

What: 2004 Elections Project
When: 10 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 14 (media briefing)
Where: Humphrey Institute (1st floor)
 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis
Who: Larry Jacobs, director of 2004 Elections Project
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U OF M CENTER TO GIVE MIDWEST PERSPECTIVE ON 2004 ELECTION

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute will launch the 2004 Elections Project designed to offer non-partisan commentary and analysis on this year's elections. Nationally recognized political expert Larry Jacobs will direct the project, which will kick off with a media briefing at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 14, at the Humphrey Institute, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis.

Sponsored by the institute's Center for the Study of Politics, the project aims to provide the public with timely, non-partisan information about national issues and the 2004 elections. Also serving as a resource for media, experts will be available to provide election analysis from a Midwestern perspective. Focusing on Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin and South Dakota, which have emerged as critical swing states in the presidential election, also will be a priority.

"This is an oft-overlooked region when it comes to political analysis and commentary, even though presidential races can be won or lost in the swing states of the Midwest," Jacobs said. "This project will establish the Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs as a credible and essential source of information on our political process."

To provide timely updates on this year's election season, the 2004 Elections Project has launched a Web news channel, 2004 Election News, through its Website. It will provide instant access to news, information, research, polling data and public forums. Access 2004 Election News by visiting www.hhh.umn.edu/centers/csp/elections or sign up for updates via e-mail at csp@hhh.umn.edu.

Through the Humphrey Survey, the 2004 Elections Project will also provide data and information on suburban voter trends (often a swing vote), regional voter trends, third parties and campaign fundraising. The Humphrey Survey results will be accessible through the project Website at no cost.

The Humphrey Institute's Center for the Study of Politics was established with assistance from a \$250,000 grant from former vice-president Walter Mondale. Dean J. Brian Atwood, of the Humphrey

Institute, saw a need for students at the institute to be exposed to every facet of civic government and public affairs, including politics.

“Minnesota has long been a state rich in political activism and strong leadership,” Atwood said. “The Humphrey Institute cannot ignore the political aspect of government and public service. The 2004 Elections Project will be one of several programs and initiatives we’ll launch to educate our students and, we hope, erase the negative stigma attached to politics.”

Larry Jacobs is a McKnight Land-Grant Professor at the University of Minnesota, an adjunct professor at the Hubert H. Humphrey Institute and director of the 2004 Elections Project. He currently chairs the Task Force on Inequality and American Democracy, which was convened by the American Political Science Association.

Jacobs received a doctorate from Columbia University in 1990. He has published several articles and written works, including his recent award-winning books *Healthy, Wealth, and Fair* (2004) and *Politicians Don’t Pander: Political Manipulation and the Loss of Democratic Responsiveness* (2000).

Jacobs’ research has been featured across the globe on BBC, National Public Radio and Minnesota Public Radio, as well as ABC, NBC, CBS News, CNN, CSPAN, MSNBC, the New York Times, the Washington Post, the Los Angeles Times, the Chicago Tribune, The Economist, the Washington Monthly, the Star Tribune, The New Republic, Congressional Quarterly, Roll Call, The National Journal and other outlets. □

What: U of M student receives Mitchell Scholarship to study in Ireland
Who: Zachery Coelius
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U OF M POLITICAL SCIENCE SENIOR NAMED GEORGE MITCHELL SCHOLAR

MINNEAPOLIS/ST.PAUL— Zachery Coelius, a senior honors student enrolled in the College of Liberal Arts at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, has won a George J. Mitchell Scholarship and will study in Northern Ireland next year.

The prestigious award, launched in 1998, honors America's top students who exhibit the highest standards of academic excellence, leadership and community service. The scholarship, administered by the US-Ireland Alliance, a non-profit organization in Washington, DC, is named in honor of the pivotal leadership role by the former U.S. senator in the Northern Ireland peace process. This year's Mitchell competition for 12 awards had 245 applicants from 166 colleges and universities across the country. The scholarship supports one year of study in Ireland or Northern Ireland for 10 Americans.

Coelius, who is majoring in political science and history, is the first Mitchell Scholar from the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities. He will study for a master's degree in international studies at the University of Limerick.

"It is amazing to be honored with such a prestigious scholarship," Coelius said. "To be considered even the same class as the other Mitchell scholars is to be in amazing company, as a group they are some of the most interesting and accomplished people I have ever had a chance to meet. I am really looking forward to spending a year in Ireland with them and getting to know them at the same time as get to know Ireland."

"It is going to be an amazing opportunity to look at the world from a perspective that is very different than what I have spent the last four years doing," he added. "Moreover they have a really strong program for getting a handle on international institutions which is something that I have always been intrigued with."

Coelius expects that the year in Ireland will have a tremendous impact on him academically and personally.

“Personally I think studying in Ireland will enable me develop a new understanding for how a different culture and people see the world,” he said. “That new perspective should be extremely helpful in the future by enabling me to have a better understanding of issues effecting the globe and my country from a more complete perspective. Academically I think it will be a boon to my abilities to comprehend the political and social problems that I plan to spend my life attempting to address. Hopefully by seeing how another people deal with the questions of citizenship, democracy and collective action that I have been trying for the last few years to come to terms with I will be able to do better work.”

Coelius is co-president of the university's Parliamentary Debate Society and is founder of Votes for Students, a nationally recognized non-profit organization that utilizes email and the Internet to encourage voting and civic participation among college students. He has served on the Help America Vote Act of 2002 State Plan Advisory Committee, chaired by Secretary of State Mary Kiffmeyer, and on the Governor's Youth Advisory Council under former Governor Arne Carlson.

Coelius has won several awards at the University of Minnesota, including the College of Liberal Arts Birkelo Scholarship. Earlier this year, he was selected by USA Today to be a member of one of its "All USA Academic Teams," an elite group of American college students honored for their extraordinary accomplishments.

Coelius, a graduate of Stillwater Area Senior High School, is one of two Minnesotans to receive this year's Mitchell Scholarships. The other is Alex Bradford, a senior at Stanford University from Minneapolis, who will study for a master's degree in globalization at Dublin City University. □

- What:** Opening of 2004 Great Conversations series
- When:** 7:30 p.m Tuesday, Jan. 20
- Where:** Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 Fourth St. S., Minneapolis
- Who:** President Robert Bruininks and Richard Florida, author of 'The Rise of the Creative Class'
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The two will converse at 7:30 p.m Tuesday, Jan. 20, in the Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 Fourth St. S., Minneapolis.

Florida is author of the widely read "The Rise of the Creative Class: How It's Transforming Work, Leisure, Community and Everyday Life." His conversation with Bruininks will look into a city's viability and creativity, especially pertinent after the recent designation of Minneapolis as having one of the nation's top 10 "thriving creative classes."

In addition to being an author, Florida is a professor of regional economic development at Carnegie Mellon University.

Before becoming the 15th president of the university, Bruininks was professor and dean of the College of Education and Human Development and the university's executive vice president and provost.

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Great Conversations is produced by the College of Continuing Education (CCE). Support is provided by the University of Minnesota Foundation in recognition of the generosity of Presidents Club members and by Maxine and Win Wallin. Additional support has been provided by contributors to the CCE Scholarly Events Fund, Mpls/St. Paul magazine, the Hyatt Regency Hotel and Bruce Printing, Inc. □

What: U of M Institute of Technology dean to return to faculty
Who: H. Ted Davis, dean, Institute of Technology
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DAVIS TO STEP DOWN AS DEAN AFTER NINE YEARS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--H. Ted Davis, dean of the Institute of Technology at the University of Minnesota, will return to a faculty position fall semester 2004. Davis, 66, was appointed dean in November 1995 and is the third longest serving dean in IT's history and also the third longest serving among current deans on the Twin Cities campus.

"I've had an incredible experience, but after nine years as dean and 24 in administration, it's time to pass the torch," said Davis. "I am deeply grateful for the hard work and dedication of our department heads and many others throughout the institute who have helped us achieve success."

Among Davis's accomplishments as dean of the second-largest undergraduate college at the university were raising \$159 million for Campaign Minnesota; developing the Digital Technology Center; raising funds for the renovation of Walter Library, a new Mechanical Engineering building and an addition to Amundson Hall; increasing diversity among faculty and students; and establishing a department of biomedical engineering and programs for working adults.

"Dean Davis leaves very large shoes to fill, and this is a critical hire for the university," said Christine Maziar, executive vice president and provost. "Under Ted's leadership, the Institute of Technology has had many departments consistently ranked among the very best nationally."

Maziar said that a national search for a replacement will begin immediately and that she hopes to have a successor named by the beginning of the 2004-05 academic year.

Davis, the author or co-author of 500 papers and three textbooks, holds the university's highest academic title of Regents Professor and is a member of the National Academy of Engineering. His research and scholarship focuses on several areas related to the flow of fluids, including investigations of the molecular mechanisms by which fluid flows, with applications in industrial coating processes, the flow of pollutants through groundwater, and oil recovery; and nanotechnology. Davis came to the university in 1963 as an associate professor of chemical engineering and materials science.

The Institute of Technology has 13 departments and seven major research centers, including the National Science Foundation Center for Earth-Surface Dynamics and the Army High Performance Computing Research Center. Each year, IT awards approximately 850 bachelor's degrees, 400 master's degrees and 150 doctoral degrees. There are 4,300 undergraduates and 2,400 graduate students. □

What: U of M reaction to governor's budget
Who: Robert Bruininks, president
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'U' PRESIDENT DISAPPOINTED WITH GOVERNOR'S BUDGET PROPOSAL

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--University of Minnesota President Robert Bruininks is disappointed with the governor's \$76.6 million capital budget proposal, which funds less than half of the \$155.5 million in state bonding the university is seeking.

"After the devastating budget reductions the university experienced last year, I am deeply disappointed in this recommendation," he said. "We put forth a responsible, modest plan to address long term infrastructure needs and take care of our classrooms, laboratories and other educational and research facilities. We cannot provide a 21st century education in 20th century facilities."

Specifically, the university is seeking funding for critical health and safety projects, renewal of old and outdated classrooms and buildings, and critical infrastructure projects, such as new roofs or ventilation systems. The university has more than 800 buildings; 65 percent of them are more than 30 years old, and 25 percent are more than 70 years old.

"For the last decade, this university has been dedicated to responsible stewardship of our physical resources and the results are visible on all campuses," said Bruininks. "Without greater funding of our request, the university will be unable to deliver fully on our obligation to take care of these critical public facilities."

The governor's proposal recommends that the university receive \$38 of the \$90 million it requested in Higher Education Assets Preservation and Replacement funding and it includes funding for only three of six major building projects the university requested. No funding was provided for planning business school expansions on the Twin Cities and Duluth campuses, a heating facility on the Morris campus or Medical School classroom improvements. Historically, the university has received up to 18 percent of the state's bond funding, under the governor's recommendation--the university would receive about 11 percent of the total.

Bruininks pledged to take the university's case directly to the Legislature. "Minnesota cannot afford to squander our future by starving higher education," he said. "We have over 200,000 alumni in Minnesota, over 10,000 of whom are active advocates on behalf of the university, and we will be asking them to contact their legislators and help us explain the value of higher education to the state."

The three major university projects the governor recommended to receive state funding are:

--\$16.8 million for a renovation of Kolthoff Hall on the Twin Cities campus. Kolthoff houses the department of chemistry, which is ranked 21st among 168 chemistry departments nationally.

--\$13.3 million to create a new Education Sciences Building on the Twin Cities campus by renewing the long-vacant Mineral Resources Research Center.

--\$9.3 million for a renovation of the 35-year-old life science building on the Duluth campus.

“These are all very important projects and we are grateful that the governor recognized their value,” said Bruininks.

For information on the university’s capital request, go to: www.umn.edu/govrel. For information on supporting the university, go to: www.supporttheu.umn.edu. □

- What:** Impact of state's voluntary forest management guidelines on landowners
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- David Zumeta, executive director, Minnesota Forest Resources Council, (651) 603-0108, dzumeta@umn.edu
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U OF M STUDY ESTIMATES COST OF FOREST MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Minnesota landowners who sell timber may receive less money when they require loggers to follow the state's voluntary forest management guidelines. A University of Minnesota study estimates the reduced income at \$136 per acre of timber sold.

The guidelines were introduced in 1998 to help forest landowners, loggers and managers conduct forest management activities while sustaining important forest features like wildlife habitats, water quality and historical landmarks.

"The guidelines provide important ecological and environmental benefits, and the study does not diminish their importance," said Michael Kilgore, co-author of the study and a professor in the U's College of Natural Resources' department of forest resources. "However, it does indicate that there are tradeoffs."

The study used timber auctions to evaluate how stumpage bids change when landowners require the use of the forest management guidelines. Twenty-seven timber tracts, all located in northern Minnesota and managed by the Department of Natural Resources and the St. Louis County Land Department, were put up for sale. For each tract, potential buyers were required to present two stumpage bids: one with the use of management guidelines and one without.

While the majority of loggers in the study decreased their bids when guidelines were required, 25 percent did not. Their paired bids were equal, which might suggest these loggers did not feel the guidelines were an extra cost to their harvesting operations, or they were not willing or able to pass these costs on to forest landowners.

Results from the auction suggest that management guidelines cost the landowners in two ways. First, the average stumpage price per cord of wood for sales requiring the use of guidelines averaged \$27.22 compared to \$24.56 without the guidelines. The decrease of \$2.66 per cord, or 10 percent, amounts to an average loss of \$71 per acre to the landowners studied.

Second, the amount of salable timber on the auctioned tracts decreased by an average of 2.4 cords per acre. These results are consistent with the fact that the guidelines recommend leaving some salable timber standing for ecological, environmental and aesthetic reasons.

Overall, the decrease in salable timber and stumpage price resulted in a \$136 per acre cost to landowners participating in the study. Using these estimates, it would cost landowners an average of \$3,228 to have loggers adhere to guidelines on a 24-acre timber tract--the average timber harvest area in Minnesota.

Monitoring efforts suggest that landowners frequently use the guidelines during timber harvest operations. In addition, loggers who have received guideline training perform more than 85 percent of Minnesota's annual timber harvesting. Approximately 200,000 acres of forest land—just over one percent of Minnesota's forestland base—is harvested each year.

The study was published in the December issue of the Journal of Forestry. The findings will be useful in designing public policies that promote the use of environmentally responsible timber harvesting practices while recognizing the economic importance of forests. The Minnesota Forest Resources Council provided funds for the study. □

- What:** China Center 25th anniversary and Chinese New Year celebration
- When:** 4:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21
- Where:** Coffman Union Great Hall, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis
- Who:** About 400 guests, lion dancers, former U.S. Sen. Rod Grams
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U OF M CHINA CENTER KICKS OFF 25th YEAR WITH NEW YEAR EVENT

MINNEAPOLIS--To kick off a year of celebration for its 25th anniversary and to welcome in the Year of the Monkey, the University of Minnesota China Center will host a Chinese New Year's celebration from 4:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21, in the Great Hall of Coffman Union.

The event, which will take place on the eve of the arrival of the Year of the Monkey, will feature lion dances and traditional Chinese entertainment by the Chinese American Association of Minnesota's Dance Theater Group. Former U.S. Sen. Rod Grams will deliver a keynote speech on U.S.-China relations. Grams was chair of the Subcommittee on International Operations of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

The China Center was established in 1979 to manage the University of Minnesota's exchanges with the People's Republic of China. The first three Chinese students entered the university in 1914, and since then more than 8,000 Chinese alumni have studied or worked at the university. After the normalization of U.S.-China relations, the university began to host visiting scholars and students from the PRC, resuming exchanges interrupted for nearly 30 years. Today there are about 1,200 visiting Chinese scholars and students at the university, the largest population on a North American campus.

"The China Center has made significant contributions to building bridges between the university, Minnesota, the United States and China," said China Center Director Hong Yang. "For 25 years, the center has reflected the firm and long-standing commitment of the university to international research, teaching and outreach. This event will help the China Center acknowledge the many builders of these bridges, share in its current accomplishments and look to its future role in forging new exchange and partnerships between the United States and China." □

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Schedule:

- 4:30 p.m. Social hour
- 5 p.m. Welcome and introductions
- 5:15 p.m. Keynote speech on U.S.-China relations by former U.S. Sen. Rod Grams.
- 6 p.m. Lion Dance by the Chinese American Association of Minnesota's Dance Theater Group
- 6:15 p.m. Dinner
- 6:45 p.m. Presentation of awards and China Center initiatives
- 7:15 p.m. Chinese traditional entertainment provided by the Chinese American Association of Minnesota's Dance Theater Group

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What: U of M annual Legislative Briefing
When: 5:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 22
Where: McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis
Who: Robert Bruininks, president
 U students, alumni and supporters
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HUNDREDS GATHER TO SUPPORT U OF M

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Hundreds of supporters from around the state will join University of Minnesota President Robert Bruininks at the University of Minnesota Alumni Association's annual Legislative Briefing, 5:30-8:30 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 22, at the McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis. The event is free and open to the public. Reservations are required and can be made online at www.supporttheu.umn.edu, or by calling (612) 625-9174.

The governor's budget proposal, which funds less than half of the university's critical facilities needs, has rallied students, alumni and friends to action. This week, the governor recommended the university receive \$76.6 million of the \$155.5 million it needs for health and safety, classroom, maintenance and other facility upgrades. This proposal comes on the heels of last year's historic 15 percent reduction to the university's operating budget.

"We're very disappointed with the governor's recommendation," said Margaret Sughrue Carlson, executive director of the UMAA. "How many backward steps do we need to take before we lose our momentum? The university cannot provide a 21st century education in 20th century facilities, so we're taking our case directly to the Legislature."

The University Legislative Network has more than 10,000 members and thousands have already contacted their legislators to tell them how important the university is to the state.

At the briefing, Bruininks will explain the importance of the university's capital request and why it is critical for citizens to ask legislators to support the university. State Sen. Geoff Michel (R-Edina) will be among two elected officials participating in a discussion moderated by law professor Guy-Uriel Charles. Jerry Noyce, national president of the UMAA, will host the evening. Attendees will also receive an advocacy tool kit for use during the session. For information on the university's capital request, go to www.umn.edu/govrel. For information on supporting the university, go to www.supporttheu.umn.edu. □

Florida and Bruininks will be available to the media at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20, in Room 12 Morrill Hall

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What: Daylong law symposium
When: 9:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 23
Where: Room 25, University of Minnesota Law School, 229 19th Ave. S.,
 Minneapolis
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PANELISTS TO EXPLORE IMPLICATIONS OF AMERICA AS LONE SUPERPOWER

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--“The Legal and Political Implications of the United States as the World’s Lone Superpower” is the topic of a daylong symposium beginning at 9 a.m. Friday, Jan. 23, in room 25 at the University of Minnesota Law School, 229 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis.

The U of M’s Law & Inequality: A Journal of Theory and Practice is hosting the symposium. Along with exploring the implications of the United States as the sole superpower, panelists will examine the impact the U.S.’s “war on terror” has had on human rights domestically and abroad. The symposium is free and open to the public. The schedule is as follows:

- 9:30 a.m. -- Welcome and introduction.
- 9:45 a.m. -- Marco Sassoli, University of Quebec, Montreal, will deliver a keynote.
- 10:45 a.m. -- A panel will examine historical and global implications. Panelists include U of M political science professor Kathryn Sikkink and Sally Kenney, professor of public affairs and law at the Humphrey Institute. Anthony Winer, professor, William Mitchell College of Law, will moderate.
- Noon Lunch break.
- 1 p.m. -- A panel will explore the implications for international law. Panelists include: U of M law school professors Fred Morrison and David Weissbrodt and Barbara Frey, U of M human rights program. U of M law professor Oren Gross will moderate.
- 2:45 p.m. -- Juan Mendez of Notre Dame Law School will give a presentation.
- 3:45 p.m. -- Panelists will examine the impact on human rights domestically and internationally. Panelists include: William Mitchell College of Law professor Jay Krishnan; Michelle Garnett McKenzie, refugee and immigrant program director at Minnesota Advocates for Human Rights; and U of M assistant professor of sociology and law Heger Boyle. U of M professor of law Ruth Okediji will moderate. □

What: Lecture on benefits of negative campaigning
When: 3:30 – 5 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 22
Where: Humphrey Institute, Room 215, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis
Who: Professor John Geer of Vanderbilt University
Former Congressman Tim Penny
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EXPERT SAYS NEGATIVE CAMPAIGNING IS GOOD FOR DEMOCRACY

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs will host Vanderbilt University political scientist John Geer, who argues that negative campaigning and attack ads are good for democracy. Geer's lecture, "It's Business, Not Personal: Negative Campaigning in the 2004 Presidential Election," will take place from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 22, Room 215, Humphrey Institute, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis.

Geer's lecture will draw from his forthcoming book, "Attacking Democracy: A Defense of Negativity in Presidential Campaigns, 1960-2000," in which he analyzes all of the presidential television ads from 1960 to 2000. He argues that the recent increase in attack ads on television is not bad and we should appreciate how these attacks can advance the general cause of democratic government.

Following Geer's lecture, former Congressman Tim Penny will offer commentary.

The Humphrey Institute Policy Forum, the Center for the Study of Politics and the Center on Women and Public Policy are sponsoring Geer's presentation, which is free and open to the public. □

- What:** U of M Alumni Association Celebrates 100th Birthday, Unveils New Cheer
- When:** 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30
- Where:** Great Hall, McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis
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Amy Phenix, News Service, (612) 625-8510

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION CELEBRATES 100 YEARS OF SERVICE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota Alumni Association (UMAA) will put an unusual twist on traditional birthday celebrations when it celebrates its centennial this month, distributing gifts instead of receiving them. In honor of its 100-year anniversary, the UMAA on Jan. 30 will unveil its latest gift to the University of Minnesota, a new musical cheer for the University of Minnesota. Created by University of Minnesota alumnus Brad Stokes, the cheer is the result of a recent UMAA-sponsored contest inviting alumni to submit their own original cheer compositions.

"The new cheer is a fun way for us to celebrate our strong connection with the university, but it's just one of many gifts we've helped generate in our one-hundredth anniversary year," said Margaret Carlson, executive director, UMAA. "In 2003, we helped create \$1 million in scholarships, thanks to a \$500,000 UMAA donation that will be matched by the university. And we were one of the first organizations to support the creation of a new on-campus football stadium, donating \$1 million toward the initiative. Gifts like these demonstrate our dedication and commitment to our great university."

One hundred years ago this month, on Jan. 30, 1904, alumni and faculty members from the University of Minnesota joined together to create the organization now known as the UMAA. Dedicated to a mission of building pride, spirit and community, the UMAA serves as a strong advocate for academic excellence at the University of Minnesota. Focused on the ideal that high-quality public education is essential, the organization consistently works to solidify the university's reputation as one of the nation's leading educational and research institutions. Through its outreach efforts, the UMAA builds lifelong connections with former students, helping ensure alumni success translates to continued growth and improvement for the university. The association today has more than 55,000 dues-paying Twin Cities campus alumni members.

The new University of Minnesota cheer will first be performed by the university's Pep Band at a public birthday lunch on Jan. 30 at 12:30 p.m., in the McNamara Alumni Center Great Hall on the Twin

Cities campus. All university alumni, students and community members are invited to attend the celebratory event, which will run from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and feature games, prize giveaways, free lunch and birthday cake.

Later the same day, an invitation-only evening program at McNamara Alumni Center will honor alumni association achievements and feature performances of university music from throughout the century, including the new musical cheer. All of the day's centennial celebration events will be held at the University of Minnesota's McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak Street S.E. in Minneapolis.

Stokes' winning cheer contest entry was selected by an independent panel of judges including Stan Freese, a university alumnus who hires and books performers for Disney in California. As the grand-prize winner, Stokes will receive \$2,500 cash, prizes and the opportunity to direct the University of Minnesota Marching Band at an upcoming sporting event.

"[Creating the cheer] was a lot like what I do in my professional life, where I often create unique musical 'signatures' for a product or company," said Stokes, the co-owner of a Minneapolis-based post-production and music company. "In this case, I tried to create a cheer that stirs up emotion and directly connects listeners with the University of Minnesota."

For more information, visit the UMAA Web site at www.alumni.umn.edu. □

- What:** U of M Martin Luther King, Jr. memorial concert
- When:** 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1
- Where:** Ted Mann Concert Hall, West Bank Campus, 2128 4th St. S.,
Minneapolis
- Who:** U students, faculty and professional performing artists, including the
Twin Cities Community Gospel Choir
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U OF M SCHOOL OF MUSIC TO HOST ANNUAL MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. MEMORIAL CONCERT

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota School of Music and the Office for Multicultural and Academic Affairs will present "From Every Voice," the 22nd annual concert celebrating the life and achievements of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., at 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, in Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 4th St. S., Minneapolis. The concert is free and open to the public.

This annual event was the first of its kind when founded and was originally held on Martin Luther King Day. Over time it has been rescheduled to accommodate students and the university community.

The concert lineup features professional performing artists appearing with university students and faculty, totaling more than 250 performers. Featured artists include the local a capella hip hop group 7 Days, the urban children's choir CitySongs, One Voice Mixed Chorus and the Twin Cities Community Gospel choir, featuring acclaimed soloist Robert Robinson. The university's Reginald Buckner Ensemble, named for the late university music professor who founded the memorial concert tradition, will also perform. □

- What:** Day-long workshop for journalists on business reporting
- When:** 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11
- Where:** School of Journalism and Mass Communication (SJMC), 100 Murphy Hall, 206 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis
- Contacts:** Amanda Rider, SJMC, (612) 626-1723
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

U OF M HOSTING WORKSHOP FOR JOURNALISTS ON BUSINESS REPORTING AND CORPORATE SCANDALS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's School of Journalism and Mass Communication is hosting a day-long workshop for journalists on business reporting called "Lies, Damned Lies and Accounting: What reporters need to know about the latest crop of corporate scandals," from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11, at 100 Murphy Hall, 206 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis.

Mutual funds, executive compensation and corporate governance will be among several topics covered throughout the day in lectures and group discussions.

Speakers include Kevin Maler, editor and reporter for the St. Paul Pioneer Press from 1999 to 2003, and editor of The Business Journal, from 1994 to 1999; Sven Wehrwein, a C.F.O. freelance contributor of over 100 columns and features to Twin Cities Business Monthly magazine, with a broad-based financial background as a C.P.A. and investment banker; and Hank Shea, the assistant U.S. attorney who has successfully prosecuted several local business people for their roles in what's been described as the state's largest insider trading case. He will discuss criminal conduct in the corporate world.

Cost for the workshop is \$65 (includes conference materials, breakfast, lunch and parking). For more information and to register call (612) 626-1723 or visit www.mjc.umn.edu/accounting/index.htm. □

What: U of M student named to USA Today All Academic First Team
Who: Zachery Coelius
Contacts: Coelius, (612) 578-4058;
Bob San, University News Service, (612) 624-4082

U OF M POLITICAL SCIENCE SENIOR RECEIVES USA TODAY HONOR

MINNEAPOLIS/ST.PAUL— Zachery Coelius, a senior honors student in the College of Liberal Arts at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, has been selected to USA Today's 2004 All-USA Academic first team.

USA Today solicited nominations from universities around the country and selected 20 students to its first team from thousands of nominees. USA Today will publish a profile of the 20 students who made the first team Feb. 12 in the Life section of the paper.

Coelius, a graduate of Stillwater High School, is majoring in political science and history. He is co-president of the university's Parliamentary Debate Society and founder of Votes for Students, a nationally recognized non-profit organization that utilizes email and the Internet to encourage voting and civic participation among college students. He has served on the Help America Vote Act of 2002 State Plan Advisory Committee, chaired by Secretary of State Mary Kiffmeyer, and on the Governor's Youth Advisory Council under former Governor Arne Carlson.

Coelius has won numerous awards and scholarships, most recently a prestigious George J. Mitchell Scholarship that supports one year of study in Ireland. Coelius, who is the first University of Minnesota-Twin Cities student to win a Mitchell Scholarship, will study for a master's degree in international studies at the University of Limerick. □

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What: Discussion on housing agendas of Twin Cities' mayors

When: Noon – 1:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30

Where: Carlson School of Management, Room 2-215, 321 19th Ave. S.
Minneapolis

Who: Bob Schreier, St. Paul program administrator
Lee Pao Xiong, Minneapolis director of housing and policy development

Contacts: David Bael, Center for Urban and Regional Affairs (CURA), (612) 625-2086, curahf@umn.edu
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038, proul011@umn.edu

CURA HOUSING FORUM WILL GIVE MID-TERM UPDATE ON HOUSING POLICIES OF KELLY AND RYBAK

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's Center for Urban and Regional Affairs (CURA) will host St. Paul and Minneapolis housing officials for updates on housing agendas outlined by St. Paul mayor Randy Kelly and Minneapolis mayor R.T. Rybak, from noon to 1:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30 in Room 2-215 at the Carlson School of Management, 321 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis.

The meeting is a follow-up to a previous housing forum held in April 2002, when city officials presented the housing goals of newly elected mayors Kelly and Rybak. This mid-term update will provide a look at the accomplishments and future goals of each administration.

Speaking at the forum are Bob Schreier, program administrator for St. Paul, and Lee Pao Xiong, director of housing policy and development for Minneapolis. Both presentations will consider regulatory, funding and production strategies, as well as provisions for affordable housing. Xiong will also report on the reorganization of Minneapolis' planning and development functions to facilitate affordable housing.

The CURA Housing Forum is a monthly discussion of housing issues and research in the Twin Cities. The forum is free and open to the public. Information about upcoming CURA Housing Forums can be found at www.cura.umn.edu/programs/forum.html. □

What: 2004 U Reads
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 Paul Moore, University News Service, (612) 624-0214

U OF M MINDS OFFER INTRIGUING READING CHOICES

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--From children's books to works on Zen philosophy, leading minds at the University of Minnesota are recommending a wide variety of influential reading.

U Reads, a recommended reading list sponsored by the College of Continuing Education (CCE), is back with 10 suggestions for 2004. Each year CCE asks some of the U's leading minds to share the book that had the most impact on their thinking. The 2004 results include biographies, fiction and a look into Orientalism.

Each person also offers a commentary on his or her recommendation at www.cce.umn.edu/ureads. Also available: a free poster and bookmark to keep the titles handy.

The 2004 recommendations are:

- "The Control of Nature" by John McPhee
Recommended by: Judith Martin, urban studies professor
- "Dino: Living High in the Dirty Business of Dreams" by Nick Tosces
Recommended by: Karal Ann Marling, professor of art history and American studies
- "Everyday Zen: Love & Work" by Charlotte Joko Beck
Recommended by: Michael Dennis Browne, poet, professor of English and creative writing and 2001 College of Continuing Education Distinguished Teacher
- "Gaudy Night" by Dorothy L. Sayers
Recommended by: Anna Katharine Mansfield, enology project leader
- "It Can't Happen Here" by Sinclair Lewis
Recommended by: Christine Maziar, executive vice president and provost
- "The Lives of Cells: Notes of a Biology Watcher" by Lewis Thomas
Recommended by: John S. Najarian, M.D., professor of surgery
- "Orientalism" by Edward Said
Recommended by: Imed Labidi, graduate student and instructor of cultural studies and comparative literature
- "The Polar Express" by Chris Van Allsburg
Recommended by: Michael Osterholm, director, Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy,

and public health professor

- “When Pride Still Mattered: A Life of Vince Lombardi” by David Maraniss

Recommended by: Pam Borton, women's basketball coach

- “The Wump World” by Bill Peet

Recommended by: Dan Gilchrist, president's speechwriter. □

What: Musical performance by Ladysmith Black Mambazo
When: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 17
Where: Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 Fourth St. S., Minneapolis
Contacts: Christopher James, School of Music, (612) 626-1094
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

U OF M SCHOOL OF MUSIC WILL HOST SOUTH AFRICAN ENSEMBLE LADYSMITH BLACK MAMBAZO

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota School of Music (SOM) will present acclaimed South African choral ensemble Ladysmith Black Mambazo at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 17, in Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 Fourth St. S., Minneapolis, as part of Interplay, the SOM's annual series of world music concerts.

For more than 30 years, Ladysmith Black Mambazo has toured and performed across the world, playing a blend of native South African sounds and Christian gospel music. Their name was derived from a combination of meanings including their hometown of Ladysmith.

The group's discography contains more than 40 recordings including Paul Simon's 1986 album Graceland, on which they perform backing vocals. A year later, the group received a Grammy award for their first U.S. release, Shaka Zulu. Since then the group has received six Grammy nominations.

In addition to their work with Simon, the group has recorded with numerous artists from around the world, including Stevie Wonder, Dolly Parton, The Wynans, Emmylou Harris, Julia Fordham, George Clinton and Ben Harper. They have performed for dignitaries worldwide, including the Queen of England, the Pope and South African President Nelson Mandela.

Ticket prices range from \$28 to \$38 and can be purchased by calling (612) 624-2345. Student rush tickets are available for \$10 at the box office the day of the performance. □

What: Rodney Slater lecture at Humphrey Institute
When: 10 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 3
Where: Cowles Auditorium, Humphrey Center, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis
Contacts: Julie Lund, Humphrey Institute, (612) 624-1190
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

FORMER TRANSPORTATION SECRETARY SLATER TO LECTURE AT HUMPHREY INSTITUTE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute will host Rodney Slater, former secretary of transportation under President Bill Clinton, as the keynote speaker at the annual Martin Olav Sabo Lecture Series. Slater will speak from 10 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 3, in Cowles Auditorium at the Humphrey Institute, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis.

Slater will address his career in public service and reflect on the present and future state of transportation affairs. His career includes four years of service as administrator of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), where he was the first African-American to hold that position. Slater was named secretary of transportation in 1997, immediately following his tenure at the FHWA.

During his four years at the Department of Transportation, Slater was credited for improvements in transportation safety, new investments in infrastructure, programs to protect the environment and initiatives to expand opportunity.

In 2001, Slater joined the Washington-based law firm Patton Boggs, as partner in its public policy practice group and head of its transportation practice group.

The Martin Olav Sabo Lecture Series is a forum for experts and local leaders to address the challenges of public service for our states and nation. The lecture is free and open to the public. RSVPs are requested but not required to Janice Young at (612) 626-0347 or jyoung@hhh.umn.edu. □

- What:** Carlson School of Management (CSOM) First Tuesday luncheon
- When:** 11:30 a.m.-1p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 3
- Where:** Radisson Hotel Metrodome, 615 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis
- Who:** James Melton, former American Express Financial Advisors chief economist and president of Melton Research
- Contacts:** Catherine Peloquin, Carlson School of Management, (612) 626-0556
Registration, (612) 626-9634, firsttuesday@csom.umn.edu
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

CARLSON SCHOOL LUNCHEON WILL FEATURE ECONOMIST BILL MELTON

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's Carlson School of Management (CSOM) will host Bill Melton, former American Express Financial Advisors chief economist and president of Melton Research, as keynote speaker at the CSOM's First Tuesday Luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 3, at the Radisson Hotel Metrodome, 615 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis. In his talk, "Three Challenges for the Economy," he will review the current economic expansion and give his perspective on how the value of the dollar, employment and fiscal policy affect the economy.

Melton joined the Federal Reserve Bank of New York in 1976, serving as chief of the Monetary Analysis Division. He was chief economist at American Express Financial Services (formerly IDS) for more than a decade. He left American Express in 1997 to found his consulting firm, Melton Research.

Melton is a longtime member of the Star Tribune Board of Economists and is a member of the Advisory Board of Macroeconomic Advisors, LLC, one of the nation's foremost economic forecasting firms. He has published numerous articles on economic, financial and historical topics, written "Inside the Fed: Making Monetary Policy," and testified before Congress on economic matters.

Each month, as many as 500 CSOM alumni, local business leaders, students and educators attend the First Tuesday series to hear from the leading business voices in today's economy.

Registration costs \$28, which includes lunch and parking in the Washington Avenue Ramp. Register by calling (612) 626-9634, visiting www.carlsonschool.umn.edu or sending an e-mail to firsttuesday@csom.umn.edu. □

What: Donut and chili feed for February 'Thank U' event
When: 12 to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4
Where: Washington Avenue Bridge, Minneapolis
Contacts: Eric Dyer, president, Minnesota Student Association, (612) 703-8300
Paul Moore, University News Service, (612) 624-0214

COPS, DONUTS, STUDENTS AND CHILI

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--On a snowy winter day, there's nothing like a donut and a bowl of chili to warm things up--and it's even better when it's free.

University of Minnesota students will be able to grab a donut and belly up to the chili trough from 12 to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, for a winter treat served by students and U of M and Minneapolis police officers.

"Cops, Donuts, Students and Chili" is designed to bring the university student community and police departments together. It's the first in a series of "Thank U" events, which will run through the end of the school year to show students they're appreciated and build a stronger campus community.

Sponsors of the chili feed are the Minnesota Student Association, the University of Minnesota Police Department, the Minneapolis Police Department and the Office for Student Affairs. □

What: Center for Transportation Studies (CTS) winter luncheon
When: 11:30 to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 18
Where: Radisson Metrodome Hotel, 615 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis
Who: Allan F. Williams, chief scientist, Insurance Institute for Highway Safety
Contacts: Gina Baas, CTS, (612) 626-7331
Patty Mattern, University News Service, (612) 624-2801

SCIENTIST TO EXPLORE WHETHER UNITED STATES IS MAKING PROGRESS IN REDUCING MOTOR VEHICLE CRASHES

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Last year, nearly 2 million people were injured and more than 38,000 killed in motor vehicle crashes in the United States. Is this country making progress in reducing motor vehicle accidents that cause injuries? How do this nation's results compare to those of other countries? Allan F. Williams, chief scientist at the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, will address these and other questions during the University of Minnesota's Center for Transportation Studies' winter luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 18 at the Radisson Metrodome, 615 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis.

In "A National Perspective on Current Highway Safety Issues," Williams will discuss current statistics, research and issues regarding seat belt use, alcohol-impaired driving, young drivers, older drivers, urban crashes, motorcycles and other key topics in improving highway safety. The United States is making progress in some of these areas, but not in others, Williams said, and, in some cases, the nation is headed in the wrong direction. Williams will make recommendations to reduce motor vehicle injuries.

Williams has a doctorate in social psychology from Harvard University and has published more than 250 scientific papers on topics that include drugs and driving, seat belt use and preventing motor vehicle deaths and injuries among teenagers and children. He received a Widmark Award from the International Council on Alcohol, Other Drugs and Traffic Safety in 1997 and a Public Service Award from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in 2002.

The winter luncheon is cosponsored by the CTS and the center's ITS Institute. To register online, go to <http://register.cce.umn.edu> and enter event ID# 175871.

For additional information, call Shirley Mueffelman at 612-624-4754 or e-mail smueffel@cce.umn.edu. □

What: Photography exhibition from Iran
When: Feb. 24 to April 8
 Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
 Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.
Where: Katherine E. Nash Gallery, 405 21st Ave. S., Minneapolis
Contacts: Nick Shank, Katherine E. Nash Gallery, (612) 624-6518
 Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

U OF M'S NASH GALLERY TO HOST WORKS OF IRANIAN ARTISTS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Through an international exchange, the University of Minnesota's Katherine E. Nash Gallery will show the work of nearly 20 Iranian artists in a new photography exhibition, "Persian Silver: Contemporary Photography from Iran," from Feb. 24 to April 8. Comprising nearly 80 photographic images, the exhibition comes from the Tehran Museum of Contemporary Art (TMCA). In exchange, the TMCA will host an exhibition with several Twin Cities artists later this year. A public reception has been scheduled for Friday, March 5, from 6 to 8:30 p.m.

"Persian Silver" is named after the photographic silver processes traditionally used in the medium. This will be the first survey of contemporary Iranian photography in the United States since the 1979 revolution, according to art professor Gary Hallman, who is responsible for this cultural exchange through contacts he made while lecturing in Iran.

"Very little Iranian photography has been seen in the United States," Hallman said. "This is an opportunity for Minnesotans to experience the vision and thought of Iranian artists at a timely historical juncture. These are images that go beyond mere representation and address complex cultural issues shaped by recent Iranian history and a rich Islamic heritage."

Founded in 1977, the state-run TMCA remains a leader in contemporary Iranian art. Shortly after its opening, the TMCA was caught up in political turmoil and its entire collection of Western art was removed by the government. More than 20 years later, the TMCA's collection once again includes such artists as Claude Monet and Pablo Picasso. TMCA officials now work to promote Iranian art throughout the Western world.

Scheduled events surrounding the exhibition include a panel discussion on the exhibition with TMCA curator Hamid Severi and several local experts and artists at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 9, in the Regis-In Flux multimedia space at the Nash.

The Nash Gallery is open to the public Tuesday through Sunday (hours vary), and admission is free. Visit the Nash Gallery Web site at http://artdept.umn.edu/art_dept/nash for directions and a complete listing of gallery hours. □

What: Three University of Minnesota deans discuss future of health care

When: 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 18

Where: Cowles Auditorium, Humphrey Institute, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis

Contacts: Catherine Peloquin, Carlson School of Management, (612) 626-0556, cpeloquin@csom.umn.edu

Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

U OF M DEANS HOST ROUNDTABLE ON HEALTH CARE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Three University of Minnesota deans, J. Brian Atwood, dean of the Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, Mark Becker, dean of the School of Public Health and Larry Benveniste, dean of the Carlson School of Management, will take part in an executive roundtable, "The Three Deans: The Health Sector's Role in Local and Global Development," from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 18, at the Cowles Auditorium, Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis. The event is co-sponsored by Twin Cities Business Monthly, Medical Alley, Felhaber, Larson, Fenlon & Vogt and the Carlson School of Management.

The deans along with regional executives and health leaders will discuss the local and global health sector challenges shaping the role of universities as knowledge generators, disseminators and producers of health care leaders. They will also look at how universities link to fields of practice to shape research, leadership and knowledge and how public and private sector leaders can best advance the health and economies of communities, nations and the world.

Atwood served six years as administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development under the Clinton administration, leading initiatives on global climate change, democratization, conflict prevention and health. Becker serves on the advisory board of the University of Minnesota's Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy, Cancer Center Deans and Directors Committee and Center for Bioethics Dean's Policy Council. Benveniste is an expert on initial public offerings and has helped develop significant regulatory initiatives, including risk-based capital to monitor the equity value of commercial banks and protect the deposit insurance system.

The cost is \$25, which includes free parking in the 19th Avenue Ramp (300 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis) and a reception following the discussion. To register, call (612) 625-1321 or register online at legacy.csom.umn.edu/mhaalumni/3deans/. □

What: University of Minnesota ReUse Warehouse auction
When: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Feb. 9
10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10
Where: 883 29th Ave. S.E., Minneapolis (south of Como Avenue)
Contacts: Pete O'Keefe, ReUse Warehouse coordinator, (612) 626-9152
Paul Moore, University News Service, (612) 624-0214

EVERYTHING INCLUDING THE KITCHEN SINK: U OF M REUSE WAREHOUSE TO HOLD FIRST PUBLIC AUCTION

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Looking for an all-wood file cabinet? How about a radial arm saw? A piano? These items and dozens more can be had for the right price at the University of Minnesota ReUse Warehouse's first public auction. The auction runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Feb. 9, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10, at the warehouse, 883 29th Ave. S.E., Minneapolis.

Among the other items up for sale: photo enlargers, camera stands, examination tables, umbrellas, drafting tables, desks, bicycles and Herman Miller chairs. A complete list of auction items is available on the ReUse Web site at www.reuse.umn.edu.

The University of Minnesota's ReUse Warehouse is a depot for used university property. Instead of spending money to transport items to a landfill, the university stores and sells usable furniture and office equipment at the facility. This provides university departments an opportunity to claim items for use in their business units. Items not claimed by university departments are made available to the public after 60 days.

The ReUse Warehouse is open to the public on Thursdays from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and accepts checks and cash only. Call (612) 626-9152, or visit www.reuse.umn.edu for more information. □

What: U of M to host State of Students of Color Conference
When: Thursday and Friday, Feb. 12 and 13
Where: Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis
Contacts: Geoff Maruyama, University of Minnesota, (612) 625-5861
 Bruce Vandal, Associate Executive Director/Director of Programs,
 Minnesota Minority Education Partnership, (612) 710-0293
 Arline Datu, MMEP, (651) 699-4724, (cell) 612-414-0645
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Report by Minnesota Minority Education Partnership cites increases in students of color occurring exclusively outside Minneapolis-St. Paul since 2000

MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL— From kindergarten through college, Minnesota's persistent failure to educate students of color at the same rate as their white counterparts is the most critical issue facing our schools, communities and policymakers and puts our state's economic future at risk, according to a report, prepared by the Minnesota Minority Education Partnership Inc. (MMEP) entitled; "*The 2004 State of Students of Color*".

MMEP's second report in two years will be revealed at thru State of Students of Color Conference Awards and Dinner at the University of Minnesota's Coffman Union Thursday, Feb. 12 and Friday, Feb. 13.

The report shows that low performances of standardized tests in the elementary and secondary grades, poor high school graduation rates and low college attendance rates among minority students are persistent problems in Minnesota. The report also notes that since the year 2000 most K-12 increases in students of color have occurred in the suburbs of the Twin Cities and in school districts in Greater Minnesota.

Keynote speaker will be Ray Suarez, senior correspondent for The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer. Other speakers include Cheri Pierson Yecke, Minnesota's Education Commissioner; James McCormick, Chancellor of the Minnesota State Colleges and University system; David Jennings, Interim Superintendent of Minneapolis Public Schools; and author Melba Beals, one of nine African-American students who made history when they fought to integrate Central High School in Little Rock, Ark., in 1957. Beals later wrote about the event in her memoir, "Warriors Don't Cry."

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As a way to create the motivation for success among students of color, the report proposes the creation of a statewide network of K-12 schools, higher education institutions, community based organizations, state and local government and business interests to promote programs and activities that increase college attendance and graduation into meaningful careers.

The report is a collaboration of various educational intuitions in the state, including faculty members from the University of Minnesota.

"As a resource that serves all Minnesotans and the entire state, the University of Minnesota is uniquely suited to serve as a catalyst for this endeavor," said University of Minnesota President Bob Bruininks. "We are committed to partnering with other educational institutions and organizations to address the needs of our children. Given the current financial challenges facing our state, the need for creative collaborations between the university, the community and state agencies to address the core issues facing our children has never been greater."

The conference will include an awards and dinner at Coffman Memorial Union Thursday, Feb. 12. Keynote speaker will be Suarez, the author of *The Old Neighborhood: What We Lost in the Great Suburban Migration*.

MMEP was founded in 1987 and seeks to increase the success of students of color in Minnesota schools, colleges and universities. MMEP is a collaborative of the diverse communities of color; its partners include all Minnesota public and private higher education institutions, the Minneapolis and Saint Paul Public Schools and several suburban and Greater Minnesota school districts.

For more information on the conference and report, contact Arline Datu at (cell) 612-414-0645 or Sunny Kase at (612) 330-1627 or the MMEP website at www.mmep.net. □

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"It is going to take a concerted effort by multiple partners as we work together to close the achievement gap," said Yecke. "MMEP is showing leadership in this area by outlining the issues and starting the dialogue on solutions. We look forward to continuing to work with this organization as we strive together for academic excellence for all students."

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"If we want students to do much better, we must challenge them with the concrete goal of obtaining a college degree," Mariani said. "We need to send a message that means something to students and their families and that is consistent with the fact that economic opportunity comes from a college degree and that our state's best future is tied to that level of achievement by students of color."

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What: Safer Sex Week
When: Feb. 9-13
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SAFER SEX WEEK AT THE U OF M PROMOTES HEALTHY BEHAVIOR

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota may not be the hotbed of sexual activity people think it is, but there's always room for more education, so Feb. 9-13 is Safer Sex Week at the U. All week, various activities will promote healthy sexual behavior.

The most recent survey of university students ages 18-24 found that more than two-thirds who were sexually active had an exclusive dating partner (a fiancé, spouse or spousal equivalent). More than 28 percent of students in that age group have not been sexually active in the past year.

Safer Sex Week is sponsored by Boynton Health Service and the student group SHADE, which stands for Sexual Health Awareness and Disease Education. All events are free and held at Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave., S.E., Minneapolis. All week, SHADE members will be answering questions and holding giveaways at a table on Coffman's ground floor.

Other events:

- Bowling for Condoms, 7-9 p.m. Monday, Feb. 9, Goldy's Game Room
- SHADE's Sex Ed Video Fest, 7-8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10, The Whole
- Sexual Health Fair, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11, The Whole
- Public Debate: Comprehensive sex education class should be eliminated from the classroom, University Parliamentary Debate Society, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11, The Whole
- Safer Sex Carnivale, 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12, The Whole
- Speed Dating, 7-9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13, The Whole.

