survey

Ricky Rojas '16, Champlain Park, is helping Ryan Pesch, extension educator in community economics at the University of Minnesota, conduct a survey to evaluate the interest of food-serving institutions buying produce from local farms.

7th Annual Morris Festival of French and Francophone Films

This year’s film festival includes four new, award-winning features. Subtitled in English, the films will be screened at 7 p.m. on Mondays for four weeks beginning on Monday, January 27. The campus and the public are invited to these free screenings in the Student Center’s Edson Auditorium. On January 27, the festival will feature Les Adieux à la reine / Farewell, My Queen. Directed by Benoît Jacquot, 2013, 101 minutes, rated R. Benoît Jacquot’s nimble, lush adaptation of Chantal Thomas’s 2003 novel portrays Versailles on the eve of the 1789 revolution as told through the eyes of Sidonie, the besotted reader to Marie Antoinette. Compressed to four tumultuous days, the film follows Sidonie as she tries to make sense of the rumors spreading in the royal palace. Rendered blind to the queen’s caprice by love, Sidonie both thrills under her affections and seethes with jealousy for the queen’s prized pet, Gabrielle de Polignac, giving rise to the discreet yet heated passion that unfolds in Farewell, My Queen.

Three CTSI Grant Programs Now Accepting Applications

University of Minnesota researchers now have new opportunities to fund their projects, thanks to three Request for Applications from the Clinical and Translational Science Institute (CTSI). CTSI anticipates awarding up to $795,000 in total funding to support as many as 21 research projects aimed at improving human health. Grant programs fund a wide range of projects, from early-stage, translational research to clinical research to community-engaged research. Mandatory Letters of Interest for all programs are due by 5 p.m. on Thursday, February 13, with full applications (by invitation) due April 9. View all funding opportunities.

This Week in Photos

Students took part in Morris’s fifth annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service. Enjoy these photos and more today!

Accomplishments

The University of Minnesota’s Next Generation Environmental Leaders presented at the January 15 meeting of the Minnesota Environmental Quality Board (EQB) at the University of Minnesota’s Saint Paul campus. Natalie Hoidal ’15, Forest Lake, and Katie Ledermann ’17, Mahtomedi, discussed their progress and expressed their desire for a continued relationship with the EQB. The EQB passed a resolution indicating its desire to continue to support youth engagement with the Next Gen environmental leaders.

Michael Lackey, associate professor of English, will present “Black Separatists, Black Integrationists, and the
Battle for Racial Justice in the 1960s” at the University of Minnesota’s Institute for Advanced Study “Thursdays at Four” on Thursday, February 13. Lackey will discuss his latest book, *The Haverford Discussions*, which was released by the University of Virginia Press last fall. The book makes available the historic Haverford discussions that occurred in 1969 when a group of distinguished African American intellectuals met at Haverford College in order to devise strategies to dissuade young blacks from adopting a separatist political agenda and to formulate a coherent integrationist philosophy to bring about racial justice.

**Mark Collier**, associate professor of philosophy, has been named a 2014–15 residential fellow of the Institute for Advanced Study (IAS). IAS residential fellows comprise faculty, graduate students, and outside scholars who spend a semester or year in residence at the IAS. They constitute an interdisciplinary intellectual community in which fellows work intensively on their own research and creative projects and meet to discuss their work and exchange ideas.