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The submission deadline for the next edition of Weekly Bulletin will be Tuesday, November 3, at 4 p.m. Please send comments, questions, and submissions to the editor.

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- Gary Segura to Deliver 2015 Jooinn Lee Lecture
- Morris to Host 5th Celebration of Scholarly Accomplishments
- Morris Recognized in the 2015 Sustainable Campus Index
- Morris’s Waste-Management Policies Praised in Minnesota Daily

Featured Events

Soup & Substance
Thursday, October 29, 11 a.m.
Student Center, Moccasin Flower Room

Jooinn Lee Lecturer: Professor Gary Segura
Thursday, October 29, 7 p.m.
John Q. Imholte Hall, 109

Women’s Volleyball vs Northland College
Friday, October 30, 7 p.m.
Morris, Minn.

Axioma 330: Celebrating the Music of J.S. Bach and Christopher Marshall
Friday, October 30, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, October 31, 7 p.m.
Humanities Fine Arts Building, Recital Hall

Football vs Eureka College
Saturday, October 31, 12 p.m.
Morris, Minn.

2015 Festival of Spanish Language Cinema
Saturday, October 31, 2 p.m.
Morris Theatre

Trick or Can
Saturday, October 31, 5:45 p.m.
Science Auditorium

Guest Player Concert - Chris Bates Trio
Wednesday, November 3, 6 p.m.
Humanities Fine Arts Building, Recital Hall

Check out all of the campus events.

News and Announcements
Morris to Host Fifth Celebration of Scholarly Accomplishments

This ongoing event showcases examples of outstanding research and artistic activities undertaken by University of Minnesota, Morris faculty, staff, and retirees.

Blackpack to Perform Standup Comedy S.E.L.L.O.U.T.

Four headliners with four perspectives on one stage, Blackpack uses humor to speak to audiences about race.

Center for Small Towns Seeks Proposals for Connecting Students and Community Program

The CSC program benefits communities and organizations by helping to identify, understand, and initiate action on specific needs, pressing issues, and emerging trends.

This Week in Photos:
-  PGLF 2015

Accomplishments

Morris has been recognized as a sustainability leader in the 2015 Sustainable Campus Index, achieving placement in the categories of campus engagement, coordination and planning, and buildings. The 2015 Sustainable Campus Index highlights top-performing colleges and universities in 17 areas, as measured by the Sustainability Tracking, Assessment & Rating System (STARS).

Jim Hall, director of information technology, will speak on a panel about the cross-generational workplace at the December meeting of the Minnesota Premier CIO Forum.

Jeff Ledermann '87 has been named Non-Formal Environmental Educator of the Year in this year’s Minnesota Association for Environmental Education Awards. The awards are sponsored by the Wisconsin Association for environmental education, the statewide nonprofit professional organization of environmental educators that supports environmental education through advocacy, networking, and recognition.

In the News

As reported in the Minnesota Daily, Morris’s waste-management policies and efforts make it “a model for changes at the Twin Cities campus.” Martin Zais ’16 notes that Morris’s most effective tool in this effort “is building relationships with students, faculty, and staff by having conversations about environmental concerns.”

Janel Mendoza, executive account specialist for Facilities Management, also is quoted in the Minnesota Daily. Mendoza comments on the University’s maternity leave policy.

Dan Tolzman ’04 is the focus of a story by the National Post. The story follows Tolzman’s journey from Morris to Toronto, where he serves as director of scouting for the Toronto Raptors.

The campus community is deeply saddened to learn the news of the likely death of one of our students, Laura Ann Schwendemann ’19, Starbuck. Schwendemann had been reported missing by her family on October 15. While the investigation of her disappearance is ongoing, investigators do not believe there is an ongoing risk to public safety. We are keeping Schwendemann’s family and friends in our hearts and our thoughts. This is a sad time for our campus and for our friends and neighbors in Starbuck.