For more information on Boynton, go to www.bhs.umn.edu, and for more on SHADE, go to www.bhs.umn.edu/shade/ □

U of M La Raza students get an hour with Ray Suarez

Ray Suarez has made a name for asking insightful questions to famous newsmakers as a senior correspondent in the popular NewsHour with Jim Lehrer show. From 4 to 5 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12, Chicano Latino students and professionals at the U of M will get to meet Suarez and ask him questions at the La Raza Student Cultural Center, Room 211 Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. SE Minneapolis. Suarez has 25 years of experience in the news business. He came to The NewsHour from National Public Radio where he had been host of the nationwide, call-in news program "Talk of the Nation" since 1993. Prior to that, he spent seven years covering local, national and international stories for the NBC-owned station, WMAQ-TV in Chicago. He is in town as the keynote speaker at the State of Students of Color Conference hosted by the Minnesota Minority Education Partnership at the U Feb. 12 and 13. Contacts: Alondra Espejel, La Raza Student Cultural Center, (612) 624-4530; Bob San, University News Service, (612) 624-4082

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What: U of M Black History Month events
When: Throughout February
Where: U of M Twin Cities campus
Who: U of M students, general public
Contacts: Bob San, University News Service, (612) 624-4082

(Minneapolis/St. Paul)--February is Black History Month and University of Minnesota student groups and departments have planned many events. Some of the events are as follow:

Wednesdays, Feb. 9, 16 and 23, 11:30 a.m. Uncovering the Richness of the African American Quilting Tradition. Remi Douah, a staff with the Office of Multicultural Center for Academic Excellence, will be the presenter in room 209, Coffman Union. Sponsored by the Black Student Union and the women's studies department. Contact: BSU, (612) 624-8938.

Thursday, Feb. 10: Movie Screening and discussion of North Star: Minnesota's Black Pioneers, William G. Shepherd Room, Weisman Art Museum, 333 East River Road. This program will present segments from North Star: Minnesota Black Pioneers (a TPT original production), which profiles African Americans who helped shape our state. The screening will be followed by a discussion with North Star producer Daniel Bergin and university professors of African American and African studies Keith Mayes and John Wright and Dean of General College David Taylor.

Friday, Feb. 11: Professionalism, resume and interviewing. Students can take job-searching tips from professionals. Noon to 2 p.m. in room 209 Coffman Union. Sponsored by the Black Student Union. Contact: BSU, (612) 624-8938.

Friday, Feb. 11: SISTAH's Forum. Students will discuss issues Black females face at a 6 p.m. forum at Riverband Common, 220 Delaware St. S.E. Minneapolis. Sponsored by the Black Student Union. Contact: BSU, (612) 624-8938.

Monday, Feb. 14: Voices Merging. The University of Minnesota musical and poetry group will give a concert from 8 to 10 p.m. in room 209 Coffman Union. Sponsored by the Black Student Union. Contact: BSU, (612) 624-8938.

Tuesday, Feb. 22 at 6 p.m. Room 209 Coffman Union: Discussion: Life as student-athletes. Gopher athletes will speak about their unique experience and the challenge to succeed on the playing fields and in the classrooms. Sponsored by the Black Student Union. Contact: BSU, (612) 624-8938.

Thursday, Feb. 24 at 6 p.m. Room 209 Coffman Union: Discussion: Remember our Spiritual Heritage. Sponsored by Alpha Omega. Contact: BSU, (612) 624-8938.

Friday, Feb. 25, 6 p.m. St. Paul Student Center, 2017 Buford Ave. St. Paul. Miss Black & Gold Pageant.

The University of Minnesota Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity will stage its annual Ms. Black and Gold Pageant. Contestants are judged on grade point average, poise, beauty of the face, involvement on and around campus and all-around excellence. Sponsored by the Black Student Union. Contact: BSU, (612) 624-8938.

Sunday, Feb. 27, 4 p.m. Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 Fourth St. S. Minneapolis. U of Minnesota Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Concert.

The University of Minnesota Office for Multicultural and Academic Affairs and School of Music are hosting the 23rd annual Martin Luther King Concert. The free concert features the Sounds of Blackness and actor T. Mychael Rambo, who will read some of Dr. King's speeches. The 90-minute concert is free. Contact: (612) 624-0594.

Now through Feb. 28: A Givens Collection of African American Literature Exhibit.

The Givens Collection has installed an exhibit called Past, Present and Future: A 20th Anniversary Exhibit of African American Literature from the Givens Collection. This exhibit commemorates the 20th anniversary with photos and showcases a sampling of the historical works in the Givens Collection of African American Literature. The exhibit is mounted in the first floor gallery of the Elmer L. Andersen Library, 222 21st Avenue South Minneapolis. It will run through Feb. 28, from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Contact: Karla Y. Davis, Curator, Givens Collection of African American Literature, (612) 624-3855.

What: Founders Day 2004
When: Wednesday, Feb. 25
Events run Feb. 21-29
Contacts: Paul Moore, University News Service, (612) 624-0214

FOUNDERS DAY TO MARK U'S 153RD BIRTHDAY

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota will celebrate its 153rd birthday with a series of events ranging from an orchestra concert to a chili feed on Northrop Mall.

The university was established with the signing of a charter February 25, 1851, more than seven years before Minnesota became a state.

Although February 25 is Founders Day 2004, it is being celebrated with a week's worth of events. Here is a complete listing:

- Saturday, Feb. 21
University Symphony Orchestra Concert
7:30 p.m., Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 Fourth St. S., Minneapolis
- Wednesday, Feb. 25
Founders Day Chili Feed, noon-1 p.m., Northrop Plaza
- Wednesday, Feb. 25
Great Conversations: The Loss of 9/11: Two Perspectives
7:30 p.m., Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 Fourth St. S., Minneapolis
- Friday, Feb. 27-Sunday, Feb. 29
University Theatre performance of "No Exit," by Jean-Paul Sartre
8 p.m., Rarig Center, 330 21st Ave., Minneapolis
- Sunday, Feb. 29
Bell Museum Travelogues: Around Australia With a Biologist
2-3 p.m., Bell Museum of Natural History, 10 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis

For more information, go to www.umn.edu/twincities/founders. The chili feed, orchestra concert and theater performance are free. Tickets are required for Great Conversations (612-624-2345) and the Bell Museum (612-624-9050). □

What: **InformeDesign Web site marks first year**

Where: **<http://www.informedesign.umn.edu>**

Who: **University of Minnesota and American Society of Interior Designers**

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INNOVATIVE WEB SITE TO OFFER MORE TOOLS TO DESIGNERS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--A year ago the University of Minnesota and the American Society of Interior Designers (ASID) launched an innovative Web site (InformeDesign) to assist designers and architects in their professional practice. Now, InformeDesign is giving them additional tools, interactive webcasts on research-related design issues and a research tutorial.

The InformeDesign Web site (<http://www.informedesign.umn.edu>) debuted as the first searchable database of design and human behavior research on the Web and it's making a big impact.

"InformeDesign experienced a phenomenal first year of operation and the site's staff look forward to building upon this success in 2004," said Caren Martin, InformeDesign director.

Last year, approximately 3,000 designers, architects, educators and students registered as InformeDesign users. More than 280,000 pages of research summaries were downloaded from the site and more than 500 research summaries were posted and available via the site's searchable database. The site also introduced a monthly newsletter, "Implications," which delves into one research-related design subject area in every issue. The current edition focuses on the influence of theory and research on design practice.

Several exciting additions to the Web site are planned for 2004.

"This year, the services available on InformeDesign will become even more comprehensive, technically enhanced and user-friendly," Martin said. "More than 500 new research summaries will be added and a new online tutorial on research basics, "Research 101," was made available in late January."

"Whether you use research findings from academic studies or product information from manufacturers' studies in the design process, it is important to know what difference the results can make to your practice and how to use them," said Denise Guerin, InformeDesign coordinator and co-author of

“Research 101” with Joy Dohr of the University of Wisconsin-Madison, a member of Informedesign’s Technical Review Board.

In 2004, Informedesign also will host a variety of webcasts that will combine instruction and interaction led by professionals working on the front lines of research-related design issues. The first, on "green" design/Lighting, Energy, and Environmental Design (LEED), will take place in late February. All webcasts will be available for live viewing or archival download shortly after broadcast. Continuing education credits will be offered for both “Research 101” and all webcast presentations.

Informedesign helps design practitioners base their work on scientific research in addition to what they know from their education and experience. This Web site offers concise knowledge that practitioners have been searching for in user-friendly language, which incorporates research-based design criteria often not included by researchers in journal articles, allowing practitioners to create evidence-based design solutions.

For example, an interior designer working on a new retail space could refer to Informedesign's research summaries to determine what influence sound and color have on the buying habits of consumers. Or, an interior designer and architect working together to develop an assisted living facility could refer to Informedesign's research summaries to determine the types of design planning elements that could be incorporated in the space to encourage socialization of dementia patients.

The site also offers numerous other services and tools, such as a glossary of terms; a calendar of research events, with links to sponsoring organizations; discussion forums; and collaborative research opportunities, intended to bring the work of design practitioners and researchers together to increase the body of knowledge and improve the design of the built environment.

Informedesign was created by Guerin and Martin and is based in the Department of Design, Housing and Apparel in the university’s College of Human Ecology. Informedesign's Web site is free and can be used by the general public. For more information on the Department of Design, Housing and Apparel, see www.che.umn.edu.

ASID is the leading professional association representing the interests of interior designers. Its mission is to advance the interior design profession through knowledge generation and sharing, advocacy of interior designers’ right to practice, professional and public education and expansion of interior design markets. The society supports more than 34,500 members--comprised of practicing interior designers from all design specialties, design students and industry representatives--through a variety of programs and services and a network of 48 chapters throughout the U.S. and Canada. For more information on ASID, visit www.asid.org. □

- What:** Student fashion show
- When:** Doors open at 6 p.m. Show is from 7 to 8:30 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 14
- Where:** Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 Fourth St. S., Minneapolis
- Who:** University of Minnesota clothing design seniors
- Contacts:** Missy Bye, department of design, housing and apparel, (612) 624-3751, ebye@che.umn.edu
- Brittney McCarthy Barnes, College of Human Ecology, (612) 625-8264
- Patty Mattern, University News Service, (612) 624-2801

STUDENT CLOTHING DESIGNS TAKE TO THE FASHION RUNWAY

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--University of Minnesota graduating clothing design seniors will showcase their work at the 10 LaFemme Fashion Show on Saturday, Feb. 14, in Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 Fourth St. S., Minneapolis.

This year's fashion show will feature the senior clothing designers' full body of work and will also highlight the work of sophomore and junior clothing designers. Each student has created a line of clothing inspired by cultural, artistic and societal themes.

"Our senior class is a very dynamic group," said Katherine Lauer, clothing design senior. "We all have our personal style, which comes through in the diversity of our designs."

For example, senior Kaela Runck's line of clothing, "Modern Class," focuses on contemporary apparel for the modern professional and is inspired by modern art, classic designers and current fashion trends.

"The development of the senior line encourages students to combine the creative and technical skills they have developed under the guidance of a community mentor," said Missy Bye, faculty adviser for clothing design students. "The show is a celebration of their success. The community will enjoy outstanding original design work and better understand the investment our community has made in these future designers."

Advance tickets are \$12 for students and \$18 for adults and are available at the University's St. Paul Student Center information desk (lower level), 2017 Buford Ave., St. Paul. Tickets will be \$20 at the door. For more information about the show and examples of student designs see www.10lafemme.com.

The clothing design program at the University of Minnesota is housed in the College of Human Ecology's department of design, housing, and apparel. For more information about the program, see www.che.umn.edu □

What: Board of Regents monthly meetings
When: Thursday, February 12 and Friday, February 13
Where: Suite 600, McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E. Minneapolis
Contacts: Amy Phenix, News Service, (612) 625-8510

BOARD TO ACT ON ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT, ADMINISTRATIVE REORGANIZATION

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota board of regents will hold its monthly meetings Thursday, Feb. 12 and Friday, Feb. 13, in Suite 600, McNamara Alumni Center, on the Twin Cities campus.

The board will receive and act on the University Plan, Performance and Accountability Report, an annual report outlining the university's performance on key indicators of quality and management. The report will be delivered to the Legislature following board approval.

President Robert Bruininks is recommending an administrative reorganization that is intended, in part, to strengthen the academic priorities of the university and increase accountability, responsiveness and quality of service by separating responsibilities for academic programs on the Twin Cities campus from systemwide strategic planning responsibilities. Christine Maziar will assume the title of senior vice president for academic affairs and provost. Robert Jones will assume the title of senior vice president for system administration. Richard Pfutzenreuter will assume the title of vice president and chief financial officer.

The cost of higher education, including financial aid, scholarship and work study opportunities for students, will be discussed in the Faculty, Staff and Student Affairs Committee. While the total cost of attendance at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities is fourth in the Big Ten, university students appear to rely less on parental support than do students at other institutions.

A number of capital projects will be discussed in the Facilities Committee, including schematic plans for the renovation of Nicholson Hall on the Twin Cities campus. A district plan for recreational sports fields and facilities on the Twin Cities campus will also be reviewed.

Select committee meeting times, locations and agenda items follow.

Thursday, Feb. 12

8-9:30 a.m., Audit Committee, West Committee Room. Annual compliance audit of federal awards program. Issues related to developing an institutional conflict of interest policy.

8:30-9:30 a.m., Non-public meeting of the Litigation Review Committee.

9:45-11:45 a.m., Faculty, Staff and Student Affairs Committee, West Committee Room. Discuss new models of compensation in health professions. Discuss financial challenges and policies regarding the cost of college.

9:45-11:45 a.m., Finance and Operations, East Committee Room. Review various board policies. Annual insurance and risk management report.

1:45-2:45 p.m., Work Session: Associated Organizations, East Committee Room. Review of various organizations associated with the university and issues related to their legal and financial status.

3-5 p.m., Educational Planning and Policy Committee, East Committee Room. Review board policy on the use of royalty income to support technology commercialization. Annual discussion of the university's federal relations plans and priorities.

Friday, Feb. 13

9-11:30 a.m. Board of regents, Boardroom. Recognize Zachary Coelius, recipient of the George Mitchell Scholar Award. Review and approve administrative reorganization. Review and act on the annual Plan, Performance and Accountability Report.

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What: Carlson School of Management (CSOM) First Tuesday luncheon
When: 11:30 a.m. - 1p.m. Tuesday, March 2
Where: Radisson Hotel Metrodome, 615 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis
Who: Robert Kueppers, Deloitte senior technical partner
Contacts: Catherine Peloquin, Carlson School of Management, (612) 626-0556
 Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

U OF M ALUMNUS TO ADDRESS PUBLIC TRUST IN CAPITAL MARKETS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Deloitte senior technical partner and 1976 University of Minnesota graduate Robert Kueppers will discuss restoring public trust in capital markets and his first-hand experience with major U.S. companies at the university's Carlson School of Management (CSOM) First Tuesday luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 2, at the Radisson Hotel Metrodome, 615 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis. His talk, "The Auditor's Role in Restoring Investor Confidence," will address how sweeping legislative and regulatory reforms are reshaping relationships and redefining the responsibilities of corporate leaders, regulators, investors and accountants.

Kueppers leads Deloitte professional practices group in Wilton, Conn., as national managing partner for risk, professional, and regulatory matters. He is responsible for the firm's risk-management programs, domestic regulatory matters and legislative affairs. Deloitte is a leading professional services firm with 120,000 employees in more than 140 countries. Revenues in 2003 were \$6.5 billion in the United States and \$15 billion globally.

Each month, nearly 500 CSOM alumni, local business leaders, students and educators attend the First Tuesday series to hear from the leading business voices in today's economy.

Registration is \$23 by Feb. 26, which includes lunch and parking in the Washington Avenue Ramp, 501 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis. Register by calling (612) 626-9634, visiting www.carlsonschool.umn.edu or by e-mail at firsttuesday@csom.umn.edu. □

What: Conference on workforce issues
When: Thursday, Feb. 19 – Sunday, Feb. 22
Where: Roosevelt Hotel, 45th Street and Madison Avenue, New York, NY
Who: Phyllis Moen, U of M sociology professor
Contacts: Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

U OF M PROFESSOR HOSTING NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON WORKFORCE ISSUES

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--University of Minnesota sociology professor Phyllis Moen will join scholars from around the world to discuss the social changes and challenges facing families and the new workforce at a four-day interdisciplinary research and policy forum, "Sustainable Careers: New Options for a New Workforce," Feb. 19-22 at the Roosevelt Hotel in New York City.

Moen, who organized the conference, sees this as an opportunity to provide a complete overview of the policy implications of what researchers know about work, family, dual earner couples, the aging workforce and the new economy.

"While each has been considered separately, no conference has tried to bring these disparate topics together," Moen said. "We hope to shed new light on all these issues by considering them in concert, thereby providing a new framing to contemporary workforce issues."

Moen will speak on "Integrative Careers: Time In, Time Out and Second Acts." Other issues to be addressed include managing work and family stress; navigating a job loss; the changing workforce; inequality at work; technology and work; workers with disabilities; immigrants and the workforce; and implications of life transitions. The forum is in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society.

The conference is co-sponsored by the Bronfenbrenner Life Course Center and the Cornell Careers Institute at Cornell University, the University of Minnesota and the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation. For registration information, contact Jane Peterson at jampeter@umn.edu. □

- What:** Chocolate giveaway
- When:** 1 p.m. until the chocolates are gone, Friday, Feb. 13
- Where:** Ground level, Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave., S.E., Minneapolis
St. Paul Student Center, 2017 Buford Ave., St. Paul
- Contacts:** Jay Arcuri, (612) 624-6287
Paul Moore, University News Service, (612) 624-0214

U OF M STUDENTS TO SATISFY SWEET TOOTH

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--You can never have too much chocolate this time of year, so the University of Minnesota Office for Student Affairs is making sure U students get their fill.

The office is giving away 10,000 chocolates, which will be available starting at 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13, at tables on the ground floor of Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave., S.E., Minneapolis and at the St. Paul Student Center, 2017 Buford Ave. Each chocolate square will be in a wrapper bearing the university seal.

This is the latest in a series of "Thank U" events, which will run through the end of the school year to show students they're appreciated and build a stronger campus community. □

What: U of M regents approve accountability report
When: Friday, Feb. 13
Where: Board of Regents meeting
Contacts: Amy Phenix, News Service, (612) 625-8510

U OF M COMPARES FAVORABLY WITH PEERS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota scores well when compared to peer institutions, according to a new self assessment released today as part of "Accountable to U," the 2004 Plan, Performance and Accountability Report. For the first time, the report includes a scorecard assessing the university's academic quality, student quality and experience, public engagement, human resources, campus facilities and environment, efficiency and effectiveness and finances against its peer institutions.

"As a public university, it is imperative that we are accountable to the people of Minnesota," said President Robert Bruininks. "This report clearly demonstrates that the university is fulfilling the mission and high expectations our citizens--and our students--have for us."

The board approved the report today, which will be submitted to the legislature next week. The report can be found at www.umn.edu/govrel.

In other business, the board approved an administrative reorganization recommended by Bruininks. The reorganization is designed to strengthen the academic priorities of the university and increase accountability, responsiveness and quality of service by separating responsibilities for academic programs on the Twin Cities campus from systemwide responsibilities. Christine Maziar will assume the title of senior vice president for academic affairs and provost, responsible for academic programs on the Twin Cities campus. Robert Jones will assume the title of senior vice president for system administration, responsible for systemwide strategic planning and programs such as the Extension Service and international programs. Recognizing the importance of financial management and leadership, Richard Pfutzenreuter, formerly an associate vice president, will assume the title of vice president and chief financial officer.

In other business, the board reviewed a new policy related to using university royalty income to support technology commercialization. The policy would guide university investments in non-profit entities that would assist with the commercialization of products and ideas generated from university research.

A report on the cost of college and how students pay for higher education revealed that, despite recent tuition increases, the university is still accessible to the lowest income students. However, Craig Swan,

vice provost for undergraduate education, noted that some middle class students, who do not qualify for grants but who cannot afford to pay the full cost of college each year, have more unmet financial need. Compared to their peers, students at the University of Minnesota seem to rely less on parental support and more on work to pay for their higher education.

The board reviewed the university's 2004 federal agenda. The Higher Education Act, which sets federal higher education policy on issues ranging from financial aid, affirmative action, graduate education and tuition, is up for reauthorization this year. The university is working closely with Minnesota's congressional delegation and other colleges and universities around the nation to ensure federal policy supports student success and access, research and outreach.

The next board of regents meetings will be held March 11-12 on the Twin Cities campus. For information or agendas, go to www.umn.edu/regents. □

What: Study on Minnesota's horse industry
Who: Brian Buhr, associate professor of applied economics
Contacts: Brian Buhr, (612) 625-1273
Paul Moore, University News Service, (612) 624-0214

U OF M STUDY: HORSES ARE A BILLION DOLLAR INDUSTRY IN MINNESOTA

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Minnesota's horse industry generates nearly \$1 billion in economic activity every year in Minnesota, according to a new analysis conducted by a University of Minnesota applied economics professor.

Associate professor Brian Buhr found that Minnesota ranks 9th in the country in number of horses, which results in \$930 million in direct and indirect economic benefit.

"Minnesota has a thriving horse population, with 155,000 horses currently being raised here," said Buhr. "We have significant horse activity in every county, which means lots of work for horse trainers, veterinarians and farmers throughout the state."

Although Minnesota has a large number of horses, the report found that the value of the state's horses ranks significantly behind comparable states. Minnesota is ranked 45th among states in sales value per horse, with an average value of \$1,200. The national average for horse value is \$3,145, with Kentucky leading the country with an average horse value of more than \$23,000.

"There is still a limited amount of research about the potential impact Minnesota's horse industry may have," said Buhr. "But if we want to increase the total value and economic impact of horses, the best investments would be in stronger horse racing and horse shows. Show horses generate twice the economic value of pleasure horses, and race horses generate nearly five times the economic impact."

The analysis released this week was a follow-up to a University of Minnesota report released last year examining the value of livestock in Minnesota. The equine report can be downloaded at www.apec.umn.edu/faculty/bbuhr/mnhorse.ppt. □

- What:** U of M reception to announce public art exhibit
- When:** 4:45 – 5:15 p.m. Monday, Feb. 16
- Where:** Eastcliff, 176 N. Mississippi River Blvd., St. Paul (one block south of the Lake Street/Marshall Avenue bridge)
- Who:** U of M President Robert Bruininks; College of Liberal Arts (CLA) Dean Steven Rosenstone; St. Paul Mayor Randy Kelly; Minneapolis Mayor R.T. Rybak; Stephen Feinstein, director of the Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies
- Contacts:** Kelly O'Brien, CLA, (612) 624-4109
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

U OF M COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS TO ANNOUNCE INTERNATIONAL ART EXHIBIT IN TWIN CITIES

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's College of Liberal Arts (CLA) will hold a reception to formally announce "Coexistence," a new public art exhibit traveling to the Twin Cities this summer. Also sponsored by the Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies, "Coexistence" will be an outdoor exhibit featuring 38 9-by-15-foot abstract images meant to spark discussion about inequality. The announcement will be made during a reception today (Monday) from 4:45 to 5:15 p.m. at Eastcliff, 176 N. Mississippi River Blvd., St. Paul.

Taking part in the reception will be university President Robert Bruininks, CLA Dean Steven Rosenstone, St. Paul Mayor Randy Kelly, Minneapolis Mayor R.T. Rybak and Stephen Feinstein, director of the Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies. There will also be smaller versions of some of the images on display at the reception.

"Coexistence" was created by Museum on the Seam in Jerusalem. Since its debut in Israel in 1999, "Coexistence" has traveled throughout Europe and to Capetown, South Africa. The exhibit will reach the Twin Cities in May where it will be seen at the Hennepin County Government Center North Plaza in Minneapolis from May 1 to May 30 and then move to Rice Park in St. Paul from June 13 to July 13. □

- What:** Carlson School business plan competition
- When:** Monday, March 22 (deadline)
Wednesday, April 21 (presentations)
- Where:** 3M Auditorium, Carlson School of Management, 321 19th Ave. S.,
Minneapolis (presentations)
- Contacts:** Catherine Peloquin, Carlson School of Management, (612) 624-8038,
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enissen@csom.umn.edu (applicants)
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

COMPETE FOR BEST BUSINESS PLAN THROUGH U OF M NEW VENTURE CHALLENGE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Do you have an idea for a product or service and need help writing a business plan? Are you starting your own business? Free help and professional review of your plan is available by partnering with a university student and entering the University of Minnesota New Venture Challenge sponsored by the Carlson School of Management (CSOM). More than \$40,000 in cash prizes will be awarded to students across several categories.

Previously called the Gopher the Gold Business Plan Competition, the competition has been reformatted to build ties with community businesses and give students an opportunity to gain valuable experience by writing a business plan for a new or growing venture. In its seventh year, about 75 students are expected to submit plans and compete for more than \$40,000 in cash prizes. The five contest categories include: best business plan using university-related technology; best startup plan with positive social impact; best growth plan from an existing company; best startup needing more than \$1 million; and best startup needing less than \$1 million. Within the last two categories, there will be separate prizes for both graduate/alumni and undergraduate business plans. All entrants, graduate/alumni and undergraduate, will be eligible to win prizes in the first three categories and can win in more than one category.

Business plan submissions are due by Monday, March 22. Presentations will be held Wednesday, April 21, at the 3M Auditorium, CSOM, 321 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis. As many as 25 teams will present to five panels of local judges that include venture capitalists, bankers and entrepreneurs. Plans will be judged on expected return to investors and company founders, growth opportunity, social impact and

quality of plan. For a complete list of rules, visit www.newventurechallenge.com.

The competition is free and open to the public and each team must contain one active University of Minnesota student or alumnus. Businesses interested in partnering with a CSOM MBA or undergraduate student can visit www.newventurechallenge.com to post a request for student help. For more information, contact Elaine Nissen at (612) 624-2046 or enissen@csom.umn.edu. □

What: U of M Lobby Day
When: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 18
Where: Minnesota State Capitol
Contacts: Paul Moore, University News Service, (612) 624-0214

U OF M STUDENTS AND SUPPORTERS LOBBY LAWMAKERS AT CAPITOL

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--State legislators will see the immense support Minnesotans have for the University of Minnesota on Wednesday, Feb. 18, when students, alumni, faculty, staff and community members hit the Capitol for U of M Lobby Day.

The grassroots lobbyists will begin their day with a lobby training session at McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis. They will then board buses for the Capitol for a noon rally in the Rotunda, where they will be joined by members of the board of regents and legislators.

The afternoon will be devoted to individual meetings with legislators. At the top of the agenda will be the university's capital bonding request. Gov. Pawlenty has recommended less than half of the university's request to the Legislature.

Buses will bring everyone back to McNamara at the end of the day. For more information or to take part in Lobby Day, go to www1.umn.edu/groots/LobbyDay.php. □

What: Great Conversation: 'The Loss of 9/11: Two Perspectives'
When: 7:30 p.m Wednesday, Feb. 25
Where: Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 Fourth St. S., Minneapolis
Who: Author Gail Sheehy, Professor Pauline Boss
Contacts: Liz Turchin, College of Continuing Education, (612) 625-1274
Paul Moore, University News Service, (612) 624-0214

GAIL SHEEHY TO DISCUSS PSYCHOLOGICAL AFTERMATH OF 9/11 ATTACKS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, not only killed thousands of people, they took away our country's innocence and sense of security.

On Wednesday, Feb. 25, best-selling author Gail Sheehy and U of M Family Social Science professor Pauline Boss will talk about the psychological aftermath of September 11 in the February edition of the Great Conversations series.

Their discussion, "The Loss of 9/11: Two Perspectives," will be at 7:30 p.m. at Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 Fourth St. S., Minneapolis.

Sheehy is a cultural observer whose book "Passages" was named one of the 10 most influential books of our time by the Library of Congress. Her new book, "Middletown, America," records the harrowing and inspiring stories of 9/11 survivors.

Boss is the author of "Ambiguous Loss: Learning to Live with Unresolved Grief." She has been honored for her work helping families of 9/11 victims cope with their grief and is currently writing a book on that experience.

This is the second of five Great Conversations events, all of which are at Ted Mann Concert Hall. Series tickets are \$85 for university faculty, staff and students and \$110 for the general public.

Individual event tickets are \$23 for faculty, staff and students and \$28 for the general public. For tickets, call (612) 624-2345 or go to www.cce.umn.edu/conversations.

Great Conversations is produced by the College of Continuing Education (CCE). □

What: Friends of Eastcliff Book Club
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NEW BOOKCLUB HIGHLIGHTS MINNESOTA AUTHORS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--There's a new bookclub in town, which holds its meetings at a pretty nice place: Eastcliff, the historic home of the University of Minnesota's president and family. The Friends of Eastcliff, a group who works to raise funds to maintain, enhance and preserve the home, is inviting the public to join its new book club to promote the sharing of literature and ideas.

The Friends of Eastcliff Book Club showcases University of Minnesota authors who are faculty, staff, alumni or others with strong connections to the university. The group has selected "Saul and Patsy" by faculty member and award-winning author Charles Baxter as its first selection.

Anyone can join the Friends of Eastcliff and participate in the Friends of Eastcliff Book Club and other book discussions throughout the year for an annual membership of \$100 for singles or \$150 per couple. Members who join now and want to be part of the first book club discussion receive their first selection, "Saul and Patsy," free. President Robert Bruininks, his wife Susan Hagstrum and the Friends of Eastcliff will host a discussion with Charles Baxter on May 25.

For more information on the Friends of Eastcliff Book Club visit www.bookstore.umn.edu/eastcliff.html. □

What: Lecture and panel discussion on equality in politics
When: Wednesday, March 10
 8 a.m. (breakfast); 9 a.m.- noon (discussion)
Where: McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis
Who: Walter Mondale and Geraldine Ferraro
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MONDALE AND FERRARO TO HOST DISCUSSION ON EQUALITY IN POLITICS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Former Vice President Walter Mondale will join his 1984 running mate Geraldine Ferraro for a panel discussion with local experts on equality in politics and a reflective look at women in politics over the last 20 years. The event, the seventh lecture in the ongoing series "Fifty Years: The Mondale Lectures on Public Service," will take place from 9 a.m. to noon Wednesday, March 10, at the McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis.

The event will begin with an informal conversation between Mondale and Ferraro as they reflect on the landmark decision they made in 1984 – to include a woman on the presidential ticket – and discuss the years that have followed.

Following their conversation, former Minnesota Secretary of State Joan Anderson Growe will moderate a panel discussion that will continue to reflect on the role women play in politics, specifically looking at any progress that has been made the past 20 years. Panelists will be Amy Klobuchar, Hennepin County attorney, Celinda Lake, political expert on women's issues, Susan LaSalla, a 36-year veteran producer for NBC News, and Francis O'Brien, political expert and former press secretary for Mondale (1976) and Ferraro (1984).

Admission to the lecture and panel discussion only is \$10 (free for students and educators). Admission to the full program, including a formal breakfast, is \$35 (\$25 for students and educators).

The event is cosponsored by the University of Minnesota's Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, Macalester College, the Minnesota Historical Society and Minnesota Public Radio. □

What: Free online image database

Where: <http://www.designcenter.umn.edu/imagebank>

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U OF M'S DESIGN CENTER OFFERS 17,000 FREE ON-LINE IMAGES

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's Design Center for American Urban Landscape unveiled its on-line image bank today, which offers more than 17,000 free digital images of lakes, neighborhoods and landmarks in the Twin Cities. Typically used only by architectural firms and city planners due to expense and availability, these images are now easily accessible and free for everyone.

Most of the images are aerial photographs, which reveals the environmental impact of design elements not readily apparent from the ground. The images were also taken over a 10-year span, which documents urban sprawl and development in neighborhoods.

Ann Forsyth, director of the Design Center, believes the user-friendly, searchable database will be a learning tool for professionals and educators throughout the country. "If planners from Maryland are looking at suburban design, they can tap into the Web site and see examples from Minnesota," Forsyth says. "At the same time, the university is providing a free service to educators across the country in need of these images."

Forsyth sees the image bank as an extension of the center's education mission allowing communities a design tool that may not have been otherwise available. "The Design Center hopes to increase the abilities of planning departments and commissions, community groups and educators by helping them see environments in a different way," she says. "By studying the images, one can see how the Twin Cities has changed over the years. The images serve as a planning tool for the future—helping make the area a better place to live."

Users can view or download images at no charge through the image bank at www.designcenter.umn.edu/imagebank; high-resolution versions are \$7 each. Users can sort images by location, land-use type, landmarks and keywords such as "sprawl." Several enlarged images are currently on display at the Design Center, 1 Ralph Rapson Hall, 89 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis.

The on-line project was made possible by funding from the McKnight Foundation. The university's Design Center for American Urban Landscape is housed in the College of Architecture and Landscape

Architecture.

Notable images include (with image number):

- Fort Snelling Cemetery (004319)
- Minneapolis Sculpture Garden (004466)
- Calhoun Parkway (004199)
- National Sports Center (001148)
- St. Croix River (003229)
- U of M east and west bank (005861)□

What: Conference on economic development
When: Friday, Feb. 27 – Saturday, Feb. 28
Where: Cowles Auditorium, Humphrey Institute, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis
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 Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

GLOBAL EXPERTS TO ADDRESS THE FIERCE COMPETITION IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute is sponsoring a two-day conference Feb. 27-28, "Reining in Competition for Capital," to look at the rising challenges faced by city and state officials in luring new business and jobs to their communities. Developed through the Project on Regional and Industrial Economics (PRIE), the conference will bring together researchers, development experts and financial experts from the region and around the world to address what must be done to meet the financial demands of this competition.

Directed by Ann Markusen, PRIE regularly conducts research on economic planning and public policy interests in industries and regions across the country. This conference will address both research areas while looking at the techniques and incentives used to entice big business to a small town, city or region. Markusen and her colleagues aim to educate local officials and develop long-term strategies to manage economic development across the country in a way that stops wasteful subsidies while still enabling states and localities to fashion their economic futures.

The cost of the conference, which includes lunch both days, is \$70. For detailed conference information and to register, visit www.hhh.umn.edu/projects/prie.

Each day's lecture schedule follows:

Friday, February 27

- 9:15 – 10:30 a.m. - Kenneth Thomas, University of Missouri- St. Louis, presents "The Sources and Processes of Tax and Subsidy Competition."
- 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. - Peter Fisher, University of Iowa, presents "The Fiscal Consequences of Incentive Competition."
- 12:15 – 1:45 p.m. – Adinda Sinnaeve, DG Trade, European Union, Brussels, presents Friday's keynote address "How the EU Manages Subsidy Competition."
- 1:45 – 3 p.m. – Timothy Bartik, W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research, presents "Feasible Economic Development Policies Given Increasing Capital Mobility."

- 3:30 – 4:45 p.m. – Rachel Weber, University of Illinois, Chicago, presents “Negotiating the Ideal Deal.”

Saturday, February 28

- 9 – 10:15 a.m. – Udo Pretschker, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, Paris, presents “Subsidies and Economic Development in OECD Countries.”

- 10:45 – noon – William Schweke, Corporation for Enterprise Development, Durham, N.C., presents “You Want Employment? We Will Give You Employment.”

- 12:15 – 2 p.m. – Greg LeRoy, Good Jobs First, Washington, DC, presents Saturday’s keynote address “A National Approach to Reining in Incentive Competition.” □

What: Hip Hop Week
When: Feb. 24-28
Where: Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis
 St. Paul Student Center, 2017 Buford Ave., St. Paul
 Northrop Auditorium, 84 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis
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U OF M TO CELEBRATE 'HIP HOP WEEK'

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The art and ingenuity of hip hop and its many facets will be the focus as the University of Minnesota's Minnesota Programs and Activities Council (MPAC) hosts Hip Hop Week, Feb. 24-28 on the Twin Cities campus.

Highlights of the week include an evening with Grammy®-nominated hip hop sensation The Roots and a lecture by former Public Enemy front man Chuck D.

Students of MPAC plan events tailored to the University of Minnesota student population, but all events are open to the general public. A calendar of events with complete ticket information follows:

Tuesday, Feb. 24

- Break dancing & Open Mic night hosted by Voices Merging

5:30-7:30 p.m. break dancing, 7:30 p.m. Open Mic

The Whole, Coffman Union, free.

- Brian Lowell concert. Noon-1 p.m., Coffman Union Cube, free.

- MPAC Films Presents: Hip Hop Film Documentaries

7 p.m.: Style Wars. 8:30 p.m.: Style Wars Revisited. 9:15 p.m.: Def Jux.

St. Paul Student Center Theater, free.

Wednesday, Feb. 25

- Brian Lowell concert. Noon-1 p.m., Coffman Union Cube, free.

- Rap, Race & Reality: A Lecture by Chuck D

Doors: 7 p.m., show: 7:30 p.m., Coffman's Great Hall

\$3 for U of M students with valid student ID, \$5 for general public, tickets on sale at Coffman Info Desk. Co-presented with Black Student Union.

Thursday, Feb. 26

- Hip Hop Film Documentaries

7 p.m.: Style Wars. 8:30 p.m.: Style Wars Revisited. 9:15 p.m.: Def Jux.

Coffman Theater, free.

Friday, Feb. 27

- The Whole Music Club presents: Brother Ali with Doom-Tree, The Fresh-Nest and MC Truth

Maze

Doors at 6:30 p.m., music at 7 p.m., The Whole, Coffman.

\$5 U of M students with valid student ID, \$7 general public, tickets at the door only.

Saturday, Feb. 28

- MPAC presents: The Roots with special guest Atmosphere

7 p.m. doors, music at 8 p.m., Northrop Auditorium

\$20 U of M students with valid student ID, \$30 for general public, tickets on sale at the Coffman

Info Desk.

For the Roots and Brother Ali concerts and the documentaries, anyone 18 and over must have a valid picture ID. Nonstudent guests under 18 must be accompanied by a parent, guardian, or U of M student, staff, or faculty member.

The Minnesota Programs & Activities Council is the main campuswide programming board of the Student Activities Office at the University of Minnesota. It is responsible for initiating, developing and implementing comprehensive and diverse activities that anticipate and respond to the needs of the students and the campus community. Hip Hop Week is made possible by the Minnesota Daily, Radio K and The Pulse. □

What: **Discovering Your Place guidance event**
When: **11 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25**
Where: **Great Hall, Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis**
Contacts: **Elizabeth Hruska, Career and Community Learning Center, (612) 625-9358**
Paul Moore, University News Service, (612) 624-0214

U OF M STUDENTS GET HELP 'DISCOVERING THEIR PLACE'

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--University of Minnesota students who aren't sure which way they should take their studies can get an educational road map at "Discovering Your Place," a guidance event for undeclared undergraduates.

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25 in the Great Hall of Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis, students can learn about majors and minors offered at the university, international experiences, internships, volunteer opportunities, student organizations and learning/academic skills assistance.

Students will also be able to take a five-minute survey to determine their primary interest areas. The inventories are scored and interpreted by career counselors on site. Once students' interests are assessed, they are referred to corresponding information and resource tables to begin gathering information.

Students who complete an evaluation form of the fair will be registered for a prize drawing at the end of the event.

For more information go to www.ucs.umn.edu/career/discover.html. □

What: Founders Day 2004 Chili Feed
When: Noon-1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25
Where: Northrop Plaza, 84 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis
Contacts: Paul Moore, University News Service, (612) 624-0214

HUNDREDS OF U OF M STUDENTS TO ENJOY FREE BIRTHDAY CHILI

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--There's nothing like a bowl of hot chili to mark a special occasion, so the University of Minnesota will celebrate its 153rd birthday with a chili feed from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25 on Northrop Plaza. Servers are expecting to feed chili and chips to as many as 3,000 people in this annual Founders Day event.

The university was established with the signing of a charter February 25, 1851, more than seven years before Minnesota became a state.

Although February 25 is Founders Day 2004, the chili feed is just part of a week's worth of events to celebrate the U's birthday. For a complete list of Founders Day events go to www.umn.edu/twincities/founders. □

- What:** CURA housing forum on subprime lending
- When:** Noon – 1:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 27
- Where:** Carlson School of Management, Room 1-143, 321 19th Ave. S.,
Minneapolis
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CURA HOUSING FORUM PRESENTS ANALYSIS OF SUBPRIME LENDING IN THE TWIN CITIES

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Jeff Crump, associate professor of housing studies in the Department of Design, Housing and Apparel at the University of Minnesota, will host a discussion on subprime lending, foreclosure patterns and their potential community-wide consequences in this month's CURA Housing Forum from noon to 1:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 27, in Room 1-143 at the Carlson School of Management, 321 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis. The forum is free and open to the public.

In recent years a major goal of housing policy has been to increase homeownership among underserved minority people and neighborhoods. Policies that are intended to open up mortgage markets to underserved populations have helped increase home ownership in neighborhoods that previously had little access to such financial resources.

Experts believe subprime loans may provide homeownership opportunities to underserved populations, yet critics argue that the high costs associated with some of these loans may undo hard-won gains.

Prior to the open discussion, Crump will present an analysis of subprime lending in the Twin Cities. The results indicate that compared to whites, African-Americans are three times more likely to have a subprime loan. Consequently, subprime home loans are especially prevalent in African American neighborhoods.

The Center for Urban and Regional Affairs (CURA) housing forums are monthly discussions of housing research and issues in the Twin Cities. In addition to the Housing Forum, CURA supports more than a dozen programs that provide research support and technical assistance to community organizations and government agencies throughout Minnesota. For more information, see www.cura.umn.edu. □

What: State of the University address
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BRUININKS ANNOUNCES NEW SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM IN STATE OF THE UNIVERSITY ADDRESS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL (2/24/2004)--University of Minnesota President Robert Bruininks today used his State of the University speech to announce a new program to serve low-income students called the Founders Opportunity Scholarship.

Beginning next fall, the new scholarship will complement the university's current Partnership Grant program to make up the gap in funding that some low-income students face between their aid package and tuition and fees. When fully phased in, the two programs will serve approximately 8,000 students university wide.

Speaking at Coffman Union on the Minneapolis campus, Bruininks said, "The Founders Opportunity Scholarship is a commitment to keep the doors to this university and the unique education it offers open to talented students from all walks of life . . . We are renewing our commitment to access that is part of our land-grant heritage."

The new scholarship will fill any financial gap a qualifying student has in tuition and fees after the federal Pell grant, state financial aid, other scholarships and work-study opportunities are taken into consideration. The Founders Opportunity Scholarship, which will be funded from university and private resources, will be phased in starting this fall with fulltime freshmen at all university campuses.

To be eligible students must:

- Be a resident of Minnesota
- Apply for and receive a federal Pell grant
- Be admitted to any university campus as freshmen and satisfied all of the university's preparation requirements
- Be fulltime students taking at least 13 credits a semester and 30 credits a year
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The university plans to offer the scholarship for up to four years as long as the student remains in good academic standing and enrolls every fall and spring semester. One additional semester of support

may be possible depending upon a student's academic program and personal circumstances.


The university will sustain this commitment for a minimum of incoming freshman classes, after which the program's effectiveness will be evaluated. Every eligible student in an entering class will receive four years of grant support as long as they continue to meet the conditions for eligibility.

The Founders Opportunity Scholarship is one part of a broader strategy that Bruininks laid out in his speech to help maintain access and affordability at the university in an era of rising tuition. Within that strategy, Bruininks referenced the university's ongoing scholarship drive, a strategic review of the university's existing scholarship resources, increased support for graduate and professional students, and an expanded prekindergarten-12 strategy to improve achievement and preparation for post-secondary education.

"Attracting the best and brightest Minnesotans to the university -- regardless of their economic situation -- is important to our goal to become one of the top three public research universities in the world," Bruininks said.

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What: Plans in case of Metro Transit strike

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U OF M OUTLINES PLANS FOR DEALING WITH BUS STRIKE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Faced with the possibility of a Metro Transit strike, the University of Minnesota Parking and Transportation Services (PTS) has developed a plan to make transportation go as smoothly as possible for the thousands of students, faculty and staff who take the bus to campus.

PTS will provide carpool rate parking for bus pass customers, refund U-Pass and Metropass customers for service not provided and encourage all students, faculty and staff to arrive early, plan ahead and consider carpooling. There are approximately 14,000 U-Pass customers and 1,500 Metropass customers at the U of M.

In the event of a transit strike, U-Pass and Metropass customers will be able to park in the Buckeye Lot on the East Bank or Fairgrounds Lot 108 in St. Paul for the \$1.75 daily carpool rate. They would only need to show their valid bus pass, regardless of how many people are in their vehicle. Buckeye and the Fairgrounds are the only two lots where the discounted rate will apply. Both lots will be open for public and contract parking, but were selected because they do not fill to capacity on a typical day.

U-Pass customers will automatically receive a credit to their university student account or credit card, depending on how they paid for their pass, if the strike lasts for 13 days or more. The credit will be based on a 40-cent-per-day prorated. The minimum credit allowed is \$5, so credits cannot be given if the strike is shorter than 13 days. Credits will be applied as soon as possible after the strike ends.

To prevent Metropass customers from paying for service they do not receive, PTS will automatically stop Metropass payroll deductions as soon as possible after a strike begins. Deductions will resume as soon as the strike ends. The first deduction after the strike ends will be adjusted to reflect the exact number of days transit service did not operate.

Parking and Transportation Services will communicate directly with U-Pass and Metropass customers via e-mail as details of the strike unfold.

To alleviate traffic congestion and parking shortages that could result from a transit strike, all students, staff and faculty are encouraged to allow more time for their commute, plan parking alternatives and carpool if possible. There are several designated carpool lots on campus that charge \$1.75 a day. To qualify for carpool parking, patrons must arrive with two or more people in a vehicle.

UNIVERSITY CARPOOL PARKING OPTIONS:

• Fairgrounds Lot S108C in St. Paul is reserved for carpoolers until 6 p.m., Monday through Friday. This lot is highly recommended because it does not fill to capacity and sits along the Campus Connector route.

• Lot 94 on the West Bank is reserved for carpoolers until noon, Monday through Friday. This lot fills by approximately 9 a.m. and switches to daily rate parking for the general public after noon.

• Lots 36 and 37 on the East Bank are reserved for carpoolers until noon, Monday through Friday. These lots fill by approximately 8:30 a.m. and switch to daily rate parking for the general public after noon.

For anyone interested in carpooling, Metro Commuter Services matches drivers and riders according to their home addresses. Visit www.metrocommuterservices.org or call (651) 602-1602 for more information.

For more information about a possible transit strike, visit Metro Transit online at www.metrocouncil.org/transit/.

For information regarding parking or transportation at the university, visit www.parkandtrans.umn.edu or call (612) 626-7275. □

What: Thank U Open House
When: 11 a.m.–2 p.m. Monday, March 1
Where: Great Hall, Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis
Contacts: Kendre Turonie, Student and Community Relations, (612) 625-8939
Paul Moore, University News Service, (612) 624-0214

U OF M AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES THANK STUDENTS WITH OPEN HOUSE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota and its neighboring communities will host an open house to thank students for their hard work and encourage their continued respect, responsibility and engagement.

The Thank U Open House will be from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, March 1, in the Great Hall of Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis.

Among the highlights: appearances by university student athletes; 15-minute seminars on hosting parties, moving into neighborhoods and reading a rental lease; and many other resources on alcohol, safety, sexual assault and legal services. There will also be free food and prize giveaways.

The event is sponsored by the Student and Community Relations office and the Office for Student Affairs. It's the latest in a series of "Thank U" events, which will run through the end of the school year to show students they're appreciated and build a stronger campus community.

For more information, contact Kendre Turonie at (612) 625-8939 or turon001@umn.edu. □

What: U of M professor partnering with KMSP-TV on health coverage
When: 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 26 (future broadcasts as determined)
Where: KMSP-TV, Channel 9
Who: Gary Schwitzer, assistant professor, School of Journalism and Mass Communication, (612) 626-4637
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U OF M JOURNALISM PROFESSOR AND STUDENT PARTNERING WITH KMSP-TV ON HEALTH COVERAGE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--What is the number one domestic issue this election year? University of Minnesota professor Gary Schwitzer believes it's health care, and in a unique partnership with KMSP-TV he plans to make health policy issues understandable and information more accessible. In monthly reports, Schwitzer and Anna Nguyen, a graduate student from the U of M master's degree program in health journalism, will assist KMSP-TV with health care segments and stories. Their first effort airs tonight in a 30-minute special at 9:30 p.m. on Channel 9.

