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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, September 30, at 4 p.m.

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Featured Events

[Midwest Philosophy Colloquium](#)

Ish Haji, "Obligation and Luck"

Thursday, September 25, 4 p.m.

Imholte Hall 109

Michael McKenna, "How Free Are We? A Compatibilist's View"

Friday, September 26, 4 p.m.

Imholte Hall 109

Yahya Frederickson Poetry Reading

Thursday, September 25, 7 p.m.

Briggs Library, Lower Level

That's Two of His Weapons Theatre Workshop

Saturday, September 27, 10:45 a.m.

Humanities Fine Arts 125

Secondary Education Application/Information Meeting

Monday, September 29, 2:15 p.m.

Imholte Hall 11

Native American Community Meal

Monday, September 29, 5:30 p.m.

Faith Lutheran Church (108 West Eighth Street, Morris, MN 56267)

[Dr. Peter Agre: “Opening Doors Worldwide through Science”](#)

Monday, September 29, 7 p.m.

Student Center Edson Auditorium

[2014 Barber Lecture](#)

Wednesday, October 1, 7:30 p.m.

Humanities Fine Arts Recital Hall

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

News and Announcements

[Community Coffee To Be Held in Honor of Regents' Visit](#)

The campus and community are invited to an informal gathering with members of the University of Minnesota Board of Regents.

[Morris Commemorates the Life of John O. Imholte](#)

The celebration will be held following the Cougar football Homecoming game.

[Cafe Scientifique To Explore Borneo and Beyond](#)

Michael Ceballos, assistant professor of biology, will lead the discussion.

[Lee Lecture to Address Arab Political Thought](#)

Michaëlle Browers, associate professor of politics and international affairs at Wake Forest University, will deliver the lecture.

Ernesto Domínguez López To Visit Morris

Ernesto Domínguez López will present “The Cuban Revolution in the 21st Century: Adaptation and Persistence” on Tuesday, September 30, at 6 p.m. in Imholte Hall 109. López teaches history and political science at the University of Havana. His lecture will challenge the notion of Cuba as a country clinging to the past by exploring how it has embraced innovation while still preserving the Revolution. For more information, please contact [Benjamín Narváez](#).

[Enterprise Systems Upgrade Program Update](#)

The latest edition of Enterprise Systems Upgrade Program's (ESUP) *The Upgrade* is available now. In this issue:

- MyUPreview: Reporting Center
- Changes to Timesheets and Absence Requests
- ESUP Readiness Formal Community of Practice

View this issue and more at upgrade.umn.edu.

[This Week in Photos](#)

Jennifer Kolpacoff Deane, associate professor of history, delivered the latest [Founders Scholar Convocation](#). Enjoy [these photos and more](#) today!

Accomplishments

The University of Minnesota, Morris has been designated a [2015 Military Friendly School](#) by Victory Media for the fourth consecutive year. The list is the premier, trusted resource for post-military success.

New work by **Vicki Graham**, professor of English, was published in [ISLE](#), the literary journal for the Association for the Study of Literature and Environment. Graham's "A Grain of Sand" appears in the latest issue, which focuses on climate change.

Work by **Athena Kildegaard**, teaching specialist of English, will be featured on American Public Media's [The Writer's Almanac](#) on Monday, September 29. Host Garrison Keillor will read a poem from Kildegaard's book *Cloves & Honey*.

Work by **Michael Eble**, associate professor of studio art, will be on display at Gallery 13 in Minneapolis beginning Friday, October 3. Additional information about the exhibition is available [online](#).

"[Synthesis and Electronic Properties of Oxidized Benzo\[1,2-b:4,5-b'\]dithiophenes](#)" by **Ted Pappenfus**, professor of chemistry, **Dan Seidenkranz '13**, **Matt Lovander '12**, **Brandon Karels '15**, Perham, and **Travis Beck '15**, East Bethel, was published in *The Journal of Organic Chemistry*, the most cited journal in the field of organic chemistry. This research activity was supported by generous funding from the University of Minnesota, Morris Faculty Research Enhancement Funds, a Grant-in-Aid of Research, Artistry and Scholarship from the Office of the Dean of the Graduate School, and the National Science Foundation.

Bruce Miller '72 earned an Emmy for his work on Twin Cities Public Television's [Farm Fresh Road Trip](#). Miller was recognized as a Producing Partner on the show, which was nominated in the award program's new "Lifestyle: Program/Special/Series" category.

In the News

Chancellor Jacqueline R. Johnson was mentioned in a recent *Minneapolis Star Tribune* [editorial](#). Chancellor Johnson is chair of the board of directors of the Association for Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE), which is one of two organizing partners of MN2015. This major global conference on sustainability will attract the former heads of state of nearly 100 countries to Minnesota in October 2015.

Michael Lackey, professor of English, was [interviewed](#) by the University of St. Thomas news service. Lackey discusses his most recent book, *Truthful Fictions: Conversations with American Biographical Novelists*.

Sara Kloek '05 discussed children's apps, technology, and the new *Moms With Apps* site today on SiriusXM's "Dot Complicated with Randi Zuckerberg."

Estar in el Prairie, a photo project led by Morris students, has garnered some media attention in recent weeks. The project was recently featured by both the [Bush Foundation](#) and [Minnesota Campus Compact](#).

Megan Mahn Miller '97, was [interviewed](#) by the *Minneapolis Star Tribune*. Miller, a Minneapolis-based appraiser and auctioneer, answers questions about hot collectibles, how to shop for them, and more.