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(October 18, 2011)-On October 20-21, 2011, Oyate Hall will be filled with books for the annual Briggs Library Associates Book Sale. This marks the 10th year that the organization has sponsored a book sale, bringing back memories for Briggs Library Director LeAnn Dean.

“That first year, the three-hour sale was held on the paved veranda between the library and the Student Center on a cold and windy day,” says Dean. “Since that time, it has grown so that we fill Oyate with books, and people have a pleasant experience browsing through the tables, sipping on the complimentary coffee. So, for me, it’s a very busy, but very enjoyable two days as we watch people, especially students, build personal libraries inexpensively.”

This year’s sale is made special with a donation of a number of books from the late Tom McRoberts ’68 and his family. McRoberts was an administrator, educator, and mentor at the University of Minnesota, Morris for 34 years before he passed away in October 2010.

“[Tom] always said whenever he gave books to Briggs Library that we already owned, he’d like us to include them in the book sale so the library would still benefit,” says Dean. “This year, we will have a ‘Tom McRoberts Table,’ so colleagues and students who remember Tom will have a chance to take home a keepsake.”

Book sale hours will be from noon until 7 p.m. on October 20 and 10:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. on October 21.

Scanners and book carts are not allowed.

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