The project moved forward after Schwitzer received a grant from the university's Graduate School. As a veteran reporter on the health industry and medical field for 25 years, Schwitzer determined there is a troubling lack of television coverage of health policy and health care reform. His research study will monitor health care news coverage in three different media markets across the country through the 2004 elections. Locally he saw the opportunity to proactively affect coverage immediately.

"Minnesota is a progressive state that is constantly moving the health care field forward through research and political action," Schwitzer said. "Yet the amount of local television news coverage of health policy issues doesn't match the importance of those issues."

Schwitzer recognizes the challenges local news faces with this kind of coverage. It is difficult to address health care issues in short segments and unless reporters are covering it full time, the material can be challenging.

"Sometimes, the newsroom environment does not allow reporters and producers to devote their resources to specialized coverage on health care. Unless there is new research or breaking news, health care coverage often gets overlooked," Schwitzer said. "Through this pilot project partnership, we hope to demonstrate how a little extra effort and knowledge in a newsroom can result in better health policy news coverage for Minnesotans, and perhaps result in more informed consumers and voters, particularly in an election year."

Schwitzer joined the university in 2001 to help launch a new master's degree in health journalism, which combines curriculum from SJMC and the School of Public Health. For more information, visit www.healthjournalism.umn.edu. □

What: Study on integrating agriculture and food to improve health

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U OF M DEAN PRESENTS NATIONAL REPORT THAT CALLS FOR INTEGRATING AGRICULTURE AND FOOD RESEARCH TO IMPROVE HEALTH

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The effort to pool knowledge about agriculture, food and human health received a significant boost this week with publication of a National Research Council report calling for closer cooperation between researchers in various disciplines to improve health.

"The time is right for bringing together the nation's agriculture and health-care infrastructures with the goal of improving nutrition and public health," said Charles C. Muscoplat, the University of Minnesota's vice president for agricultural policy. Muscoplat, who is also dean of the College of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences and was a featured presenter at the workshop, summarized the report Tuesday, Feb. 24, in Washington with key government agencies and other organizations.

In presenting the summary, Muscoplat called for changes that would encourage more interdisciplinary work, integrate food and health research with behavioral studies, begin nutrition education in early childhood and involve government leaders and the public in the effort to more closely integrate agriculture and health. The National Research Council of the National Academies issued the report, "Exploring a Vision: Integrating Knowledge for Food and Health."

"The changes called for in the National Research Council report directly parallel the direction that University of Minnesota President Robert Bruininks is already taking with his Healthy Foods, Healthy Lives universitywide interdisciplinary initiative," Muscoplat said. "This initiative brings together plant breeders, nutritionists, food scientists, economists, food safety specialists and public health experts."

Minnesota has a comparative advantage in this area because of its leadership in food production, food processing and health care and the uniqueness of the University of Minnesota, one of the few land-grant research universities that in a single location integrate the strengths of a College of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences, a College of Human Ecology and the seven colleges within the Academic Health Center, Muscoplat said.

The report quotes Muscoplat as saying, "The constituents and genes in our food have an intimate relationship with the constituents and genes in our bodies. Similarly, the research in agriculture and food

must be integrated with our research on nutrition, treatment and disease prevention and health."

The report summarizes input from a broad spectrum of scientists and public policy experts, including Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson and John Marburger, director of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy.

Copies of the report are available on the National Academy Press Web site. To access the report, go to <http://dels.nas.edu/banr/health.html>. □

- What:** Hip-hop dance conference
- When:** Performances at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, March 5 and 6
Conference sessions begin at 10 a.m., Saturday, March 6
- Where:** Barbara Barker Center for Dance, Studio 100, 500 21st Ave. S.,
Minneapolis
- Who:** University students and professional artists
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Justin Christy, Department of Theatre Arts and Dance, (612) 625-5380
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

HIP-HOP DANCERS AND HISTORIANS WILL COME TOGETHER IN U OF M DANCE CONFERENCE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota Department of Theatre Arts and Dance invites you to Trans/lations/ferrals: Vernacular/Pop Culture on the Concert Stage, a two-day hip-hop dance conference that will include lectures and performances by university and professional artists Friday and Saturday, March 5 and 6, at the Barbara Barker Center for Dance, 500 21st Ave. S., Minneapolis (West Bank Arts Quarter). The lectures are free and the performances will cost \$10 for general admission. Ticket information is available at (612) 624-5060.

Performances will take place Friday and Saturday evening. Each night will feature U of M Cowles Guest Artist Doug Elkins, professional dancer and choreographer Jawole Willa Jo Zollar and local hip-hop artists B-Girl Seoul, Desdemona, Kenna Camera-Cottman, Daylight, Abomination, Dancin Dave and Mr. Uneek. Each performer will help demonstrate how this popular dance form has been translated to a traditional concert stage.

The lectures will be offered throughout Saturday. Experts from across the country will look at hip-hop's impact on popular culture, the global impact of hip-hop and the evolution of the dance form.

Saturday's lecture schedule:

Session 1: 10 - 11:30 a.m., Vernacular Layers and Pop Culture

- Jane Desmond, keynote speaker (associate professor of American studies and co-director of the International Forum for U.S. studies at the University of Iowa)
- Constance Valis Hill (associate professor of dance, Hampshire College, Mass.)
- E. Gaynell Sherrod (project director, Philadelphia Dance Company)

Session 2: Noon - 1:30 p.m., Hip-Hop in a Global Context and its Entry into the Market Place

- Halifu Osumare, keynote speaker (assistant professor of dance in the School of Human Movement, Sport and Leisure Studies at Bowling Green State University, Toledo, Ohio)
 - Students of the University of Minnesota Dance Program
- Session 3: 3 - 4:30 p.m., Evolution of Hip-Hop
- Lecture demonstration by Rennie Harris (artist director, Rennie Harris, PureMovement, Philadelphia). □

- What:** Carlson School of Management students rally at capitol for bonding support
- When:** 1:30 - 3:15 p.m. Thursday, March 4
- Where:** State Capitol, room 107 and Great Hall
- Contacts:** Catherine Peloquin, Carlson School of Management, (612) 626-0556, cpeloquin@carlsonschool.umn.edu
- Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

U OF M CARLSON SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT STUDENTS TO MAKE CASE FOR SCHOOL'S BONDING REQUEST

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--A Briefcase Brigade of about 50 students from the Carlson School of Management (CSOM) at the University of Minnesota will spend the afternoon of Thursday, March 4, at the Capitol urging legislators to fully support the university's and Carlson School's \$1.7 million bonding request for CSOM's undergraduate program expansion and classrooms.

Dressed in professional business attire and armed with briefcases, students will testify before the Senate Higher Education Budget Division, attend a rally in the Capitol Great Hall led by Dean Larry Benveniste, drop off a statement of support signed by hundreds of students and faculty at the offices of the governor and legislative leadership and meet with legislators. The students will remind legislators that they will be a part of Minnesota's future business community. The event was organized in part by Student Legislative Action Partnership (SLAP), a University of Minnesota student organization.

The demand for CSOM's highly ranked undergraduate program far exceeds capacity, which has forced the Carlson School to turn away several highly qualified students. The program currently serves less than 15 percent of the 3,000 who apply to the school each year. Of those not admitted, many are top performers and 80 percent are Minnesotans. Many choose to leave the state altogether. A new undergraduate center will increase capacity and help keep these future business and community leaders in the state. For more information on the Carlson School bonding request, contact Catherine Peloquin at (612) 626-0556 or cpeloquin@carlsonschool.umn.edu.

Briefcase Brigade State Capitol Schedule:

1:30 p.m. - Members of Briefcase Brigade, Carlson School faculty and Dean Larry Benveniste testify before Senate Higher Education Budget Division, Room 107 State Capitol.

2 p.m. - Rally in the Capitol Great Hall, remarks by Carlson School of Management Dean Larry Benveniste.

2:10 p.m. - Drop off statement of support signed by hundreds of students and faculty at offices of

legislative leadership and governor.

2:10 p.m. - Students meet with their legislators

3 p.m. - Students meet with Sen. Sheila Kiscaden. □

What: Pay it Forward tour

When: Friday, March 6 – Thursday, March 11: Make a Ripple Week
Friday, March 12 – Friday, March 19: Pay it Forward tour

Who: Students Today Leaders Forever (STLF) student group

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MAKING A RIPPLE: COLLEGE STUDENTS START 'PAY IT FORWARD' TOUR IN MINNEAPOLIS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--While other college students head to Cancun or Jamaica during spring break, one group will embark on a cross-country service trip with the sole purpose of helping wherever and whomever they can.

A new University of Minnesota student organization founded by first-year students, Students Today Leaders Forever (STLF), has organized the "Operation: Pay It Forward Tour." Nearly 40 college students from the University of Minnesota, the University of North Dakota, North Dakota State University and Minot State University will take a community service road trip from the Twin Cities to Washington, D.C., and back, stopping at major cities along the way to do community service. The tour begins Friday, March 12, and ends Friday, March 19.

Leading up to the tour from March 6 to March 11 will be "Make a Ripple Week," a series of events intended to promote the idea of performing single acts of kindness and instilling the idea of "paying it forward" in the community and on campus. These events include:

- Noon–2 p.m. Saturday, March 6. "Simple Acts of Kindness Protest." Outside Mariucci Arena before Gopher Hockey Game, corner of Oak Street and Huron Boulevard. Members of STLF will carry large picket signs with messages such as "Call your parents," "Give a hug" and "Smile," and will encourage hockey fans to carry the signs as well.

- 8:30 p.m. Monday, March 8. "Mr. Superblock Contest." Coffman Union Great Hall, 300 Washington Ave., S.E., Minneapolis. Twenty to thirty males from the residence halls will participate in a goofy, casual and fun beauty pageant, featuring eveningwear and talent competitions.

- 4:30–7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 9. "Make it Simple." Various University Dining Services locations. STLF members and their supporters will help bus tables, refill drinks and help their fellow students while they eat in various dining facilities across campus.

- All day Wednesday, March 10. “Bag it Up.” Rainbow Foods, 1566 University Ave., St. Paul. STLTF members and their supporters will help bag groceries for free.
- 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 11. “Pay it Forward Kick-Off.” 3M Auditorium, Carlson School of Management, 321 19th Ave S., Minneapolis. Catherine Ryan Hide, the author of the book “Pay it Forward” will speak to the university community. Her speech will be followed by a screening of the movie “Pay it Forward” a question and answer session, and a book signing.
- 1:30 p.m. Friday, March 12. The group begins their tour with a sendoff outside Territorial Hall, 417 Walnut St., S.E., Minneapolis.

The objective of the Pay it Forward Tour is to serve others and show that students can make a difference in the world by initiating a ripple effect of kindness.

For more information about the tour and the various events, check out the STLTF website at www.tc.umn.edu/~tehv0001.

Students Today Leaders Forever is a new nonprofit, student-based organization focused on making a difference. The organization is co-sponsored by the University YMCA and is advised by Jerry Rinehart, University of Minnesota associate vice provost for student affairs. The group’s supporters include Jack Canfield, co-creator of “Chicken Soup for the Soul,” Pennsylvania Gov. Edward G. Rendell and Tami Farrell, Miss Teen USA. □

What: Child development expert among 2004 McKnight land-grant professors
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SCHOLAR WHO EXPLORES THE MYSTERY OF CHILDREN'S BRAINS AMONG MCKNIGHT LAND-GRANT PROFESSORS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--We've all seen the typical toddler behavior: charming one minute, melting down in the grocery store the next. But what is it about a child's brain that changes as he gets older? And what can we learn by focusing on which areas of the brain are "activated" as a child's experiences increase?

That's the idea behind research by University of Minnesota assistant professor Kathleen Thomas, who teaches in the U's Institute of Child Development. Her work has earned her a McKnight Land-Grant professorship, which honors up-and-coming faculty members and provides them with additional resources to continue their groundbreaking research.

Thomas will be one of nine McKnight Land-Grant professors introduced to the university's board of regents later this week. The recipients are awarded two years of research funding at \$25,000 per year and a one-year paid leave of absence to do research. They will begin their appointments July 1, 2004.

Each year, the University of Minnesota Graduate School invites departments to nominate their most promising tenure-track assistant professors who earned their doctorates during the past seven years and whose appointment at the university began within the past three years. The McKnight Land-Grant Professorship Program began in 1987 as a way of supporting young scholars and encouraging them to make the U their permanent career choice.

Here is the complete list of this year's recipients:

Baoquan Chen, Computer Science and Engineering

Alec T. Habig, Physics/UMD

Heiko O. Jacobs, Electrical and Computer Engineering

Jonathan S. Marchant, Pharmacology

Kristopher McNeill, Chemistry

Joachim Mueller, Physics and Astronomy

Aaron David Redish, Neuroscience

J.B. Shank, History

Kathleen M. Thomas, Child Development

- What:** Study analyzing link between environmental factors and obesity
- Who:** Ann Forsyth, study researcher, professor at the College of Architecture and Landscape Architecture
Kathryn Schmitz, study researcher, assistant professor at the School of Public Health
- Contacts:** Ashley Burt, Academic Health Center, (612) 624-2449
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U OF M TO STUDY 'WALKABILITY' OF TWIN CITIES NEIGHBORHOODS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Researchers from the University of Minnesota College of Architecture and Landscape Architecture (CALA) and School of Public Health (SPH) are collaborating on a first-ever study of how the design of Twin Cities neighborhoods affects the level of exercise among residents.

"Measurement of Walkability in the Twin Cities" is a two-year study funded by a grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) that will measure the association between environmental factors and the amount of walking done in residential neighborhoods. Active Living Research, a national program supported by RWJF, selected the research team as one of nine new grantees that are studying relationships between the built environment and physical activity levels. Study investigators will soon begin recruiting local residents to participate in the study.

"While social and economic characteristics are generally found to be more important predictors of whether people will walk than physical factors, the environment does make a difference," said Ann Forsyth, a principal investigator of the study and CALA professor. "This study will measure how much of a difference the environment makes and which factors are key."

"This collaboration between the fields of public health and architecture is important in light of the obesity epidemic and recent findings that there may be an association of living in suburbs and obesity," said Kathryn Schmitz, SPH assistant professor, who is serving as an investigator on the project along with SPH assistant professor Michael Oakes.

The research team has randomly selected 36 sites of 160 acres each — varying greatly by street pattern and population density — in St. Paul and the I-35W corridor, where particularly good Geographic Information System (GIS) data are available. GIS data will allow the researchers to concurrently analyze multiple environmental factors. They will combine this data with census data to measure an area's physical and social characteristics.

The study will involve close collaboration with neighborhood groups and city officials for each of the 36 sites to increase participation of the randomly chosen residents. Selected residents will be equipped with accelerometers, devices that precisely measure movement and physical activity and will answer surveys about their physical activities and neighborhood perceptions. Participants will wear the accelerometers for seven days and be paid \$75.

After the fieldwork is completed, the researchers will analyze how much of a difference the environment makes on physical activity, controlling statistically for a large number of factors.

For more information about RWJF or Active Living Research visit www.rwjf.org. □

What: Discussion by physicist/author **Brian Greene**
When: 7 p.m. Thursday, March 11
Where: Cowles Auditorium, Humphrey Institute, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis
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Paul Moore, University News Service, (612) 624-0214

‘COSMIC’ AUTHOR TO DISCUSS BOOK, BREAKTHROUGHS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--It's a large, ponderous question: What does our understanding of space and time mean for our sense of reality?

The answer may not be simple, but a man who can discuss it in simple terms is coming to the University of Minnesota.

Brian Greene, bestselling author and award-winning physicist, will discuss his new book, "The Fabric of the Cosmos," at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 11, in Cowles Auditorium, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis.

Greene is one of the world's foremost experts on string theory, author of the bestselling "The Elegant Universe" and the subject of a PBS series. He is noted for translating cutting-edge research into familiar language highlighting the core ideas behind mathematics and physics.

"The Fabric of the Cosmos" examines the ever-changing understanding of space and time and what it all means for our sense of reality. Greene will talk about the latest breakthroughs—theoretical, experimental and observational—to explain our deepest insights into the nature of space, time and the universe.

Greene will sign copies of his book and answer questions following his discussion. The event is free and open to the public. For more information or to order a signed copy, visit www.bookstore.umn.edu/genref/authors.html. □

What: Monthly board of regents meetings
When: Thursday, March 11, and Friday, March 12
Where: Suite 600, McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis
Contacts: Amy Phenix, University News Service, (612) 625-8510

BOARD TO CONSIDER POLICIES TO PROMOTE TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota board of regents will hold its monthly meetings Thursday, March 11, and Friday, March 12, in Suite 600, McNamara Alumni Center, on the Twin Cities campus.

In committee meetings, board members will discuss efforts to enhance the student experience on the Twin Cities campus. Gerald Rinehart, associate vice provost for student affairs, will discuss characteristics of this generation of students and how the university's co-curricular programs promote responsibility, respect, independence and similar characteristics.

The board will act on a resolution allowing the university to support technology commercialization by investing royalty income in not-for-profit companies. The policy would support the university's technology transfer activities by giving more small or "early stage" companies the ability to license technologies developed by university researchers.

To further support technology transfer, the board will consider providing \$1 million to University Enterprise Laboratories, an independent nonprofit corporation created to provide incubator space for biotechnology start-up companies and others with an interest in the commercialization of intellectual property, particularly intellectual property owned by the University of Minnesota. The proposed funding would be derived entirely from university license and royalty income; no state or tuition dollars would be used.

An update on the state of Minnesota's economy will be provided by Tom Stinson, state economist and university professor of applied economics.

Select committee meeting times, locations and agenda items follow.

Thursday, March 11

9:45-11:45 a.m. Educational Planning and Policy Committee, East Committee Room. Consider policy on use of royalty income to support technology commercialization and \$1 million for UEL.

9:45-11:45 a.m. Facilities Committee, West Committee Room. Act on plan for recreational sports facilities on the Twin Cities campus. Act on two capital budget amendments for projects on the Twin Cities and Morris campuses.

1:30-3:30 p.m. Faculty, Staff and Student Affairs Committee, East Committee Room. Discuss the student experience on the Twin Cities campus. Review board policy on faculty and staff retirement programs.

1:30-3:30 p.m. Finance and Operations Committee, West Committee Room. State economic update from State Economist Tom Stinson. Semi-annual management report.

Friday, March 12

9-11:30 a.m. Board of regents, Boardroom. Recognize McKnight Land-Grant Professors. Recognize student representatives to the board of regents. President's and chair's reports. Committee reports.

The complete board agenda can be found at www.umn.edu/regents. □

What: U of M to host World Languages Day
When: 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Monday, March 15
Who: 420 juniors from 13 Minnesota high schools
Where: Coffman Union and Folwell Hall, 9 Pleasant St. S.E. Minneapolis
Contacts: Stephanie Treat, U of M Language Center, (612) 625-3865
 Bob San, University News Service, (612) 624-4082

420 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO ATTEND U OF M WORLD LANGUAGES DAY

MINNEAPOLIS/ST.PAUL—Instant Chinese. French Jeopardy: A French Culture Game Show. Brazilian soccer and samba. Those are some of the classes 420 juniors from 13 Minnesota high schools can take during the first World Languages Day at the University of Minnesota Monday, March 15.

World Languages Day is a new event for the College of Liberal Arts (CLA) to increase interest for languages and cultures of other countries. “The day provides an opportunity for Minnesota high school students to explore the languages and cultures of the world and to experience life at the university,” said Stephanie Treat of the CLA Language Center.

Students can choose three classes from a variety of languages and topics. Some of the classes include: Korean Alphabet in 30 Minutes or Less, Irish Names: Their Meaning and Structure, Italian opera, Arabic, Hebrew, Spanish, French and Native American languages and cultures. In addition, students will learn how they can enhance their education by taking advantage of the university's numerous opportunities to study, volunteer and even work in countries around the globe.

The high schools attending are White Bear Lake South Campus, Benilde St. Margaret, St. Francis, Lyle, SAGE Academy, Mora, Columbia Heights, Edina, Fridley, Richfield, El Colegio Charter School, Minnetonka and Andover.

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High school language and culture teachers are also invited to attend this event. Teachers can choose to take one longer class on using technology in the classroom or two shorter classes on other education-related topics.

For more information call Treat at (612) 625-3864 or go to the web site for World Languages Day: <http://worldlang.cla.umn.edu/itinerary.htm>.

Itinerary for the day:

9 - 9:30 a.m. Coffman Great Hall, welcoming remarks and breakfast

10 - 10:30 a.m. Folwell Hall, first session

10:45 - 11:15 a.m. Folwell Hall, second session

11:30- noon Folwell Hall, third session

12:30 – 1 p.m. Coffman Great Hall, lunch

1 - 1:30 p.m. Coffman Great Hall, Closing by the U of M Learning Abroad Center.

What: "Forever Free: Abraham Lincoln's Journey to Emancipation" exhibit
When: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays, March 17 to April 30
Where: Elmer L. Andersen Library, 222 21st Ave. S., Minneapolis
Contacts: Tim Johnson, curator, Special Collections & Rare Books, (612) 624-3552 or johns976@umn.edu
 Patty Mattern, University News Service, (612) 624-2801

EXHIBITION TRACES LINCOLN'S GROWTH FROM ANTISLAVERY MODERATE TO "THE GREAT EMANCIPATOR"

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--How was it that a nation founded on ideals of freedom and equality was also home to one of the harshest labor systems the modern world has known? A new traveling exhibition opening March 17 at the University of Minnesota's Elmer L. Andersen Library looks for answers to this question by tracing Abraham Lincoln's gradual transformation from an antislavery moderate into "The Great Emancipator," who freed all slaves with a revolutionary wartime proclamation in 1863. "Forever Free: Abraham Lincoln's Journey to Emancipation" will be on display from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays from March 17 until April 30 at the library, 222 21st Ave. S., Minneapolis.

Organized by the Huntington Library, San Marino, Calif., and the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History, New York City, in cooperation with the American Library Association, this exhibition is made possible through a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The exhibit consists of two six-section, 75-foot-long panels that contain reproductions of rare historical documents, period photographs, and illustrative material such as engravings, lithographs, cartoons, and political ephemera. The sections of the exhibition focus on young Lincoln's America, the house dividing, war for the Union, the Emancipation Proclamation, the role of black soldiers in the Civil War, and the final months of the Civil War and Lincoln's life.

"We are pleased to have been selected as a site for this exhibition," said Tim Johnson, curator of Special Collections & Rare Books at the university and exhibit coordinator. "The Civil War and slavery are topics which must constantly be revisited in order to help 21st century Americans better understand their causes and more clearly see how their effects are still with us today. This exhibit offers our community an opportunity to learn more about how Abraham Lincoln decided upon emancipation of the slaves, even as he tried to hold together a fragile coalition of states in order to preserve the Union. It is a revealing insight into the values, principles, and ideals that guided one of our greatest presidents."

Lincoln was an obscure Illinois lawyer and politician of humble origins who rose in an astonishingly

short time to world renown as the leader of a young nation during one of its most troubled times. Throughout his life, Lincoln's dedication to the ideals of freedom and equality for all people did not waver. "I want every man to have the chance--and I believe a black man is entitled to it--in which he can better his condition," Lincoln said early in his political career.

Lincoln was also a pragmatic politician who believed that a direct attack on slavery in the South would split the Union and end America's experiment in self-government. He steered a middle course during the early years of the Civil War but became convinced that ending slavery would help the Union militarily. Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation transformed the character of the war by recommitting the nation to its founders' vision of freedom and equality for all people.

"Forever Free" draws upon original documents in the collections of the Huntington Library and the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History. It was curated by John Rhodehamel, Norris Foundation Curator of American Historical Manuscripts at the Huntington Library.

For more information, contact Tim Johnson at (612) 624-3552 or by e-mail at johns976@umn.edu. The American Library Association Web site at www.ala.org/ala/ppo/current_programs/foreverfree/foreverfreeabraham.htm has additional information about the exhibit. □

What: U of M faculty and students performing at Academy Awards

When: 7 p.m. (awards show begins) Sunday, Feb. 29

Where: KSTP-TV, Channel 5

Who: Mirjana Lausevic, associate professor of musicology, School of Music
Kimberly Bahmer, U of M senior
Kristin Irving, U of M senior

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U OF M FACULTY AND STUDENTS WILL PERFORM NOMINATED SONG AT ACADEMY AWARDS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--A University of Minnesota faculty member and two U of M students will join 37 singers in a vocal performance at the 76th annual Academy Awards, beginning at 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 29, on KSTP-TV Channel 5, locally. They will perform the nominated song, "The Scarlet Tide," from the film Cold Mountain.

Mirjana (meer-YAH-nah) Lausevic, U of M associate professor of musicology, and her husband, Tim Eriksen, are internationally known experts in Sacred Harp singing. They coached actors Nicole Kidman and Jude Law in the technique of Sacred Harp singing for the actors' starring roles in Cold Mountain, recipient of seven Oscar nominations including best musical score.

Elvis Costello wrote the original version of "The Scarlet Tide," but Lausevic created a new arrangement to include a Sacred Harp choir, specifically for the performance at the Academy Awards. Lausevic was then asked to perform at the Oscars by T. Bone Burnett, who produced the soundtrack for the film.

Joining Lausevic and her husband are Kimberly Bahmer, a U of M senior majoring in music education, and Kristin Irving, a senior majoring in music performance. Bahmer and Irving founded and lead the university's Sacred Harp choir, which performs free throughout campus.

Sacred Harp singing is an American vocal tradition that originated prior to the Civil War. More a participatory event than a performance, the technique involves a group of singers—often 30 or 40 at a time—sitting in a square, facing inward. The technique is marked by a capella singing, an open, modal sound and an exuberant, emotional style. □

What: Board approves policy to support technology transfer, reviews budget
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U OF M PRESIDENT OUTLINES BUDGET CHALLENGE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--University of Minnesota President Robert Bruininks today outlined for the board of regents the budget challenges the university will face in fiscal year 2005. Last year, the state Legislature reduced the university's budget by \$185 million for the 2004-05 biennium, and the university faces an approximately \$65 million shortfall in FY05.

"We cannot continue the trend of loading the cost of higher education on the backs of students and families," said Bruininks. "Access and affordability are a big concern for all of us."

To manage the budget challenge, Bruininks said tuition and fees will increase 13 to 14 percent, a rate he said was "higher than desirable." In addition, the university will reduce operating budgets by about \$10 million. The university must also fund, through internal resources, a modest, 2.5 percent, compensation increase for employees, whose wages and salaries were frozen this year.

Bruininks will present his full budget recommendations to the board in May, and a final budget will be acted on in June.

In other business, the board approved a policy allowing the university to support technology commercialization by investing royalty income in companies that support such activity. The policy is intended to support the university's technology transfer activities by giving more small or "early stage" companies the ability to license technologies developed by university researchers.

The board reviewed a facilities condition assessment that identified \$1.7 billion in maintenance needs for university buildings over the next decade. The university will use this information to prioritize critical capital projects.

The next board meetings will be held May 13-14 on the Twin Cities campus. For information, go to www.umn.edu/regents. □

What: Policy briefing on education
When: 9-10:30 a.m. Monday, March 15
Where: State Office Building, Room 205, 100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., St. Paul
Contacts: Julie Lund, Humphrey Institute, (612) 624-1190
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

HUMPHREY INSTITUTE HOLDING POLICY BRIEFING ON EDUCATION

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute will host a series of policy briefings for journalists, legislative and administrative staff and interested citizens on current issues. The first briefing will focus on education and will be held from 9-10:30 a.m. Monday, March 15 in Room 205 at the State Office Building, 100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., St. Paul. The briefings are free and the public is encouraged to attend.

Monday's briefing, "The Road Ahead: Challenges and Opportunities for Education," will feature four panelists from the world of education: Dee Grover-Thomas, governance and learning program consultant, former high school principal and board member, Minnesota New Country School; Bob Hoffman, vice president, Taylor Corporation and member, Minnesota State University Board; Tom Nelson, superintendent of schools, Buffalo/Cokato; and Nell Collier, principal, Cityview Performing Arts Magnet. The discussion will be moderated by Joe Nathan, senior fellow and director of the Center for School Change at the Humphrey Institute.

Future policy briefings will look at transportation (March 29) and the state budget (April 26). For more information call (612) 625-8330.

All briefings are sponsored by the Humphrey Institute Policy Forum, co-directed by Vin Weber and Tim Penny, and the Center for the Study of Politics. □

- What:** Sessions exploring early childhood development issues
- When:** March 31 and April 1
- Where:** Various locations
- Who:** Dr. Jack Shonkoff
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EARLY CHILDHOOD EXPERT JACK SHONKOFF TO VISIT UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Early childhood expert Dr. Jack P. Shonkoff will be at the University of Minnesota March 31 and April 1 to offer speeches and discussions about early childhood development issues.

Shonkoff is dean of the Heller School for Social Policy and Management at Brandeis University and the Harris Visiting Scholar at the University of Minnesota's Irving B. Harris Training Center for Infant and Toddler Development.

Shonkoff will be the keynote speaker during the education policy seminar "Starting Too Late (and Ending Too Soon): A 19th Century Approach to 21st Century Challenges in Public Education." The seminar is from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., Wednesday, March 31 at the Midway Sheraton, St. Paul. This seminar will provide an overview of the science of early childhood development and examine its implications for the nation's public education agenda. Education professionals, particularly those in early childhood and K-12 education are encouraged to attend. This seminar is sponsored by the university's College of Education and Human Development. The cost to attend is \$15. To register, call Val Cremin at (612) 626-9262 or cremi001@umn.edu.

Shonkoff will lead a brown bag discussion from 12:15 to 1:45 p.m. Wednesday, March 31 in room 105, Institute of Child Development, 51 East River Road, Minneapolis.

In "Scholars, Advocates and Knowledge Brokers: Where Do You Stand?" Shonkoff will explore key factors that differentiate the tasks of knowledge creation, translation and application within the complex arenas of early childhood policy, politics and practice. This discussion cosponsored by the

university's Institute of Child Development. It is free and registration is not necessary.

Shonkoff will also be the keynote speaker for the Harris Center's annual forum from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Thursday, April 1 Minnesota History Center, 345 Kellogg Blvd. W., St. Paul. In his presentation "From Neurons to Neighborhoods: Closing the Gap Between What We Know & What We Do to Support the Development of Young Children," Shonkoff will reflect on the findings of the widely acclaimed report "From Neurons to Neighborhoods: The Science of Early Childhood Development," which was published in 2000 by the National Research Council and the Institute of Medicine. He will discuss how the findings from that report can be better integrated into practices and policies. The forum is cosponsored by the Center for Early Education and Development, the Children, Youth and Family Consortium and the President's Initiative on Children, Youth and Families. The forum is free and open to the public. Registration is necessary. To register, go to www.harristrainingcenter.org or call (612) 624-4510. □

What: University applauds Gopher stadium legislation

Who: Joel Maturi, athletics director
Glen Mason, football coach
Richard Pfutzenreuter, chief financial officer

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EFFORT TO BRING GOPHER FOOTBALL HOME ADVANCES

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--University officials applauded legislation introduced today that supports construction of a Gopher football stadium on campus.

“Bringing Gopher football home represents an incredible opportunity to reenergize campus life, attract significant private support and bring pride to the state,” said Joel Maturi, athletics director. “We need a partnership with the state to achieve that goal, and this legislation is an important step.”

The legislation, Senate File 2825, authored by Senators Geoff Michel, Larry Pogemiller, Steve Kelley, Cal Larson and James Metzen, authorizes construction of an on-campus Gopher stadium to be financed with substantial private fundraising and a significant state contribution.

The university has begun to educate students, fans, alumni and the broader public about its stadium options. A Web site, www.umn.edu/stadium, has been launched that includes information about an on-campus stadium and asks people to sign up to demonstrate their support for such an effort. A few weeks ago, university President Robert Bruininks sent a letter about the stadium effort to 300 business leaders and policy makers, and Maturi is communicating with 30,000 season ticket holders.

“We have concluded that an on-campus Gopher stadium is our best option--for the football program, for students, for fans and for the state of Minnesota,” said Richard Pfutzenreuter, vice president for finance and chief financial officer. “Financially, an on-campus stadium is the best deal for the people of Minnesota and for the university.”

Last fall a university study of an on campus stadium concluded that a 50,000-seat facility could be built northeast of Mariucci and Williams arenas for a total cost of \$222 million. The university’s lease in the Metrodome expires at the end of the 2011 football season and, given the long timelines for large construction projects, the university needs to begin exploring its options now.

“The Gophers have played football in Minnesota for 120 years and we will continue to play here. The time is right for bringing Gopher football back back to campus,” said Maturi. “This will be a place for students, alumni, faculty and staff to come together and experience Big Ten football.”

The university estimates that being the sole tenant in the Metrodome would cost between \$6 million and \$10 million a year. This is about equal to the projected public cost of financing an on-campus facility, but staying in the Metrodome wouldn't increase revenue as much as an on-campus stadium would. Last year the Vikings determined that an on-campus joint facility wouldn't meet their needs. Sharing a professional facility far from campus is the university's least preferred option.

University officials also stress that student life at the university has changed in the last 20 years. Today, more than 70 percent of freshman students live on or near campus, making a campus stadium even more attractive to them.

"A campus stadium will add to the energy and excitement of this great university, which already offers students so many choices and opportunities," said football coach Glen Mason. "In the long run, we believe that a stadium will be an enduring asset for the university and for the state of Minnesota." □

What: New research on sexual harassment
Where: Full study available online at www.asanet.org/journals/asr
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U OF M RESEARCHER EXPLORES THE NEW ERA OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Sexual harassment is not just for adult women any more, according to University of Minnesota researcher Christopher Uggen. In fact, their findings show that adolescents are even targets. New research published this week in the American Sociological Review describes how men and women are experiencing sexual harassment in the workplace.

Based on two large-scale surveys and intensive interviews with men and women, Uggen and his co-author University of Maine Professor Amy Blackstone, examined the current state of sexual harassment. They found that more than ever, sexual harassment victims include men and adolescents as well as women.

“All women are at some risk of sexual harassment, but males are also likely to be targeted if they seem vulnerable and appear to reject the male stereotype,” reports Uggen. “If a man refuses to go along with sexual joking, wears an earring to the workplace or is financially vulnerable, he could be targeted. We even found a correlation between a man’s likelihood of being harassed and the amount of housework he reported doing – an activity typically attributed to women.”

In the past, sexual harassment has been studied as something men do to women. The Uggen and Blackstone study took a new approach, measuring both potentially harassing workplace behaviors and whether people thought those behaviors were sexual harassment. They developed measures and questions that allowed them to measure same-sex harassment – male targets or victims – in addition to male-to-female harassment.

They discovered that aggressors tend to be men who are flaunting their heterosexual masculinity over all forms of femininity. Targets were not just women but also men who had challenged the stereotypical male ideals.

A surprising development, according to Uggen, centers on adolescents and their workplace experience. The study found that adolescents do experience sexual harassment, but it’s grossly underreported and misunderstood. They found that one of every three women and one of every seven men who took part in their study reported being sexually harassed by their mid-20s. Yet many of those

men and women had never told anyone about their experience prior to the study.

“We gave young adults and adolescents surveys questioning them about sexual harassment and we asked them if they’d ever experienced it in the workplace,” Uggen said. “Several of them reported that they had. When we followed up with one-on-one interviews, we realized that a much larger number had experienced harassing behaviors such as consistent or unwanted flirting or inappropriate jokes, but they did not interpret it as sexual harassment. To these young people – and to many men we interviewed – it was something they shrugged off.”

Uggen encourages adolescents to report unwanted sexual attention at work and identify it early. “When these adolescents remain quiet, they risk experiencing greater levels of harassment as they enter adulthood,” Uggen said.

Uggen and Blackstone’s full report and findings are available in the current issue of *American Sociological Review* at www.asanet.org/journals/asr. □

What: Great Conversation: Bioethics in the National Spotlight
When: 7:30 p.m Tuesday, March 23
Where: Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 Fourth St. S., Minneapolis
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BIOETHICS DEBATE IS FOCUS OF NEXT 'GREAT CONVERSATION'

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--It's all over the news these days: the debate over biomedical ethics. On Tuesday, March 23, two central players in that debate will bring their thoughts to the latest edition of the University of Minnesota's Great Conversations series.

The discussion between Jeffrey Kahn and Harold Shapiro, "Bioethics in the National Spotlight," will be at 7:30 p.m. in Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 Fourth St. S., Minneapolis.

From health care reform to genetic engineering to human cloning, the bioethics debate takes many forms and ignites passion from citizens, policymakers and health care professionals across the country. In their discussion, Kahn and Shapiro will reflect on the interface between bioethics, public policy and scientific research.

Kahn is director of the university's Center for Biomedical Ethics and author of "Beyond Consent: Seeking Justice in Research."

Shapiro is president emeritus and professor of economic and public affairs at Princeton University. He chaired the National Bioethics Advisory Commission for President Clinton and served as a member of President Bush's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology.

This is the third of five Great Conversations events, all of which are at Ted Mann Concert Hall. Series tickets are \$85 for university faculty, staff and students and \$110 for the general public.

Individual event tickets are \$23 for faculty, staff and students and \$28 for the general public. For tickets, call (612) 624-2345 or go to www.cce.umn.edu/conversations.

Great Conversations is produced by the College of Continuing Education. □

What: Roe vs. Wade lawyer to speak at U of M
When: 7 to 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 24
Who: Lawyer Sara Weddington
Where: Willey Hall Auditorium, 225 19th Ave. S. Minneapolis
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ROE VS. WADE LAWYER TO SPEAK AT U OF M MARCH 24

MINNEAPOLIS/ST.PAUL—Sara Weddington, the attorney who successfully argued the landmark Roe vs. Wade case before the U.S. Supreme Court, will speak at the University of Minnesota at 7 to 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 24, in Willey Hall Auditorium, 225 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis.

Handed down in January 1973, the Court by a 7-2 vote declared unconstitutional a Texas law prohibiting an abortion except for the purpose of saving a woman's life. The decision invalidated abortion laws in 46 states. Weddington, then 26 and fresh out of the University of Texas Law School, teamed up with fellow Texas graduate Linda Coffee to win the historic case.

Weddington, who later became one of the first women to serve in the Texas State Legislature and also served as a special assistant to President Jimmy Carter on women's issues, will speak on, "Some Leaders Are Born Women." Her talk is free and open to the public.

"We are very excited to have Sara Weddington come to talk about the case," said Claire Walter-Machetti, director of the Office for University Women. "Roe vs. Wade is a landmark case affecting women, and we think it's very appropriate that we bring someone like Sara as part of our Women's History Month celebration."

Weddington's talk is sponsored by the university's Programs and Activities Council, the Office for University Women, the Women's Student Activist Collective and the department of women's studies.

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What: U of M student receives Luce Foundation Scholarship

Who: Richard Hermes

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U OF M GRADUATE STUDENT WINS HENRY LUCE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP FOR INTERNSHIP IN ASIA

MINNEAPOLIS/ST.PAUL-- Richard Hermes, a graduate student in creative writing at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, is one of 15 scholars nationwide to receive a Luce Scholarship for a professional internship experience in Asia.

Each year, the Henry Luce Foundation invites about 70 colleges and universities, including the University of Minnesota, to submit up to three nominations for the Luce Scholars competition. From this group of 200 nominees, the Luce Scholars Program selects 15 young Americans for an experience in Asia, designed to broaden their professional perspectives and to sharpen their perceptions of Asia. The distinguishing feature of the program is that, unlike other Asian scholarship programs, it is directed toward young leaders in any field who have had no prior experience in Asia and who otherwise would not have such an opportunity in the course of their careers. The program is funded by the Henry Luce Foundation and administered in Asia in cooperation with the Asia Foundation.

The 15 scholars will begin their assignments in September and continue through July 2005. Internship assignments are arranged for each scholar on the basis of individual career interests, experience, and qualifications. Hermes' country of assignment will be decided by late spring.

Hermes, a native of Dixon, Ill., graduated with a bachelor of science degree in biology and English from Emory University in 1998 and will receive a master of fine arts in creative writing from the University of Minnesota in May. He attended the Keough Institute for Irish Studies in Dublin and is nearing completion of a book-length manuscript of short fiction, largely set in Ireland. An accomplished writer, he served as an editorial fellow for Utne Magazine and wrote scripts for Garrison Keillor's "The Writer's Almanac."

What: Roundtable on transportation issues
When: 10-11:30 a.m. Friday, March 19
Where: Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis
Who: U.S. Sen. Mark Dayton
Contacts: Julie Lund, Humphrey Institute, (612) 624-1190
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

U OF M WILL HOST TRANSPORTATION ROUNDTABLE WITH SEN. DAYTON

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Sen. Mark Dayton will join other University of Minnesota professors for a roundtable discussion on transportation funding in Minnesota from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Friday, March 19, at the Humphrey Institute, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis.

Dayton will open the discussion with remarks on the federal transportation bill that could provide more than \$4.5 billion for Minnesota transportation projects over the next six years. Passed by the U.S. Senate in February, the funding amount is an increase of more than \$2 billion from the last transportation bill passed in 1998 and the largest percentage increase (81 percent) for any state in the nation. Dayton will address why increased transportation expenditures are crucial to Minnesota's future.

Other participants will be Robert Johns, director of the Center for Transportation Studies, Humphrey Institute Dean J. Brian Atwood and Lee Munnich, director of the Humphrey Institute's State and Local Policy Program.

For more information and to RSVP, contact Marit Enerson at (612) 625-8575 or menerson@hhh.umn.edu. □

What: Norman Borlaug 90th birthday celebration

When: 11 a.m. Thursday, March 25

Where: Borlaug Hall, 1991 Upper Buford Circle, St. Paul

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U OF M TO CELEBRATE 90TH BIRTHDAY OF NORMAN BORLAUG, ALUMNUS AND NOBEL PEACE PRIZE WINNER--IN BORLAUG HALL

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--What do you do when one of your most distinguished alumni turns 90? Throw a party, of course, even if the guest of honor is busy traveling the world.

The University of Minnesota will celebrate the 90th birthday of Nobel laureate Norman Borlaug with a ceremony at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 25 in Borlaug Hall, 1991 Upper Buford Circle, St. Paul. The short program will feature researchers and students speaking about Borlaug's contributions, a birthday cake and a bust of Borlaug, where party-goers can pose for photos. Borlaug will not be in Minnesota on his birthday because he's continuing his international fight against hunger.

He will be in town May 9, to deliver the commencement address to the graduating class of the College of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences. At that time, he will be presented with the birthday photos and birthday wishes that have been sent to www.coafes.umn.edu/birthday.

Sen. Ellen Anderson and Rep. Alice Hausman have introduced bills in the Minnesota Legislature to honor Borlaug by designating October 16 as Dr. Norman Borlaug World Food Prize Day. The bills have both passed out of their committees and could be passed by both houses on March 25, Borlaug's birthday.

Borlaug received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1970 for his central role in the "green revolution" and improving wheat production. He is credited with saving more lives than any other scientist and his work continues today. Already in 2004, his hunger-fighting duties have taken him to Africa and Brazil.

Borlaug began his University of Minnesota career in General College and was a member of the wrestling team. He was a Big Ten wrestling semifinalist and is a member of the National Wrestling Hall of Fame. He received three degrees from the U--a bachelor's in forestry and a master's and doctorate in plant pathology. Since graduating he has maintained close ties to the university and donated his papers to its library. For more about Borlaug see www.coafes.umn.edu/borlaug. □

What: Lecture from CNN anchor Aaron Brown

When: 2-4 p.m. Saturday, March 27

Where: Cedar Exchange, 500 Cedar St., St. Paul

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U OF M SPONSORING FREE LECTURE WITH CNN'S AARON BROWN

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Minnesota native and CNN anchor Aaron Brown will give a free lecture to the public on media coverage of world events, from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 27, at the Cedar Exchange, 500 Cedar St., St. Paul. Brown will reflect on the role of the media as it covers world events ranging from elections to the Middle East. Following his remarks, Brown will answer questions from the audience.

Brown came to prominence after anchoring CNN's coverage of 9/11 only days after joining the network. He has more than 25 years of journalism experience and currently anchors NewsNight With Aaron Brown, CNN's evening newscast. Brown also serves as host of CNN Presents, CNN's documentary series and is co-anchor during the network's election coverage.

This event is co-sponsored by the Minnesota Fulbright Association and the Minnesota Journalism Center at the University of Minnesota School of Journalism and Mass Communication.

No reservations are required. For more information call (612) 626-1723 or (651) 290-6385. □

What: Vital Aging Summit
When: Thursday, May 13
Where: Continuing Education and Conference Center, 1890 Buford Ave., St. Paul
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VITAL AGING SUMMIT AT U OF M WILL FOCUS ON COMMUNITY

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The important contribution aging adults make to a community is often overlooked, but it will be the focus of a day-long summit later this spring at the University of Minnesota.

“Vital Aging-Vital Communities: The 2004 Summit” will be convened by the university’s College of Continuing Education and partners in the Vital Aging Network (VAN) May 13 at the Continuing Education and Conference Center on the St. Paul campus. Space is available for 400 participants.

National leaders and Minnesota role models engaged in shaping a new societal vision of what it means to grow old will share practical tools and resources helpful in building vital communities that support vital aging.

Highlighting this year’s event will be several prestigious leaders including Reatha Clark King, former director of the General Mills Foundation and president of Metropolitan State University; Bernard Brommer, former president of the Minnesota AFL-CIO; and Susan Hagstrum, wife of university President Bob Bruininks. Special guest Peter Yarrow of Peter, Paul and Mary will provide entertainment.

Summit co-chair Jim Scheibel is director of Ramsey Action Programs and former mayor of St. Paul. “We want participants to see what a community that believes in vital aging looks like, to discover new strategies, make new connections and gather new ideas,” Scheibel said. “In the end our goal is to cultivate a vital force for communities across our state.”

Participants at the summit will learn how to identify community assets, create gathering places, foster communication, support intergenerational relationships, facilitate inclusiveness and develop lifelong learning opportunities. The event is open to all including community leaders, elected officials, municipal administrators, community program coordinators and service providers. “Our hope is that the Summit will be just a beginning; we intend to send people away with a job to do,” said Scheibel.

Registration is now open at www.van.umn.edu or by calling (612) 624-4000. □

- What:** Public information meeting on storm water management
- When:** 4 p.m. Thursday, April 29
- Where:** Minnesota Commons Room, St. Paul Student Center, 2017 Buford Ave., St. Paul
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U OF M TO HOST PUBLIC MEETING ON STORM WATER MANAGEMENT

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota department of environmental health and safety will host a public meeting on its storm water management plan for the Twin Cities campus at 4 p.m. Thursday, April 29, at the St. Paul Student Center, 2017 Buford Ave., St. Paul.

Storm water management is the management of rainfall within urban areas to reduce pollution and land damage. Federal and state regulations require that certain practices be followed by construction organizations, large public entities and public works. These regulations help prevent pollution and are used to monitor how sewer and drainage systems are built and maintained and how construction sites may operate.

The department of environmental health and safety holds one public meeting each year on storm water management. The meeting is free and open to the public.

For more information on the University of Minnesota's Storm Water Management program, see www.dehs.umn.edu/iead/stormwater/ □

What: U of M dance students winners of regional dance competition
Who: Dance program students Rob Leadley, Mariah Meyer, Eva Mohn and Ben Rasmussen
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U OF M DANCE STUDENTS WIN REGIONAL COMPETITION, SELECTED FOR NATIONAL FESTIVAL

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Four students in the University of Minnesota's Department of Theatre Arts and Dance were winners of the American College Dance Festival Association's (ACDFA) southwest regional competition held from March 10 to 13 in Scottsdale, Ariz. These students will now perform at the ACDFA national dance festival in June at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C.

Rob Leadley, Mariah Meyer, Eva Mohn and Ben Rasmussen were selected by a panel of judges for their performance of "Here We Are," a piece choreographed by Cowles guest artist Scott Rink. This is the seventh time in eight years that U of M dance program students have received this honor.

"Here We Are" is inspired by the Dorothy Parker short story of the same title. In Rink's production, a newlywed couple on their way to their honeymoon dance a duet while another couple, seated down stage with their backs to the audience, read from the Parker story. The piece is performed entirely without musical accompaniment.

The ACDFA national festival is a biennial event that showcases dances selected from each of the nine regions across the country. Performers are selected for their outstanding artistic excellence and merit. ACDFA's objective is to highlight the quality of work being created on college and university campuses across the country. □

What: Greek Community Youth Day
When: Noon-4 p.m. Saturday, March 27
Where: St. Paul Student Center, 2017 Buford Ave., St. Paul
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U OF M GREEK COMMUNITY HOLDS FIRST YOUTH DAY

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota Greek community is inviting campus-area youngsters to its first-ever Youth Day, from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 27 at the St. Paul Student Center, 2017 Buford Ave., St. Paul.

Members of university fraternities and sororities will host the events, including carnival games, food, outdoor activities and tours of the Raptor Center. KDWB will broadcast live from noon to 2 p.m. Kids will also have a chance to have their faces painted and win tickets good for prizes.

All events are free of charge. The Greek organizations invited various school, neighborhood and afterschool groups and plan to make Youth Day an annual event. For more information, call (612) 625-FORU. □

What: Policy briefing on transportation
When: 9-10:30 a.m. Monday, March 29
Where: State Office Building, Room 205, 100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., St. Paul
Contacts: Julie Lund, Humphrey Institute, (612) 624-1190
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

HUMPHREY INSTITUTE HOSTING POLICY BRIEFING ON TRANSPORTATION

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute will host a policy briefing on transportation issues from 9-10:30 a.m. Monday, March 29. This discussion is the second in a series of policy briefings on current issues for journalists, legislative and administrative staff and interested citizens. The briefings are in Room 205 at the State Office Building, 100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., St. Paul. They are free and the public is encouraged to attend.

Monday's briefing, "The Road Ahead: Challenges and Opportunities for Transportation," features three former transportation commissioners: Dick Braun from the Quie administration, Len Levine from the Perpich administration and El Tinklenberg from the Ventura administration. The discussion will be moderated by Lee Munnich, senior fellow and director of the State and Local Policy Program at the Humphrey Institute.

The final policy briefing on Monday, April 26, will look at the state budget. For information on either discussion call (612) 625-8330.

All briefings are sponsored by the Humphrey Institute Policy Forum, co-directed by Vin Weber and Tim Penny, and the Center for the Study of Politics. □

Release embargoed until 8:30 a.m. Friday, March 26

What: \$10 Million gift for Carlson School

When: 8:30 a.m. Friday, March 26

Where: Carlson School board room, 4-300 Carlson School of Management building, 321 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis

Who: Robert Bruininks, Larry Benveniste, Herb Hanson

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U OF M RECEIVES \$10 MILLION FOR CARLSON SCHOOL UNDERGRADUATE CENTER

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Alumnus Herbert M. Hanson Jr. and his wife, Barbara, have made a \$10 million gift to the Carlson School of Management at the University of Minnesota to support the expansion of the Carlson School's undergraduate program. The gift will be used to construct a new facility adjacent to the existing Carlson School building to serve more undergraduate students.

Hanson will announce his gift at 8:30 a.m. Friday, March 26, at the Carlson School's Board of Overseers meeting in the Carlson School of Management board room, 321 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis. University of Minnesota President Robert Bruininks and Carlson School Dean Larry Benveniste will attend.

Herb Hanson, a Browns Valley, Minn. native and 1949 University of Minnesota graduate in economics, founded the San Francisco-based Hanson Investment Management Co., a money management firm with more than \$3 billion in assets when he retired in 1993. Hanson said his gift is in gratitude for the education he received at the University of Minnesota.

"My education was the key to my success, and now I want to do what I can to help more of today's students get a good start in their careers," said Hanson, who returns to campus twice a year to speak to students. A member of the Carlson School's Board of Overseers, Hanson helped launch the Carlson Funds Enterprise, an MBA student-led fund management business managing more than \$15 million, and he serves as a member of the enterprises advisory board.

Hanson also credits his success to his former business professor, the late Arthur Upgren, who became a close friend and mentor. "Professor Upgren showed such interest in me, not just as a student

but as a person,” said Hanson. “I’m not sure I would have chosen economics and finance if it hadn’t been for his interest in me. I want to help future generations of graduates have similar experiences while they’re at the Carlson School.” In 1999 Hanson honored his favorite faculty member by making a \$1.25 million gift to establish the Arthur R. Upgren Chair in Investment Management at the Carlson School.

The Carlson School would like to increase the number of students it can enroll in the undergraduate business program by 50 percent. Currently, the school admits only 15 percent of those who apply, because of space limitations. Many of those who are not admitted are some of the state’s best students, and 80 percent are Minnesota residents. Of those not admitted, fewer than half choose to attend another college at the university and many choose to leave the state altogether.

“We need to keep more of our future business and community leaders in the state by making it possible for them to begin their careers here at the University of Minnesota,” said Benveniste. “At least half of our alumni remain in Minnesota after they graduate, so increasing the size of our programs is a critical step in creating a sound economic future for the state.”

With 450 undergraduate degrees awarded in 2003, the Carlson School has one of the smallest undergraduate business programs in the Big Ten. The quality of the undergraduate student body is the highest at the University of Minnesota.

“With this gift, Herb and Bar Hanson are making it possible for the Carlson School to take a very important next step toward increasing the size of the undergraduate program and creating more opportunity for Minnesota students who hope to pursue a business career,” said Bruininks. “I am so grateful for this gift, and for the time and effort Herb has dedicated to the Carlson School through his work with the students and faculty.”

The new Undergraduate Center will provide large classrooms that will allow the school to increase enrollment in each section of its seven required courses. Undergraduate services, computer labs and program offices will also be located in the center. The school hopes to open the new facility in 2008.□

What: Anonymous 4 concert
When: 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 24
Where: Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 Fourth St. S., Minneapolis
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U OF M SCHOOL OF MUSIC HOSTS ANONYMOUS 4 IN FINAL MINNESOTA APPEARANCE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota School of Music (SOM) will present acclaimed early music vocal quartet Anonymous 4 at 7:30 p.m., Friday, April 23, at Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 Fourth St. S., Minneapolis. This performance is part of Anonymous 4's farewell tour and will be their final concert in Minnesota.

Renowned for their vocal blend and virtuosic ensemble singing, the four women who comprise Anonymous 4 combine musical, literary and historical scholarship with contemporary performance intuition as they weave music with poetry and narrative.

Known for their recordings of medieval chant and polyphony, Anonymous 4 has consistently risen to the top of Billboard magazine's classical charts. The group's discography contains more than a dozen recordings, including their 1992 debut, *An English Ladymass*, which was named the 1992 Classical Disc of the Year by CD Review.

After 17 successful years, the group has announced that 2004 will be its final year as a full-time touring and recording ensemble. For their final Minnesota appearance, they have programmed "American Angels," a journey through the American musical landscape featuring songs from the 18th century, Southern shape-note singing, spirituals and gospel hymns.

Anonymous 4's concert is part of Interplay, the SOM's annual series of world music concerts, which this season has also included performances by gospel ensemble the Blind Boys of Alabama (November), all-male chorus Chanticleer (February) and South African choir Ladysmith Black Mambazo (February).

Tickets are \$38 and \$28 and can be purchased by calling (612) 624-2345. Student rush tickets (\$10) are available at the box office on the day of the performance. A \$3 handling fee applies to all tickets.

Established in 1902, the School of Music offers a dynamic, comprehensive program to 540 music students in undergraduate and graduate programs, led by more than 70 artists, scholars and teachers. □

What: Classes Without Quizzes
When: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, April 3
Where: Borlaug Hall, 1991 Upper Buford Circle, St. Paul
Contacts: John Byrnes, College of Agricultural, Food and Environmental
Sciences, (612) 625-4743
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FROM HOUSE PLANTS TO MYSTERIES OF THE ANTARCTIC, CLASSES WITHOUT QUIZZES TO FEATURE RESEARCH ON TOPICS THAT AFFECT EVERYONE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--What did Ernest Shackleton leave behind from his 1914 voyage to the Antarctic? How can your garden plants make you well? How can we feed the world in our lifetime?

Anyone looking for the answers to these and many other questions need only show up at Classes Without Quizzes, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, April 5, at Borlaug Hall, 1991 Upper Buford Circle on the University of Minnesota St. Paul campus. Classes Without Quizzes is a one-day forum that offers a user-friendly approach to the latest research at the university.

Among the topics: Unsolved Mysteries: Preserving Shackleton's and Scott's Expedition Huts in Antarctica. Plant pathologist Bob Blanchette solves mysteries in places like Antarctica and the tombs of Ancient Turkey. He'll share his techniques to solve biological mysteries.

Professor C. Ford Runge will talk about his newest book, which includes new findings and projections about feeding the world, while professor Jean Kinsey looks into Food Safety and Obesity: Everybody's Issue, Whose Responsibility?

Numerous other programs will address everything from the medicinal properties of plants to the latest in lawn research.

For complete details, go to alumni.coafes.umn.edu/cwq. □

What: U of M student receives Truman Scholarship
Who: Maya Babu
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U OF M STUDENT FROM EAGAN RECEIVES TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIP

MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL— Maya Babu, a junior at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, is one of 77 students from 67 colleges and universities selected as 2004 Truman Scholars. Babu is the sixth U of M Truman Scholar in the past six years.

A resident of Eagan, Babu is pursuing a bachelor of science degree in neuroscience in the College of Biological Sciences and a bachelor of arts degree in psychology in the College of Liberal Arts. Babu, who is in the honors program of both colleges, has maintained a near-perfect GPA throughout her college career, not missing a beat even in fall semester 2002, when her education was briefly interrupted by a life-threatening illness. Babu is passionate about improving access to health care for women, youth (particularly those in the juvenile justice system), and the mentally ill. She plans to pursue medical and law degrees to prepare for a career in mental health policy.

Each Truman scholar receives \$26,000--\$2,000 for the senior year and \$24,000 for graduate study. Scholars also receive priority admission and supplemental financial aid at certain premier graduate institutions, leadership training, career and graduate school counseling, and special internship opportunities within the federal government. Recipients must have outstanding leadership potential and communication skills, be in the top quarter of their class, and be committed to careers in government or the not-for-profit sector.

The 2004 Truman Scholars will assemble May 16 for a weeklong leadership development program at William Jewell College in Liberty, Mo., and receive their awards in a special ceremony at the Truman Library in Independence on May 23.

The Truman Scholarship Foundation was established by Congress in 1975 as the federal memorial to the country's 33rd president. The foundation awards scholarships for college students to attend graduate school in preparation for careers in government or elsewhere in public service. The activities of the Foundation are supported by a special trust fund in the US Treasury. There have been 2,330 Truman Scholars elected since the first awards were given in 1977.

What: Four U of M students receive Fulbright Scholarships
Who: Ted Brekken, Kristen Jones, Fawna Korhonen, Lisa Peschel
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U OF M GRADUATE STUDENTS RECEIVE FULBRIGHT SCHOLARSHIPS

MINNEAPOLIS/ST.PAUL— Four University of Minnesota graduate students have received Fulbright Scholarships and will study in Norway, Germany, Denmark and the Czech Republic during the 2004-05 academic year. They are:

Ted Brekken, a doctoral student in electrical engineering, is the 2004-05 winner of the University of Minnesota Graduate School's Fulbright Scholarship Exchange Program with the Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU) in Trondheim, Norway. His research focuses on developing a method of controlling wind generators. He will gain practical knowledge of wind technology by studying Norway's wind farms. Brekken has received bachelor's and master's degrees in electrical engineering from the University of Minnesota.

Kristen Jones, a doctoral student in Germanic studies, is one of eight students nationally to receive a Fulbright Scholarship to Denmark. She will spend the 2004-05 academic year at the Universitet Aarhus analyzing how the notion of Danishness evolved through literature in the 19th century. Jones received a bachelor's degree in German and linguistics from the University of Massachusetts in 1999 and a master's degree in German from the University of Minnesota in 2002.

Fawna Korhonen, a doctoral student in geology, is one of seven students nationally to receive a Fulbright Scholarship to Finland. During the next academic year, she will conduct research in the Varpaisjärvi region of central Finland, focusing on magnetic minerals and their origins. In addition, she will collaborate with geologists at the Geological Survey of Finland. Korhonen received a bachelor's degree in geology from Carleton College in 1997.

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Lisa Peschel, a doctoral student in theater arts, is one of seven students nationally to receive a Fulbright Scholarship to the Czech Republic. She will research the role of theatrical performance in the World War II ghetto at Terezin and the ways in which two groups – the Nazi commanders and the Czech Jews – attempted to use performance to stabilize aspects of their own and the other group's identity as well as the identity of the concentration camp itself. She will draw upon Czech-language secondary sources and the expertise of theater scholars there as well as several sets of primary documents housed mainly in the Jewish Museum in Prague and in the archives at Terezin. Peschel received a bachelor's degree in English literature from the University of Wisconsin in 1989 and a master of fine arts degree in playwriting from the University of Texas at Austin in 2001.

There may be more U of M Fulbright Scholars because some students still have not received the results of their applications.

- What:** Casting call for "The Young and the Restless"
- When:** 8 a.m.-12 noon; 1-3 p.m. Wednesday, April 7
- Where:** Coffman memorial Union Theater, 300 Washington Ave. S.E.,
Minneapolis
- Who:** Keith Hamilton Cobb, actor known as Damon Porter on Young and the Restless
- Contacts:** Cindy Marshall, CBS, (323) 575-2019, cindy.marshall@tvc.cbs.com
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'THE EARLY SHOW' BRINGS 'THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS' CASTING CALL TO THE U OF M, PART OF NATIONAL COLLEGE TOUR

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota will host the cast and crew from the CBS daytime drama "The Young and the Restless" for an open casting call, from 8 a.m. to 12 noon Wednesday, April 7, at the Coffman Union Theater, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis. The U of M is one of five college campuses across the country selected for this national talent search that will culminate with live appearances on CBS' "The Early Show" and a multi-episode role on "The Young and the Restless."

In addition to casting director Marnie Saitta, Young and the Restless actor Keith Hamilton Cobb, who plays Damon Porter, will read with actors who are called back to the afternoon session, which will run from 1 to 3 p.m. A headshot or regular photo and valid student ID are required, but no prior acting experience is needed.

Saitta and the show's producers will select one male and one female finalist from audition tapes from each school, 10 in total from the five schools, whose names will be announced live on "The Early Show" Friday, May 14. They will then be flown to New York for a live screen test on "The Early Show" with an actor from "The Young and the Restless." Viewers will choose the winner through on-line voting.

The U of M is the fourth stop on the five-city tour. They will also stop at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill, the University of Maryland in College Park and San Francisco State University. □

- What:** **Carlson School of Management rankings in U.S. News and World Report**
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- Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038**

U OF M CARLSON SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT RANKS HIGHEST EVER IN NATIONAL POLL

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The full-time M.B.A. program of the Carlson School of Management at the University of Minnesota has received its highest national ranking in the school's history. The full-time M.B.A. program was ranked 21st, up from 26th last year, in the highly regarded "U.S. News and World Report" annual America's Best Graduate Schools rankings publication, which hits newsstands Monday. The Carlson School was tied for 6th among public schools. A key highlight is the school's job placement rate. With 92.8 percent of its graduates in a job three months after graduation, the Carlson School trails only Texas A&M and the University of Washington.

"Many Minnesotans consider the Carlson School a local gem, but we are making our mark as one of the best business schools in the world," said Dean Larry Benveniste. "For decades, Minnesota business leaders have supported and pushed us to improve our rankings. We are now among an elite group of public school peers who match our quality."

Following is the school's "U.S. News and World Report" rankings history, which shows the school's steady climb in the rankings since 1994: 1990-93 ranked 26-51; 1994 ranked 40; 1995 ranked 34; 1996 ranked 32; 1997 ranked 29; 1998 ranked 27; 1999 ranked 26; 2000 ranked 28; 2001 ranked 30; 2002 ranked 24; 2003 ranked 26; and 2004 ranked 21.

In other rankings, the part-time M.B.A. program ranked 11th. The Carlson executive M.B.A. program ranked 21st in the nation. Both programs have consistently been ranked highly by their peers. Additionally, the school's undergraduate program was ranked 14th by "U.S. News and World Report" last August. Due to space constraints the program only serves 15 percent of applicants, but the school plans to expand the program by more than 50 percent over the next several years.

Academic programs also ranked nationally included: information systems (4th), marketing (24th), management (21st) and operations (22nd). The full-time M.B.A. rankings are based on a survey of recruiters and other business schools, quality of incoming students and both quantity and quality of placement at graduation. The executive, part-time and subject rankings are based only on reputation by peers.

The Carlson School offers one of the nation's broadest hands-on learning experiences. Student-run enterprises help full-time M.B.A. students gain real-world experience in funds management, consulting, brand management and business development. A new program emphasizing the development of leadership skills is also drawing the attention of national recruiters.

The Carlson School is the only accredited business school in the Twin Cities metro area with more than 40,000 alumni around the globe. The school offers undergraduate, graduate, doctoral and executive development programs serving more than 5,000 people annually. □

What: 2-day event with Nigerian writer on impact of oil on Nigeria and its people
Who: Annie Brisibe
When: April 14-15
Where: U of M Twin Cities campus
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 Bob San, University News Service, (612) 624-4082

NIGERIAN WRITER/ACTIVIST ANNIE BRISIBE TO VISIT U OF M

MINNEAPOLIS/ST.PAUL—For most of her life, Annie Brisibe has been one of the staunchest activists in Nigeria exposing the negative impact that multinational oil companies has had on the health and culture of her country and people. On April 14-15, Brisibe will bring her message to the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities through a lecture, a reception and a meeting with students. Brisibe will discuss innovative, nonviolent strategies Nigerians have used to gain control of their natural resources and make progress toward self-determination.

Brisibe will give her lecture, "The impact of global oil exploration on rural livelihood: The gender struggle in Nigeria's Delta," at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 14, in the Coffman Union Theater, 300 Washington Ave. S.E. Minneapolis. The lecture is intended to raise awareness of the effect of multinational corporations on women and children in the Niger Delta. Brisibe will provide the public with specific ways that they can get involved.

Brisibe will attend a reception for university women faculty and staff from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Thursday, April 15, in the Northrop Auditorium Gold Room, 84 Church St. S.E. Minneapolis.

Later that day, Brisibe will meet with students in General College at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, April 15, in room 201 Appleby Hall, 128 Pleasant St. S.E. Minneapolis. Brisibe will talk with interested students about how she has used research and writing to educate people and affect positive change in her community.

A widely traveled speaker and published writer, Brisibe is director of the African Women Research Center and president of Niger Delta Women for Justice, a women-focused organization that uses public education as a tool to influence government policy towards recognizing local people's rights to self-determination. As a result of this work, more women are becoming actively involved in the development of their communities.

Brisibe holds a bachelor's degree in agricultural economics and extension and a diploma in community-based development from the Coady International Institute/St. Francis Xavier

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University, Antigonish, Nova Scotia, and a master's degree in international development studies from Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Brisibe's visit, sponsored by General College and the Office for University Women, is the inspiration of Linda Buturian, a General College writing and teaching specialist. "I feel Brisibe would make an excellent role model for students," Buturian said. "Brisibe uses her academic skills to address the needs of her community as well as to educate people around the globe."

What: 'The Rocky Horror Show' directed by Joel Sass
When: April 16 – May 1
 Midnight showing on Saturday, May 1
Where: Rarig Center, West Bank Arts Quarter, 330 21st Ave. S., Minneapolis
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 Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

UNIVERSITY THEATRE LETS IN THE RIFFRAFF FOR 'ROCKY HORROR SHOW'

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--A wildly imaginative director and a critically acclaimed rock band are collaborating to create a decadent thriller in the University of Minnesota's West Bank Arts Quarter. Renowned director Joel Sass is partnering with Minneapolis composer Michael Crowell to draw a new generation of freaks into Richard O'Brien's '70 cult classic musical "The Rocky Horror Show." The musical will run from April 16 to May 1 in the Stoll Thurst Theatre at the Rarig Center, 330 21st Ave. S., Minneapolis.

"The Rocky Horror Show" follows super-square couple Brad and Janet through their decadent deflowering on a rainy night at a mad transvestite scientist's castle. In need of a phone after their car breaks down, the nerdy pair enters the salacious mansion of Dr. Frank-N-Furter. A congregation of extra-terrestrial minions helps Frank lead his guests from the unveiling of his hunky laboratory-created sex-slave into a night of lust, indiscretion, murder and destruction.

Critics have lavished Sass with honors, including two City Pages Best-of-the-Twin-Cities awards and a spot in the St. Paul Pioneer Press' Top Ten Productions. The Minneapolis Star Tribune named Sass one of nine small-theatre artists to watch in 2003. Sass' Mary Worth Theatre has launched many successful productions, always innovative and groping for the line between high art and camp, since its birth in 1994. This is Sass' first production at the University of Minnesota.

Sass likens the atmosphere of his version of "Rocky" to a cabaret performance, where the ambiance is lewd and provocative. "I'm not afraid to make it [this production] raunchy--because there's nothing sadder than a "Rocky" that's nicely scrubbed young kids putting on a patina of being naughty. So we'll definitely be doing some risky material here."

Sass trusts the rock music portion of this rock musical to Crowell. "He understands the challenges of a rock musical," said Sass. Crowell brings Metaphor, the eerie, eclectic ambient rock band for which he composes and performs, along on this journey to Frank 'N' Furter's castle. Metaphor is associated with Innova Records, through which the McKnight Foundation and the National Endowment for the Arts

support their music. Croswell himself is also an award-winning artist—he is a member of the American Composers Forum and a 2004 McKnight fellow.

Tickets range from \$12 to \$17 – with audience participation packs available for \$5. Performances are 7:30 p.m. on Thursdays, 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p.m. on Sundays. A traditional midnight showing of “Rocky” will follow the 8 p.m. show on Saturday, May 1. Tickets are available by calling the University of Minnesota Arts Ticket Office at (612) 624-2345. For group sales information, contact the group sales office at (612) 625-8878. Visit www.cla.umn.edu/theatre/season for more information on all University Theatre and Dance events. □

What: Frank Premack Memorial awards and lecture
When: 7:30 p.m. Monday, April 26
Where: Coffman Union Theater, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis
Who: Dan Balz, Washington Post political correspondent
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 Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

WASHINGTON POST REPORTER DAN BALZ WILL DELIVER PREMACK MEMORIAL LECTURE AT U OF M

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Dan Balz, national political correspondent at the Washington Post, will deliver the Frank Premack Memorial Lecture at 7:30 p.m. Monday, April 26, in the University of Minnesota's Coffman Union Theater, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis. The event is free and open to the public. No reservations are needed.

Sponsored by the Minnesota Journalism Center in the School of Journalism and Mass Communication at the University of Minnesota, the Premack Memorial Lecture Board, and promotional co-sponsor Minnesota Public Radio, the Premack Lecture series is held annually in memory of Frank Premack, a former public affairs reporter, city editor and assistant managing editor with the Minneapolis Tribune, who died in 1975.

Balz's presentation will be delivered in a conversational, question-and-answer format. This lecture is preceded by an awards presentation, which honors journalistic excellence in five categories.

The winners this year were the Minneapolis Star Tribune for the Metro Daily award; the Associated Press for the Hage Award; The Timberjay for the Weekly award; and the St. Paul Pioneer Press for the Opinion Writing award. WCCO-AM newsman Eric Eskola was selected as the Graven Award winner for his contributions to Minnesota journalism.

Balz joined the Washington Post in 1978 and has been involved in the paper's political coverage as a reporter or editor during his 25 years at the paper. In addition to his political reporting, he has served as the Post's National Editor, covered the White House during the period of the first Bush administration and has written extensively about Congress. He also served as the paper's Southwest correspondent, based in Texas and briefly reported from London during the fall of 1997.

Balz is co-author, with Ronald Brownstein of the Los Angeles Times, of the 1996 book "Storming the Gates: Protest Politics and the Republican Revival," a description of the Republican victories in the 1994 elections. He was part of the Post team that produced "Deadlock: The Inside Story of America's

Closest Election,” a narrative of the recount battle in Florida that decided the 2000 presidential election.

He is a past recipient of the American Political Science Association’s award for political coverage and shared the Gerald R. Ford Award for coverage of the presidency for a series written with the Post’s Bob Woodward and entitled “Ten Days in September,” an inside portrait of the Bush War Cabinet in the days immediately after Sept. 11, 2001.

Before coming to the Post, he was a reporter and editor at National Journal magazine and also worked for the Philadelphia Inquirer. He earned a bachelor’s and a master’s degree from the University of Illinois. He is married to Nancy Johnson Balz, and they are the parents of a son, John. They live in Bethesda, Maryland. □

What: 400 high school students to participate in U of M China Day
Who: Students from five Twin Cities high schools
When: 8 a.m. to noon Friday, April 23
Where: Coffman Union Theater, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis
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 Bob San, University News Service, (612) 624-4082

400 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO TAKE PART IN VIDEOCONFERENCES WITH STUDENTS IN CHINA AS PART OF U OF M CHINA DAY

MINNEAPOLIS/ST.PAUL—About 400 local high school students will participate in a television broadcast to students in China as part of the annual University of Minnesota China Day Friday, April 23, at the Coffman Union Theater, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis. The Minnesota students will participate in two live videoconferences at about 8 and 9 a.m. with students at Beijing Royal High School. An estimated 900 million people in China will watch the conferences.

“The topic of the videoconference is learning a foreign language,” said Hong Yang, director of the university’s China Center. “The students in China are learning English, and the Minnesota students are learning Chinese, so they will talk about ways to teach foreign language and what it's like to be a student learning a new language.”

The event is an effort to encourage students to continue their study of the Chinese language. Minnesota ranks fifth in the number of public and private K-12 students studying the Chinese language. Students who are studying Chinese from Breck, Minneapolis South, St. Paul Central, Minnetonka, and St. Paul Highland Park high schools will attend. Following the videoconferences, they will have lunch at Chinese restaurants near campus.

China Day is organized by the university’s China Center and the department of Asian languages and literatures and sponsored by the U.S.-China Peoples Friendship Association and the Chinese Consulate in Chicago.

What: U of M admissions to include writing test
Who: Christine Maziar, senior vice president and provost
Craig Swan, vice provost for undergraduate education
Contacts: Amy Phenix, News Service, (612) 625-8510

U OF M TO ADOPT NEW WRITING TEST FOR ADMISSION

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota will require fall 2006 freshman applicants to take either the writing portion of the ACT or SAT I standardized tests.

"Effective writing is critical to success at the university and professionally," said Christine Maziar, senior vice president and provost. "Requiring a writing sample is a clear and unambiguous way for the university to underscore the importance we place on writing skills."

The university's new requirement will apply to applicants for the Twin Cities, Duluth and Morris campuses.

Both the SAT and ACT college entrance tests will begin incorporating a writing sample in spring 2005. Both tests will include a written essay and multiple choice questions on grammar, usage and word choice. The SAT I is requiring the writing exam, while the ACT is offering it as optional to students, but it will be required by the university. The test will add 30 minutes to the ACT exam time and 50 minutes to the SAT I exam time. Currently, more than 90 percent of freshman applicants to the university submit scores from the ACT test.

In adopting the writing requirement, the university joins 10 other Big Ten institutions, which have already done so. The university has consulted about the decision with school superintendents around the state and found strong support for the writing requirement.

University of Minnesota admissions decisions are based on a holistic review of each student, with a primary focus on academic achievement. The writing sample will be an additional piece of information used in this review; it will not replace any other factor. In addition to assisting with admissions decisions, the writing sample will help the university appropriately place students in first year-writing courses, which are a requirement for all freshmen. □

What: Earth Day speech from Bruce Babbitt, former secretary of the interior
When: 3 p.m. Thursday, April 22
Where: Humphrey Institute (Cowles Auditorium), 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis
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BABBITT SPEECH AT HUMPHREY INSTITUTE WILL ADDRESS "EARTH DAY IN THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY"

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Former Secretary of the Interior Bruce Babbitt will address "Earth Day in the Twenty-first Century" during a speech and question and answer session from 3 to 4 p.m. on Earth Day, Thursday, April 22, at the University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis.

Appointed interior secretary in 1993 by President Clinton, Babbitt made protecting the beauty and integrity of the country's national parks and federal lands his duty. During his tenure, Babbitt drafted plans to restore the Florida Everglades, helped enact the massive California Desert Protection Act, and negotiated the largest land swap in the history of the lower 48 states to protect the new Grand-Staircase monument and other parks in Utah.

The event is sponsored by the Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs and is free and open to the public. □

What: 'Western' Lama to sign book, give lecture at U of M
Who: Lama Ole Nydahl
When: 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 20
Where: Book signing, U of M Bookstore, Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. S.E. Minneapolis
 Lecture, McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E. Minneapolis
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 Bob San, University News Service, (612) 624-4082

'WESTERN' BUDDHIST LAMA TO VISIT U OF M

MINNEAPOLIS/ST.PAUL—What do skydiving, motorcycle rides and Buddhism have in common? Those are three passions of Ole Nydahl, one of the few Westerners fully qualified as Buddhist lamas.

Nydahl will be on the University of Minnesota campus Tuesday, April 20. At 5 p.m. he will host a book signing at the University of Minnesota Bookstore in Coffman Union. At 7 p.m. he will give a talk on "Buddhism Here and Now" at the McNamara Alumni Center.

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What: 'Western' Buddhist Lama to sign book, lecture at U of M
Who: Lama Ole Nydahl
When: 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 20
Where; Book signing, U of M Bookstore, Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. S.E. Minneapolis
 Lecture, McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E. Minneapolis
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- What:** International conference on study abroad curriculum
- When:** April 15-17
- Where:** Opening and closing events: McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis
Conference: Radisson Hotel Metrodome, 615 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis (East Bank campus)
- Who:** Walter Mondale, opening keynote speaker; national experts on education and study abroad curriculum
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U OF M WILL HOST INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON STUDY ABROAD CURRICULUM

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Studying abroad is no longer a luxury; it's a necessity in today's global society, according to student curriculum experts that will attend the study abroad conference, "Internationalizing the Curriculum," April 15-17 at the University of Minnesota. Global experts and higher education professionals from 120 colleges and universities will attend.

Sponsored by the University of Minnesota, the conference is the culmination of a three-year effort by the university's study abroad offices to create a national model of internationalizing the undergraduate curriculum. They used a \$900,000 grant from the Archibald Bush Foundation to work with faculty and advisers from every discipline on all four campuses to assess campus-based curriculum and identify specific study abroad programs that match the goals of the students.

"Our future leaders—now more than ever—must be globally aware, and we see our efforts in curriculum integration of study abroad as central to that mission," said Al Balkcum, director of the Learning Abroad Center, the study abroad office on the Twin Cities campus. "The next generation of study abroad students is not only learning language and the culture, they are gaining relevant academic and career development experience. The nutrition student can now research nutrition and AIDS at the University of Ghana in Africa, and the pre-med student can now intern abroad at a hospital in Ecuador."

The conference will feature sessions and presentations from professionals committed to integrating international experiences into the undergraduate curriculum. Former Vice President, Senator and Ambassador Walter Mondale will give the opening keynote speech at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 15, at the McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis. The sessions and presentations will take place

at the Radisson Hotel Metrodome, 615 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis (East Bank campus).

For more information on the conference, visit www.umabroad.umn.edu/conference, and to read more about the university's study abroad curriculum integration project visit www.umabroad.umn.edu/ci. □

What: Beautiful U Day 2004
When: Thursday, April 22
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STUDENTS, STAFF AND FACULTY WORK TO MAKE U OF M EVEN MORE BEAUTIFUL

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Hundreds of University of Minnesota volunteers, including students, staff and faculty, will paint the Washington Avenue Bridge from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, April 22 as part of Beautiful U Day, the university's annual beautification project.

Senior Vice President and Provost Christine Maziar will kickoff the event with the first swipe of paint at 10 a.m. Painters will coat the bridge with a deep and everlasting maroon color.

Other highlights of Beautiful U Day include:

- 9 to 10 a.m. In the panel "Sustainability and U: Priorities, Practices and Plans," university officials will speak on various areas of sustainability practice as well as the President's Initiative For Renewable Energy and the Environment in the President's Room, Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis.

- 1 to 3 p.m. Volunteers will paint all storm drains on the St. Paul campus with a warning that the drains empty into the Sarita Wetlands. Kickoff is at 1 p.m. with Charles Muscoplat, vice president and dean, College of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences, at the St. Paul Student Center, 2017 Buford Avenue, St. Paul.

- 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Jane Prohaska, executive director of the Minnesota Land Trust, will speak at the Office for University Women Celebration. The annual event includes an awards ceremony honoring distinguished female scholars, students and staff.

- 3 to 4:30 p.m. Custodial Challenge, 125 Science Classroom Building, 222 Pleasant St. S.E., Minneapolis. Four teams of students will compete for prizes. Challenges include cleaning chalk boards and finding the most deficiencies such as burned out light bulbs.

- 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Beautiful U Day Awards, 325 Science Classroom Building. The Beautiful Classroom and Beautiful Building Awards will be given out. Custodial staff will be honored for their roles in creating clean, comfortable and well-maintained classrooms.

- 7:30 p.m. Trash Dash, the Environmental Backpacking Club and the University YMCA, will

sponsor trash pickup around in campus neighborhoods, including East River Flats, Dinkytown and Stadium Village.

- Students, staff and faculty will get a chance to beautify their own homes with the help of Sherwin Williams' "Neighbor to Neighbor" program. University students, staff and faculty will receive a 20 percent discount on all regularly priced merchandise. Sherwin Williams will donate three percent of all discount sales to the University Relations Gopher Wagon Project, an interactive traveling exhibit featuring the university's work in the area of children, youth and families. The free card will be available at the Washington Avenue Bridge, the Coffman Union information desk, the St. Paul Student Center and Gopher Express on the West Bank.

Wednesday, April 28

- 5 p.m. Inauguration of landscaping at Ralph Rapson Hall, 89 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis.

Thursday, April 29

- 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. ReUse Center Auction, 883 29th Ave. S.E., Minneapolis (south of Como Avenue). The University of Minnesota's ReUse Warehouse is a depot for used university property. Instead of spending money to transport items to a landfill, the university stores and sells usable furniture and office equipment at the facility. □

What: Four U of M educators receive Tate Award for advising
Who: Dorothy Anderson, Linda Miller Cleary, Sally Taylor Lieberman,
Ann Pineless
When: 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, April 23
Where: Radisson Metrodome Hotel
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U OF M ADVISORS RECEIVE TATE AWARDS

MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL--Four University of Minnesota educators will be honored at the 17th annual John Tate Awards for Excellence in Undergraduate Advising ceremony at 11:30 a.m. Friday, April 23, at Radisson Metrodome. Recipients of this year's awards and their departments are: Dorothy Anderson, forest resources, Twin Cities campus; Linda Miller Cleary, English, Duluth campus; Sally Taylor Lieberman College of Liberal Arts honors, Twin Cities campus; and Ann Pineles, Institute of Technology lower division programs, Twin Cities campus.

The awards, named in honor of former U of M professor of physics John Tate, recognize and reward high-quality academic advising. "By highlighting examples of outstanding advising, the Tate Awards identify professional models and celebrate the role that academic advising plays in the University's educational mission," said event coordinator Maureen Kelly Neerland.

The award ceremony is part of "Meeting the Diverse Needs of Students: Best Practices at the U," a professional development conference for academic advisors and student service professionals.

- What:** Open house on community outreach programs
- When:** 4-6 p.m. Wednesday, April 21
- Where:** Coffman Union, Mississippi Room, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis
- Who:** Representatives from the Career and Community Learning Center, Center for Urban and Regional Affairs (CURA), Council on Public Engagement, Literacy Initiative and Student and Community Relations
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OPEN HOUSE CELEBRATES COMMUNITY-UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIPS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Faculty members and students interested in research, service-learning or volunteer opportunities with community connections are invited to an open house celebrating current community-university partnerships, from 4 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, April 21, in the Mississippi Room in Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis.

The University of Minnesota depends upon the continued support of the community. In turn, community organizations regularly access the expertise and assistance of the university. The open house will celebrate these exchanges, and several university outreach centers will showcase collaborations with community organizations. Visitors will see posters and displays highlighting a range of community-based research projects, service-learning courses, internships and volunteer efforts with schools, neighborhood groups, governmental units, nonprofits and grassroots organizations.

"As a public, land-grant institution, the University of Minnesota is actively engaged in thousands of community-university partnerships each year. This event honors and celebrates the valuable work of all the people involved in these partnerships," said Laurel Hirt, coordinator of the community involvement and service-learning in the Career and Community Learning Center (CCLC).

University faculty, staff and students are especially welcome and encouraged to attend, as new project ideas often are sparked after viewing past projects. Departments and colleges also may wish to send representatives to scout out future faculty and student opportunities.

Representatives from CCLC, the Center for Urban and Regional Affairs, the Council on Public Engagement, the Literacy Initiative and Student and Community Relations will be available. □

What: Minnesota iron pour
When: Noon-4 p.m. Friday, April 23
Where: Regis Center for Art, 405 21st Ave. S., Minneapolis
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What: National study on race and religion in America

Who: University of Minnesota sociology professors Penny Edgell, Joseph Gerteis and Doug Hartmann

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U OF M PROFESSORS LOOK AT RACE AND RELIGION IN TODAY'S AMERICA

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Three University of Minnesota sociology professors have embarked on a national study to look at race and religion in America. Called the American Mosaic Project, the team will conduct a national survey and field interviews in four cities around the country, looking at topics from antisemitism to the perceived value of diversity. They hope to better understand the current state of diversity and tolerance in the United States.

Professors Penny Edgell, Joseph Gerteis and Doug Hartmann will lead a team of graduate students on the three-year study. The first phase of their project—a national telephone survey—was recently completed. Participants were questioned at length about their views on race, religion, tolerance and prejudice. The researchers identified four key findings:

- The debate surrounding racial inequality is alive and well. African Americans reported they see discrimination increasing, while white participants think it's decreasing. White Americans acknowledge issues of black inequality but do not connect that with any sort of white privilege, which is what black participants cited as the issue.
- Antisemitism is not driven by religious intolerance but by competition. It's not a Jewish person's beliefs that threatens others; it's their success.
- When questioned about their views on other religious groups, no other group was seen as more dangerous or threatening than atheists.
- In general, people value diversity but don't understand it or seek it out. Also, religious beliefs strongly influenced people's attitudes about diversity and inequality.

"We find it important to understand the state of diversity in our country because of the amount of attention given to this aspect of our society," Hartmann said. "The fact that so many people have trouble even defining this term leads us to believe that much of its meaning has been lost and watered down. This is at great cost to those who would truly benefit from a greater understanding of the values of diversity."

The second phase of the project will include extensive fieldwork that will bring the team to four cities: Minneapolis, Boston, Los Angeles and Atlanta.

"To better understand the makeup of our religious culture, we will observe and interview people

involved with interfaith religious organizations and cultural festivals across the country,” Hartmann said. “Culture often influences one’s religion, so by studying all of these interweaving elements of our society we hope to gather a truer picture of America’s diversity.”

The American Mosaic Project is sponsored by the Edelstein Family Foundation of Minneapolis. The Edelsteins, brothers Jacob and David and sister Ruth, are former University of Minnesota students. Their experience as Jews in the 1920’s included discrimination and intolerance, which is in large part why the Edelstein Family Foundation is sponsoring the American Mosaic Project.

For more information on this research, visit www.soc.umn.edu/amp. □

What: Carlson School Business Plan winners announced

When: 5:15-6:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 21

Where: 3M Auditorium, Carlson School of Management (CSOM), 321 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis

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CARLSON SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT WILL AWARD \$40,000 TO BUSINESS PLAN WINNERS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--More than \$40,000 in prizes will be awarded at 5:15 p.m. Wednesday, April 21, in the seventh annual Minnesota New Venture Challenge at the University of Minnesota's Carlson School of Management, 321 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis.

Twelve teams of finalists will present their plans before four panels of local judges that include venture capitalists, bankers and entrepreneurs. Plans will be judged on expected return to investors and company founders, growth opportunity, social impact and quality of plan. The panelists will deliberate for a short time and then announce the winners.

About 24 teams of University of Minnesota students and alumni submitted business plans. Previously called the Gopher the Gold Business Plan Competition, the competition was open this year to all University of Minnesota alumni and students and included entrants from the College of Liberal Arts, Institute of Technology and Carlson School of Management. The majority of the entrants were from students but equally split between undergraduate and graduate entries.

The five categories include best start-up plan with positive social impact, best growth plan from an existing company, best start-up needing more than \$1 million, and best start-up needing less than \$1 million. Within the last two categories there will be separate prizes for both graduate/alumni and undergraduate business plans. All entrants will be eligible to win prizes in the first three categories and can win in more than one category.

The New Venture Challenge is sponsored by David and Carolyn Cleveland, KPMG, Dorsey & Whitney, HR Personnel Services, St. Paul Venture Capital, Minnesota Business Magazine, NetSuds and the Carlson School of Management. The competition was free and open to the public. For a complete list of winners and rules, visit www.newventurechallenge.com. □

What: Carlson School names new international programs director

Who: Randal Zimmermann

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CARLSON SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT NAMES NEW INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS DIRECTOR

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Michael Houston, associate dean of international programs at the Carlson School of Management at the University of Minnesota, has named Randal Zimmermann director of the office of international programs, effective immediately.

Zimmermann, 46, will oversee the school's international programs, including the study abroad programs the school offers to its students as well as its offshore degree programs in Austria, Poland and China.

"Our global opportunities have expanded dramatically in the past several years," said Houston. "Our goal is to increase the number of undergraduate and graduate students who pursue study abroad opportunities. In 2003, 30 percent of undergraduate students studied abroad, which makes the Carlson School a leader on campus. We want to grow that to more than 50 percent. Randy brings the scope and depth of experience that will help us realize and manage this growth."

Zimmermann has worked with the University of Minnesota for 13 years, including serving as associate director for the Center of Nations in Transition and research fellow at the Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs. He was instrumental in developing the Carlson School's relationship with the Warsaw School of Economics, which led to the Warsaw Executive MBA program. Most recently, he directed a U.S. State Department-NIS College and University Partnership project between the University of Minnesota and the Odessa State Economics University in Ukraine.

"Looking at today's competitive global economy, the need to develop international skills and cultural understanding has never been more important for faculty and students at the Carlson School," said Zimmermann. "Businesses have had to adapt to the demands of global networking to be successful. Educational institutions face similar challenges, and the Carlson School will work to prepare students to meet these global challenges."

Zimmermann is completing a doctoral degree in comparative and international development education at the University of Minnesota. He holds a master's degree in International Administration from the

School for International Training in Vermont and a bachelor of science degree from the University of Minnesota.

Zimmermann replaces Mary Maus Kosir, who left the position in January to become the Carlson School's assistant dean for undergraduate programs. □

What: Conference on 1994 genocide in Rwanda
When: 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Saturday, May 8
Where: Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis
Who: General Romeo Dallaire, former commander of the United Nations Peacekeeping Forces in Rwanda; His Majesty King Kigeli V of Rwanda
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U OF M GROUPS MARK 10-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF RWANDA GENOCIDE WITH CONFERENCE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--How do you explain genocide to your children? How do you explain a past marred with ethnic violence to American colleagues, friends and neighbors? How do you let yourself move on and create a normal life? These are questions that will be discussed at the daylong conference "History, Healing and the Human Spirit: Ten Years after the Rwanda Genocide" from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, May 8, at Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis. Through speakers and breakout sessions, participants will learn about the historical impact of 1994's events, look at the role of the international community, and hear from survivors about the consequences of the Rwandan genocide.

"The atrocities of 1994 impacted Rwandans of all ethnicities, and this event is meant to give a sense of the scope of the tragedy and to provide participants with tools to assist in the healing process," said Evelyn Davidheiser, director of the U of M Institute for Global Studies, a co-sponsor of the conference. "Many Rwandans silently ask themselves-when will this happen again-and as an international community we need to say - never again."

Conference participants will take part in a broad range of educational and reflective activities. Throughout the day, several genocide survivors will share their stories including General Romeo Dallaire, former commander of the United Nations Peacekeeping Forces in Rwanda, who will give the morning keynote address, and His Majesty King Kigeli V of Rwanda, who will speak that afternoon.

Breakout sessions will feature panels of community members from several immigrant groups including the Somali and Cambodian communities. With conference participants, they will lead a broad examination of ethnic and political violence and the post-conflict struggle. Focusing on the Rwanda example, they will look at the future of all immigrants that seek a better life through refugee and political asylum resettlement programs.

This conference is sponsored by the department of history, Institute for Global Studies (through a Title VI grant in International Studies from the U.S. Department of Education), Human Rights Program, Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies, African American and African Studies Department, Human Rights Center, Law Firm of Leonard Street and Deinard, Program for Human Rights in Medicine, ICGC/MacCarthur Program, Institute for Global Studies Student Association, African Student Association, College of Liberal Arts' Scholarly Events Fund, Graduate and Professional Student Assembly, Diversity Education Fund, and the University of Minnesota Academic Community and Campus Life Initiatives in Partnership with Coca-Cola.

The conference is part of a series of events put together by several university partners including the Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies, the Institute for Global Studies, the History Department, the Center for German and European Studies and the European Studies Consortium around the public art exhibition "Coexistence." This outdoor exhibition is composed of several large images depicting coexistence created by artists from around the world. The exhibition will open May 1 at City Hall Plaza in Minneapolis and move to St. Paul's Rice Park on June 14.

The conference is free and open to the public. For more information on the conference or "Coexistence," visit www.chgs.umn.edu/Coexistence. □

What: Forum on tobacco use and prevention on college campuses
When: 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Thursday, April 29
Where: Boynton Health Service, 410 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis
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BOYNTON HEALTH SERVICE WILL SPONSOR TOBACCO FORUM ON COLLEGE-AGED SMOKERS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--College-aged students have the highest tobacco use rate among the adult population, according to the latest research from the Minnesota Adult Tobacco Survey which found that 39 percent of 18-24-year-olds smoke. To address this, the University of Minnesota's Boynton Health Service collaborated with the Minnesota Partnership for Action Against Tobacco on "The Healthy Campus: Tobacco-Free Project," a two-year statewide initiative to increase information and communication on tobacco use among postsecondary students in Minnesota.

Project coordinators have organized a daylong forum on tobacco issues from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Thursday, April 29, at the University of Minnesota Boynton Health Service, 410 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis. Throughout the day participants will hear from health and nicotine experts, with opportunities to discuss those issues in groups. Additional breakout sessions will cover such topics as tobacco treatment programs, prevention programs, significant tobacco issues on college campuses and how to access community resources.

Administrators, health educators, staff and students from various postsecondary institutions in Minnesota will attend.

The U of M forum is the third forum to be held in the state. The first was held April 14 at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, and coordinators will hold an additional forum April 27 at Bemidji State University.

The forums are free and open to the public, but participants need to register in advance. For more information about The Healthy Campus: Tobacco-Free Project or to register for the forum, visit the project Web site at www.healthycampusmn.umn.edu/index/. □

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- What:** U of M President Robert Bruininks to visit St. Cloud
- When:** Various times, Tuesday, April 27
- Where:** St. Cloud Chamber and Rotary: Radisson Hotel, 404 West St. Germain St.
Roundtable: CentraCare Health Plaza, Windfeldt Room,
 1900 Centra Care Circle
 U of M Extension center: Midtown Office Complex, 3400 First St. N.,
 Suite 400
 Alumni reception: O'Hara's Restaurant, 3308 Third St. N.
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U OF M PRESIDENT TO VISIT ST. CLOUD

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--University of Minnesota President Robert Bruininks will spend Tuesday, April 27, in St. Cloud, meeting with fellow higher education presidents, giving a speech to the local chamber and rotary club, participating in a roundtable on university research, visiting a regional extension center and attending an alumni reception.

"The University of Minnesota has forged strong partnerships with educational institutions and businesses throughout central Minnesota," Bruininks said. "This visit to St. Cloud is an opportunity to strengthen those partnerships and lay the groundwork for building new ones."

In speeches and meetings throughout the day, Bruininks will discuss the challenges and opportunities facing the state's only public land-grant research university in the 21st century and its commitment to enhancing Minnesota's economic, social and cultural vitality. Regents John Frobenius, of St. Cloud, and board chair David Metzen will accompany Bruininks for most of his activities.

Bruininks' schedule for the day is as follows:

- 9 a.m. Private meeting with higher education presidents, Teresa Reception Center, College of Saint Benedict, St. Joseph.
- Noon. Speech at the St. Cloud Chamber and Rotary, Radisson Hotel, 404 West St. Germain St., St. Cloud.
- 1:45 p.m. Roundtable discussion on university research at CentraCare Health Plaza, Windfeldt Room, 1900 CentraCare Circle, St. Cloud.
- 3:30 p.m. Visit to the university's Extension Service regional center, Midtown Office Complex,

3400 First St. N., Suite 400, St. Cloud.

- 5:30 p.m. University of Minnesota Alumni Association reception, O'Hara's Restaurant, 3308 Third St. N., St. Cloud.

Bruininks will also reserve time to speak with members of the local media. Media interested in setting up an interview should contact Jamie Proulx at (612) 624-8038. □

What: Carlson School names new alumni director
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CARLSON SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT NAMES NEW ALUMNI DIRECTOR

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Steven Hatting, executive director of alumni relations at the Carlson School of Management at the University of Minnesota, named Kristine Kosek as the director of alumni services and outreach, effective immediately.

As a senior member of the corporate and alumni services department, Kosek is primarily responsible for maintaining an informed and engaged alumni body. She will oversee career development and networking initiatives that connect more than 44,000 Carlson School graduates around the world. Kosek will also manage a volunteer program that supports more than 2,000 volunteer speakers sharing their professional experiences with business students each year.

"We are fortunate to add a top leader and performer with Kris's credentials to the Carlson School's outreach efforts," said Hatting. "I am confident she will bring and employ new ideas that strengthen connections within the Carlson School community."

Kosek, 38, has worked at the University of Minnesota for 10 years. Most recently, she was director of alumni relations at the University of Minnesota's Institute of Technology. She also held a program coordinator position in the Geometry Center at the University of Minnesota and served as an administrator at the William Mitchell College of Law. Kosek holds a bachelor of arts degree from Hamline University in St. Paul.

"I'm excited about the opportunity to help advance a unique alumni program in an innovative climate," said Kosek. "I look forward to serving alumni and becoming a member of the Carlson School team."

Kosek replaces Jennifer Gelbmann, who left the position in January to become the University of Minnesota Alumni Association's associate executive director of outreach. □

- What:** Celebration in honor of U of M team who won national college bowl competition
- When:** 4:30 p.m. Monday, April 26
- Where:** Minnesota Program and Activities Office, Room 126, Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis
- Who:** College bowl team and coach
- Contacts:** Dave Dorman, coach, (612) 624-1940
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

U OF M WINS NATIONAL COLLEGE BOWL COMPETITION

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota won the College Bowl National Championship Tournament this past weekend at Auburn University in Montgomery. In this competition of knowledge, the team will receive \$10,000 in prize money. This is the team's first national win since 1989, and their fourth win over the last 20 years.

A celebration will be held in honor of their win at 4:30 p.m. Monday, April 26, in the Minnesota Programs and Activities Office, Room 126, Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis.

The College Bowl, known as "The Varsity Sport of the Mind," is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year and was originally broadcast on radio. U of M college bowl coach Dave Dorman, who is retiring this year after 17 years, was thrilled and is pleased to see his students' hard work get recognized.

"I'm kind of shocked because I thought we would do well, but I didn't think we'd win the national championship, but we did and it's exciting," Dorman said.

The U of M championship team includes five university students: Frank Shockey, captain of the team and graduate student in geography from Cleveland; Raymond George Anderson, a junior studying geography from Belview, Minn.; Ryan Peterson, a junior studying mathematics and physiology from Hibbing; Matthew Sauter, a junior studying geology from Rapid City; and Thomas Soderholm, a freshman studying philosophy from St. Paul.

The tournament included 16 teams, 15 regional champions and a wild card team selected randomly from the second place regional teams. They competed in a full round robin during which each team played every other team. A double elimination playoff round was held on Saturday and the finals were held Sunday.

The University of Minnesota has a long history with the College Bowl program. The U has consistently been a contender regionally and nationally. In 1959, the College Bowl program became a

network television show, and it became known as the GE College Bowl. That year the University of Minnesota's team was consistently beating every team. They were so successful, bringing thousands of dollars in scholarship money to the university, that Time magazine featured them. □

- What:** Celebration for Israel's 56th Independence Day
- When:** Monday, April 26
Parade begins at 11 a.m.; celebration runs 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Where:** Parade starting point: Hillel, 1521 University Ave. S.E., Minneapolis
Celebration: Coffman Plaza, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis
- Who:** Friends of Israel, U of M student organization
- Contacts:** Lara Berland, president of Friends of Israel, (612) 379-4026
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

U OF M STUDENTS CELEBRATE ISRAEL INDEPENDENCE DAY

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--There will be falafels, traditional Israeli music, Barbukah drums and more at the Friends of Israel's third annual celebration honoring Israel's 56th Independence Day, Monday, April 26. The festivities begin at 11 a.m. with a parade from the Hillel building, 1521 University Ave. S.E., Minneapolis, to Coffman Plaza, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis, where the celebration continues from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

All are invited to take part in Yom HaAtzmaut-or Independence Day-festivities that will include free food, music, dancing, nargilas and games.

Friends of Israel is a U of M student cultural organization, that works to educate the university community about Israeli culture. Founded in August 2001, Friends of Israel events focus on Israeli food, music, movies, literature and art. For more information on Friends of Israel, visit www.umn.edu/~foi. □

- What:** U of M receives \$15 million homeland security grant, named national center of excellence
- Who:** Robert Bruininks, president
Frank Busta, principal investigator and professor, food, science and nutrition
Michael Osterholm, co-investigator and director of the Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy
- Contacts:** Amy Phenix, University News Service, (612) 625-8510
Molly Portz, Academic Health Center, (612) 625-2640

U OF M TO LEAD NATIONAL EFFORT IN FOOD AGRO-SECURITY

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota has been named one of three Homeland Security Centers of Excellence and has received a three-year, \$15 million, three-year grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to help develop ways to protect the nation's food supply from deliberate contamination or terrorist attack.

The university's Center of Excellence, known as the University Center for Post-Harvest Food Protection and Defense (PHFPD), is a national consortium of academic, private sector and government partners, including three other universities (Michigan State University, North Dakota State University, and University of Wisconsin-Madison), experts at 12 more universities, independent research facilities, state health and agriculture agencies, professional organizations, agriculture and food industry companies, and private sector consultants. The consortium comprises more than 90 investigators.

"The breadth and depth of food security knowledge we were able to pull together for this effort is unparalleled," said Frank Busta, a professor in the University of Minnesota's department of food science and nutrition and principal investigator on the grant.

"The University of Minnesota, with extraordinary strength and expertise in the health, animal and food sciences, is uniquely positioned nationally to be a leader in the area of agro-security and food safety," said university President Robert Bruininks. "We're proud to lead this important effort and look forward to working with our partners in academia, public health, industry and government to make our nation's food supply safer."

"This University of Minnesota team includes some of the brightest, most accomplished people in food production and health safety," said Minnesota Congressman Martin Sabo, the ranking Democrat on the House Homeland Security Appropriations Subcommittee, which allocates funding for and conducts

oversight of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. "The university's recognition as a Homeland Security Center of Excellence is well deserved. I know they will make fine contributions to the protection of our national food supply.

Research Goals

The U.S. food system—from farms to processing and distribution to retail food service—presents an array of vulnerable targets for terrorist attack. Intentional contamination of agricultural or food products with biological, chemical or radiological agents could lead to devastating effects on human health, as well as major economic losses to a critical sector of the economy. Historically, efforts to protect the food supply have focused primarily on preventing and reducing accidental contamination by naturally occurring agents.

"The need to protect against potential deliberate contamination now creates a demand for enhanced capabilities to anticipate, prevent, respond quickly to and minimize the impact of such attacks," said Michael T. Osterholm, co-principal investigator and director of the university's Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy. "This places great importance on federal, state and local governments and the private sector to coordinate and integrate their biosecurity activities."

One of the major strengths of the proposal lies in a unique farm-to-table industry group that has been collaborating with the university for nearly two years to identify security gaps in the nation's food supply and to develop comprehensive plans to respond to those gaps.

"The University of Minnesota is ideally suited to provide a coordinated effort between academia, government and the key food and agricultural industry players—including producers, processors, wholesalers, and retailers," said Joel Johnson, CEO, Hormel Foods, Austin, Minn. "By working together with industry, as it has in the past on other initiatives, the university will provide excellent leadership in the nation on this counterterrorism effort."

The grant was announced today at the Department of Homeland Security's Science and Technology offices by DHS Secretary Tom Ridge and Secretary of Agriculture Ann Veneman. Naming the university a national center of excellence is an initiative of DHS' Office of University Programs.

For more information on the grant process, see www.dhs.gov. □

- What:** Installation of outdoor art exhibit
- When:** 6 a.m. – 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 28
- Where:** Hennepin County Government Center North Plaza, 300 S. Sixth St., Minneapolis
- Contacts:** Kelly O'Brien, College of Liberal Arts, (612) 624-4109
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

INSTALLATION OF OUTDOOR ART EXHIBITION, "COEXISTENCE"

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The international art exhibition, "Coexistence," is traveling to the Twin Cities. Installation of this outdoor exhibit will begin at 6 a.m. Wednesday, April 28 at the North Plaza of the Hennepin County Government Center, 300 S. Sixth St., Minneapolis. The exhibition consists of 38 9x15 foot images meant to spark discussion about equality, humanity and "the art of living together." Installation will continue through late afternoon Wednesday and is scheduled for completion by late Friday.

Curator Raphie Etgar, from Jerusalem, will be on site monitoring the installation. Interviews can be arranged with Etgar through Kelly O'Brien at (612) 624-4109.

"Coexistence" will open officially in Minneapolis on Monday, May 3 and show through June 12. It will then travel to St. Paul's Rice Park, where it will be on exhibit from June 14 to July 6.

"Coexistence" was created by Museum on the Seam in Jerusalem. Since its debut in Israel in 2001, "Coexistence" has traveled throughout Europe and to Capetown, South Africa. □

What: University of Minnesota-Twin Cities spring commencements
When: May 7 to June 18
Where: University of Minnesota-Twin Cities campus
Contact: Bob San, University News Service, (612) 624-4082

U OF M 2004 SPRING COMMENCEMENTS, SPEAKERS SET

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL—A Nobel Prize winner, the president of the American Civil Liberties Union and several Twin Cities journalists are among the speakers at this year's spring commencement ceremonies at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities.

Medical School: 2:30 p.m. Friday, May 7, Northrop Auditorium, 84 Church St. SE, Minneapolis. Speaker: Randy Shaver, sports anchor for KARE 11 News in Minneapolis. A cancer survivor, Shaver has established the Randy Shaver Cancer Research and Community Fund and is affiliated with the Special Olympics and Cystic Fibrosis Foundations.

Institute of Technology: 7 p.m. Friday, May 7, Northrop Auditorium. Speaker: Sung Won Sohn, executive vice president and chief economic officer of Wells Fargo Bank.

College of Veterinary Medicine: 7 p.m. Saturday, May 8, Northrop Auditorium. Speaker: Dr. Kevin Fitzgerald, a veterinarian in Denver, star of "Emergency Vets" on Animal Planet and a stand-up comedian in Denver. He was selected by People Magazine as one of "The top 50 Most Eligible Bachelors in America" in 2002.

College of Continuing Education: 10 a.m. Saturday, May 8, Northrop Auditorium. Speaker: Reatha Clark King, the former president and board chair of the General Mills Foundation and an advisor on governance and philanthropic programs.

College of Natural Resources: 1 p.m. Saturday, May 8, in the North Star Ballroom of the St. Paul Student Center, 2017 Buford Ave. St. Paul. There will not be a primary guest speaker. Instead, a short biography of each of the 76 graduates will be read as they receive a certificate and walk across the stage.

Program In Physical Therapy: 2 p.m. Saturday, May 8, Northrop Auditorium. Speaker: Elizabeth B. Peterson, an Idaho law librarian who has recovered from a major stroke in 2001.

College of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences: 2 p.m. Sunday, May 9, Northrop Auditorium. Speaker: University of Minnesota graduate and Nobel Peace Prize winner Norman Borlaug. Borlaug received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1970 for his central role in the 'green revolution' and improving wheat production. He is credited with saving more lives than any other scientist. Borlaug began his University of Minnesota career in General College and was a member of the wrestling team. He was a Big 10 Conference wrestling semifinalist and is a member of the National Wrestling Hall of Fame. He received three degrees from the university--an undergraduate degree in forestry and master's and doctoral degrees in plant pathology. Since graduating, he has maintained close ties to the university and donated his papers to the University Libraries. For more information about Borlaug, see www.coafes.umn.edu/borlaug.

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College of Human Ecology: 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 12, Northrop Auditorium. Speaker: Marilyn Mason, president of the Santa Fe Leadership Institute and an organizational psychologist, an international author, speaker, and management consultant.

College of Education and Human Development: 7 p.m. Thursday, May 13, Northrop Auditorium. Speaker: Marilyn J Sprague-Smith, an award winning consultant, trainer, professional speaker, certified laughter leader.

Graduate School: 1 p.m. Thursday, May 13, Northrop Auditorium. Speaker: Allen Isaacman, a University of Minnesota Regents' Professor in the history department and director of the MacArthur Program.

School of Dentistry: 2 p.m. Friday, May 14, Northrop Auditorium. Speaker: Connie L. Drisko, dean of dentistry at the Medical College of Georgia.

College of Pharmacy: 7 p.m. Friday, May 14, Northrop Auditorium. Speaker: Julie Johnson, Vice President and CEO of the Minnesota Pharmacists Association.

College of Architecture and Landscape Architecture: 2 p.m. Saturday, May 15, Northrop Auditorium. Speaker: Linda Mack, architectural writer and critic for the Star Tribune and graduate from the University of Minnesota with a Master's degree in History.

College of Biological Sciences: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 15, Northrop Auditorium. Speaker: Liesl Chatman, a 1990 graduate of the University of Minnesota and currently a science education partnership specialist with the Saint Paul Public Schools.

Law School: 10 a.m., Saturday, May 15, Northrop Auditorium. Speaker: Nadine Strossen, current President of the American Civil Liberties Union and professor of law at New York Law School.

College of Liberal Arts: 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, May 16, Northrop Auditorium. Speaker: Dave Anderson, assistant secretary of the Department of Interior, chief of the Bureau of Indian Affairs and founder of Famous Dave's BBQ.

Carlson School of Management: 10 a.m. Sunday, May 16, Northrop Auditorium. Speaker: John Hammergren, a University of Minnesota graduate and chairman and CEO of McKesson Corporation.

Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs: 2 p.m. Sunday, May 16, Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 4th St. S., Minneapolis. Speakers: Twin Cities journalists Cathy Wurzer and Eric Eskola.

School of Public Health: Monday, May 17, Great Hall, Coffman Memorial Union, 300 Washington Ave., SE. Minneapolis. Speaker: Michael Trujillo, a University of Minnesota School of Public Health alumnus, an associate professor in family and community medicine at the University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, and former director of the U.S. Indian Health Service.

College of Mortuary Science: 5:30 p.m. Thursday, May 20, The Depot, 225 3rd Ave. S., downtown Minneapolis. Speakers: J. Wells Greeley and Eric R. Trimble, both fathers of graduates in this year's class, and both graduates of the university's Mortuary Science Program.

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Reserve Officers Training Corps: Tri-Service: 6 p.m. Friday, May 21, Great Hall, Coffman Union. Speaker: Dennis Schulstad, Brigadier General, US Air Force, retired.

School of Nursing: 2 p.m. Friday, June 18, Ted Mann Concert Hall. Speaker: Outgoing School of Nursing Dean Sandra Edwardson.

UPDATE! THIS EVENT IS NOW CLOSED TO MEDIA, BUT A MEDIA AVAIL WITH ALBRIGHT WILL BE HELD THAT AFTERNOON; CALL JAMIE PROULX AT 612-624-8038 FOR DETAILS

What: U of M Humphrey Institute honors public leaders
When: Tuesday, June 8
 6 p.m. private reception; 7 p.m. dinner and program
Where: McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis
Who: Madeleine Albright, Marge Anderson, Nathan Garvis and Gerald W. Heaney
Contacts: Julie Lund, Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, (612) 624-1190
 Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

MADELEINE ALBRIGHT AMONG RECIPIENTS OF U OF M HUBERT H. HUMPHREY PUBLIC LEADERSHIP AWARDS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs will honor four individuals at the 2004 Hubert H. Humphrey Public Leadership Awards dinner at 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 8, at the McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis. A private reception precedes the program at 6 p.m. This year's recipients are former U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, Marge Anderson, Nathan Garvis and Judge Gerald W. Heaney. Albright will deliver the keynote address following the acceptance of her award.

The Hubert H. Humphrey Public Leadership Awards honor individuals, organizations or projects that have made contributions to the common good through public leadership and service.

"We wanted to recognize leaders in our community who exemplify Hubert Humphrey's values of engaged citizenship and leadership for the common good," said Humphrey Institute Dean J. Brian Atwood. "Humphrey said the 'qualities of leadership require enthusiasm, warm hearts, cool heads, freedom from imprisoning dogmatism, capacity for freshness, insight, unflagging industry and intense ardor—with patient determination.' With these recipients, I think we have met Humphrey's test."

For tickets to the awards dinner, e-mail Camille Gage at cgage@hhh.umn.edu or call (612) 625-5309. Tickets for the dinner and program are \$100. Proceeds from the event will benefit a student scholarship initiative of the Humphrey Institute Advisory Council.

About the recipients:

- Madeleine Korbel Albright, recipient of the Dean's Award, served as the 64th secretary of state of

the United States. She was the first female secretary of state and is the highest-ranking woman in the history of the U.S. government. As secretary, Albright reinforced America's alliances, advocated democracy and human rights, and promoted American trade and business, labor and environmental standards abroad. During her tenure, Albright expanded and modernized NATO and led NATO's successful campaign to reverse ethnic cleansing in Kosovo; promoted peace in the Balkans; expanded democracy in Europe, Africa, Asia and Latin America; and further opened trade through the conclusion of hundreds of agreements that facilitated American business overseas. Albright is the founder of The Albright Group LLC, a global strategy firm. Her autobiography, "Madam Secretary: A Memoir," was published in September 2003.

- Marge Anderson is the first woman elected as chief executive of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe. Under her leadership between 1991 and 2000, the band used casino revenues to strengthen its culture and rebuild its reservation. She was at the forefront of a nationwide effort to strengthen and improve relations between tribal governments and the federal government of the United States. Anderson aggressively pushed for designation of the Mille Lacs Band as one of seven tribes in the country to participate in a self-governance demonstration project that placed control of federal funds allocated for Indian people in the hands of tribes. This successful pilot project was made permanent in 1994. Anderson improved the physical as well as the economic health of the band by developing the Circle of Health Plan to provide universal coverage to band members and their families, regardless of where they reside. In 1997 Anderson took a lead role in a successful nine-year court battle with the State of Minnesota over the 1837 Tribal Rights Case, which went all the way to the Supreme Court. Among many honors, Anderson was named Tribal Leader of the Year by the National Congress of American Indians (1997), one of the 100 most influential Minnesotans of the 20th century by the StarTribune (1999), and one of Minnesota Lifetime Achievement Women by the Minnesota Women's Political Caucus (2003).

- Nathan Garvis is vice president of government affairs for Target Corp., one of the largest retail companies in the United States. He is responsible for legislative and regulatory affairs at the federal, state and local levels of government. He serves on a number of industry-related boards, as well as the boards of the Minnesota Chamber of Commerce, the Citizens League and the Humphrey Institute Policy Forum Advisory Board. Among the many policy initiatives he has championed is CriMNet, an integrated, statewide computer tracking system for known criminals. Respected for his ability to work across parties and successfully bridge the public and private sectors, Garvis will take his advocacy skills to the national level in October when he assumes the chairmanship of the Washington, D.C.-based Public Affairs Council.

- Judge Gerald W. Heaney of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth District is a noted jurist who has spent his legal career protecting the rights of children, the disadvantaged, minorities and working people. A cherished friend of Hubert Humphrey, Heaney is a founding father of the public affairs

institute that bears his friend's name. In addition to counseling Humphrey, over the years Heaney has provided advice to such political leaders as Sen. Eugene McCarthy, former Vice-President Walter F. Mondale, and Governors Orville Freeman and Karl Rolvaag. A passionate champion of northeastern Minnesota, the judge served as a regent for the University of Minnesota and was the driving force behind the establishment of the Duluth campus as part of the university system. As a result of his World War II service, he earned the Presidential Unit Citation, the Silver Star, the Bronze Star and five battle stars. □

What: 15th Annual Transportation Research Conference
When: Tuesday, May 4, and Wednesday, May 5
Where: Saint Paul RiverCentre, 175 West Kellogg Blvd., St. Paul
Contacts: Gina Baas, Center for Transportation Studies, (612) 626-7331
 Patty Mattern, University News Service, (612) 624-2801

CENTER FOR TRANSPORTATION STUDIES LOOKS AT TRANSPORTATION INNOVATION IN ERA OF FISCAL RESTRAINT

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The transportation systems Americans depend on now are not sustainable in the long term, yet we are not reducing transportation impacts through changes in technology. A panel of experts will explore this issue and solutions to the challenge during the panel "On the Road in 2030: Technologies for More Sustainable Transportation" from 8:30 to 10 a.m. Tuesday, May 4, at Saint Paul RiverCentre, 175 West Kellogg Blvd., St. Paul. The panel presentation will open the University of Minnesota Center for Transportation Studies (CTS) 15th annual Transportation Research Conference at the St. Paul RiverCentre.

Transportation researchers, policymakers, government representatives and industry representatives will gather to share their research findings in transportation-related areas. The conference theme for 2004 is "Transportation Innovation in an Era of Fiscal Restraint--Cutting-Edge Alternatives in Areas of Mobility, Finance and Technology."

Petroleum-based fuels and specific propulsion technologies dominate transportation in the United States. The scale of these transportation systems, their economic importance, the energy they use and their environmental impacts are so large it's almost incomprehensible, said professor John Heywood, director of the Sloan Automotive Lab, Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Heywood is a presenter for this session.

"In the United States, changing the impact of transportation due to our use of massive amounts of petroleum is especially difficult because of our relatively low fuel taxes, the dominance of automobiles and our preference for large, high-performance vehicles such as SUVs and light trucks," Heywood said.

He also argues that there are opportunities to change, and panelists will examine those possibilities during the session.

The conference's second main session, "A Quiet Revolution in Transportation Finance," from 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. May 4, will focus on the use of the fuel tax in the United States. During that session professor Martin Wachs, director of the Institute of Transportation Studies, University of California,

Berkeley, will explore the gas tax as a financing mechanism for building infrastructure. Since the 1920s, the gasoline tax has been the single most important source of financial support for America's transportation system. Wachs argues that the fuel tax is becoming inadequate and, eventually, will not be a viable tool for funding the transportation system.

Increasingly, he says, revenue for transportation systems is coming from local transportation taxes, mostly sales taxes. Reliance on sales taxes is not a solution, he says. Wachs advocates increased reliance on tolls as a more efficient, equitable and practical solution in the long term.

Conference sessions are grouped in five categories including: transportation and the economy, transportation safety and traffic flow, the transportation infrastructure, transportation and the environment, and human and community issues.

For a complete list of sessions, see www.cts.umn.edu/events/rescon/index.html

The university established the Center for Transportation Studies in 1987 as a multidisciplinary research, education and outreach center. The center serves as a focal point for strengthening knowledge in transportation, using multidisciplinary approaches that address transportation problems. The center develops research, education and outreach programs that create an interactive environment for university researchers and the transportation community. Through its work, the center improves transportation decision-making and assists transportation officials in anticipating and preparing for significant national, regional and state issues. □

- What:** Yanni headlining U of M Alumni Association celebrations
- When:** Thursday, May 6
5:30 p.m. – Cocktail Reception
6:30 p.m. – Dinner
8 p.m. – Program
- Where:** Northrop Mall and Northrop Auditorium, 84 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis
- Contacts:** Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

YANNI WILL KEYNOTE U OF M ALUMNI ASSOCIATION CELEBRATION

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota Alumni Association (UMAA) will host U of M alumnus and internationally acclaimed composer and musician Yanni Chryssomallis, at the UMAA 100th Anniversary Gala Finale and Annual Celebration. Yanni will give the keynote address, after which, he will receive an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters.

The program and celebration will begin at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, May 6, with a cocktail reception on the Northrop Mall. The dinner follows at 6:30 p.m., and the program will take place at 8 p.m. in Northrop Auditorium, 84 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis.

Yanni, a 1976 university psychology graduate, began his career in Minnesota. He came from Greece to study at the U in 1972 and began honing his craft in rock bands throughout college. After graduation he focused on music full time and developed into an international star. His business partner remains in Minnesota and Yanni points to his time here as influential and critical to his success.

Tickets are available by calling (612) 624-2345. The dinner and program costs \$49 for UMAA members and \$64 for non-members. Tickets for only the program cost \$24 per member, \$29 per non-member and \$14 for current U of M students. For more information, visit www.alumni.umn.edu/annualcelebration. □

What: The Mousetrap by the U of M Showboat Players
When: June 19 – August 28
Where: Minnesota Centennial Showboat, Harriet Island Regional Park, St. Paul
Who: University of Minnesota students
Contacts: Justin Christy, Department of Theatre Arts and Dance, (612) 625-5380
 Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

'THE MOUSETRAP' RETURNS TO THE MINNESOTA CENTENNIAL SHOWBOAT

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's Showboat Players will bring Agatha Christie's famed murder mystery "The Mousetrap" back to the Minnesota Centennial Showboat this summer for a three-month run from Saturday, June 19 to Saturday, Aug. 28.

The longest-running play in London's West End, "The Mousetrap" is a whodunit for the ages with all the usual trappings of a murder mystery, including an eclectic cast of characters, a dark and stormy night and a witty local detective.

The Showboat Players first performed Christie's mystery in 1993. It was the final play on the original showboat, the General John Newton. The stage went dark for years – for remodeling and repairs – and finally reopened in 2002 in its current location at Harriet Island Regional Park in St. Paul.

The Showboat Players is comprised solely of University of Minnesota students. This season's cast of 12 students are paid for their work and serve as performers and ship hands, handling all the needs of the Showboat, from cleaning to maintenance. The Players are directed by U of M/Guthrie Theater BFA Actor Training Program Professor Kenneth Mitchell.

As is tradition, the performance will also include several original olios, short musical vignettes performed between each act of the play. A mainstay of 19th century theater, olios give the audience a traditional and old-fashioned showboat experience. The Olios are written and directed by U of M professor emeritus Vern Sutton.

Tickets are \$15-\$20. Performances are 8 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays and 2:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. For tickets call the Padelford Packet Boat Company at (651) 227-1100 or visit www.showboattheater.com.

The Showboat Players have been a Minnesota tradition for decades. Since 1958, its audiences have included over 600,000 patrons, from every state and 48 countries. The 220-seat, Victorian-era, jewel box theater is a training ground for University of Minnesota students, with past performers including Minnesota native Loni Anderson.

The showboat is owned and operated through a public/private partnership between the University of Minnesota, the Padelford Packet Boat Co. and the City of St. Paul Parks and Recreation division. The showboat was recently named 2004 Tourism Partner of the Year by the St. Paul Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Company Members

- Alison Forbes as Mollie Ralston
- Jack Matheson as Giles Ralston
- Nicholas Harazin as Christopher Wren
- Emily Hansen as Mrs. Boyle
- Michael Rasmussen as Major Metcalf
- Megan Bartle as Miss Casewell
- Jonas Goslow as Mr. Paravicini
- Ryan West as Detective Sergeant Trotter
- Sarah Wigley, olio singer
- Ian Holcomb, host
- Melissa Friedmann, hostess
- Susan Hsu, piano accompanist

Artistic Team

• Director Kenneth Mitchell. Received an MFA in performance from Purdue University and is currently a professor in the U of M/Guthrie Theater BFA Actor Training Program. He has directed and acted in off-Broadway shows and many regional theaters. Artistic Director credits include American Stage, Theatre Outrageous and Asolo Theatre.

• Olio Director Vern Sutton. Professor emeritus in the University of Minnesota School of Music, received a doctorate from the University of Minnesota. He served on the faculty of the School of Music from 1967 to 1998 as a professor of musicology and director of the Opera Theatre. He is well known as a director of opera, operetta and musical comedy, having directed plays, opera and musicals for the Great American History Theatre, Ordway Music Theatre, the Minnesota Orchestra and the Plymouth Music Series. His national and international credits include the Aldeburgh Festival, The BBC, New Opera Theatre of New York and Houston Opera. He has recordings on Virgin Classics, Destro, CRI and Pro Arte.

• Scene Designer Matt LeFebvre. MFA from the University of Minnesota. University Theatre Costume Designer. Costume designs for the Guthrie Theater and Guthrie Lab, the Geffen Playhouse in Los Angeles, the Children's Theatre, the Minnesota Opera and Theatre de la Jeune Lune, among others; scene designs for the Children's Theatre and the Great American History Theatre.

• Lighting Designer Jean Montgomery. Received an MFA in design from the University of

Minnesota and is currently an associate professor in design (lighting) and stage management and the director of graduate studies in the department of theatre arts and dance.

- Sound Designer Martin Gwinup
- Costume Designer Samuel L. Ellingson. Recieved a bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse. Currently pursuing an M.A. in costume design at the University of Minnesota.□

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'THE MOUSETRAP' RETURNS TO THE MINNESOTA CENTENNIAL SHOWBOAT

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's Showboat Players will bring Agatha Christie's famed murder mystery "The Mousetrap" back to the Minnesota Centennial Showboat this summer for a three-month run from Saturday, June 19 to Saturday, Aug. 28.

The longest-running play in London's West End, "The Mousetrap" is a whodunit for the ages with all the usual trappings of a murder mystery, including an eclectic cast of characters, a dark and stormy night and a witty local detective.

The Showboat Players first performed Christie's mystery in 1993. It was the final play on the original showboat, the General John Newton. The stage went dark for years – for remodeling and repairs – and finally reopened in 2002 in its current location at Harriet Island Regional Park in St. Paul.

The Showboat Players is comprised solely of University of Minnesota students. This season's cast of 12 students are paid for their work and serve as performers and ship hands, handling all the needs of the Showboat, from cleaning to maintenance. The Players are directed by U of M/Guthrie Theater BFA Actor Training Program Professor Kenneth Mitchell.

As is tradition, the performance will also include several original olios, short musical vignettes performed between each act of the play. A mainstay of 19th century theater, olios give the audience a traditional and old-fashioned showboat experience. The Olios are written and directed by U of M professor emeritus Vern Sutton.

Tickets are \$15-\$20. Performances are 8 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays and 2:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. For tickets call the Padelford Packet Boat Company at (651) 227-1100 or visit www.showboattheater.com.

The Showboat Players have been a Minnesota tradition for decades. Since 1958, its audiences have included over 600,000 patrons, from every state and 48 countries. The 220-seat, Victorian-era, jewel box theater is a training ground for University of Minnesota students, with past performers including Minnesota native Loni Anderson.

The showboat is owned and operated through a public/private partnership between the University of Minnesota, the Padelford Packet Boat Co. and the City of St. Paul Parks and Recreation division. The showboat was recently named 2004 Tourism Partner of the Year by the St. Paul Convention and Visitors Bureau. □

- What:** U of M plans multicultural graduation celebration
- When:** 6 to 10 p.m. Saturday, May 15
- Where:** Great Hall, Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis
- Who:** University of Minnesota and other college, high school graduates
- Contacts:** Holly Choon Hyang Pettman, (612) 625-6411
Bob San, University News Service, (612) 624-4082

U OF M PLANS MULTICULTURAL GRADUATION GATHERING

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota will host a multicultural graduation celebration from 6 to 10 p.m. Saturday, May 15, at the Great Hall of Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis.

The event, "A Multicultural Grad Gathering: 'Embracing Difference and Change in the 21st Century,' is open to U of M graduates as well as college and high school graduates in the Twin Cities community. The evening programs include speakers Kazoua Kong-Thao of the St. Paul School Board, U of M General College Dean David Taylor; filmmaker and author Lee Mun Wah, and keynote speaker Joseph White, a professor of psychology from the University of California, Irvine.

Following the speeches, a World Market Buffet will feature food from Babalu (Latin Caribbean), Da Afghan (Afghani), University Dining Services in partnership with Black Bear Crossings (American and Native American), Lucille's Kitchen (soul food), Highlight AA Market (Hmong) and True Taste by Chef Jeff (Mexican).

Performances by various U of M and community artists will start at 8:15 p.m. They include a slideshow presentation by photographer Wing Young Huie, dances by the Chang Mi Korean Dancers, a spoken word performance by the U of M Voices Merging, blues/Latin jazz music by Dennard Clendenin and Blues Ensemble, and Latin/salsa dance lessons.

"This gathering will celebrate the successes and achievements of students who will be graduating from any program at the University of Minnesota, as well as those from within the community," said Holly Choon Hyang Pettman, who heads the Multicultural Gathering Association (MGA), the group that plans the event. "Aside from celebrating the completion of education, this event will also include a multicultural educational focus in which various individuals from the community, corporate, and educational sectors will be involved."

The event is free and open to the public but registration is required. The registration deadline is Thursday, May 13, at 4:30 p.m. To register, call (612) 301-0749 or email MGA@UMN.EDU.

- What:** CitySongs 12th annual spring concert
- When:** 5:30 p.m. Sunday, May 16
- Where:** Coeur de Catherine Ballroom, College of St. Catherine, 2004 Randolph Ave., St. Paul
- Contacts:** BethMarie Ward, City Songs, (612) 626-1241, citysongs@citysongs.org
Brittney McCarthy Barnes, College of Human Ecology, (612) 625-8264
Patty Mattern, University News Service, (612) 624-2801

CITYSONGS PERFORMANCE TO SPREAD PEACE ACROSS THE GENERATIONS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--CitySongs, an Out-of-School program developed by University of Minnesota Professor Helen Kivnick to promote youth and community development through music, will present its 12th annual spring concert, "Peace Across Generations," at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, May 16, at the Coeur de Catherine Ballroom, College of St. Catherine, 2004 Randolph Ave., St. Paul.

CitySongs kids will incorporate audience interaction with music and songs about the rejuvenation of peace across all generations. Robert Morris, founder and conductor of the Leigh Morris Chorale, a community chorus dedicated to performing the classical works of African American composers (the only one of its kind in Minnesota), will be the special guest director for the evening. The evening will also include new songs, poetry readings and a new dance performance choreographed by Jelanna LaFleur.

"Through the power of music, dance, and spoken word, CitySongs is a model for people working together to achieve peace in our challenging world," said Margaret LaFleur, CitySongs music director.

CitySongs practices a variety of genres, including gospel, pop, folk, rap and international music, at St. Paul's Rondo Education Center twice a week throughout the school year. The CitySongs kids perform frequently throughout the metro area, make studio recordings, write songs and poems, and learn professionally choreographed dance. Members gain experience in performing while learning life skills such as goal setting, self-discipline, perseverance and nonviolent problem solving.

The concert is free and open to the public. CDs and T-shirts will be on sale and will benefit CitySongs programming. For more information, call (612) 626-1241 or visit www.citysongs.org. CitySongs is a long-term collaboration between the School of Social Work in the College of Human Ecology at the University of Minnesota, the Hallie Q. Brown-ML King Center and Rondo Education Center. CitySongs is committed to healthy youth development, artistic achievement, community impact and multiculturalism. Since its founding in 1992, CitySongs has served more than 900 youth and given more than 200 performances. □



What: Book signing and lecture on the budget

When: 4:30-6 p.m. Monday, May 10

Where: Cowles Auditorium, Hubert Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, 301 19th Ave S., Minneapolis

Who: Peter Hutchinson, author and president of The Public Strategies Group

Contacts: Julie Lund, Humphrey Institute, (612) 624-1190
 Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

U OF M LECTURE WILL ADDRESS THE RISING 'PRICE OF GOVERNMENT'

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota Humphrey Institute will host Peter Hutchinson, co-author of "The Price of Government: Getting the Results We Need in an Age of Permanent Fiscal Crisis," in a discussion on the state of the economy.

In his book, Hutchinson argues for radical changes to the government's budget process. He proposes a business plan for the government with six action items: decide how much to spend, set the priorities, allocate funds to each priority, develop a purchasing plan for each priority, solicit offers and negotiate the best deal. Politicians across party lines applaud his work including Al Gore, Jesse Ventura and Rudy Giuliani.

Members of local business and civic organizations will lend their take on Hutchinson's suggestions. Commentators will include: Bill Blazar, senior vice-president of public affairs and business development at the Minnesota Chamber of Commerce; Sean Kershaw, president of the Citizens League; David Strom, president of the Minnesota Taxpayers League; Lynn Reed, executive director of the Minnesota Taxpayers Association; and Mitch Pearlstein, president of the Center of the American Experiment.

A reception and book signing will follow. The event is free and open to the public but attendees are encouraged to RSVP to (651) 227-9774 or bookevent@psg.us. For information on directions and parking visit www.hhh.umn.edu/about/contact/parking.htm.

This event is sponsored by The Humphrey Institute Policy Forum and Center for the Study of Politics, the Public Strategies Group, the Center of the American Experiment, Minnesota Chamber of Commerce, the Citizens League, the Minnesota Taxpayers League, Minnesota Taxpayers Association and the Minnesota Business Partnership. □

- What:** Friends of Eastcliff Book Club
- When:** 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 25
- Where:** 176 N. Mississippi River Blvd., St. Paul (one block south of the Lake Street/Marshall Avenue bridge)
- Who:** U of M President Robert Bruininks and his wife, Susan Hagstrum
- Contacts:** Kari Weidling, University of Minnesota Bookstores, (612) 625-6564
Patty Mattern, University News Service, (612) 624-2801

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA'S FIRST COUPLE CREATE NEW BOOK CLUB

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Want to know what University of Minnesota President Robert Bruininks and his wife, Susan Hagstrum, are reading? Join the new book club they are leading and you will find out.

Bruininks and Hagstrum are founding the Friends of Eastcliff Book Club and will hold their first gathering May 25 at Eastcliff, the historic home of the president and his family. Bruininks and Hagstrum, along with the Friends of Eastcliff, a group that works to raise funds to maintain, enhance and preserve Eastcliff, want people to join this new club to promote the sharing of literature and ideas.

"We want to feature Eastcliff as a place for engaging intellectual discussions," Hagstrum said.

Hosting the book club at Eastcliff exposes the historical site to people who may have never come here before, Hagstrum said.

"It's a gathering place for the university where faculty, staff, alumni and members of the public can come and feel a sense of community," Hagstrum said.

First on the Friends of Eastcliff Book Club's reading list is "Saul and Patsy" by U of M faculty member and award-winning author Charles Baxter. Bruininks and Hagstrum will lead a discussion with Baxter. The book club will showcase University of Minnesota authors who are faculty, staff, alumni or others with strong connections to the university.

While Hagstrum said she understands it is difficult for people to find time for reading and for joining a book club, it's a worthwhile venture.

"Bob and I love to read and we always find time to read, and not just reading related to work," Hagstrum said.

Taking time to discuss an author's work in a book club is also important, Hagstrum said, because the discussions often lead to growth.

"A discussion can often deepen the meaning a book has for me and change how it impacts my life,"

she said.

Anyone can join the Friends of Eastcliff and participate in the Friends of Eastcliff Book Club and other book discussions throughout the year for an annual membership of \$100 for singles or \$150 per couple. Members who join now and want to be part of the first book club discussion will receive their first selection, "Saul and Patsy," free. For more information on the Friends of Eastcliff Book Club visit www.bookstore.umn.edu/eastcliff.html

What: Call for volunteers at U.S. Transplant Games
When: July 27-Aug. 1
Where: Sign-up at www.umn.ahc.edu/transplantgames
Contacts: Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038
Ashley Burt, Academic Health Center, (612) 624-2449

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS FOR THE 2004 U.S. TRANSPLANT GAMES

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The National Kidney Foundation's 2004 U.S. Transplant Games will take place this summer at the University of Minnesota and they need help from the community. Organizers are currently seeking hundreds of volunteers to help at the games July 27-Aug. 1 on the university's Twin Cities campus in Minneapolis. Those interested can register at www.umn.edu/transplantgames.

Several activities are planned requiring volunteers, and each person can choose when and where they would like to participate. Scheduled sporting events include badminton, swimming, racquetball, bowling and cycling. Volunteers are also needed for the opening and closing ceremonies and water distribution throughout the games.

The U.S. Transplant Games is the largest sporting event in the world for people who have received life-saving organ transplants; they will celebrate their 50th anniversary this summer. This five-day Olympic-style event celebrates a second chance at life for thousands of athletes and recognizes the hundreds of donor families that come to celebrate as well.

For a complete listing of activities and a history of the games visit www.transplantgames.org. □

What: Lecture and book signing
When: 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, May 27
Where: McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis
Who: Christina Crawford
Contacts: Ami Berger, College of Human Ecology, (612) 625-7060
Brittney McCarthy Barnes, College of Human Ecology, (612) 625-8264
Patty Mattern, University News Service, (612) 624-2801

“MOMMIE DEAREST” AUTHOR CHRISTINA CRAWFORD TO READ FROM HER LATEST BOOK

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Christina Crawford, author of the best-selling memoir “Mommie Dearest,” will lecture on her new book, “Daughters of the Inquisition,” at a luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, May 27, at the University of Minnesota’s McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis.

Crawford, a survivor of family violence, lectures nationally on issues of violence in families and violence against women. “Daughters of the Inquisition” examines the matriarchal religions and civilizations that disappeared after the introduction of patriarchal religions and the violence of the Spanish Inquisition.

Crawford will read from “Daughters of the Inquisition,” speak and take questions from the audience. A book signing with Crawford will be held after the luncheon. Admission to the event is \$25.

Crawford will also speak that evening from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the opening reception of the Goldstein Museum of Design’s Sheila Shawl Exhibit: Design as an Agent for Social Change. The Goldstein Museum is located in 244 McNeal Hall, 1985 Buford Ave., St. Paul. Crawford will address her own experience with family violence and its impact on her writing and beliefs. Janet Hagberg, director of the domestic-violence prevention organization Silent Witness, and Lindsay Shen, director of the Goldstein Museum of Design, will also speak on the genesis of the Sheila Shawl project and the impact of art on social issues. The reception, which is free and open to the public, begins with a cocktail hour at 5:30 p.m. and will include a book signing with Crawford at 7:30 p.m.

The Sheila Shawl Exhibit will be on display in the Goldstein from May 23 through June 15. The exhibit, which is free and open to the public, showcases exquisite, hand-knit shawls created in honor of Sheila Wellstone and her work to end domestic violence. A number of the shawls will be available for auction on eBay.com during the reception.

Crawford's appearances are part of a series of events sponsored by the College of Human Ecology to raise awareness about family violence. The series will culminate with the Sheila Shawl Extravaganza, a reception and auction co-sponsored by the College of Human Ecology and Silent Witness, on June 16 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Weisman Art Museum, 333 E. River Rd., Minneapolis. The extravaganza will feature a live auction of the Sheila Shawls, as well as a silent auction. The event will be emceed by KARE-11 reporter Kerri Miller and will feature comments by Connie Lewis, who directed Sen. Paul Wellstone's Minnesota office from 1995 until the Wellstones' deaths in 2002.

Admission to the extravaganza is \$25 in advance and \$35 at the door. Proceeds from the event and the auctions will benefit Silent Witness and the Sheila Wellstone Fellowship in the College of Human Ecology's School of Social Work. For more information and to register for the event, go to www.sheilashawl.umn.edu.

The College of Human Ecology is an interdisciplinary college with programs in design, housing, and apparel; family social science; and food science and nutrition, in addition to the School of Social Work. □

- What:** Books for Africa Campaign
- When:** May 10 to May 17
- Where:** University of Minnesota Bookstores at Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis, and St. Paul Student Center, 2017 Buford Ave., St. Paul
- Contacts:** Patrick Plonski, Books For Africa, (651) 602-9844
Patty Mattern, University News Service, (612) 624-2801

STUDENTS ASKED TO DONATE BOOKS TO HELP EDUCATE PEOPLE IN LESS DEVELOPED REGIONS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--University of Minnesota students will have a chance to help educate people in one of the least developed regions in the world by donating a book from Monday, May 10 to Monday, May 17 at University Bookstores.

The Books for Africa Campaign collects books from university students and sends them to schools in Africa. As the end of the semester approaches, students are encouraged to donate one of their books to Africa. The University of Minnesota Bookstores in Minneapolis and St. Paul will serve as collection locations. Last year, about 8,000 books were collected at the U of M.

Books are in tremendously short supply in Africa. In fact, there is a "book famine," which contributes to the high rates of illiteracy. Books For Africa, a St. Paul nonprofit group, has sent almost 10 million books to 23 African countries over the past 16 years. English language books are in great demand in Africa, as English is the international language of commerce and science.

University President Robert Bruininks and state Sen. Sandy Pappas, chair of the Higher Education Committee, are the honorary chairs of the book campaign.

"Education is the key to our future—the future of our state, our nation, our world," said Pappas. "The difficulties facing many African nations are staggering. Yet something as simple as the book campaign can really make a difference in the lives of those who are struggling for more education and a more peaceful world."

The book collection is sponsored by Books for Africa, University of Minnesota Bookstores, University of Minnesota Student Activities Office, the African Student Association and Hobar Publications of Minneapolis. □

What: Great Conversation: Populism in the Heartland
When: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 11
Where: Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 Fourth St. S., Minneapolis
Who: Catherine Liu and Thomas Frank
Contacts: Liz Turchin, College of Continuing Education, (612) 625-1274
 Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

SOCIAL CRITICS WILL DISCUSS THE CULTURE OF THE MIDWEST IN GREAT CONVERSATION AT THE U

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Some would say the pulse of Midwestern art, politics and culture derives from a history of populist dissent and reaction to trends originating from the East and West coasts. Join social critics Catherine Liu and Thomas Frank Tuesday, May 11, at the May edition of the Great Conversation series, as they discuss this theory and ask the question, "Can populism and democracy continue to be compatible in an age of evangelism?"

Their discussion, "Populism in the Heartland," will be at 7:30 p.m. at Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 Fourth St. S., Minneapolis. This is the final Great Conversation of the 2003-04 academic year.

Liu is an associate professor in the University of Minnesota Cultural Studies and Comparative Literature department. Her research has explored modern culture through film and literature focusing on Asian Americans. She holds a bachelor's degree in literature from Yale University and a doctorate in French literature from City University of New York.

Frank is an author and social critic who has studied consumerism, American culture and counterculture. He is editor-in-chief of the cultural criticism journal "The Baffler." Frank is a prolific writer with several published works including "The Conquest of Cool: Business Culture, Counterculture and the Rise of Hip Consumerism."

Individual event tickets are \$23 for faculty, staff and students and \$28 for the general public. For tickets, call (612) 624-2345 or go to www.cce.umn.edu/conversations.

Great Conversations is produced by the College of Continuing Education (CCE). The mission of CCE is to provide adults with quality continuing education and lifelong learning opportunities for professional development, personal enrichment, career transitions and academic growth. □

What: Public forum on U of M budget
When: 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Tuesday, May 18
Where: Boardroom, 600 McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E.
Minneapolis
Contacts: Amy Phenix, University News Service, (612)625-8510

U OF M BOARD TO HOLD PUBLIC FORUM ON BUDGET

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota board of regents will hold its annual open forum on the budget from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, May 18, to hear comments regarding the university's fiscal year 2005 (July 1, 2004, to June 30, 2005) budget. The forum will be held on the Twin Cities campus in the boardroom, 6th floor, McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis.

At its June 11 meeting, the board is expected to act on President Robert Bruininks' budget recommendations. In 2003, the state Legislature reduced the university's biennial budget by \$185 million, or nearly 15 percent. The budget challenge the university faces for the second year of the biennium, fiscal year 2005, is \$70.4 million.

Individuals wishing to speak at the forum must sign up by noon Tuesday, May 11, by calling the board office at (612) 625-6300 or writing to: Board of Regents, Suite 600, McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis MN 55455. The request must include the speaker's name, home and e-mail addresses, the group represented and/or relationship to the university, if any, and a general presentation topic. Each speaker will be limited to five minutes. If there are more speakers than time allotted, the board will draw up a representative list. Written materials may be submitted to the board office until Friday, May 14.

Board of regents meeting agendas can be found at www.umn.edu/regents. □

What: U of M Board of Regents monthly meetings
When: Thursday, May 13, and Friday, May 14
Where: 600 McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E. Minneapolis, MN
Contacts: Amy Phenix, University News Service, (612) 625-8510

PRESIDENT TO MAKE BUDGET AND TUITION RECOMMENDATIONS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota board of regents will hold its monthly meetings Thursday, May 13, and Friday, May 14, in Suite 600, McNamara Alumni Center, on the Twin Cities campus.

The board will review President Robert Bruininks' operating budget and tuition recommendations for fiscal year 2005 (July 1, 2004, to June 30, 2005). The approximately \$2.5 billion proposal includes budget reductions and reallocations to address a \$185 million state budget reduction over the biennium. The budget challenge for fiscal year 2005, the second year of the biennium, is \$70.4 million.

The recommendation will also include tuition and fee increases averaging 14 percent in FY '05 for undergraduates on the Twin Cities campus and 13 percent for students on the Duluth, Morris and Crookston campuses.

The board will hold a public forum on the budget Tuesday, May 18, and is expected to act on the FY '05 budget at its June 11 meeting.

In other business, the board will act on a resolution allowing the university to provide \$1 million to University Enterprise Laboratories, an independent nonprofit corporation created to provide incubator space for biotechnology start-up companies and others with an interest in the commercialization of intellectual property, particularly intellectual property owned by the University of Minnesota. The funding for UEL would be derived entirely from university license and royalty income; no state or tuition dollars would be used.

The board will receive an update on compliance with recent U.S. Supreme Court decisions on affirmative action in admissions decisions. Since the June 2003 court decision, the university has ensured compliance by requiring review and approval of admissions plans by the Office of the General Counsel, by holding educational seminars and by making admissions policies part of the university's annual planning process.

The student experience at the University of Minnesota, Duluth, including the student profile and graduation and retention rates, will be discussed.

Annual tenure and promotion recommendations will be reviewed and acted upon, and board members

will hear an annual report on faculty salaries and their comparisons with peer institutions nationally.

On Thursday afternoon, the board will hold a special ceremony and reception to recognize this year's recipients of the Distinguished McKnight University Professor Awards, the John Tate Award for Undergraduate Advising, the Outstanding Community Service Awards, the Josie R. Johnson Award for Human Rights and Social Justice, the President's Award for Outstanding Service and inductees into the Academy of Distinguished Teachers. Student Maya Babu will also be recognized for her Truman Scholar award.

Select committee meeting times, locations and agenda items follow.

Thursday, May 13

8-9:30 a.m. Audit, East Committee Room. Act on policies on internal controls and the audit committee charter.

9:45-11:45 a.m. Educational Planning and Policy, East Committee Room. Act on policies regarding sponsored grants and contracts and the University Enterprise Laboratory. Review compliance with court rulings on race-conscious admissions. Discuss the student experience at the University of Minnesota, Duluth.

9:45-11:45 a.m. Facilities, West Committee Room. Review principles and projects for the fiscal year 2005 capital improvement budget.

1:45-3:45 p.m. Faculty, Staff and Student Affairs Committee, West Committee Room. Annual promotion and tenure recommendations. Annual national comparison of faculty salaries.

1:45-3:45 p.m. Finance and Operations Committee, East Committee Room. Review budget assumptions for the fiscal year 2005 capital improvement budget.

4 p.m. Awards Ceremony and Reception, Boardroom. Recognize winners of numerous annual university awards and Truman Scholar Maya Babu.

Friday, May 14

9-11:30 a.m. Board of regents, Boardroom. President's and chair's reports. Committee reports. Review and act on nominating committee recommendations for the Fairview-University Medical Center Board of Trustees. Review the president's fiscal year 2005 budget and tuition recommendations.

The complete board agenda can be found at www.umn.edu/regents. □

What: U of M hires new chair for Chicano studies department
Who: Louis Mendoza
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LOUIS MENDOZA IS NEW U OF M CHICANO STUDIES CHAIR

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL—Steven Rosenstone, dean of the University of Minnesota College of Liberal Arts (CLA), has appointed Louis Mendoza as chair of the department of Chicano studies, effective June 14, 2004.

Mendoza is currently associate professor of English and associate dean for college advancement at the University of Texas, San Antonio (UTSA), where he has been a member of the faculty since 1996. He was associate dean of the College of Liberal and Fine Arts at UTSA in 2002–03 and became associate dean in 2003.

Mendoza received a doctorate in English, with a specialization in ethnic and third world/Chicano literature, at the University of Texas, Austin, in 1994. Since that time he has distinguished himself as a scholar and public intellectual who is also a dedicated and highly respected teacher.

As a scholar, Mendoza focuses on the relationship between history and literature and on the narrative framing of the Chicano/a and immigrant experience and the experiences of other marginalized groups. He is currently working on a compilation of unpublished works written in prison by renowned Pinto poet and political activist Raul Salinas—works that, said Mendoza, are valuable as “a critical voice from within the depths of the prison system.”

As a teacher, Mendoza has described himself as “a facilitator whose role is to bridge ideas and learning opportunities for students.” He teaches his students to take ownership of their ideas and to “think critically and broadly about the role of literature and culture in society.”

As a public intellectual, Mendoza is committed to community outreach and to advancing what he calls “the profoundly rewarding complementary [relationship] of scholarship, activism, and education that is possible when [people and institutions] commit to working together.”

“I am very excited about the leadership that professor Mendoza will bring to the University of Minnesota and to the department of Chicano studies,” said Rosenstone. “He is a gifted teacher and scholar who will help ensure the department’s growth in its service to our students and to the community.”

Mendoza is available for interviews at (210) 458-2544 or (210) 643-0009; e-mail lmendoza@utsa.edu

About the College of Liberal Arts

The College of Liberal Arts (CLA) provides leadership in education and research in fields such as history, sociology, psychology, political science, economics, journalism, communication studies, philosophy, languages, and the arts. Many CLA departments rank among the best in the nation.

For undergraduate students, nearly 70 different majors are offered in the social sciences, arts, sciences, and humanities. Interdisciplinary programs in such fields as global studies, American studies, cultural studies, and urban studies draw on the strengths of CLA disciplines and integrate them in new ways. Students may select from these options or create their own career-focused interdisciplinary programs.

Nationally ranked graduate programs at the master's and doctoral level are also available in a wide variety of fields.

What: Seven U of M students receive Fulbright Scholarships
Who: Ted Brekken, Kristen Jones, Fawna Korhonen, Lisa Peschel, Laura Hammond, Kristin Mercer, Catherine Almirall
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Bob San, University News Service, (612) 624-4082

U OF M STUDENTS RECEIVE FULBRIGHT SCHOLARSHIPS

MINNEAPOLIS/ST.PAUL— Seven University of Minnesota students have received Fulbright Scholarships and will study in Norway, Germany, Finland, Denmark, Peru, Mexico and the Czech Republic during the 2004-05 academic year. They are:

Ted Brekken, a doctoral student in electrical engineering, is the 2004-05 winner of the University of Minnesota Graduate School's Fulbright Scholarship Exchange Program with the Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU) in Trondheim, Norway. His research focuses on developing a method of controlling wind generators. He will gain practical knowledge of wind technology by studying Norway's wind farms. Brekken has received bachelor's and master's degrees in electrical engineering from the University of Minnesota.

Kristen Jones, a doctoral student in Germanic studies, is one of eight students nationally to receive a Fulbright Scholarship to Denmark. She will spend the 2004-05 academic year at the Universitet Aarhus analyzing how the notion of Danishness evolved through literature in the 19th century. Jones received a bachelor's degree in German and linguistics from the University of Massachusetts in 1999 and a master's degree in German from the University of Minnesota in 2002.

Fawna Korhonen, a doctoral student in geology, is one of seven students nationally to receive a Fulbright Scholarship to Finland. During the next academic year, she will conduct research in the Varpaisjärvi region of central Finland, focusing on magnetic minerals and their origins. In addition, she will collaborate with geologists at the Geological Survey of Finland. Korhonen received a bachelor's degree in geology from Carleton College in 1997.

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Lisa Peschel, a doctoral student in theater arts, is one of seven students nationally to receive a Fulbright Scholarship to the Czech Republic. She will research the role of theatrical performance in the World War II ghetto at Terezin and the ways in which two groups – the Nazi commanders and the Czech Jews – attempted to use performance to stabilize aspects of their own and the other group's identity as well as the identity of the concentration camp itself. She will draw upon Czech-language secondary sources and the expertise of theater scholars there as well as several sets of primary documents housed mainly in the Jewish Museum in Prague and in the archives at Terezin. Peschel received a bachelor's degree in English literature from the University of Wisconsin in 1989 and a master of fine arts degree in playwriting from the University of Texas at Austin in 2001.

Laura Hammond, an undergraduate student in German and political science, has received a Fulbright teaching assistantship to Germany. She will teach English and American studies and literature in a German high school.

Kristin Mercer, doctoral student in applied plant sciences, has received a Fulbright Scholarship to Mexico. She will spend 2004-05 at El Colegio de la Frontera Sur (Ecosu), a publicly funded research and education institution with over 100 active researchers at five campuses in the southern states of Mexico. She will collaborate with Hugo Perales Rivera, an authority on landraces of maize. Mercer received a B.A. in Biology from Wesleyan University in 1996 and a M.S. in Agronomy from the University of Minnesota in 2000.

Catherine Almirall, an undergraduate student majoring in Spanish and Economics, is one of nine students nationally to receive a Fulbright Scholarship to Peru. She will spend 12 months studying the micro-credit model of a shantytown (Asentamiento Humano Dos de Mayo) outside of downtown Lima. Almirall will receive a B.A. this spring.

What: Humphrey Institute names new members to advisory council
Who: Ruth Usem, Mark Irion and Dave Richardson
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U OF M HUMPHREY INSTITUTE NAMES THREE NEW MEMBERS TO ADVISORY COUNCIL

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The advisory council of the University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs has named three new members. Community leader Ruth Usem, political strategist Mark Irion and market research executive Dave Richardson will each hold three-year terms on the council.

"I look forward to working with these distinguished graduates and friends of the Humphrey Institute," said advisory council chair Charles M. Denny, Jr. "They bring new strengths, views and ideas to the advisory council as we work to support [Humphrey Institute] Dean [J. Brian] Atwood and his vision for the institute."

The Humphrey Institute Advisory Council advises the dean and assists the institute in maintaining strong and productive relationships in the broader community. Members of the council work in various professional fields, including education, public service, business and the media.

Ruth Usem of Minneapolis is a community leader. She is on the boards of directors of several local and national organizations, including the Children's Defense Fund-Minnesota, Friends of the Minneapolis Public Library, the Minnesota Women's Campaign Fund and People for the American Way. She also has chaired the Building Project Committee at Beth El Synagogue and served on its Capital Campaign Committee.

Mark Irion is president and partner with The Dutko Group-Washington, D.C., a public policy and political strategy firm. After graduating from the Humphrey Institute in 1986 with a master of public policy degree, Irion was involved with the Richard Gephardt for President Exploratory Committee and served as legislative assistant to Sen. Alan Dixon (D-Ill.). He advised Dixon on environmental issues and worked extensively on the 1990 Congressional rewrite of the Clean Air Act. In recent years, Irion has worked with the Democratic National Committee, the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee and the Democratic Leadership Council. He currently manages the energy and environmental policy practice for The Dutko Group.

Dave Richardson is president of Wirthlin Worldwide, a marketing firm in Reston, Va. He is

responsible for leading the company's 12 client service teams around the world. He also is directly involved in hiring and developing the company's senior research executives. Prior to his appointment as president in July 2002, Richardson served as executive vice president and head of U.S. teams. His clients include such financial institutions as Paine Webber, professional services firms like Russell Reynolds Associates, and such nonprofit organizations as the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Richardson's professional experience also includes service as director of marketing research for Bank of America (1985-1990) and vice president at Yankelovich, Skelly & White, Inc., where he directed corporate communications and policy research studies for private and public sector clients, such as New York State, the U.S. Department of Justice, the IRS, General Motors and Time Inc. Richardson was a member of the 1972 entering class at the Humphrey Institute.

The Humphrey Institute offers four master's degrees in planning and public affairs. It ranks among the top 15 professional schools of public affairs at public universities in the country. □

What: Van Mueller awarded the Outstanding Community Service Award

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MANISTIQUE NATIVE RECEIVES OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota has awarded Manistique native Van Mueller the Outstanding Community Service Award in honor of his contributions and decades of service to education. Mueller is one of five university employees that will be honored on Tuesday, May 18, at the sixth annual recognition banquet from 6 to 9 p.m. in the Campus Club of Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis, Minn. Mueller also will receive a \$2,500 stipend.

Mueller earned professor emeritus status from the University of Minnesota in 1998 after spending 34 years in the department of education policy and administration in the College of Education and Human Development. He spent his career advocating for social justice in education, parental involvement and school finance policy reform. Also among his accomplishments is time spent as the president of the Minnesota Parent Teacher Association (PTA) and as vice president and as treasurer of the National PTA. He remains involved in these issues and continues to advise doctoral students in education.

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Mueller began his education career in Michigan. After graduating from Manistique High School in 1947, he went on to receive a bachelor's degree in secondary education from Central Michigan University. In 1958, he received a master's degree in school administration from the University of Michigan and later received his doctoral degree in educational administration from Michigan State University. For several years, he worked in the Michigan public schools and then at the Michigan Department of Education prior to joining the University of Minnesota.

The University of Minnesota Outstanding Community Service award was established in 1999 by U of M President Robert Bruininks (who at the time was serving as executive vice president and provost) to honor students, faculty and staff who made significant contributions to improve public life and the well-being of society. □

- What:** CURA housing forum
- When:** Noon-1:30 p.m. Friday, May 14
- Where:** Carlson School of Management, Room L-114, 321 19th Ave. S.,
Minneapolis
- Who:** Warren Kramer, director of housing development, Northcountry
Cooperative Development Fund (NCDF)
Kevin Walker, housing program manager, NCDF
- Contacts:** David Bael, Housing Forum information, (612) 625-1551
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

HOUSING PROFESSIONALS WILL DISCUSS ADAPTIVE REUSE OF SIGNATURE BUILDINGS AT MAY CURA HOUSING FORUM

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Two housing specialists from a Twin Cities cooperative developer will outline the steps involved in reclaiming and reusing notable landmark buildings at the CURA Housing Forum from noon to 1:30 p.m. Friday, May 14, in room L-114 of the U of M's Carlson School of Management, 321 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis. This program marks the end of the 2003-2004 CURA Housing Forum season.

Large vacant and underutilized structures are common in many Midwestern communities. Often these buildings have local or regional significance associated with prior use, architectural design and construction, or location in the community. In markets with documented demand, redeveloping these buildings in lieu of new construction can deliver unique, well-accepted housing while preserving landmark structures. The forum will include a quick overview of the feasibility analysis associated with a project of this type, followed by an outline of market, structural and financial considerations. The presenters will detail several case studies, including Twin Cities projects, and then open the forum for discussion.

Speakers will be Warren Kramer, director of housing development, and Kevin Walker, housing program manager, both from Northcountry Cooperative Development Fund.

Though not required, attendees are encouraged to RSVP by Wednesday, May 12, at (612) 625-1551. For more information, call David Bael at (612) 625-2086.

The CURA Housing Forum is a monthly discussion of housing research and issues in the Twin Cities. The forum is free and open to the public. The Center for Urban and Regional Affairs also supports more than a dozen programs that provide research support and technical assistance to

community organizations and government agencies throughout Minnesota. For more information, visit www.cura.umn.edu. □

What: University of Minnesota law school commencement
When: 10 a.m. Saturday, May 15
Where: Northrop Auditorium, 84 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis
Who: Nadine Strossen, president, American Civil Liberties Union
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ACLU PRESIDENT TO ADDRESS GRADUATING CLASS AT U LAW SCHOOL

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Nadine Strossen, Minnesota native and president of the American Civil Liberties Union, will deliver the commencement address to graduates of the University of Minnesota Law School at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 15, in Northrop Auditorium, 84 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis. The Law School ceremony is one of more than 20 spring commencements at the university.

Strossen is a law professor at New York Law School and has written, lectured and practiced extensively in the areas of constitutional law, civil liberties and international human rights. She has served as the president of the ACLU since 1991 and is the first woman to head the nation's largest and oldest civil liberties organization.

Strossen graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Harvard College in 1972 and magna cum laude from Harvard Law School in 1975, having served as editor of the Harvard Law Review. She practiced law for nine years in Minneapolis, her hometown, and New York City before becoming a law professor.

Established in 1888, the University of Minnesota Law School is rated as one of the top 20 law schools in the country. More than 800 students from 24 countries make up the student body. It boasts the eighth largest law library in the country and publishes seven scholarly journals. □

What: Van Mueller awarded the Outstanding Community Service Award
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ANOKA COUNTY RESIDENT RECEIVES OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

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What: Historic U of M scholarship drive

When: Friday, May 14

Where: Board of Regents meeting, 600 McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis

Who: Robert Bruininks, president
Wayne Sigler, director of Admissions

Contacts: Amy Phenix, University News Service, (612) 625-8510

U OF M ANNOUNCES HISTORIC DRIVE TO INCREASE SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORT

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--University of Minnesota President Robert Bruininks has announced the largest effort in university history to raise scholarship support for students. The multiyear drive will increase by 50 percent the number of students receiving scholarships and it includes a matching program to encourage more donors to give to scholarships.

"I want to make sure that all students with the desire and ability to succeed at the University of Minnesota have the opportunity to do so," said Bruininks, who has made scholarships one of the U's top fund-raising priorities. Bruininks will make a formal announcement of the drive at the board of regents meeting, 9 a.m.-noon, Friday, May 14, at the McNamara Alumni Center.

The University of Minnesota Scholarship Drive seeks to increase by 2,250 the number of students who are helped through privately funded scholarships. The goal is to raise \$150 million, making it the largest scholarship fundraising effort ever undertaken by the university. Currently, 4,500 students receive scholarships funded through private gifts to the university.

Minnesota trails other Big Ten institutions and private colleges in the number and size of scholarships it can offer to incoming freshmen. The University of Minnesota offers merit scholarships to only 14 percent of entering freshmen, placing it last among the Big Ten.

"We're losing some of our top students to other states," said Wayne Sigler, director of admissions. "But there are other reasons for increasing scholarship support. Scholarships allow them to focus on their studies and to graduate on time." A recent university report shows that undergraduate students receiving scholarship support graduate in four or five years at rates 15 to 35 percent higher than other students.

In-state tuition and fees are projected to be about \$7,500 in the fall of 2004; that figure represents a 52 percent increase over the past four years, due to significant reductions in state funding for the

university.

A new matching fund, the President's Scholarship Match, has also been created to encourage donors to make endowed scholarship gifts. Through this program, the income from new endowed scholarships will be matched by funds from the university, doubling the impact of donors' gifts. When donors create endowed scholarship funds, about 5 percent of the market value is paid out to students as scholarship awards. Under the matching program, the benefit to students will be doubled.

"By creating this matching program, our goal is to increase endowed scholarships," said Bruininks. "Endowed funds are important because they provide a continuous and growing source of revenue far into the future. With more than half of our students staying in Minnesota after they graduate, the university is a critical source of talent for the state. For the good of Minnesota, we need to make sure that we can continue to attract and keep our talented and motivated students here."

The President's Scholarship Match is open to donors making endowment gifts of at least \$25,000. Gifts may be designated for a specific school--undergraduate or professional--or campus. Employer matching funds may be used to reach the \$25,000 level, which is the minimum for creating an endowment gift at the university, making it possible for donors to stretch their philanthropic dollars even farther. Gifts may be made by individuals or groups of individuals and may be paid over five years. □

What: Rose Brewer awarded Josie R. Johnson Human Rights Award

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TULSA NATIVE RECEIVES JOSIE R. JOHNSON HUMAN RIGHTS AWARD FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota has awarded Tulsa native Rose Brewer the Josie R. Johnson Human Rights Award in celebration of her outstanding contributions to the university and external community in the areas of human rights and social justice. Brewer is one of five university faculty that will be honored with this award at the seventh annual recognition banquet from 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, May 18, at the Campus Club of Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis. Brewer also will receive a \$1,000 stipend.

Brewer, associate professor of the U of M African and African American studies, has built a reputation for her commitment to social justice issues. She will be honored for her dedication to teach others about human dignity and social justice by example and for developing future leaders for the ongoing struggle for equal opportunities.

In response to receiving the award, Brewer said, "It is an incredible honor initiated by one of my students. That is most meaningful to me."

Brewer received her bachelor's degree from Northeastern College and a master's and doctoral degree in sociology from Indiana University. Throughout her career she has combined her passion for education and global awareness in unique and successful ways. Students have benefited from her innovative curriculum, the interdisciplinary MacArthur Program on Global Change, Sustainability and Justice, and service learning projects. Brewer also has held various community board positions.

The Josie R. Johnson Human Rights and Social Justice Award was established in recognition of Johnson's life-long contributions. Her commitment to human rights and social justice guided her work with the civil rights movement, years of community service, and tenure at the University of Minnesota. Each year, the award honors university faculty, staff and students who exemplify Johnson's standard of excellence in creating respectful and inclusive living, learning and working environments. □

What: Budget and tuition plan presented to board of regents
When: Friday, May 14
Where: Board of Regents meeting, Twin Cities campus
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'U' REGENTS CONSIDER BUDGET AND TUITION PLAN

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--University of Minnesota President Robert Bruininks presented his recommendations for the university's operating budget and tuition for fiscal year 2005 (July 1, 2004, to June 30, 2005) to the board of regents today.

The president's approximately \$2.5 billion proposal includes budget reductions and reallocations that continue to address the \$185 million state budget reduction the university received last year. The budget challenge for fiscal year 2005, the second year of the biennium, is \$70.4 million.

"The state of Minnesota's investment in the university is declining in real terms and as a percentage of state funding," said Bruininks. "Despite these difficulties, we are committed to maintaining quality and continuing to invest in our students."

To solve the \$70.4 million budget challenge, the president is recommending a combination of administrative and operating cost reductions and new revenue through a tuition and fee increase. The proposed tuition and fee increase averages 14 percent, or \$915 a year, for undergraduates on the Twin Cities campus, and brings the total average tuition and fees to \$7,477. On the Crookston campus the proposed tuition and fee increase averages 15 percent, or \$819; on the Morris campus the average is 12.8 percent, or \$960; and on the Duluth campus the average is 13 percent, or \$865.

Board members expressed concern about rising tuition. "We're very concerned about maintaining access for Minnesota students," said board chair David Metzen. "This budget represents a prudent approach that allows us to maintain our educational quality. However, we cannot continue to shift the burden of declining state investment in the university onto students and families, and we must continue to make a strong case for the value of higher education."

The board will hold a public forum on the president's proposed budget and tuition recommendations from 11 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., Tuesday, May 18, in Suite 600, McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis. The board is expected to act on the budget at its June 11 meeting.

In other business, the board reviewed the FY '05 capital budget for facilities repairs on all campuses. If the state fails to pass a bonding bill this legislative session, the university will spend \$44 million on

capital projects. With a bonding bill, the university could address more of its critical facilities needs and would spend up to \$232.1 million.

Bruininks and Jerry Fischer, president of the University of Minnesota Foundation, officially announced to the board the University of Minnesota Scholarship Drive, which aims to increase by 50 percent the number of students who are helped by private scholarship funds.

The board heard a report on faculty salaries. On the Twin Cities campus, faculty salaries rank 28th among 30 peer institutions nationally. Following a one-year wage and salary freeze, Bruininks is recommending a 2.5 percent salary increase.

The board recognized the NCAA champion Gopher women's hockey team, and Gopher wrestler Damion Hahn. They also recognized Bulldog hockey player and Hobey Baker Award winner Junior Lessard. Thursday, the board recognized On Thursday, the board held a special ceremony and reception to recognize this year's recipients of the Distinguished McKnight University Professor Awards, the John Tate Award for Undergraduate Advising, the Outstanding Community Service Awards, the Josie R. Johnson Award for Human Rights and Social Justice, the President's Award for Outstanding Service and inductees into the Academy of Distinguished Teachers. Student Maya Babu was also recognized for her Truman Scholar award.

The next monthly board of regents meetings will be held June 10 and 11 on the Twin Cities campus. For agendas, go to www.umn.edu/regents. □

- What:** Pay it Forward tour
- When:** Friday, March 6 – Thursday, March 11: Make a Ripple Week
Friday, March 12 – Friday, March 19: Pay it Forward tour
- Who:** Students Today Leaders Forever (STLF) student group
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Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

MAKING A RIPPLE: COLLEGE STUDENTS START 'PAY IT FORWARD' TOUR IN MINNEAPOLIS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--While other college students head to Cancun or Jamaica during spring break, one group will embark on a cross-country service trip with the sole purpose of helping wherever and whomever they can.

A new University of Minnesota student organization founded by first-year students, Students Today Leaders Forever (STLF), has organized the "Operation: Pay It Forward Tour." Nearly 40 college students from the University of Minnesota, the University of North Dakota, North Dakota State University and Minot State University will take a community service road trip from the Twin Cities to Washington, D.C., and back, stopping at major cities along the way to do community service. The tour begins Friday, March 12, and ends Friday, March 19.

Leading up to the tour from March 6 to March 11 will be "Make a Ripple Week," a series of events intended to promote the idea of performing single acts of kindness and instilling the idea of "paying it forward" in the community and on campus. These events include:

- Noon–2 p.m. Saturday, March 6. "Simple Acts of Kindness Protest." Outside Mariucci Arena before Gopher Hockey Game, corner of Oak Street and Huron Boulevard. Members of STLF will carry large picket signs with messages such as "Call your parents," "Give a hug" and "Smile," and will encourage hockey fans to carry the signs as well.
- 8:30 p.m. Monday, March 8. "Mr. Superblock Contest." Coffman Union Great Hall, 300 Washington Ave., S.E., Minneapolis. Twenty to thirty males from the residence halls will participate in a goofy, casual and fun beauty pageant, featuring eveningwear and talent competitions.
- 4:30–7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 9. "Make it Simple." Various University Dining Services locations. STLF members and their supporters will help bus tables, refill drinks and help their fellow

students while they eat in various dining facilities across campus.

- All day Wednesday, March 10. "Bag it Up." Rainbow Foods, 1566 University Ave., St. Paul. STLF members and their supporters will help bag groceries for free.

- 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 11. "Pay it Forward Kick-Off." 3M Auditorium, Carlson School of Management, 321 19th Ave S., Minneapolis. Catherine Ryan Hide, the author of the book "Pay it Forward" will speak to the university community. Her speech will be followed by a screening of the movie "Pay it Forward" a question and answer session, and a book signing.

- 1:30 p.m. Friday, March 12. The group begins their tour with a sendoff outside Territorial Hall, 417 Walnut St., S.E., Minneapolis.

The objective of the Pay it Forward Tour is to serve others and show that students can make a difference in the world by initiating a ripple effect of kindness.

For more information about the tour and the various events, check out the STLF website at www.tc.umn.edu/~tehv0001.

Students Today Leaders Forever is a new nonprofit, student-based organization focused on making a difference. The organization is co-sponsored by the University YMCA and is advised by Jerry Rinehart, University of Minnesota associate vice provost for student affairs. The group's supporters include Jack Canfield, co-creator of "Chicken Soup for the Soul," Pennsylvania Gov. Edward G. Rendell and Tami Farrell, Miss Teen USA. □

What: U of M faculty petition against prisoner abuse in Iraq
Where: hrp.cla.umn.edu
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 Katherine Fennelly, professor, Humphrey Institute, (612) 362-7889
 Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

U FACULTY CREATE PETITION AGAINST ABUSE IN IRAQ; WILL DELIVER PETITION TO DAYTON AND COLEMAN

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--In response to recent events in Iraq, faculty and staff at the University of Minnesota have organized a petition to President George Bush urging him to take stronger action against the reported prisoner abuse in Iraq and elsewhere. They will hand deliver their petition to Sens. Mark Dayton and Norm Coleman.

Spearheaded by an interdisciplinary group of faculty in public policy, law and social sciences, the petition, "an Open Statement to President George Bush," includes signatures from more than 300 faculty, staff and students. In a grassroots effort, faculty involved in human rights work and teaching reached out via e-mail to the university community looking for support.

In their message the group said, "We know that many of you share our sorrow and outrage over the recent revelations of torture and abuse in Iraq, and we hope that you will join us. We particularly hope to include individuals who did not initially oppose the invasion of Iraq, but who deplore the direction that the war is taking."

In their petition, they ask for the following:

- Conduct a prompt, thorough, impartial and transparent investigation of all allegations of torture and degrading treatment in Iraq and elsewhere;
- Carry out prosecutions and disciplinary sanctions of those identified as responsible, including all senior officials who had knowledge of the use of torture and degrading treatment by U.S. military and civilian personnel and approved of it or failed to take immediate steps to stop it;
- Provide fair and adequate compensation, medical treatment and rehabilitation to the victims of torture and degrading treatment; and
- Provide regular, unscheduled access to all U.S. prisons and detention centers for independent monitoring by the International Committee of the Red Cross, U.N. representatives and nongovernmental organizations with a human rights focus.

A complete copy of the petition is available at hrp.cla.umn.edu.

The faculty group that started this position includes Stephen Feinstein, director of the Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies, Katherine Fennelly, professor in the Humphrey Institute, David L. Fox, assistant professor in the geology and geophysics department, Barb Frey, director of the Human Rights Program, Vinay Gidwani, assistant professor of geography, Sally Kenney, professor in the Humphrey Institute, Duane Krohnke, associate professor of law, Kathryn Sikkink, professor of political science, and Karen Brown Thompson, director of the Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change. □

What: Robert Frame awarded Josie R. Johnson Human Rights and Social Justice Award

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LOCAL ACTIVIST WINS U OF M JOSIE R. JOHNSON HUMAN RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE AWARD

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What: University of Minnesota honor roll
Who: Justin Johnson, Superior student
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SUPERIOR STUDENT MAKES HONOR ROLL AT UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Superior Senior High School graduate Justin Johnson was named to the spring 2004 honor roll at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities. Johnson is a junior majoring in construction management in the College of Continuing Education.

Johnson is a 2001 graduate of Superior Senior High School and son of Michael and Nancy Johnson.

Johnson enjoys playing intramural hockey at the university and recently started a six-month internship with Braun Intertec, an engineering consulting and testing firm located in the Twin Cities. After graduation, Johnson hopes to be a project manager with a construction firm. □

What: McKnight Presidential Endowed Chair
Who: U of M Professor Apostolos Georgopoulos
Contacts: Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

U OF M PROFESSOR APOSTOLOS GEORGOPOULOS NAMED MCKNIGHT PRESIDENTIAL ENDOWED CHAIR

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota has named Apostolos Georgopoulos a McKnight Presidential Endowed Chair. A world-renowned neuroscientist, Georgopoulos was given this honor for his scientific contributions to the university and his field.

The McKnight Presidential Endowed Chair is one of the highest honors for faculty at the university. The chair was created in 1999 from a \$15 million gift to the university from the McKnight Foundation, and it is used at the discretion of the president to recruit and retain world-class faculty. Recipients of the chair are recommended by their college dean to the president and chosen based on their academic and research accomplishments and their importance to advancing the university among its peers. Each chair holder receives an annual allotment of approximately \$50,000 to support their research. These funds are provided from the McKnight endowment and are allocated by the University of Minnesota Foundation.

"I am thrilled with such a recognition of cognitive neuroscience in our university and deeply honored to lead the effort in this fascinating field," Georgopoulos said.

"To remain world class, the university must both attract and retain distinguished faculty members such as professor Georgopoulos," Bruininks said. "His expertise and reputation are virtually unmatched in his field, making him an invaluable asset to our students and our community. Thanks to the McKnight Presidential Chair, we believe he will continue to be a valued member of our community for years to come."

Bruininks went on to say the university also looks forward to his leadership as the director-elect of the Center for Cognitive Sciences, an interdisciplinary center in the College of Liberal Arts with faculty from various colleges focusing on cognition.

Georgopoulos is a professor of neuroscience, neurology and psychiatry in the University of Minnesota Medical School, and he holds the American Legion Brain Sciences Chair. He is also the director of the Brain Sciences Center at the Minneapolis Veterans Affairs (VA) Medical Center. He is widely referenced for his work involving the motor cortex, the part of our brain that controls voluntary movements, and his contributions to the elucidation of brain mechanisms underlying cognitive functions, such as mental rotation and memory scanning.

“Apostolos is a world-class scholar and a valuable researcher and professor at the university’s Medical School,” said Senior Vice President for Health Sciences Frank Cerra, who recommended Georgopoulos to Bruininks. “As a respected member of the medical community, Apostolos brings a high level of distinction to our faculty, and I am pleased to see him honored in this way.”

Georgopoulos joined the university faculty in 1991. Originally from Patras, Greece, he attended medical school at the University of Athens and later received a doctorate in physiology there. He moved to the United States in 1976 to assume a position in the medical school at Johns Hopkins University, where he was promoted to full professor in 1986. In 1991 he moved to the University of Minnesota and the VA Medical Center as the American Legion Brain Sciences Chair.

Other faculty members who have received the McKnight Presidential Endowed Chair are from all disciplines in the sciences and the arts and humanities. Chairholders and their field are: Ronald Phillips, genomics; Dan Farber, law; Leonid Glazman, theoretical condensed matter; Mark Snyder, psychology; David Tilman, ecology; Catherine Verfaillie, stem cell biology; Phyllis Moen, psychology; and Kamil Ugurbil, radiology. □

What: Humphrey Institute Policy Forum Breakfast Club
When: 7-8:15 a.m. Friday, June 4
Where: Humphrey Institute Atrium, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis
Who: Governor Tim Pawlenty
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Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

GOV. PAWLENTY TO SPEAK AT HUMPHREY INSTITUTE POLICY FORUM

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Gov. Tim Pawlenty will headline the Policy Forum Breakfast Club at the University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute from 7 to 8:15 am Friday, June 4, in the Humphrey Institute Atrium, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis. Following his remarks, attendees will take part in a discussion moderated by former Minnesota congressman Vin Weber.

The event is free and open to the public, but seating is limited. Attendees must RSVP to Elizabeth Marquez at emarquez@hhh.umn.edu or (612) 625-8330. For parking information, visit www.hhh.umn.edu/about/contact/parking.htm

The Humphrey Institute Policy Forum, with its associated Policy Fellows program, is a public affairs education program that promotes informed discussion and debate on local and national policy issues. Weber and Tim Penny, also a former Minnesota congressman, serve as co-directors. Local and national speakers are invited to present their views and exchange opinions about issues such as welfare reform, social security, K-12 education, health policy and national security.

Target Corp. sponsors the Policy Forum Breakfast Club. □

What: Presentation on housing needs for teen parents
When: 1:15-2:15 p.m. Thursday, June 3
Where: Rapson Hall courtyard, 89 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis
Who: Broadway High School students
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Krista Bergert, College of Architecture and Landscape Architecture,
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TEEN MOMS TO VOICE THEIR HOUSING NEEDS AND RECOMMENDATIONS AT U OF M FORUM

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Nearly 25 pregnant or parenting teens from Broadway High School in Minneapolis will present housing recommendations based on their needs to local officials and housing experts from 1:15 to 2:15 p.m. Thursday, June 3, at the University of Minnesota in Rapson Hall, 89 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis.

These students, the majority of whom are homeless and have one to three children, have studied housing issues with their family issues teacher at Broadway High. With help from faculty in the university's College of Architecture and Landscape Architecture, Lutheran Social Services and other community groups, the students have analyzed their housing needs as teen parents and have worked to articulate what policy-makers can do to help them.

This is a pilot project spearheaded by Lutheran Social Services (LSS) in conjunction with Broadway High School. Officials at LSS hope to use this experience to design an expanded program for serving teen parents. □

What: Oliver Williams awarded Josie R. Johnson Human Rights and Social Justice Award

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HIGHLAND PARK RESIDENT WINS U OF M'S JOSIE R. JOHNSON HUMAN RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE AWARD

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota recently awarded Highland Park resident Oliver Williams the Josie R. Johnson Human Rights and Social Justice Award in celebration of his outstanding contributions to the university and external community in the areas of human rights and social justice. Williams is one of five university faculty and staff who were honored at the seventh annual recognition banquet Tuesday, May 18. He also will receive a \$1,000 stipend.

Williams is a professor in the University of Minnesota School of Social Work and the director of the National Institute on Domestic Violence in the African American Community. A lifelong champion for victims of domestic violence, Williams has spent his career challenging researchers, practitioners and families to understand the realities of domestic violence and its far-reaching consequences. He encourages prevention and intervention to end the cycle of abuse, specifically in the African American community.

Williams received a master's degree in social work from Western Michigan University in 1980. He received a master's degree in public health in 1984 and a doctoral degree in 1985 from the University of Pittsburgh. Currently, he is conducting community-based research on issues and barriers that inhibit the reduction of family and community violence among African Americans.

The Josie R. Johnson Human Rights and Social Justice Award was established in honor of Johnson, a retired associate vice president in the university's Office of Minority and Special Student Affairs (now Multicultural and Student Affairs), in recognition of her lifelong contributions. Her commitment to human rights and social justice has guided her work with the civil rights movement, years of community service and tenure at the University of Minnesota. Each year the award honors university faculty, staff and students who, through their principles and practices, exemplify Johnson's standard of excellence in creating respectful and inclusive living, learning and working environments. □

What: **Advisory council for the Initiative for Renewable Energy and the Environment**

Who: **24 business, government, nonprofit and higher education leaders**

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LEADERS NAMED TO GUIDE OF U OF M INITIATIVE ON RENEWABLE ENERGY

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's Initiative for Renewable Energy and the Environment (IREE), funded with \$20 million from the state and Xcel Energy, has named 24 leaders from the business, nonprofit, government and higher education sectors to serve as its advisory council.

The advisory council will determine strategy and priorities for developing renewable fuel sources—such as biomass, hydrogen, wind and solar energy—based on Minnesota's resources and needs. Their first meeting was held May 26.

"They are a very diverse group of individuals who bring different perspectives on renewable energy to the table," said Robert Elde, IREE chair and dean of the College of Biological Sciences at the University of Minnesota. "They share a commitment to helping us realize our vision to bring renewable energy to Minnesota and to sustaining IREE for the long haul."

Members of the advisory council range from 3M and Cargill executives to heads of large state growers' associations to leaders of smaller rural and environmental organizations.

IREE was created to address the urgent need to reduce dependence on nonrenewable, fossil fuel-based energy sources and to sustain global ecosystems. It capitalizes on Minnesota's substantial biomass, wind and solar resources, as well as the university's research expertise and ability to facilitate collaboration and policy development.

IREE is supported by fees that Xcel Energy and other utility companies pay for alternative energy development. At the conclusion of its 2003 session, the Minnesota Legislature directed \$20 million from this funding source to IREE. The money will be paid over five years.

IREE funds support research in four "cluster areas": bioenergy and bioproducts, hydrogen, conservation and efficient energy systems, and policy, economics and ecosystems. To date, IREE has awarded more than \$2 million in research grants to university faculty and external partners working in these four areas. Projects range from research on biohydrogen to public education on renewable energy

and the environment.

Examples include:

- The first reactor that converts ethanol to hydrogen, which was invented by Lanny Schmidt, Regents Professor of Chemical Engineering in the Institute of Technology and leader of the IREE hydrogen cluster.

- A renewable energy “Prairie Maze” that will open later this month as part of the new Big Back Yard exhibit at the Science Museum of Minnesota.

For details about research projects, external partners and other information about IREE, go to www1.umn.edu/iree/.

A list of IREE advisory council members follows:

Industry leaders:

- Duane Adams, board member of the Minnesota Corn Growers Association
- Dave Glassner, director of process technology at Cargill Dow
- John Goodman, president of Entegris
- Terry F. Jaffoni, vice president for ethanol and strategy director at Cargill
- Rodney Larkins, operations manager of R&D government contracts at 3M
- Anders Rydaker, president of St. Paul District Energy
- David Sparby, vice president of Xcel Energy
- Kristen Weeks-Duncanson, former president and at-large director of the Minnesota Soybean

Growers Association

- Mark Willers, president of MinWind
- Dave Zumeta, executive director of the Minnesota Forest Resources Council

Nonprofit leaders:

- William B. Grant, associate executive director, Izaak Walton League
- Janet Drake Hamilton, science policy director at ME3 (Minnesotans for an Energy Efficient

Economy)

- Diane Jensen, executive director of The Minnesota Project
- Rolf Nordstrom, director of the Upper Midwest Hydrogen Initiative
- Erik Pratt, manager of Energy Alley (Minnesota environmental initiative)

Government leaders:

- Kenneth Brown, team leader in the Minnesota Office of Environmental Assistance
- Hongda Chen, national program leader at the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture
- Edward Garvey, deputy commissioner, Minnesota Department of Commerce
- Gene Hugoson, commissioner, Minnesota Dept of Agriculture
- Jack Keers, commissioner, Pipestone County

Higher education leaders:

- Robert Brown, professor of thermal sciences at Iowa State University
- James Dumesic, professor in the College of Engineering at the University of Wisconsin
- Wade Gordon, director of the Institute of Human Understanding at Fond du Lac Tribal and

Community College

- Kevin Kebhardt, director of the Agriculture Experiment Station at South Dakota State University. □

What: New position in the Office of the Senior Vice President for System Administration

Who: Sheila Ards

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ARDS NAMED VP FOR COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS AND DEVELOPMENT

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Sheila Ards has been named associate vice president for community partnerships and development in the Office of the Senior Vice President for System Administration at the University of Minnesota. In this newly created position, Ards will be responsible for universitywide initiatives related to student affairs, multicultural affairs and community partnerships.

Ards will work to foster university-community partnerships that will help reinforce the university's commitment to strengthening the undergraduate experience. She will work to identify funding and support for new student scholarships and multicultural and student affairs activities.

"This position was created to provide a central point of access for community partners and to support the long-term goals the university has set for our students," said Robert Jones, senior vice president for system administration. "And this position was necessary for us to remain financially competitive with other institutions, as most Big Ten schools are reaching out on an administrative level to their community partners."

Ards, 43, has an extensive and varied career in higher education. She lectured and taught in public affairs for more than 10 years, including time as a tenured associate professor at the University of Minnesota Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs. She spent seven years at Benedict College in Columbia, S.C., most recently serving as vice president of the division of community development. Ards did her undergraduate training in accounting at the University of Texas, Austin, and received a master's degree in public management and policy and a doctorate in public policy from the School of Urban and Public Affairs at Carnegie-Mellon University.

"I look forward to the opportunity I've been given to cultivate critical community relationships that will benefit a wide variety of students," Ards said. "We have a diverse community with needs ranging from internship opportunities to scholarships. The resources are available; we just need to engage our community."

Ards will focus on fulfilling the university's commitment to reaching out to underrepresented community members and other members of the urban community. According to Jones, there are unmet needs that must be addressed.

“We are a large institution, and we work to provide all students what they need to succeed,” Jones said. “That includes everything from cultural outreach to late-night programming at Coffman Union, both of which we aren’t able to do as much as we’d like. With Sheila’s guidance and leadership, we hope to bring a renewed vigor to meeting those needs and providing more for our students.”□

What: Board of Regents Monthly Meetings
When: Thursday, June 10, and Friday, June 11
Where: Suite 200, McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St6 S.E., Minneapolis
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U OF M REGENTS TO ACT ON BUDGET AND TUITION

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota board of regents will hold its monthly meetings Thursday, June 10, and Friday, June 11, in Suite 600, McNamara Alumni Center on the Twin Cities campus.

Friday, the board will hold its annual meeting at which it will establish meeting dates for 2004-05.

The board will act on President Robert Bruininks' operating budget and tuition recommendations for fiscal year 2005 (July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005). The approximately \$2.5 billion proposal includes budget reductions and reallocations to address a \$185 million state budget reduction over the biennium. The budget challenge the university must address this fiscal year is \$70.4 million.

Bruininks' recommendation includes tuition and fee increases averaging 14 percent in FY '05 for resident undergraduates on the Twin Cities campus and 13 percent for resident undergraduates on the Duluth, Morris and Crookston campuses.

The board will also act on the recommended 2004-05 capital improvement budget for facility repairs and maintenance on all campuses. If the state fails to pass a bonding bill in a special session, the recommendation is to spend \$44 million on capital projects. With a bonding bill, the university could address more of its critical facilities needs, which total \$232.1 million.

In other business, Bruininks will discuss the university's ability to nurture and promote interdisciplinary study and research. In 2003, Bruininks announced eight initiatives that would each leverage the university's strength, breadth and depth in key academic areas to provide a comparative advantage for the institution and the state. The initiatives focus on children, youth and families; arts and humanities; law and values in health; the life sciences; biocatalysis and nanotechnology, the environment and renewable energy; translational research in human health; healthy foods and healthy lives; and brain function and vitality across the lifespan. Among the questions Bruininks will discuss with the board are how to support interdisciplinary work and how to evaluate interdisciplinary programs relative to other university needs.

The board will discuss policy issues related to academic freedom, as raised by a faculty task force on

the subject. Among the issues to be discussed are how the university defines academic freedom and whether changes are needed to the university's policy on academic freedom.

Two years ago, the university began its own employee health care benefit program, UPlan. The board will receive an update on health trends, financial performance and the future direction of the plan. Policy issues, including ways to reduce costs without reducing coverage or shifting costs to employees, will also be discussed.

The board will recognize departing senior vice president and provost Christine Maziar for her service. Apostolos Georgopoulos, recently named McKnight Presidential Endowed Chair in Neuroscience, one of the university's highest honors, and Truman Scholar Maya Babu, will also be recognized.

Chair David Metzen's report to the board will include the annual presidential performance review. Select committee meeting times, locations and agenda items follow.

Thursday, June 10

9:45-11:45 a.m. Faculty, Staff and Student Affairs, East Committee Room. Policy discussion on employee health care benefits.

9:45-11:45 a.m. Finance and Operations, West Committee Room. Discuss issues related to recommended 2004-05 operating budget. Review policies on debt transactions and purchasing.

1:30-3:30 p.m. Educational Planning and Policy, East Committee Room. Discuss policy issues related to academic freedom and interdisciplinary initiatives. Review policies on museum collections and the University Press.

1:30-3:30 p.m. Facilities Committee, West Committee Room. Review policies on campus and facility usage, monuments and works of art, and sustainability and energy efficiency.

Friday, May 14

9-11:30 a.m. Board of regents, Boardroom. Annual meeting to set 2004-05 meeting dates. President's report to the board. Recognize the outgoing senior vice president and provost, the McKnight Presidential Endowed Chair in Neuroscience and the Truman Scholar. Act on the FY '05 operating budget, including tuition and fees. Act on the FY '05 capital improvement budget.

The complete board agenda can be found at www.umn.edu/regents. □

What: 50th anniversary kick-off of Summer at Northrop concert series
When: Noon – 1 p.m. Monday, June 14
Where: Northrop Auditorium Plaza, 84 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis
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NORTHROP TO CELEBRATE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF FREE OUTDOOR CONCERT SERIES

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--In honor of 50 years of free outdoor music, the Summer at Northrop concert series will kick off their anniversary season with a special celebration from noon to 1 p.m. Monday, June 14, on Northrop Auditorium Plaza, 84 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis. The event is free and open to the public. Guests will be treated to free ice cream and cake while listening to the five-member Patrick Harison Band play eclectic Louisiana-style dance music.

Summer at Northrop is an annual event that features more than 20 free concerts during June and July. The tradition was started in 1954 by the Minnesota Orchestra, then housed at Northrop Auditorium. Days before they moved to Orchestra Hall, the musicians played a free concert for University of Minnesota students, faculty and staff in gratitude for its accommodations. This began a musical tradition that has endured for five decades.

Jack Johnson, Summer Session director, said the musical fare has become a defining element of the university's summer campus experience. "I don't know of another university that rivals this long-standing tradition," he said. "The global sampling of music, the aroma of grilling at the university's brat stand, and picnic tables crowded with people make the plaza in front of Northrop Auditorium an inviting place to be day after day. It's great to have this community atmosphere each summer."

This year's lineup showcases all genres of music, including Latin-tinged jazz, dueling accordions, bluegrass, French musette, flamenco and klezmer music.

A special highlight will be a free evening concert by South African musician Vusi Mahlasela, at 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 7. A national voice in South Africa, Mahlasela was featured at the inauguration of South African President Nelson Mandela.

In case of rain, concerts are moved inside Northrop Auditorium. For more information, call (612) 624-2345. For the Summer at Northrop concert schedule, visit www.northrop.umn.edu/summer.html. □

What: U budget, tuition rates set
When: Friday, June 11
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U OF M REGENTS APPROVE BUDGET AND TUITION RATES

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota board of regents approved the budget and tuition rates for fiscal year 2005 (July 1, 2004, to June 30, 2005). The approximately \$2.6 billion budget covers operations on all campuses. The university is in the second year of the biennium, during which it received a \$185 million budget reduction from the state.

"These have been very challenging times for the university," said President Robert Bruininks. "We've made great sacrifices--especially our students and families who have managed double-digit tuition increases, and our faculty and staff who had their pay frozen even as the cost of health care benefits increased--to balance this budget in a way that is responsible and maintains academic quality."

The budget addresses a \$70.4 million gap with a combination of administrative and operating cost reductions and new revenue from a tuition and fee increase. Included are new investments in key academic programs, student services, infrastructure and technology.

"We have deftly managed the largest budget reduction in the university's history for this two-year period," said board chair David Metzen. "However, if the university faces further state budget reductions, our academic quality and ability to attract top students and world-class faculty will be severely compromised."

The board approved tuition and fee increases averaging 14 percent in FY '05 for resident undergraduates on the Twin Cities campus and 13 percent for resident undergraduates on the Duluth, Morris and Crookston campuses.

Specifically, on the Twin Cities campus, tuition and fees will increase \$915 a year for undergraduate residents, bringing the total average tuition and fees to \$7,477. On the Crookston campus the proposed tuition and fee increase averages 15 percent, or \$819; on the Morris campus the average is 12.8 percent, or \$960; and on the Duluth campus the average is 13 percent, or \$865.

The board also approved a \$44 million FY '05 capital improvement budget for facility repairs and maintenance on all campuses. The university had requested \$155 million in state funding for additional critical facilities needs, but the Legislature failed to pass a bonding bill this session, meaning that these projects will be delayed and their costs will increase by \$7 million this year.

In other business, the board discussed UPlan, the university's employee health care plan. Since leaving the state health plan and becoming self-insured in 2002, the university has saved \$16.2 million. To further reduce costs, rather than passing them on to employees, the university is reviewing all aspects of the plan and implementing health education, disease management and wellness activities.

The board conducted Bruininks' annual performance review, noting accomplishments in providing academic leadership, administrative management, fiscal management, fund-raising and his relationship with the board and internal and external constituencies. "In his second year as president, Robert Bruininks continues to perform in an exemplary fashion," said Metzen. "Understanding the critical issues that lie ahead, the board feels confident that this president will generate the best, most creative plans to sustain the university."

The board and president recognized departing Senior Vice President and Provost Christine Maziar, McKnight Presidential Endowed Chair in Neuroscience Apostolos Georgopoulos and Truman Scholar Maya Babu.

During its annual meeting, the board set meeting dates for FY '05. The board will hold its annual retreat July 7-8 and its next meetings July 8-9, on the Twin Cities campus. For agendas or other information, go to www.umn.edu/regents. □

- What:** 'Coexistence' art exhibition, opening ceremony
- When:** 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday, June 14
- Where:** Opening ceremony: Landmark Center, 75 5th St. W., St. Paul
Ongoing exhibition: Rice Park, corner of W. 5th St. and Washington, St. Paul
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'COEXISTENCE' TO OPEN IN ST. PAUL

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The international art exhibition "Coexistence" will open in St. Paul's Rice Park Monday, June 14, and the public is invited to an opening ceremony from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in Landmark Center, 75 5th St. W., St. Paul. Mayor Randy Kelly, state Rep. Cy Thao and the University of Minnesota's College of Liberal Arts Dean Steven Rosenstone will make remarks.

The outdoor exhibition consists of 38 9-by-15 foot images meant to spark discussion about equality, humanity and "the art of living together." It will be on display through July 6 and is open to the public 24 hours a day.

"Coexistence" was created by Museum on the Seam in Jerusalem. Since its debut in Israel in 2001, "Coexistence" has traveled throughout Europe and to Capetown, South Africa. The exhibition was also on display for much of May in Minneapolis on the Government Center Plaza. Once it closes in St. Paul, the exhibition will travel to Washington, D.C.

"Coexistence" is presented by the University of Minnesota and the College of Liberal Arts. Allianz and the Regis Foundation have provided additional support. □

What: U of M to host African women's conference
Who: Naomi Nontombi Tutu, daughter of Desmond Tutu
When: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday, June 18
When: Mondale Hall, 229 19th Ave. S. Minneapolis
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U OF M TO HOST CONFERENCE ON AFRICAN WOMEN

MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL— Naomi Nontombi Tutu, daughter of South African Archbishop and Nobel Peace Prize winner Desmond Tutu, will be the keynote speaker when the Minnesota African Women's Association (MAWA) and the University of Minnesota Law School's Center for Human Rights co-host a conference on African women Friday, June 18. The conference, "African Women in the Diaspora: Connecting Within and Across Cultures," will be from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Mondale Hall, 229 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis.

The mission of this conference is to provide cultural education and understanding to nonprofit organizations and businesses in their outreach to African women and their families, said conference organizer Nyango Melissa Nambangi. In her keynote address, Tutu will discuss "Building Gender Coalitions Across Racial Lines."

The conference includes numerous breakout sessions, such as "Understanding African Immigrant and Refugee Socio-demographics in the Twin Cities" and "African Women, AIDS, and Other Health and Cultural Challenges."

For more information, contact Nambangi at mawa0302@yahoo.com or call (612) 529-9267. To learn more about MAWA or to register for the conference online, visit www.mawanet.org.

What: Carlson School First Tuesday luncheon

When: 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Tuesday, July 6

Where: Radisson Hotel Metrodome, 615 Washington Ave. S., Minneapolis

Who: Andrew Duff, chair and CEO, Piper Jaffray

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PIPER JAFFRAY CEO TO ADDRESS CONSOLIDATION IN THE FINANCIAL SERVICES INDUSTRY AT CARLSON SCHOOL'S FIRST TUESDAY LUNCHEON

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Andrew Duff, chair and CEO of Piper Jaffray, will discuss Piper Jaffray's 1998 merger with U.S. Bancorp and regaining of independence in 2003 as a securities firm as the featured speaker at the University of Minnesota's Carlson School of Management First Tuesday luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 6, at the Radisson Hotel Metrodome, 615 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis. His talk, "Securities Industry in Transition: Guiding a New Path," will describe the market conditions that drove consolidation and potential directions for the future.

Having joined Piper Jaffray in 1980, Duff was named president of Individual Investor Services and Capital Markets in 1996 and continued as president of U.S. Bancorp Piper Jaffray after the merger. Today Duff serves on the boards of the Securities Industry Association, the SIA Regional Firms Committee and the Walker Art Center.

Each month nearly 500 Carlson School alumni, local business leaders, students and educators attend the First Tuesday series to hear from the leading business voices in today's economy.

Registration is \$23 before July 1 and \$28 afterwards. It includes lunch and parking in the Washington Avenue Ramp, 501 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis. Register by calling (612) 626-9634, visiting www.carlsonschool.umn.edu or by e-mail at firsttuesday@csom.umn.edu. □

What: U of M School of Music names new director
Who: Noel Zahler
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U OF M SCHOOL OF MUSIC NAMES NEW DIRECTOR

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Noel Zahler has been named director of the School of Music at the University of Minnesota. Zahler will become the school's 10th director. He succeeds Jeffrey Kimpton, who served as director from 1999 to 2003. Kimpton left to become the president of Interlochen Center for the Arts. Zahler's appointment is effective July 1. He currently is co-chair and Sylvia Pasternak Marx Professor in the department of music at Connecticut College in New London.

"Students, faculty, staff and members of the Twin Cities music community are all very excited by the vision, energy and leadership that Noel Zahler will bring to the School of Music, the College of Liberal Arts, and the University of Minnesota," said Steven Rosenstone, dean of the university's College of Liberal Arts. "His achievements as a creative artist, teacher and administrator will help to ensure the vitality of our School of Music as well as the vitality of the arts at the university and in our state."

Zahler's career brings a wide array of experiences to the School of Music. He holds a master of fine arts degree in composition from Princeton University, a doctor of musical arts degree in composition from the Columbia University School of the Arts, and a Certificato di Perfezionamento from L'Accademia Musicale Chigiana di Siena in Italy.

Zahler has nearly 30 years of experience as a teacher and administrator. He has taught composition and music theory at Brooklyn College, Queens College, Columbia, and Connecticut College. In 1991, he founded Connecticut College's interdisciplinary Ammerman Center for Arts and Technology.

Zahler's compositions include a wide range of vocal and instrumental works, as well as electroacoustic, interactive and multi-media works. His compositions have been performed by the American Composers Orchestra, the Arden Trio, the Charleston String Quartet, the Meridian String Quartet, the League of Composers/ISCM, the Center for New Music at the University of Iowa and other ensembles throughout the United States, Europe and Asia.

Zahler's scholarship includes groundbreaking work in artificial intelligence and its applications to music. He is the co-author of three computer software programs including the Artificially Intelligent Computer Performer, Score Follow and Music Matrix. Other awards and prizes include a National

Endowment for the Arts Consortium Commission, a Fulbright/Hayes Fellowship to Italy, two McDowell Colony Fellowships, an Aaron Copland Foundation Grant in support of recording, a Connecticut Commission on the Arts Individual Artists Grant, and a Connecticut Public Television (CPTV) prize for the sound score to the computer-realized video "Gothic Tempest."

"It is both an honor and a privilege to be appointed as director of the School of Music at the University of Minnesota," Zahler said. "It is rare to find an administration so supportive, a student body so well prepared, a faculty and staff at the height of their professional capacity all in one place and all at one time. My hope is that our shared vision for the School of Music will make the nation and the world take note of what the University of Minnesota has to offer the world of music."

Established in 1902, the School of Music offers a dynamic, comprehensive program to 640 music students in undergraduate and graduate programs, led by a world-class faculty of over 70 artists, scholars and teachers. □

What: Curiosity Camp
When: June 30, July 13, July 28 and Aug. 11
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U OF M TO OFFER DAYLONG SUMMER CAMPS FOR ADULTS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--If unraveling the makings of an Agatha Christie novel, getting your hands dirty in a garden, or touring ethnic food markets of the Twin Cities sounds like fun, then Curiosity Camp is for you. Offered by the University of Minnesota's College of Continuing Education (CCE), four daylong retreats allow adults to take a break from work and nurture new interests by going to summer camp for the day.

Each Curiosity Camp features university experts who will lead the campers in a daylong exploration of their chosen topic. The camps give participants hands-on experiences on and off campus in laboratories, gardens, markets and landmarks across the Twin Cities. Each camp features a variety of presenters, each looking at the same topic from a different perspective.

In "Mapping the Life of a City" (9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 30), attendees get a bus tour and the chance to view hand-drawn topographical maps of Minneapolis from the mid-19th century. Throughout the day, they'll hear from university experts including urban studies professor Judith Martin; Brent Allison, director of the John R. Borchert Map Library; and Design Institute Director Janet Abrams.

In "The Mysterious Agatha Christie" (9:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Tuesday, July 13), participants will discuss Christie's perennial popularity with Minneapolis author Ellen Hart. Later they will attend a matinee performance of *The Mousetrap* on the Minnesota Showboat after learning about bringing the mystery to the stage from university theater professor Lance Brockman and instructor and *Mousetrap* director Kenneth Mitchell.

In "Gardening with a Guru," (9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 28) participants can garden with university horticultural science professor Deb Brown and try their hand at arranging garden flowers. Then they'll learn about the healing benefits of gardening with Jean Marie Larson from the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum.

And for those with a global palette, there is "Consuming Passions: Culture and Food" (9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 11) with university nutritional anthropologist Cheryl Smith and two doctoral students, who will lead the group through ethnic markets in St. Paul to discuss the sociocultural meanings

of our world's cuisines.

Cost is \$120 per event. For more information, call (612) 624-4000. To view complete descriptions or to register online visit www.cce.umn.edu/curiosity.

Curiosity Camp is among many programs offered through CCE. Programs range from personal enrichment and professional development short courses to complete certificates and degrees. All are designed to help adults pursue their interests, take on new challenges or advance their careers, giving the community a vibrant base of creative thinkers and prosperous organizations. □

What: U of M to host Marshall U High 65th Class Reunion
Who: About 90 Marshall U High graduates from 1938 to 1963
When: 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, June 29
When: Campus Club, Coffman Union
Contacts: Harvey Johnson (612) 332-2756.
Bob San, University News Service, (612) 624-4082

U OF M TO HOST MARSHALL U HIGH 65TH ANIVERSARY

MINNEAPOLIS/ST.PAUL— Marshall University High School will host its 65th class reunion Tuesday, June 29, from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Campus Club in the University of Minnesota's Coffman Union.

About 90 people from classes ranging from 1938 to 1963 are expected to attend. Among them is a couple celebrating their 64th wedding anniversary. The group will have lunch at from 11:30 to about 1:30 and then will tour the U of M campus and the former Marshall U High site in Dinkytown, which is now the University Technology Center.

Attendants will also hear an update on the Marshall Access Education Fund (MAEF), the first scholarship fund at the University of Minnesota targeted to students with disabilities. The scholarship name reflects the close connection between the university and the former Marshall U High School in Dinkytown, said Harvey Johnson, a 1939 graduate of Marshall U High and the person who came up with the idea for the scholarship.

What: Children, Youth and Family Consortium (CYFC) director
When: Thursday, July 1
Who: Dr. Catherine Jordan
Contacts: Michael Brott, CYFC, (612) 625-7588
Patty Mattern, University News Service, (612) 624-2801

NEW CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILY CONSORTIUM DIRECTOR TO START JULY 1

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL-- Dr. Catherine Jordan will start as the new director of the University of Minnesota's Children, Youth and Family Consortium (CYFC) Thursday, July 1.

Jordan, a pediatric neuropsychologist and assistant professor of pediatrics and neurology at the university, said the position fits her perfectly. "Over the course of more than a dozen years, what I have been really doing in all my capacities is trying to improve the health and development of youth and their families," Jordan said.

Taking the helm of the CYFC is a natural extension of that work. Jordan has a passion for community-university partnerships and public engagement and a distinguished record of academic accomplishments in children and families. Jordan has been involved in several community-based research projects involving children and families, most importantly the Phillips Neighborhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Project and the DREAMS Project (Developmental Research on Early Attention and Memory Skills). In those projects, Jordan worked closely with Phillips residents, community organizations and an interdisciplinary group of university faculty.

"What I learned during those 10 years was how powerful collaborations between the community and the university can be," Jordan said. "Individuals at the U and individuals in the community become partners and friends, work collaboratively and democratically and make genuine sustainable changes."

She also co-organized GRASS Routes (Grass Roots Activism, Sciences, and Scholarship), an initiative to facilitate community-based research and other community-university partnerships through faculty and graduate student training.

As CYFC director, Jordan's primary responsibilities include leadership, management and oversight of the consortium's daily activities and working with an advisory council and a dean's council on areas of interdisciplinary collaborations, policy development, and community engagement and partnerships.

The CYFC was established in 1991 to bring together the varied competencies of the University of

Minnesota and the resources of Minnesota's communities to enhance the ability of individuals and organizations to address critical health, education and social policy concerns in ways that improve the well-being of Minnesota's children, youth and families.

As a clinician, Jordan made a difference one child and one family at a time. In her new position, she welcomes the chance to have a broader impact on youth and family issues.

"The impact I make on individual children and families can be profound, but I was interested in moving into work with broad systemic impact and societal benefit." Jordan said. □

What: U of M monthly board of regents meetings
When: Thursday and Friday, July 8 and 9
Where: Suite 600, McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis
Contacts: Amy Phenix, University News Service, (612) 625-8510

U OF M REGENTS TO HOLD MONTHLY MEETINGS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota board of regents will hold its monthly meetings Thursday, July 8, and Friday, July 9, in Suite 600, McNamara Alumni Center, on the Twin Cities campus. The board will hold its annual board retreat at the Minnesota Humanities Center on Wednesday, July 7, and Thursday, July 8.

During its monthly meetings, the board will act on a number of board policies, among them those relating to museum collections, works of art, sustainability and energy efficiency, the University of Minnesota Press and other topics.

The board will hear a report on the implications of the federal budget for higher education. The university receives over \$500 million in grants and contracts, much of it from the federal government.

An analysis of staff salaries and recruitment and retention strategies will be discussed. The presentation will include industry benchmarks, performance-based compensation and issues around work-life balance as they relate to about 9,000 civil service and unionized staff.

Survey results from undergraduates who graduated this spring will be presented. Students on all four campuses continue to be quite satisfied with their experience, ranking it 5.38 on 6-point scale. The survey also looked at faculty, curriculum, instruction, majors, advising, financing, graduating, life after graduation, student characteristics and student involvement.

Select committee meeting times, locations and agenda items follow.

Thursday, July 8

1-2:15 p.m., Educational Planning and Policy, East Committee Room. Act on policies on the University of Minnesota Press, and accessioning and deaccessioning museum collections.

1-2:15 p.m., Facilities, West Committee Room. Act on policies on campus and facility usage, monumental works of art, and sustainability and energy efficiency. Discuss board approval process for capital projects.

2:30-3:45 p.m., Faculty, Staff and Student Affairs, West Committee Room. Discuss staff salary comparisons, recruitment and retention. Discuss the graduating seniors survey on the student experience.

2:30-3:45 p.m., Finance and Operations Committee, East Committee Room. Discuss the implications of the federal budget for higher education. Receive an update on the financial system replacement project.

4-5 p.m. Audit, East Committee Room. Review the internal audit plan.

4-5 p.m. Litigation Review, W.R. Peterson Conference Room. Nonpublic meeting to discuss attorney-client privileged matters.

Friday, July 9

9-10 a.m., Work session, East Committee Room. Discuss principles for the university's relationship with associated organizations.

10:15 a.m.-noon, Board of regents, Boardroom. President's and chair's reports. Committee reports. Introduce Tom Sullivan, senior vice president for academic affairs and provost. Recognize Regents Professors, the chairs of the Civil Service Committee and the Academic Professional and Administrators Committee.

Board agendas can be found at www.umn.edu/regents. □

- What:** National report on American democracy and its inequality
- Where:** www.apsanet.org/inequality
- Who:** Task Force on Inequality and American Democracy, chaired by U of M professor Larry Jacobs
- Contacts:** Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

U OF M PROFESSOR CHAIRS TASK FORCE ON AMERICAN DEMOCRACY; REPORT FINDS INEQUALITY AND ELITISM

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Persistent and rising economic disparities are denying many Americans an effective voice in government, according to a recent report released by the American Political Science Association's Task Force on Inequality and American Democracy. Titled "American Democracy in an Age of Rising Inequality," the report is a result of two years of research and analysis by 15 national political science experts, including Larry Jacobs, task force chair and University of Minnesota professor.

According to the report, efforts to extend voting rights and political influence to minorities and other disadvantaged citizens—through such things as virtual involvement via the Internet—have not been able to overcome the privileges enjoyed by the wealthy. The task force claims affluent constituents enjoy three times more influence on the votes of their senators than those at the bottom of the economic scale. Their greater influence on legislation affecting the minimum wage, civil rights, government spending and abortion threatens previous gains made in these areas, according to the report.

"What we are witnessing now is not only low voter participation among the disenfranchised in this country," said Jacobs, also chair of the Humphrey Institute's 2004 Elections Project, "but a growing sense of powerlessness that is tearing at the heart of democracy itself. When people feel powerless, when the rich get richer and the poor get poorer, we make ourselves vulnerable to the sort of systemwide chaos that we like to believe will never touch us."

The task force based their findings on an analysis of the U.S. economy, voting and other forms of political participation and governmental policy making. Among the task force findings:

- The United States has two classes of citizenship: wealthier Americans that are highly active and effective and those with lower incomes who are less involved.
- Both major political parties target their resources on recruiting those who are already the most privileged and involved, overlooking the majority of Americans.
- The Internet, which offers virtual opportunities for political participation, may be reinforcing existing

inequalities, as it's more accessible to affluent, nonHispanic whites and the highly educated.

- The decline in union membership has reduced the traditional role of blue-collar trade unions in bringing working Americans into the political process.

- The economic disparities among U.S. citizens are growing more sharply here than in other democratic countries, such as Britain, Canada, France, Germany and Italy.

Joining Jacobs on the task force are Benjamin Barber, University of Maryland, Larry Bartels, Princeton University, Michael Dawson, Harvard University, Morris Fiorina, Stanford University, Jacob Hacker, Yale University, Hugh Hecllo, George Mason University, Rodney Hero, University of Notre Dame, Claire Jean Kim, University of California-Irvine, Suzanne Mettler, Syracuse University, Benjamin Page, Northwestern University, Dianne Pinderhughes, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Kay Lehman Schlozman, Boston College, Theda Skocpol, Harvard University, and Sidney Verba, Harvard University.

The Task Force on Inequality and American Democracy was sponsored by the American Political Science Association with support from the Russell Sage Foundation, which funds scholarly research in the social sciences. A copy of the full report is available at www.apsanet.org/inequality. □

What: Training solar car drivers
When: 8 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Saturday, July 10
9 a.m.-11 a.m. Sunday, July 11
Where: Engineering and Fisheries Laboratory, 1995 Fitch Ave., St. Paul
Who: Travis Lee, (651) 270-3890
Contacts: Deane Morrison, University News Service, (612) 624-2346
Patty Mattern, University News Service, (612) 624-2801 (on Friday, July 9)

U OF M TRAINING NEW SOLAR CAR DRIVERS FOR CROSS-COUNTRY DRIVE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota solar car team has been chosen by organizers of the 2005 American Solar Challenge race to test drive the proposed course, which runs from Austin, Texas, north to Winnipeg, Manitoba then to Regina, Saskatchewan, and west to Calgary, Alberta. This weekend (July 10 and 11), the team will train new drivers on the university's St. Paul campus. The training will be based out of the Engineering and Fisheries Laboratory building, 1995 Fitch Ave., St. Paul.

The solar car, Borealis II, finished in second place in the 2003 American Solar Challenge, a cross-country race for solar cars. University of Minnesota solar car teams have competed in 13 races nationally and internationally and have finished first or second in seven.

The team will leave for Austin Thursday, July 15. The trial drive will begin July 18, and stops in two Minnesota towns, Pipestone and Breckenridge, are scheduled for July 21.

"Being chosen to conduct this trial run is a big honor," said the team's faculty adviser, mechanical engineering professor Patrick Starr. □

- What:** Panelists discuss new survey of battleground states of Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Iowa
- When:** 1 – 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 21
- Where:** National Press Club, First Amendment Room, 529 14th St. NW, Washington, D.C.
- Who:** Lawrence R. Jacobs, professor and director, 2004 Elections Project, Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota
Vin Weber, regional chair, Bush-Cheney '04 Plains States
Representative from the Democratic National Committee
- Contacts:** Julie Lund, Humphrey Institute, (612) 624-1190
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

HUMPHREY SURVEY: UPPER MIDWEST A BATTLEGROUND

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute has completed the first survey of the 2004 presidential campaign in the Upper Midwest region, which shows the race to be a statistical toss up between President George W. Bush and Sen. John Kerry in Minnesota and Wisconsin, with Kerry leading in Iowa. After four successive presidential elections in which all three Upper Midwest states voted Democratic, the region is up for grabs in 2004. In a region where third parties have enjoyed pronounced success, Independent Ralph Nader and Libertarian Michael Badnarik pose challenges for both major party candidates. The July 6 announcement of Sen. John Edwards as Kerry's running mate did not provide a durable advantage for the Democrats among registered voters in Minnesota and Wisconsin, though the Democrats did fare better in Iowa.

These are the first set of results from an extensive analysis that will be released July 21 at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C. The analysis will demonstrate that the suburbs are not a monolith, but rather consist of quite distinct political groupings; it also will examine the predilections of swing voters, significant voter misperceptions of candidate positions on Iraq and education reform, disaffection from the two major parties, and other important political and policy attitudes.

The survey was of voting age adults in Minnesota, Wisconsin and Iowa. The analysis focuses on registered voters: 589 in Minnesota, 575 in Wisconsin and 614 in Iowa. It was fielded by the Center for Survey Research and Analysis at the University of Connecticut. The margin of error is +/-4 percentage points. For more survey results, see www.hhh.umn.edu/centers/csp/elections/HumphreySurvey1.pdf. □

What: Flip Saunders, head coach of the Minnesota Timberwolves, to speak at Carlson School First Tuesday luncheon

When: 11:30 a.m.-1p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 3

Where: Radisson Hotel Metrodome, 615 Washington Ave. S., Minneapolis

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FLIP SAUNDERS TO DESCRIBE HOW TO CREATE A WINNING CULTURE AT CARLSON SCHOOL FIRST TUESDAY LUNCHEON

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Flip Saunders, head coach of the Minnesota Timberwolves and a graduate of the Carlson School of Management at the University of Minnesota, will speak at the Carlson School's First Tuesday luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 3, at the Radisson Hotel Metrodome, 615 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis. His talk, "Committing to a Winning Culture," will describe how he has created the loyalty, motivation and chemistry that have allowed him to transform the team into a perennial winner.

After joining the Timberwolves as general manager in May 1995, Saunders was named head coach in December of that same year. Since then, he has led his team to the playoffs in each of his eight full seasons as head coach and finished last season with the best record in franchise history. In 2001, Saunders also coached the U.S. men's basketball team to a gold medal at the Goodwill Games in Brisbane, Australia.

Each month, as many as 500 Carlson School alumni, local business leaders, students and educators attend the First Tuesday series to hear from the leading business voices in today's economy.

Registration is \$23 before July 29 and \$28 afterwards, which includes lunch and parking in the Washington Avenue Ramp, 501 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis. Register by calling (612) 626-9634, visiting www.carlsonschool.umn.edu or by e-mail, firsttuesday@csom.umn.edu. □

Photos of Megan Ann Bartle are available by request at (612) 624-8038

- What:** Apple Valley native performs in 'The Mousetrap' with the U of M Showboat Players
- When:** Performing through Aug. 28
- Where:** Minnesota Centennial Showboat, Harriet Island Regional Park, St. Paul
- Who:** Megan Ann Bartle as Miss Casewell
- Contacts:** Justin Christy, Department of Theatre Arts and Dance, (612) 625-5380
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

APPLE VALLEY NATIVE PERFORMING IN 'THE MOUSETRAP' ON THE MINNESOTA CENTENNIAL SHOWBOAT

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Apple Valley High School graduate Megan Ann Bartle is spooking audiences this summer as Miss Casewell in Agatha Christie's famed murder mystery "The Mousetrap," which is being performed by the University of Minnesota's Showboat Players on the Minnesota Centennial Showboat.

The Showboat Players is comprised solely of University of Minnesota students. Bartle – along with 11 other students – is paid for her work and serves as a performer and ship hand, assisting with all the needs of the Showboat, from cleaning to maintenance. The Players are directed by U of M/Guthrie Theater BFA Actor Training Program Professor Kenneth Mitchell.

Bartle plays Miss Casewell, an intriguing and mysterious woman staying at Longridge Farm, a guesthouse in greater London that serves as the play's central location. As with all the guests at Longridge Farm, Miss Casewell is stranded there by a snowstorm. One of them is murdered, and they soon learn a killer is among them.

As is tradition, the performances also include several original olios, short musical vignettes performed between each act of the play. Bartle joins her castmates in performing these traditional pieces of the show, which give the audience an old-fashioned showboat experience. The Olios are written and directed by U of M professor emeritus Vern Sutton.

The Showboat Players have been a Minnesota tradition for decades. Since 1958, its audiences have included more than 600,000 patrons, from every state and 48 countries. The 220-seat, Victorian-era, jewel box theater is a training ground for University of Minnesota students, with past performers including Minnesota native Loni Anderson.

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Thursdays and Saturdays through Saturday, Aug. 28. For tickets call the Padelford Packet Boat Company at (651) 227-1100 or visit www.showboattheater.com. □

Photos of Sarah Wigley are available by request at (612) 624-8038

What: Lakeville native performs in 'The Mousetrap' with the U of M Showboat Players

When: Performing through Aug. 28

Where: Minnesota Centennial Showboat, Harriet Island Regional Park, St. Paul

Who: Sarah Wigley as an olio performer

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LAKEVILLE NATIVE PERFORMING IN 'THE MOUSETRAP' ON THE MINNESOTA CENTENNIAL SHOWBOAT

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Lakeville High School graduate Sarah Wigley is wooing audiences this summer as a musical performer on the Minnesota Centennial Showboat in St. Paul. Wigley performs as an olio singer throughout the University of Minnesota's Showboat Players performance of "The Mousetrap," Agatha Christie's famed murder mystery.

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Wigley is the lead performer in the various olios performed between acts. A classic and traditional part of 19th century showboat theater, olios are short musical vignettes with song and dance performed between each act of the play. They have been a tradition on the U of M showboat since the Showboat Players began in the late 50s. This season's olios, with titles such as "Little Bo-Peep Lost Her Jeep" and "Minnesota Moon," are original pieces written and directed by U of M professor emeritus Vern Sutton.

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- Where:** Minnesota Centennial Showboat, Harriet Island Regional Park, St. Paul
- Who:** Sarah Wigley as an olio performer
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- What:** U of M professor recognized as **Legendary Member of the Brazilian Society of Agricultural Economics**
- When:** Recognition ceremony **July 25**
- Where:** **City of Cuiaba, in the state of Mato Grosso, Brazil**
- Who:** **Regents Professor G. Edward Schuh**
- Contacts:** **Julie Lund, Humphrey Institute, (612) 624-1190**
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

U OF M REGENTS PROFESSOR TO BE HONORED IN BRAZIL

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The Brazilian Society of Agricultural Economics will honor Regents Professor G. Edward Schuh on July 25 in the city of Cuiaba, in the state of Mato Grosso, Brazil. The international professional society created the Legendary Member of the Society award to recognize lifetime contributions to the profession of agricultural economics. Schuh is the first person to receive this honor.

Schuh is being recognized for his role in developing the profession of agricultural economics in Brazil and for his efforts in developing viable institutions to serve Brazilian society. He participated actively in the consolidation of two of the first graduate programs in agricultural economics in Latin America, first at the Federal University of Vicosa (in the state of Minas Gerais) and later at the University of Sao Paulo's College of Agriculture "Luiz de Queiroz" in the state of Sao Paulo.

The statement in his honor recognizes his contribution in helping to send students to American and European universities for graduate training and for his efforts to put nascent Brazilian agricultural economics programs on a sound financial base, with a modern perspective on economics. Many Brazilian students have studied with Schuh at Purdue University and at the University of Minnesota. Through institutional development and individual mentoring, Schuh influenced an entire generation of students, many of who have occupied important positions in the federal and state governments and who are largely responsible for the modernization of Brazilian agriculture.

Schuh also is recognized for the important role he played in the creation and development of EMBRAPA, the Brazilian Federal Agricultural Research System. In that role, he facilitated the connection of that system with the U.S. government and the U.S. agricultural research system and with international organizations, such as the World Bank, which finance agricultural research. He also helped set priorities within EMBRAPA and advised in the placement of hundreds of young staff members sent abroad for

graduate training. EMBRAPA is widely recognized in the international community as having the strongest agricultural research program in the developing world.

Schuh has joint appointments in the Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, the department of applied economics, and the department of economics. He served as head of the then-department of agricultural and applied economics from 1979 through 1984 and was dean of the Humphrey Institute from 1987 through 1996. In the intervening period, he was the director of agriculture and rural development for the World Bank, located in Washington, D.C. Since 1996, he has served as director of the Orville and Jane Freeman Center for International Economic Policy at the Humphrey Institute. □

Photos of Nicholas Harazin are available by request at (612) 624-8038

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When: Performing through Aug. 28

Where: Minnesota Centennial Showboat, Harriet Island Regional Park, St. Paul

Who: Nicholas Harazin as Christopher Wren

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Harazin plays Christopher Wren, a wild-looking, neurotic man with untidy hair and wears a "woven artistic tie." He is staying at Longridge Farm, a guesthouse in greater London that serves as the play's central location. As with all the guests at Longridge arm, Wren is stranded there by a snowstorm. One of them is murdered, and they soon learn a killer is among them.

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What: Humphrey Institute names new members to advisory council

Who: Karen Anderson, Caren Dewar, Bernadine Joselyn, Tim Marx, Mitch Pearlstein and Steve Rothschild

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Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (624) 624-8038

U OF M HUMPHREY INSTITUTE NAMES NEW MEMBERS TO ADVISORY COUNCIL

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The advisory council of the University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs has named new members. Minnetonka mayor Karen Anderson, Metropolitan Council administrator Caren Dewar, Blandin Foundation executive Bernadine Joselyn, Minnesota Housing Finance commissioner Tim Marx, Center for the American Experiment president Mitch Pearlstein and Twin Cities RISE! Chairman Steve Rothschild will each hold three-year terms on the council--pending approval by the Board of Regents. The advisory council also extended invitations for honorary membership to the Honorable William "Bill" Frenzel and Hubert H. "Buck" Humphrey IV.

"The individuals we are welcoming to the Humphrey Institute advisory council bring breadth, depth and a diversity of views to the council. I look forward to working with these distinguished individuals as we promote the institute and its mission," said advisory council chair Charles M. Denny, Jr.

The Humphrey Institute Advisory Council advises the dean and assists the institute in maintaining strong and productive relationships in the broader community. Members of the council work in various professional fields, including education, public service, business and the media.

More information on each member follows.

- Karen Anderson

Anderson was elected to the Minnetonka City Council in 1985. In 1993 she was elected mayor, becoming the first woman to hold that position in Minnetonka. Anderson has long been active in state and national organizations related to city government, serving as president of the League of Minnesota Cities in 1996. She is a past president of the Association of Metropolitan Municipalities and a past member of the Metropolitan Council's Livable Communities Advisory Committee. Anderson served as president of the National League of Cities (NLC) in 2002. Prior to that she served on the NLC board of directors, was a member of its advisory council, co-chaired the NLC special membership task force in 1998, chaired the organization's leadership training council in 1999, and served as second vice-president in 2000 and first vice president in 2001.

- Caren Dewar

Dewar has been deputy regional administrator of the Metropolitan Council since November 2001. In this capacity, she leads the revision of the regional growth strategy that will guide the metro area's development patterns for decades to come. Dewar previously served as director of the Metropolitan Council's community development division and as a member of the Council for District 6 (Golden Valley, St. Louis Park and southwestern Minneapolis). Dewar has been leading and implementing comprehensive urban planning and development initiatives for 20 years. She founded Dewar and Associates, Inc. in 1996 to focus on public/private ventures that attract significant private sector participation. She previously held positions as vice president of the Ackerberg Group (investment and development); executive director of Seward Redesign, Inc; and associate director of Powderhorn Residents Group.

- Bernadine Joselyn

Joselyn is director of the Blandin Foundation's public policy program. Under her leadership, the foundation currently is implementing two public policy initiatives: Vital Forests/Vital Communities and the Blandin Broadband Initiative: Keeping Rural Communities Competitive. Joselyn joined the Foundation in September 2001. A Minnesota native, Joselyn has a master's degree in international affairs and a certificate in advanced Soviet studies from Columbia University, as well as a master's degree in public policy from the Humphrey Institute. She served for seven years as a diplomat with the United States Department of State, including assignments in New Delhi, India, and Moscow, Russia. She spent nearly a decade living and working in Russia, including serving as director of the Moscow office of the Eurasia Foundation and director of the Moscow office of the International Research and Exchanges Board.

- Tim Marx

Gov. Tim Pawlenty appointed Marx Commissioner of the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency in April 2003. Prior to his appointment, Marx was with the law firm of Briggs and Morgan. Marx began with Briggs and Morgan in 1986 and has extensive experience representing governmental, nonprofit and private clients. In 1993, at the request of Saint Paul Mayor Norm Coleman, he left Briggs and Morgan to serve as Saint Paul city attorney. In 1997, he was named deputy mayor and served in this capacity until rejoining Briggs and Morgan in 1998. He has also served as general counsel to several nonprofit organizations. A graduate of the Humphrey Institute, Marx is active in numerous organizations as board member or task force member, including the Saint Paul Area Chamber of Commerce and its political action committee, the Capital City Partnership, the Citizens League, the Saint Paul Board of Education and the Minnesota Children's Museum. Marx is a frequent author and lecturer at legal and other seminars.

- Mitch Pearlstein

Pearlstein is founding president of Center of the American Experiment, a nonpartisan, public policy and educational institution that brings conservative and free-market ideas to bear on the problems facing Minnesota and the nation. Before returning to the Twin Cities in 1990, Pearlstein served for two-and-a-half years in the U.S. Department of Education during the Reagan and (first) Bush administrations. Pearlstein also spent four years as an editorial writer and columnist for the "St. Paul Pioneer Press," where he focused on foreign and national affairs, was a reporter for the "Sun-Bulletin," (Binghamton, New York); and was a columnist for "CityBusiness" and "Twin Cities Business Monthly." Pearlstein is editor of "American Experiment Quarterly." He also edited "Certain Truths: Essays About Our Families, Children and Culture From American Experiment's First Five Years" (1995); co-edited (with Wade F. Horn and David Blankenhorn) "The Fatherhood Movement: A Call to Action" (1999); co-edited (with Annette Meeks) "Minnesota Policy Blueprint" (1999); and co-authored (with Katherine A. Kersten) "Close to Home" (2000).

- Steve Rothschild

A former top General Mills executive, Rothschild founded Twin Cities RISE!, a work skills preparation program for disadvantaged adults that is a self-financing, for-profit business with a charitable purpose. He served as president until 2002 and is now chairman of the board. RISE! has received the Saint Paul Area Chamber of Commerce Small Business Award of Excellence and the Minneapolis United Way's Excellence Award. In 1981, Rothschild was awarded the "Ordre du Mente Agricole" by the government of France. He also received the Brotherhood Award from the National Conference of Christians and Jews in 1998 and was the recipient of the 2001 David W. Preus Leadership Award. In addition to his involvement with Twin Cities RISE!, Rothschild also serves as vice chairman of the board of trustees of Minnesota Public Radio, a national advisory board member of the Institute on Race and Poverty, and an executive fellow at the University of St. Thomas School of Business, where he previously taught. He was founding chairman of Altcare, a joint venture between the Wilder Foundation and General Mills to stimulate innovation in elder care issues. The initiative won the Harvard University George S. Dively award for corporate public initiatives and a President's citation for private sector initiatives from President Ronald Reagan. □

**To arrange a tent city tour or an interview anytime during the weekend,
call Bill Lindboe at (612) 327-5093.**

What: 12th annual StandDown for homeless and near-homeless veterans
When: 7 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 5, through 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 7
Where: West bank recreation fields, 133 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis
Contacts: Bill Lindboe, Minnesota StandDown, (612) 327-5093
 Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

U OF M REC FIELDS TO BE TENT CITY FOR VETERANS AT 12TH ANNUAL STANDDOWN

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Minnesota soldiers are deployed around the world but for three days in August many of them will help their less fortunate colleagues at the 12th annual "Minnesota StandDown: Operation Proud Veteran." An event designed to serve homeless and near-homeless veterans, Minnesota StandDown helps these former soldiers get their lives back on track.

The event is hosted by the University of Minnesota and organized by Minnesota StandDown, a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping veterans and their families deal with daily struggles and find happy, fulfilling lives. It will run from 7 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 5 to 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, turning the university's west bank recreation fields (133 19th Ave. S.) into a tent city where veterans can sleep in a bed, eat hot meals and receive free services ranging from medical treatment to financial counseling. Minnesota Guard reservists will begin setting up the tent city at 7 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 4.

Though Minnesota StandDown works with veterans throughout the year, the annual weekend at the university is where the group reaches the most people, according to Bill Lindboe, president of the organization. Since the first StandDown in 1992, more than 9,000 veterans have been helped.

"This is an opportunity for these people who have given so much to their country to see what types of services are available to them, find camaraderie and begin to get their lives back on track," said Lindboe.

Hundreds of volunteers will work at the event to provide services such as medical, dental, eye and psychological exams and treatments; job training; legal aid; federal and state tax counseling; social security eligibility information; substance abuse counseling; and food and shelter.

In times of war, a standdown refers to an opportunity for exhausted combat units to get time to rest and recover in a place of relative security and safety. Lindboe invites all Minnesota veterans who need help to visit the tent city or call (612) 327-5093. □

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- When:** 3 p.m. Friday, Aug. 13
- Where:** Eastcliff, 176 N. Mississippi Blvd., Minneapolis
- Who:** Yvonne Cheung Ho
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- What:** U of M President Robert Bruininks will be a keynote speaker at 2004 Minnesota Rural Summit
- When:** 9 a.m. Friday, Aug. 20
- Where:** Hibbing Community College Theatre, 1515 E. 25th St., Hibbing
- Contacts:** Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

U OF M PRESIDENT TO ADDRESS EDUCATION AND THE ECONOMY AT ANNUAL RURAL SUMMIT

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--University of Minnesota President Robert Bruininks will be a keynote speaker at the 2004 Minnesota Rural Summit. His address will focus on rural economic development and the need for partnerships between educational institutions and greater Minnesota. Bruininks will speak at 9 a.m. Friday, Aug. 20, in the Hibbing Community College Theatre, 1515 E. 25th St.

"As Minnesota's only land grant and research institution, the University of Minnesota has historically been a leader in creating knowledge that contributes to Minnesota's enviable quality of life," Bruininks said. "We want to continue that partnership in today's changing, global economy, where success relies increasingly on intellectual and human capital."

Bruininks' address will follow one by Robert Atkinson, vice president of the Progressive Policy Institute and director of its Technology and New Economy Project. Following their speeches, they will be joined by Iron Range Resources Commissioner Sandy Laymen, Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Senior Vice President Linda Baer and Blandin President Jim Hollihan for a panel discussion on the issues.

The theme of the seventh annual Rural Summit is "Gearing Up for the Innovation Economy." Speakers and workshops at the two-day event will highlight current opportunities for rural communities to leverage existing talent and energy to fuel economic growth and renew cultural vitality.

The summit brings together community leaders, citizens, developers and people from a variety of industries who are committed to economic growth in rural Minnesota. Sessions will provide ideas, contacts, and real-life examples of successful rural economic development models and projects. Session topics include entrepreneurship, finance, health care, workforce, broadband, housing, community design, transportation, youth and vital aging, agriculture and natural resources, arts and culture, and education.

Registration for the summit, being held Aug. 18-Aug. 20, is \$300. More information is available at www.minnesotaruralpartners.org/2004_summit or by calling Jane Leonard at (651) 645-9403 or Kelly

Peterson at (507) 278-4024.

The Summit is co-hosted and sponsored by organizations across Minnesota, including the Northeast Entrepreneur Fund, True North, the Northeast Higher Education District, TechNorth Prep Center, Hibbing Community College and Iron Range Resources. Major sponsors include the Blandin Foundation, Minnesota Power, the Rural Policy Research Institute, the Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines, the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities System, and the University of Minnesota. Minnesota Rural Partners is coordinating the event. □

President Bruininks will have media availability from 11 to 11:45 a.m. To arrange an interview, contact Jamie Proulx at (612) 624-8038.

What: U of M President Robert Bruininks in Hibbing and Chisholm

When: Various times, Friday, Aug. 20

Where: **Rural Summit: Hibbing Community College Theatre, 1515 E. 25th St., Hibbing**
Luncheon: Fairview University Medical Center-Mesabi, Multi-Purpose Rooms, 750 E. 34th St., Hibbing
Ice cream social: Valentini's Supper Club, 31 W. Lake St., Chisholm

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U OF M PRESIDENT TO VISIT HIBBING AREA

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--University of Minnesota President Robert Bruininks will spend Friday, Aug. 20, in the Hibbing area, talking about the value and importance of partnerships between the university and greater Minnesota communities. He'll give the state keynote address and participate in a panel discussion on the economy at the Rural Summit. At a luncheon at the Fairview-University Medical Center-Mesabi, he will meet with the region's health care leaders to discuss issues such as attracting health care professionals to rural areas. And in the afternoon he'll host an ice cream social for newly admitted university students from the Hibbing-Iron Range area.

"As Minnesota's only land grant and research institution, the university has historically been a leader in creating knowledge that contributes to the needs of greater Minnesota," Bruininks said. "Regional partnerships that leverage the university's expertise and research remain a priority for us today. For example, we recently created a Northeast Minnesota Area Health Education Center, which is dedicated to sustaining and strengthening the region's health care workforce."

Bruininks' schedule for the day is as follows:

- 9 a.m. State keynote address at the Rural Summit, with Q&A following. Hibbing Community College Theatre, 1515 E. 25th St., Hibbing.
- 10:15 a.m. Panel discussion at the Rural Summit (same location) with Sandy Lehman, Iron Range Resources Commissioner; Joe Sertich, president of the Northeast Minnesota Higher Education District; Linda Baer, senior vice president, Minnesota State Colleges and Universities; Jim Hoolihan, president, Blandin Foundation; Robert Atkinson of the Progressive Policy Institute; and facilitator Donna Rae Scheffert from the U of M Extension Service.

- Noon. Health Care Leadership Luncheon, Fairview University Medical Center-Mesabi, Multi-Purpose Rooms, 750 E. 34th St., Hibbing. David Page, president and chief executive officer of Fairview Health Services, and Frank Cerra, university senior vice president for health sciences, will also attend.

- 1:30 p.m. Ice cream social for incoming students and parents hosted by Bruininks and the University of Minnesota Alumni Association. Valentini's Supper Club, 31 W. Lake St., Chisholm. □

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- What:** **Media preview and ribbon cutting:
New State Fair exhibit promotes U of M stadium effort**
- When:** **4 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 25**
- Where:** **U of M Building, State Fairgrounds, Dan Patch Ave. and Underwood St.**
- Who:** **Glen Mason, football coach
Joel Maturi, athletics director
Andrea Hjelm, president, Alumni Association
Goldy Gopher**
- Contacts:** **Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038
Mike Lockrem, Athletics Communications, (612) 624-7345**

U OF M STADIUM PUSH CONTINUES AT THE FAIR

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota is continuing its effort to bring Gopher football back to campus with a new exhibit at the Minnesota State Fair.

The Stadium Experience, located in the university's building on Dan Patch Ave. and Underwood St., is a mini-collegiate stadium complete with bleachers for watching sports reels, displays of Gopher memorabilia and a new video highlighting the benefits of bringing Gopher football back to campus. Visitors will receive a free pennant (distributed daily at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m.) and have the opportunity to sign up to demonstrate their support for a new campus stadium.

Coach Glen Mason, Athletics Director Joel Maturi, Alumni Association President Andrea Hjelm and Goldy Gopher will participate in a ribbon cutting to unveil the new stadium exhibit to the media at 4 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 25. During the Fair (Aug. 26-Sept. 6), the university's building is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

"Bringing Gopher football back to campus represents an incredible opportunity to reenergize campus life, attract significant private support and foster pride among all Minnesotans," said Maturi. "This exhibit is one way we are reaching out to citizens around the state to build support for this important project."

Last legislative session, the university advanced a plan to construct a 50,000-seat facility northeast of Mariucci and Williams arenas. While the university's effort received a favorable response in legislative committees, no stadium legislation passed. The university's lease in the Metrodome expires at the end of

the 2011 football season and, given the long timeline needed for large construction projects, the university must be planning for its future needs now.

In addition to the new stadium exhibit and video, the university has been educating students, fans, alumni, business and community leaders and the broader public about its stadium options. A Web site for the effort has been launched at www.umn.edu/stadium, and the university has collected names of thousands of supporters.

“An on-campus stadium is the best option for our football program, for students, for fans and for the state of Minnesota,” said Mason. “The Gophers have played football in Minnesota for 120 years and we will continue to play here. Now is the time for bringing Gopher football back to campus.” □

What: Symposium for crime lab directors
When: Monday, Aug. 30-Thursday, Sept. 2
Where: Carlson School of Management, 321 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis
Who: Brian Muirhead, keynote speaker
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NATION'S CRIME LAB DIRECTORS GATHER FOR BUSINESS WORKSHOPS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The project manager for the Mars Pathfinder Mission, Brian Muirhead, will speak before 275 crime lab directors and managers at the 32nd annual Crime Laboratory Development Symposium, "Improving Crime Laboratory Efficiency," Aug. 30-Sept. 2, at the Carlson School of Management at the University of Minnesota.

A national leadership expert, Muirhead speaks 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 31, at the Radisson Plaza Hotel, 35 S. 7th St., Minneapolis. He will share his strategy on building a high performance team and being a leader and supporter of innovation to foster creative solutions.

Crime lab directors and managers from around the nation regularly partner with the university's Carlson School of Management faculty to work on ways to increase the efficiency of their team and organization.

At this year's three-day symposium, state, county and local crime lab managers will attend seminars, workshops and panels focusing on three areas of efficiency: self, team and system. Sessions will include such topics as conflict management, emotional competency, process improvement, high performance coaching, and planning and processing improvement.

After a competition with other schools, the Carlson School Executive Development Center was selected for the second year to host the conference. For more information on the Carlson School Executive Development Center, see www.carlsonschool.umn.edu/edu. □

What: Psychological study of U.S. presidents and personality traits

Who: Deniz Ones, U of M psychology professor and contributor; Steve Rubenzer, clinical and forensic psychologist and co-author

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PERSONALITY, LEADERSHIP AND PRESIDENTIAL JOB PERFORMANCE: PSYCHOLOGISTS ASSESS THE PRESIDENTS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--A new book, which includes research from University of Minnesota professor Deniz Ones, gives the results of the most in depth psychological study of U.S. Presidents. In "Personality and Leadership in the White House: Psychologists Assess the Presidents" (Brassey's), psychologists and co-authors Steve Rubenzer and Tom Faschingbauer work with Ones to analyze American presidents from George Washington to George W. Bush, then score them on key traits such as straightforwardness and competence, and work to show the correlation of personality to a president's performance. In addition, they profile 21 presidents in detail, including all post-World War II leaders.

In the book, Ones, an international expert in personality measurement in job selection, identifies nine qualities that consistently helped determine presidential success: high rated intelligence, high achievement orientation, high assertiveness, high optimism and enthusiasm, high activity level, high tender mindedness (empathy for others), low straight forwardness and low vulnerability. These traits were predictive of both job performance in the White House and historical greatness. Based on these traits, Teddy Roosevelt would be considered the most successful president having scored highest on their index of success factors.

The researchers concluded that those same traits that make good presidents also tend to make successful CEOs, with two exceptions: straightforwardness and tender-mindedness. Where a straightforward personality is key for a CEO, it's not as important for a president. In fact, they even suggest a president's ability to lie and deceive is important for success in the White House. Not surprisingly, tender-mindedness is key for a president but not as important for a CEO. Researchers suggest it may be that the president's job duties require a softer touch more so than other executive roles because of the diversity of the constituency and the scale of the stage.

Other analysis found there has been a distinct personality shift from the early presidents to our

modern day leaders. For example, they find presidents today more extroverted, less intellectually curious and lower in character. Jimmy Carter is the only modern president to resemble early leaders like Thomas Jefferson, James Madison and Abraham Lincoln. Franklin Roosevelt appears to be the template for today's leaders with researchers rating him similarly to John F. Kennedy, Bill Clinton and Ronald Reagan.

For more information on "Personality and Leadership in the White House: Psychologists Assess the Presidents," visit Brassey's Inc. online at www.brasseysinc.com. □

- What:** New Memorial Stadium and U of M mascots exhibits at the Curt and Arleen Carlson Heritage Gallery
- When:** Opens Monday, Sept. 13
Weekdays 7 a.m.-8 p.m.; Saturdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Where:** Heritage Gallery, McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis
- Contacts:** Sue Diekman, University of Minnesota Alumni Association, (612) 626-4854, diekm003@umn.edu
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038, proul011@umn.edu

U OF M MEMORIAL STADIUM EXHIBIT TO OPEN AT ALUMNI CENTER

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--It's been 23 years since football was played in Memorial Stadium, but alumni and friends of the university still remember those crisp, cool fall days when Gopher football was played outdoors and on campus. The Curt and Arleen Carlson Heritage Gallery at the University of Minnesota McNamara Alumni Center plans to capture some of those memories in a new Memorial Stadium exhibit that will open Monday, Sept. 13. Exhibit hours are weekdays from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"With momentum for a new on-campus stadium growing, the time seemed right to develop an exhibit of Memorial Stadium," said Steve Boyd-Smith, Heritage Gallery curator. "Historical exhibits remind us of our shared past and inspire us to dream new dreams and rally around new goals."

Visitors to the Heritage Gallery will first pass through the reconstructed Memorial Stadium arch. BKBM Professional Engineers, the firm that oversaw the stadium's demolition, reconstructed the original bricks from the stadium in the McNamara Alumni Center when it was built in 1999.

"It was important to the partners who built the McNamara Alumni Center that we included the Heritage Gallery in our plans, because we all felt that the university needed a singular place to showcase its memories, traditions, legends and heroes," said Margaret Sughrue Carlson, University of Minnesota Alumni Association executive director. "And for many alumni, their dearest memories from their college years center around the pride, spirit and community that were so much a part of Memorial Stadium."

Inside the Heritage Gallery, the stadium exhibit uses photos, quotes, and memorabilia to take visitors through the three chapters of the stadium's life: the campaign and construction in the 1920s, a place of community gathering until 1981, and its demolition in 1992.

The first chapter begins May 14, 1921, when the alumni association proposed the idea of building a stadium. With the financial support of 8,525 alumni, students, faculty and friends of the university, that idea was transformed into the "Brick House," which was dedicated on Nov. 15, 1924 in honor of the Minnesotans who died in World War I.

The exhibit doesn't focus on football as much as it covers the broader life of the stadium. "Stadiums are first and foremost about community and celebrating great traditions," said Boyd-Smith. "We wanted to capture in words, photos and memorabilia the total collegiate experience, from marching bands, to bonfires, to tailgating parties, to the wearing of mums on game day."

While the third chapter of the stadium history covers its demolition in 1992---68 years after it was built---Boyd-Smith is quick to add that he included an epilogue for the new stadium initiative.

"We're especially excited about that epilogue," said Carlson. "The University of Minnesota Alumni Association was the first organization to take a stand to bring Gopher football back to campus and the first to give \$1 million. The alumni association is ready to once again help bring Gopher football back to campus."

In addition to the Memorial Stadium exhibit, the gallery has several permanent exhibits, including a historical timeline; a wall of books written by university alumni, faculty, staff and students; kiosks profiling famous people from the university's past; and a new exhibit on the mascots of the four University of Minnesota campuses.

The Heritage Gallery is owned and managed by the University Gateway Corp., a private partnership comprising the University of Minnesota Alumni Association, University of Minnesota Foundation and University of Minnesota Medical Foundation. The University Gateway Corp. built the McNamara Alumni Center in 1999 with private funds.□

- What:** U of M Showboat Players to perform in Garrison Keillor's "A Prairie Home Companion" live from the Minnesota State Fair Grandstand
- When:** 4:45 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 4
- Where:** Minnesota State Fair Grandstand, airing live on Minnesota Public Radio
- Who:** University of Minnesota students
- Contacts:** Justin Christy, department of theatre arts and dance, (612) 625-5380
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

U OF M SHOWBOAT PLAYERS BRING THEIR LITTLE "MINNESOTA OLIO" TO ONE OF THE BIGGEST STAGES IN THE STATE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Fresh off of their sold-out summer season aboard the Minnesota Centennial Showboat, the University of Minnesota Showboat Players have been invited by Garrison Keillor to perform the crowd favorite "Minnesota Olio" during "A Prairie Home Companion" on Saturday, Sept. 4, live from the Minnesota State Fair.

Performed before a large audience and broadcast live on Minnesota Public Radio, the opportunity to appear on "A Prairie Home Companion" is being called a landmark experience by these University of Minnesota actors.

"Going from being a theatre student to working directly with Garrison Keillor is a big honor," said Showboat Player and recent theatre graduate Emily Hansen. "This exposure will help me to be better recognized in the acting community."

Hansen is part of the quartet of U of M Showboat Players invited by Keillor to perform. The rest of the quartet includes recent U of M/Guthrie Theater BFA Actor Program graduates Jack Matheson and Ryan West, and music major Sarah Wigley. The full, 12-member company of Showboat Players recently concluded its three-month season of Agatha Christie's "The Mousetrap" aboard the Minnesota Centennial Showboat.

Written and directed by Vern Sutton, the "Minnesota Olio" is one of several short musical vignettes performed between acts of the Showboat Players performances each year. Sutton is a frequent contributor to "A Prairie Home Companion" and long-time friend of Keillor.

Tickets to "A Prairie Home Companion" at the Fair are available through Ticketmaster. Call (651) 989-5151 or visit www.ticketmaster.com.

The Showboat Players and the Minnesota Centennial Showboat have been Minnesota traditions for

decades. Since 1958, more than 600,000 patrons have sat in the Showboat's audience, from every state and from 48 countries. The 220-seat Victorian-era, jewel box theater is a training ground for University of Minnesota students, with past Players including Minnesota native Loni Anderson. □

- What:** **Announcement of research partnership between U of M and Minnesota State Fair**
- When:** **11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 3**
- Where:** **U of M stage, Dan Patch Avenue and Underwood Street**
- Who:** **Jerry Hammer, executive director, Minnesota State Fair; Tom Fisher, dean, College of Architecture and Landscape Architecture**
- Contacts:** **Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038**
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STATE FAIR AND UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA TO ANNOUNCE PARTNERSHIP

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The Minnesota State Fair and the University of Minnesota will announce a working relationship in which the State Fairgrounds will serve as a laboratory for faculty and students to improve the fairgrounds and investigate new building and landscape technology. Jerry Hammer, executive director of the Minnesota State Fair, and Tom Fisher, dean of the College of Architecture and Landscape Architecture (CALA), will announce the partnership at 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 3, on the U of M stage at Dan Patch and Underwood. The projects undertaken over the coming years will help create a more energy efficient and sustainable state fair.

The first initiative will involve an environmental and facilities assessment of the State Fairgrounds, building upon the recently completed Minnesota State Fair Master Plan. This assessment will identify opportunities for faculty and student work related to the priorities of the State Fair. Subsequent projects will showcase sustainable landscape improvements, horticultural developments, new building technology and transportation innovations all being developed through research at the university.

The Minnesota State Fairgrounds encompasses 340 acres of historic buildings, open space and infrastructure, able to accommodate nearly two million people at the annual Great Minnesota Get-Together, as well as another one million people at year-round, non-fair events. As the State Fair's neighbor and the state's only public research university, the University of Minnesota, is in a unique position to assist with the fairground's needs and provide educational opportunities for its students.

CALA will initially lead the U's efforts, but other university departments and centers will join them as work progresses. Perkins & Will's Douglas Pierce, a leading expert in sustainable design in Minnesota, and McGough Construction, the long-time contractor involved in State Fair projects, will both serve in advisory roles. □

What: Research partnership between U of M and Minnesota State Fair

When: 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 3

Where: U of M Stage, Dan Patch Avenue and Underwood Street

Who: Jerry Hammer, executive director, Minnesota State Fair; Tom Fisher, dean, College of Architecture and Landscape Architecture

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STATE FAIR AND UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA WILL ANNOUNCE PARTNERSHIP

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The Minnesota State Fairgrounds represent one of the state's greatest assets, encompassing 340 acres of historic buildings, open space and infrastructure, able to accommodate nearly two million people at the annual Great Minnesota Get-Together, as well as another one million people at year-round, non-fair events. The University of Minnesota represents one of the other great assets of the state. A neighbor of the State Fair, the University of Minnesota is ranked the third largest public research university in the country. It is Minnesota's only land-grant and research university, with a strong tradition of education and public service.

This partnership was initiated through the work of entrepreneur, Rudy Perpich, Jr., son of the former

governor, who saw the mutual benefits of the State Fair and the university working together. Fisher then worked with Hammer to develop this working relationship. CALA will initially lead the U on this effort, with other university departments and centers joining them as work progresses. Perkins & Will's Douglas Pierce, one of the leading experts in sustainable design in Minnesota, will serve in an advisory role, as will McGough Construction, the long-time contractor involved in State Fair projects. □

What: U of M Regents monthly meetings
When: Thursday, Sept. 9, and Friday, Sept. 10
Where: 600 McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis
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U OF M STUDENTS MORE ACADEMICALLY PREPARED, DIVERSE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota board of regents will hold its monthly meetings Thursday, Sept. 9, and Friday, Sept. 10, in Suite 600, McNamara Alumni Center, on the Twin Cities campus.

In committee, the board will hear a report on changing student characteristics on the Twin Cities campus. Over the past two decades, the academic preparedness of the student body has increased, as measured by ACT scores and average high school rank. Specifically, since 1990, the average high school rank of entering freshmen on the Twin Cities campus has increased from nearly the 71st percentile to nearly the 80th percentile, and over 70 percent are in the top quartile. Over the past decade, applications to the Twin Cities campus have increased by 61 percent, while the number of high school graduates has only grown 26 percent, indicating that the university is an increasingly attractive choice for top-ranked students.

Student demographics are also changing. Mirroring national trends, more female students are attending the university. This fall, it is expected that 56 percent of entering freshmen will be female, compared to 49 percent in 1994. The board will discuss the implications of these changes.

The faculty, staff and student affairs committee will also hear a presentation on the Office of Service and Continuous Improvement, one of President Robert Bruininks' highest priorities. The office, established in June, will help transform the university financially, culturally and operationally. To guide the work, an advisory committee that includes external business leaders has been formed, and faculty and staff across the university are being engaged.

The board will hold a work session on the university's strategic planning process and discuss issues related to the university's mission, vision, values, goals and culture.

At the board meeting on Friday, Vice President for University Relations Sandra Gardebring will be recognized for her service to the university. Also, during the chair's report, the board will act on Bruininks' employment contract.

Select committee meeting times, locations and agenda items follow.

Thursday, Sept. 9

8:30-9:45 a.m. Audit, East Committee Room. Internal audit update and analysis of internal audit results.

10-11:30 a.m. Educational Planning and Policy, East Committee Room. Review regents policy on human subject research. Discuss the process for approving and reviewing academic programs.

10-11:45 a.m. Facilities, West Committee Room. Review board policy on eminent domain. Review and act on a capital budget amendment to repair damage caused by a fire last spring in Smith Hall. Receive the semiannual report on capital improvements.

1:30-2:45 p.m. Work Session, East Committee Room. Discuss the university's strategic planning process.

3-4:30 p.m. Faculty, Staff and student Affairs Committee, West Committee Room. Discuss changing student demographics and profiles. Receive an update on the Office of Service and Continuous Improvement.

3-4:30 p.m. Finance and Operations, East Committee Room. Review regents policy on business enterprises at the university. Discuss the annual asset management report.

Friday, Sept. 10

9-11 a.m. Board of regents, Boardroom. Recognize Sandra Gardebring. President's and chair's reports. Report of the faculty consultative committee. Review board policies on policy development and contracts and agreements.

Board agendas can be found at www.umn.edu/regents. □

- What:** Volunteer awards reception and ceremony
- When:** 6-8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10
- Where:** McNamara Alumni Center, Memorial Hall, 200 Oak St., S.E.,
Minneapolis
- Who:** Deb Hopp, recipient of Alumni Service Award
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U OF M ALUMNI ASSOCIATION TO HONOR ITS VOLUNTEERS AT ANNUAL CEREMONY

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota Alumni Association (UMAA) will host the 22nd annual Volunteer Awards Reception and Ceremony from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10, at the McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis. The program honors the many alumni, faculty, staff and student volunteers for their outstanding service to the alumni association.

This year, the UMAA will recognize its former president when it gives Deb Hopp the Alumni Service Award, one of its most prestigious awards. A 1975 graduate of the university, Hopp also served as the UMAA vice president in 1999 and 2000, president-elect in 2001 and president in 2002. Her work in publishing and communications benefited the UMAA's marketing materials and membership campaign during her tenure bringing membership to a record high of 58,000 members. She currently is vice president for publishing and publisher of Mpls/St. Paul Magazine at MSP Communications.

Other categories will include the Spirit Award, recognizing efforts made to build pride and spirit on and off campus, the Student Volunteer Award, and the Rising Star Award, given to volunteers who are U graduates from the past 10 years. Those interested in attending the event can register online at www.alumni.umn.edu.

The UMAA was founded in 1904 by alumni and faculty members. Now celebrating its 100th anniversary, the group remains dedicated to a mission of building pride, spirit and community among alumni, also serving as an advocate for academic excellence at the University of Minnesota. Through its outreach efforts, the UMAA strives to build lifelong connections with former students, helping ensure alumni success translates to continued growth and improvement for the university. □

What: U of M's President receives contract extension

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U OF M REGENTS APPROVE NEW CONTRACT FOR PRESIDENT

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota board of regents has approved a new four-year contract for University of Minnesota President Robert Bruininks. The contract, which includes a 2.5 percent raise and an enhanced deferred compensation plan, runs through June 30, 2008.

"President Bruininks has provided outstanding leadership to the university and this contract reflects both the board's confidence in him and our desire to ensure the institution has stable leadership," said David Metzen, chair. "Bob has successfully managed historic state budget reductions, while maintaining a clear focus on the university's core mission and academic quality."

Bruininks' new contract extends his term three years over the previous contract, which would have expired in June 2005. The 2.5 percent salary increase is the same as that budgeted for faculty and staff compensation increases, and brings Bruininks' base salary to \$348,500.

The contract includes \$200,000 over four years in new contributions to the president's deferred compensation plan. As an incentive to stay at the university, \$200,000 of the total deferred compensation plan is contingent upon serving the duration of the contract.

The terms of the new contract place the university in the middle of the Big Ten with regard to presidential compensation. "This is a fair, market-competitive package," said Metzen.

In his annual performance review in July, the board was positive, focusing on Bruininks' financial management and his effort to implement strategic academic priorities.

In other business, the board heard a report on the increasing quality of the freshman class, as measured by class rank and ACT scores.

Board members also heard that university project costs have gone up \$7.2 million since the legislature failed to pass a bonding bill in the 2004 session. The university had requested \$185 million for critical facilities projects, which are on hold until state funding is secured.

In a work session of the full board, Senior Vice President and Provost Tom Sullivan described a strategic planning process underway to chart the given the reality of declining public support.

In his report to the board, Bruininks announced that October will be Scholarship Month, a time during which the university will focus on the need to raise private scholarship funds. Earlier this year, the university announced its most ambitious scholarship fundraising effort ever, The U of M Scholarship Drive: Promise of Tomorrow. The goal of the effort is to increase by 50 percent the number of students

receiving scholarships, which will require raising \$150 million in new private scholarship support.

Results of the first year of scholarship fund raising will be announced at the beginning of October. During the month, there will be banners on campus and other communications activities to raise public awareness of the critical need for scholarship funding.

The next board of regents meetings will be held Oct. 7-8 on the University of Minnesota, Duluth campus. For agendas or other information, go to www.umn.edu/regents. □

What: Recipients of first U of M disability scholarships
Who: U freshmen Rachel Garaghty, Jenna Aaland and Casey Martin
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MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL (9/16/04)-- When Rachel Garaghty was a student at Park High School in Cottage Grove, Minn., she was instrumental in developing a Wheelchair Etiquette chapter taught in home economics classes throughout her school district, an effort that resulted in a district-wide Disability Awareness movement. For her outstanding academic achievements and community involvement, Garaghty is one of three first-year students at the University of Minnesota to become the first recipients of the Robert and Gail Buuck Scholarship for Disability Services.

Garaghty is an active volunteer at the Minnesota Historical Society where, she promotes Minnesota authors by reading their books to children. She also has received the outstanding senior in French award from the American Association of Teachers of French and was selected for the Northern Stars Leadership Conference at the University of Minnesota. She plans to major in global studies and minor in journalism.

The other two Buucks Scholarship recipients are:

Casey Martin, a graduate of Valley City High School in Valley City, N.D., who intends to pursue a degree in international relations and mass communication and also compete in college speech competitions. His long-range goal is to enter graduate school and continue study in economics and international business.

Jenna Aaland, a graduate of Oak Grove Lutheran School in Fargo, N.D., who plans to major in biomedical engineering and continue on to medical school. Her long-term goal is to work in the field of genetic research.

After learning in an article last November that the University of Minnesota did not have any scholarships for students with disabilities, Robert and Gail Buucks donated \$100,000 to the university's Disability Services Office to establish an endowment scholarship fund. The purpose of the Buuck Family Fund is to provide access to higher education, opportunities for enhancing or supporting learning, and support for guidance or training in the development of self-advocacy and leadership for students with disabilities at the University of Minnesota.

- What:** **Allan Spear Lecture in Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender (GLBT) Public Policy**
- When:** **Documentary at 4 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23; lecture at 7 p.m.**
- Where:** **Room 125 Willey Hall, 225 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis**
- Who:** **Dean Spade**
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TRANSGENDER ACTIVIST TO SHOW DOCUMENTARY AND DELIVER LECTURE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Transgender activist, attorney and founder of the Sylvia Rivera Law Project Dean Spade will deliver "Fighting to Win: Shaping a Multi-Issue Transgender Social Justice Agenda" at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, in Room 125 Willey Hall, 225 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis.

Spade is the speaker in the Schochet Center for GLBT Studies' 2004 Allan Spear Lecture in Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender (GLBT) Public Policy at the University of Minnesota.

At 4 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, there will be a showing of Spade's documentary film "Toilet Training" in Room 125 Willey Hall. Spade produced and directed the film, which addresses the persistent discrimination, harassment and violence that people who transgress gender norms face in gender-segregated bathrooms. Using the stories of people who have been harassed, arrested or beaten for trying to use bathrooms, "Toilet Training" focuses on bathroom access in public space, in schools and at work. A Q & A session with Spade will follow the film. Both programs are free and open to the public.

Spade was raised in rural Virginia by a mother struggling to get by on low-paying jobs and welfare. After her death, foster parents cared for him. His own struggles with poverty, the public benefits systems, and gender identity discrimination inspired him to start a project committed to sexual and gender self-determination for all people. He is founder of the Sylvia Rivera Law Project, which provides free legal services to low-income transgender, intersex and gender-variant people. He is involved in policy planning and litigation surrounding issues that affect transgender people. He also works to make the GLBT movement accountable to low-income communities and transgender communities who traditionally have been excluded from the movement's agenda.

Established in 2000, the Allan Spear Lecture in Public Policy is one of two GLBT studies lectures that honor two groundbreaking GLBT University of Minnesota faculty members and distinguished Minnesota citizens; the second honors English professor emeritus Toni McNaron and focuses on arts

and culture.

As the first and longest-serving openly gay male legislator in the nation, Sen. Allan Spear served the state of Minnesota for more than a quarter century, both in the Minnesota Senate and as a faculty member of the history department at the University of Minnesota.

For more information, contact the GLBT Programs Office at (612) 625-0537 or by e-mail at glbt@umn.edu. Directions to Willey Hall and parking information are available at <http://onestop.umn.edu/Maps/WillevH/index.html>. □

A photo of Sue Banovetz is available by request.

What: Mayor Sue Banovetz named media relations director for College of Liberal Arts

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VADNAIS HEIGHTS MAYOR NAMED MEDIA DIRECTOR FOR U OF M'S COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The College of Liberal Arts (CLA) at the University of Minnesota has named Sue Banovetz director of media and public relations. Banovetz will coordinate external media outreach efforts for CLA, the largest college at the university.

Banovetz, a CLA graduate, comes to the university with more than 20 years of experience in communications. Prior to joining the university, Banovetz held numerous positions in both public relations and elected office. She is currently in her fourth term as mayor of Vadnais Heights. Banovetz also served on the Vadnais Heights City Council and the Duluth School Board.

"We are thrilled Sue has joined our team and we're looking forward to her leadership as we move forward with a new school year," said Steven Rosenstone, dean of the College of Liberal Arts. "It is important we continue to share with Minnesota the valuable contributions that our students and faculty make to our state, and Sue will lead our efforts in telling those stories."

Her career in communications also includes time spent at non-profit and educational organizations. From 1997 to 2001, Banovetz was director of public relations and marketing for the American Red Cross of the St. Paul Area. She led the public affairs division through several disasters, including the 1997 North Dakota and Minnesota floods and the 1998 tornados in St. Peter. Prior to her Red Cross service, Banovetz was director of public relations and marketing for Century College, a community and technical college in White Bear Lake, where she led its creation through the consolidation of Lakewood Community College and Northeast Metro Technical College.

"I'm very excited about joining the college. A liberal arts education is very valuable, and I'm grateful for the opportunities CLA gave to me when I was a student," Banovetz said. "Now, I welcome this opportunity to help advance the mission of CLA and to be a part of this great Minnesota tradition."

As the largest college at the University of Minnesota, CLA boasts nearly 17,000 undergraduate and graduate students in the arts, sciences, social sciences and humanities, and they are responsible for 20 percent of the university's faculty. The college offers degrees in 69 undergraduate majors with many programs ranked nationally. □

- What:** U of M to honor Alan Page scholars
When: 4 to 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 4
Where: Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. S.E. Minneapolis
Who: Alan Page, 250 U of M Page Scholars and their families
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U OF M TO HOST AWARD CEREMONY FOR PAGE SCHOLARS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota and the Page Education Foundation will honor 250 Page Scholarship winners at a ceremony from 4 to 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 4 in the Mississippi Room of Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. S.E. Minneapolis

The Page Foundation, established in 1988 by Hall of Fame Minnesota Viking, former university regent and current Minnesota Supreme Court Justice Alan Page, provides scholarships for young students of color to pursue post-secondary education. In turn, Page scholars commit to serving their communities by volunteering as tutors, mentors and role models to younger students.

"Education is important," Page said. "Our primary role is to encourage Minnesota's youth of color to continue education beyond high school. These college students send the message to young ones that education is important, at a time when they are still impressionable, before they make the decision about which path they will take in life."

Since 1988, more than 3,965 scholarships have been granted to 1,885 individual students. Page Scholars have studied at 76 different post-secondary schools across Minnesota and have volunteered 125,000 hours of service in over 345 community organizations.

Page will welcome this year's scholarship recipients and their families, and University of Minnesota students will speak about their experiences as Page scholars. □

- What:** Ralph Rapson 90th birthday party, lecture by Moshe Safdie, and Rapson years alumni celebration
- When:** Friday, Oct. 1; Lecture at 7 p.m., birthday party at 8:30 p.m.
- Where:** Ralph Rapson Hall, 89 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis
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COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE WILL HOST 90TH BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR RALPH RAPSON

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's College of Architecture and Landscape Architecture (CALA) will host a 90th birthday party for Ralph Rapson at 8:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 1. The event follows a lecture by Moshe Safdie, of Moshe Safdie and Associates, and kicks off a reunion weekend of events for alumni from the Rapson Years, graduates from 1954-1984, a 30-year span in which Rapson was head of the school.

The lecture by Safdie begins at 7 p.m. in Northrop Auditorium, 84 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis. Safdie will speak about his recent work, including built projects, projects under construction and those currently in the design phase. The birthday party for Rapson follows at Rapson Hall (CALA's building), across the street from Northrop Auditorium, at 8:30 p.m. The celebration is the annual "Rendezvous with the U," cosponsored by American Institute of Architects, Minnesota, St. Paul, and Minneapolis chapters. The events are free, and the general public is invited. An RSVP is requested at (612) 624-1832, or by email at calalum@umn.edu.

When Rapson became head of the former School of Architecture in 1954, he brought to the university a new era of modernism—the International Style—which differed from the Beaux Arts classical tradition that had up until then typically served as the foundation of an architectural education. He established a program that consistently ranked among the top five professional degree programs in the United States, with one of the highest percentages of adjunct faculty rosters in the country to bridge the gap between the classroom and the profession. He also fulfilled his vision for an integrated design education by leading the establishment of the landscape architecture program to complement the existing architecture program. Both remain the only accredited programs in these fields in Minnesota.

More than 2,000 students graduated during Rapson's tenure. Alumni from throughout the country and abroad will attend the weekend events. On Saturday, Oct. 2, alumni will attend firm open houses and

tour projects under construction--the Guthrie Theater, The Minneapolis Institute of Arts, The Children's Theatre Company, Walker Art Center and the Minneapolis Public Library. Evening events highlight alumni and include a conversation with Rapson, moderated by CALA Dean Tom Fisher, and Marvin Malecha ('73), dean at North Carolina State, College of Design; an exhibition of Rapson's work will be on display as well as a show of archived student work from the Rapson era.

For more information on any of the weekend's events, call (612) 624-1832 or email calalum@umn.edu. □

- What:** Luncheon to discuss values at American Express and in corporate America
- When:** 11:30 a.m.–1 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 5
- Where:** McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak Street S.E., Minneapolis
- Who:** Jim Cracchiolo, chairman and CEO, American Express Financial Advisors
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JIM CRACCHIOLO OF AMERICAN EXPRESS TO SPEAK ON VALUES AT CARLSON SCHOOL LUNCHEON

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Jim Cracchiolo, chairman and CEO of American Express Financial Advisors (AEFA), will be the featured speaker at the University of Minnesota's Carlson School of Management First Tuesday luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 5, at the McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak Street S.E., Minneapolis. His speech, "Values Creating Value: Responsibility Beyond the Bottom Line," will address how values guide every decision at American Express, and how values need to play an increasingly important role in corporate America.

Headquartered in Minneapolis, AEFA provides more than 2.5 million individual and institutional clients with a variety of financial services and products. With offices in 50 states and more than 10,000 financial advisors, AEFA offers financial planning, mutual funds, annuities, retirement plans, insurance, brokerage and savings certificates.

Cracchiolo has been group president of Global Financial Services since June 2000, president and CEO of American Express Financial Corporation since November 2000 and chairman and CEO of AEFA since March 2001. Previously, Cracchiolo was president of American Express' Travel Related Services International division from May 1998 through July 2003.

Co-sponsored by U.S. Bancorp, each month the First Tuesday luncheon draws as many as 500 local business leaders, Carlson School alumni, students and educators to hear from the leading business voices in today's economy.

Registration is \$23 before Sept. 30 and \$28 afterwards, which includes lunch and parking in the Washington Avenue Ramp. Register by calling (612) 626-9634, visiting www.carlsonschool.umn.edu or by e-mail at firsttuesday@csom.umn.edu. □

A photo of Peter Bianco is available by request.

What: University Enterprises Laboratory (UEL) names executive director

Who: Peter Bianco, info@uelmn.org

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PETER BIANCO NAMED EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF UNIVERSITY ENTERPRISE LABORATORIES

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Peter Bianco has been named executive director for University Enterprise Laboratories (UEL) Inc., the nonprofit entity created by the University of Minnesota in collaboration with corporate partners to provide incubator lab space for bioscience start-up companies.

Bianco most recently served as business development director for Phillips Plastics Corp. He directed business and market development activities for Phillips Emerging Technologies Group, which is focused on commercializing early stage technologies. Prior to joining Phillips Plastics, Bianco was founder and president of RecoveryCare Inc., a provider of interactive tools for patients and their families during treatment of musculoskeletal surgical procedures. RecoveryCare was acquired by Sofamor-Danek, a division of Medtronic, in 2002.

Other previous experience includes product management and product development engineering for Dow Corning Wright and Johnson & Johnson Professional Inc. He is primary and co-inventor of four U.S. and European patents and a member of the University of Minnesota Business Commercialization Advisory Board, the University's Technology Transfer Advisory Council for Food, Agriculture and Biological Sciences, and the Orthopedic Research Society. He received a bachelor's degree in physiology from the University of Minnesota and an MBA from Suffolk University in Boston. Bianco is a native of Rochester, Minn. and currently resides in St. Paul.

As executive director of UEL, Bianco will have primary responsibilities working with the University of Minnesota and the community to develop high potential bioscience companies and to maximize growth and returns for the university, investors, tenants and other stakeholders. Bianco will recruit and evaluate prospective tenants for the incubator and serve as UEL's primary liaison with the business community and government. His appointment is effective immediately.

"We are very pleased to secure the talents and experience of Peter Bianco," said Bob Elde, chair of

UEL and dean of the university's College of Biological Sciences. "This bodes extremely well for the success and trajectory of UEL."

"I am extremely honored to lead UEL at this critical point in the development of Minnesota's bioscience industry," Bianco said. "And I believe that thanks to the visionary leadership of Dean Elde, St. Paul Mayor Randy Kelly and the UEL Board, UEL will become a premier facility of its kind. I look forward to being part of this exciting enterprise."

UEL is the result of a public-private partnership to advance Minnesota's biotechnology industry. A nonprofit entity separate from the university, it was created in 2002 to provide incubator lab space and equipment for start-up bioscience companies.

The incubator will be housed in a renovated building in St. Paul. The city of St. Paul purchased the UEL building from Interstate Partners in 2003. The 125,000-square-foot facility is located on an 11-acre site at 1000 Westgate Ave., which is in the heart of the St. Paul Bioscience Zone and along the Transitway between the university's St. Paul and Minneapolis campuses. The location provides tax incentives for biotech companies and allows easy access for university faculty and students.

Board members have been raising funds over the past year for the acquisition and renovation of the facility. The board plans to announce completion of the fund-raising campaign and a timeline for renovation and occupancy in the near future. □

What: Fall speaker series on U.S. prisons and policies at home and abroad
When: 7 p.m. Sept. 22, Sept. 28, Oct. 4 and Oct. 12
Where: Room 25, Walter F. Mondale Hall (law school), 229 19th Ave. S.,
Minneapolis
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Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

TORTURE AND HUMAN RIGHTS ARE SPOTLIGHTED IN A FALL LECTURE SERIES AT THE U

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The Human Rights Program at the University of Minnesota Law School will host a fall speaker series featuring four experts addressing the treatment of prisoners in the United States and in U.S. prisons abroad. Titled "Behind Bars: U.S. Detention Practices Here and Abroad," the series will look at the issues facing the United States' criminal justice system and international practices when dealing with prisoners.

"We have invited speakers who have had a first-hand role in documenting torture and representing detainees in the U.S. and around the world," said Barbara Frey, director of the Human Rights Program. "This is a tremendous opportunity to get behind the headlines and learn from some of the top human rights advocates in the world."

The speaker series will kick off Wednesday, Sept. 22, with Sir Nigel Rodley. A world-renowned expert on torture, Rodley will address global human rights, focusing on the treatment of prisoners and the prevention of torture. Rodley currently serves as the British member of the U.N. Human Rights Committee and is a former U.N. special rapporteur on torture. Since 1990 Rodley has taught human rights and international law at the University of Essex.

On Tuesday, Sept. 28, Maj. Michael Mori will speak in depth on the civil rights controversy surrounding Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Mori is a military attorney with the Office of Military Commissions and is currently representing David Hicks, an Australian citizen detained by the United States at Guantanamo Bay. Mori has been an outspoken critic of the military commissions process and is advocating for a fair trial for his client and other Guantanamo detainees.

Minneapolis lawyer Joseph Margulies will speak at the law school Monday, Oct. 4. Margulies has been writing and lecturing on capital defense and civil liberties issues that he believes have become more pressing in the wake of Sept. 11. He served as lead counsel for the plaintiff in *Rasul et al. v. Bush et al.*, the U.S. Supreme Court case that ruled against the presidential power to detain enemy combatants at

Guantanamo Bay for an indefinite period of time without legal recourse. Margulies is a principal in the Minneapolis firm of Margulies & Richman and a faculty member at the University of Chicago Law School Macarthur Justice Center.

Jamie Fellner, U.S. program director for Human Rights Watch, will speak Tuesday, Oct. 12, about her work on U.S. criminal justice policies and prison conditions. She is a leading expert on abuses in the U.S. criminal justice system, its prisons and jails, and on the treatment of immigrants and racial, national origin, ethnic and sexual orientation minorities.

This speaker series is sponsored by the Otto Bremer Foundation, the Arleen C. Carlson Chair in Political Science, the Institute for Global Studies, the Human Rights Center and the Amnesty International Legal Support Network.

For more information, contact the Human Rights Program at (612) 626-7947 or hrp@umn.edu. □

What: \$15 million for Minnesota charter school buildings
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U OF M CENTER FOR SCHOOL CHANGE COLLABORATION YIELDS \$15 MILLION FOR MINNESOTA CHARTER SCHOOL BUILDINGS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--A collaborative effort among the Center for School Change at the University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, the Minnesota Department of Education, and the Minnesota Association of Charter Schools (MACS) recently yielded \$15 million from the U.S. Department of Education for Minnesota charter school buildings. The funds will be used for lease aid and to help new and existing charter schools that serve low-income students improve their facilities.

The partner organizations identified the federal funding opportunity. The Center for School Change took the lead in writing the proposal, with MACS providing research on school facilities needs. Minnesota department of education staff reviewed, refined and submitted the proposal on behalf of Minnesota students, families and educators.

Minnesota charter schools will have several years to spend the money, according to Morgan Brown with the Minnesota Department of Education. Guidelines will be developed over the next several months but it is expected that about \$5 million will be used to help enhance existing charter school facilities and approximately \$10 million will be used to help the state meet lease aid commitments. □

What: Disability Awareness Month contests
When: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, Oct. 1
Where: Northrop Plaza, 84 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis
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U OF M STUDENTS PLAN DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH CONTESTS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL—October is Disability Awareness Month (DAM), and the University of Minnesota Disabled Student Cultural Center plans a DAM kick-off event from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, Oct. 1, on Northrop Plaza, 84 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis.

Organizers have planned contests that will be fun but will also raise awareness of daily struggles disabled people face. Contests include blindfolded football catch, blindfolded free throw, manual wheelchair races and power wheelchair obstacle course. Goldy Gopher will be there to try some of the contests.

“We want to give people the opportunity to try different things and to get an idea what it’s like to live with disabilities,” said John Lukanen, president of the Disabled Student Cultural Center. □

What: Domestic Violence Awareness Month
When: October
Where: Peters Hall, 1404 Gortner Ave., St. Paul
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UNIVERSITY RAISES AWARENESS ABOUT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The Minnesota Center Against Violence and Abuse (MINCAVA), the School of Social Work and the College of Human Ecology--all part of the University of Minnesota--will host an exhibit and a seminar to observe Domestic Violence Awareness month in October.

An exhibit inspired by the Clothesline Project, a program that started on Cape Cod, Mass. in 1990 to address issues of violence against women, will be on display from Thursday, Oct. 7, through Sunday, Oct. 31, in Peters Hall, 1404 Gortner Ave., St. Paul. In its interpretation of the Clothesline Project, MINCAVA has created mock T-shirts made out of cardstock, which will contain the names and stories of each person murdered as a result of domestic violence in Minnesota in 2003.

The community is invited to help decorate the shirts from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 7, in the atrium of Peters Hall. Supplies and refreshments will be provided.

MINCAVA will also host "Domestic Violence within Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Communities" (LGBT) from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Room 155, Peters Hall. Beth Zemsky, co-chair of the board of directors of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, will talk about domestic violence within the LGBT communities and offer strategies to effectively work with the LGBT population in both clinical and political settings. After Zemsky's presentation, Diane Knust, a community program associate at the Midwest AIDS Training and Education Center, will discuss the relationship between intimate partner violence and HIV/AIDS. This seminar is free and open to all.

MINCAVA provides research, education and access to violence-related resources. For more information see www.mincava.umn.edu.

Those in need of any assistance for this seminar, such as language interpretation, mobility and hearing accommodations, should contact Yukiko Nakajima in advance at ynakajim@che.umn.edu □

What: Donald M. and Arvonne Fraser Human Rights Prize (new award)
When: 5:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 4
Where: Bistro Café, Humphrey Institute (lower level), 301 19th Ave. S.,
 Minneapolis
Who: Joseph Margulies
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LOCAL ACTIVIST TO RECEIVE INAUGURAL DONALD M. AND ARVONNE FRASER HUMAN RIGHTS PRIZE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's Human Rights Program will award local activist and lawyer Joseph Margulies the Donald M. and Arvonne Fraser Human Rights Prize, a new award created to honor the lifelong advocacy of Donald and Arvonne Fraser. Margulies will receive his award at 5:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 4, in the Bistro Café, located in the lower level of the Humphrey Institute, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis. Following the award presentation, Margulies will speak at 7 p.m. in Room 25 of the Law School (229 19th Ave. S.) on his work protesting violations of due process toward Guantanamo Bay detainees.

A Minneapolis lawyer, Margulies most recently has focused his writing and lecturing on capital defense and civil liberties issues that he believes have become more pressing in the wake of Sept. 11. He served as lead counsel for the plaintiff in *Rasul et al. v. Bush et al.*, the U.S. Supreme Court case that led to a ruling against the presidential power to detain enemy combatants at Guantanamo Bay for an indefinite period without legal recourse. Margulies is a principal in the Minneapolis firm of Margulies and Richman and a faculty member at the University of Chicago Law School Macarthur Justice Center.

Donald and Arvonne Fraser's contributions to international human rights have been widely acknowledged.

During his term as a Congressman from Minnesota (1962 to 1978), Donald was a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee and chair of the Subcommittee on International Organizations and Movements. He initiated the first comprehensive study of U.S. foreign policy and international human rights, authoring several laws requiring the U.S. Government to give greater attention to human rights issues. Fraser continued to advocate for human rights, especially the rights of children, during his years as mayor of Minneapolis and in his private life.

Arvonne Fraser is a senior fellow at the Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs. In 1985 she co-founded the Center on Women and Public Policy, the nation's first complete teaching, research and outreach center devoted to women and public policy. She also organized and co-directed the International Women's Rights Action Watch, a nongovernmental organization working to implement women's rights worldwide. Fraser served as U.S. representative to the U.N. Commission on the Status of Women with the rank of ambassador from 1993 to 1994, and she was a member of the U.S. delegation to the 1993 World Conference on Human Rights.

Both of them will attend the ceremony to award the prize to Margulies.

The lecture following the dinner and awards ceremony is free and open to the public. It is part of the fall speaker series "Behind Bars: U.S. Detention Practices Here and Abroad," which looks at issues facing the United States' criminal justice system and international practices when dealing with prisoners. For more information on the lecture series, contact the Human Rights Program at (612) 626-7947 or hro@umn.edu. □

- What:** World's largest population database to be developed by U of M's Minnesota Population Center, funded by a recently-awarded \$5 million National Science Foundation grant
- Where:** Minnesota Population Center, a department of the U of M's College of Liberal Arts
- Who:** Steven Ruggles, director, Minnesota Population Center
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\$5 MILLION NSF GRANT AWARDED TO THE U OF M FOR DEVELOPMENT OF WORLD CENSUS DATABASE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The Minnesota Population Center, a part of the University of Minnesota's College of Liberal Arts (CLA), has been awarded a \$5 million grant by the National Science Foundation (NSF) to develop the world's most comprehensive population database.

Led by the center's director Steven Ruggles, the project will integrate census microdata from 150 censuses involving 500 million records spanning more than 40 years and 44 countries. The database will be of unparalleled geographic and chronological scope.

"It will serve as the world's most powerful resource for understanding the causes and consequences of cataclysmic social and economic transformations that reshaped the world during the past four decades," according to Steven Ruggles, the Minnesota Population Center's director.

Currently, analysis of census information is severely limited because the data survives mostly in machine-readable form, is available in aggregate format only and cannot be accessed by the public and by researchers.

The new database will allow researchers to analyze global change over the past four decades, a period of unprecedented economic, demographic and political upheaval. These data underpin new research and policy analysis on global, transformational changes, such as economic development, urbanization, mass migration, fertility transition, aging populations, mass education, democratization and growing international trade and capital flows.

"The College of Liberal Arts is proud of the Minnesota Population Center and its 13 years of successful NSF funding to integrate large census data samples," said Steven Rosenstone, dean of CLA. "Since the center's initial work in 1991 of documenting and disseminating all U.S. census microdata, it has spearheaded a number of significant and much-heralded archival projects. In fact, the National

Institutes of Health describes the center's work as 'the crown jewels of historical demography in the United States.'"

The center has quickly become one of the most widely used demographic resources in the United States. Since May 1996 more than 10,000 researchers have registered to use the center's data access system. These users are involved in a wide range of fields, including sociology, history, environmental studies, political science, neuroscience, anthropology and epidemiology.

The quantity of data sought from the center's Web site is staggering. It is now distributing about 450 gigabytes of data per month, or an average of 638 megabytes per hour, 24 hours a day.

The largest college in the University of Minnesota, CLA is home to the arts, social sciences and humanities. The college serves 14,000 undergraduates and 2,000 graduate students and has 540 faculty who teach and work in 30 academic departments and 20 interdisciplinary research centers and support units. □

What: U of M staff named honorary consul of Ecuador
Who: U of M Extension Service diversity program director Juan Moreno
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MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL (10/1/04)--Juan Moreno, a diversity program director and inclusion specialist with the University of Minnesota Extension Service, has been named honorary consul of Ecuador for the state of Minnesota and will head a new Ecuadorian consulate in the Twin Cities.

In August, the Ecuadorian Ministry of Foreign Affairs named Moreno to the post of honorary consul of Ecuador. Formal recognition and approval of Moreno's appointment by the U.S. State Department is expected later this year. After that, the consul will have its grand opening later this year or early next year.

The Twin Cities Ecuadorian community has grown tremendously in the state during the last decade. "The 2000 census lists the Ecuadorian population as 2,200, but if you talk to people in the community, they say that the number is five to 10 times that," said Moreno, a native of Ecuador. "It is the second largest Latino community in Minnesota behind Mexican-Americans."

Currently, the nearest Ecuadorian consul is in Chicago, which makes it very difficult for Ecuadorians in the Twin Cities to conduct necessary legal transactions.

"Most recent immigrants from Ecuador work in factories and in the hospitality industries, and they don't have two days to drive to and from Chicago," Moreno said. "Having a consul in the Twin Cities will make it much easier for them to seek legal documentation service such as obtaining passports and visas, birth and death certificates and military records."

The new Minnesota consulate, which Moreno said will be located either on Lake Street in South Minneapolis or near Central Avenue in Northeast Minneapolis, will allow local Ecuadorians greater access to these services, as it will be open on some weekday evenings and weekends.

Operating the Twin Cities consulate will be a labor of love for Moreno and a group of volunteers, who will receive no salaries for their service. But it's a challenge they gladly accept.

"It's a great honor, but at the same time there are a lot of responsibilities," said Moreno. "It is an opportunity to serve our growing community. It will provide services to the people, as well as an official voice for our community."

Reaching out to immigrants is nothing new for Moreno. As an immigrant, he understands the challenges they face and is eager to help. In addition to his outreach work with the U of M

Extension Service, Moreno also served on Chicanos Latinos Unidos En Servicio, a leading provider of social services for the Latino community in Minnesota through its five core service areas of mental health, chemical health, employment, education and elder wellness. His community service work has not gone unnoticed. Last spring, Moreno received the 2004 Josie R. Johnson Human Rights and Social Justice Award from the University of Minnesota. He was honored for designing a "Supporting Community Diversity" extension program resulting in more than 15 community-based educational programs throughout Minnesota. Moreno also developed a "Statement of Diversity and Dignity" for the U of M Extension Service and created three colorful posters reflecting geographical and historical dispersions of Latinos, American Indians and Asians in Minnesota. □

What: Countdown to the 2004 election with former Washington Post journalist Paul Taylor

When: 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 12

Where: Humphrey Institute atrium, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis

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FORMER WASHINGTON POST JOURNALIST TO DISCUSS THE MEDIA AND THE 2004 ELECTION AT THE HUMPHREY INSTITUTE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Former Washington Post journalist Paul Taylor will discuss the role of the media in the 2004 election at a public luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 12, at the University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis.

Taylor currently serves as executive vice president of the Pew Research Center, a nonpartisan "fact tank" based in Washington, D.C., that informs citizens, journalists and policy-makers about important trends and issues through independent research, polling and newsgathering. Taylor also has had careers as a political reporter and a public interest advocate. From 1996 through 2003, he served as president and board chair of the Alliance for Better Campaigns, a public interest group he founded that seeks to improve elections by promoting campaigns in which the most useful information reaches the greatest number of citizens. Before 1996 Taylor was a newspaper reporter for 25 years, the last 14 of which were at the Washington Post, where he covered national politics and foreign policy.

The event is sponsored by the Humphrey Institute's Center for the Study of Politics. Larry Jacobs, director of the center's 2004 Election Project, will engage Taylor in conversation. Admission to the conversation and buffet lunch is \$20. To register, call (612) 624-8842, visit www.hhh.umn.edu/centers/csp/events.htm or contact etveit@hhh.umn.edu. □

- What:** Conference on balancing economic development with global climate issues
- When:** Thursday, Oct. 14-Friday, Oct. 15
- Where:** Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis
- Who:** Global experts on global climate and economic development
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U OF M CONFERENCE TO ADDRESS GLOBAL CLIMATE RAMIFICATIONS OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The growing need to consider global climate ramifications when pursuing economic development is the topic of an upcoming conference at the University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs. Global environmental and economic experts will converge Thursday, Oct. 14 and Friday, Oct. 15, for a workshop featuring lectures, presentations and frank discussions of climate change, sustainable development, related policy issues and future goals.

Special guests include Rajendra K. Pachauri, chair of the International Panel on Climate Change and head of Tata Energy Research Institute in India, who will deliver the first keynote address, "Climate Change and the Developing World," from 9:45 to 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 14. Following his address, conference attendees will take part in a panel discussion on the challenges and opportunities in marrying climate change with sustainable development, particularly in developing countries.

Other sessions during the conference will give all attendees opportunities to discuss current programs being used in developing countries to promote economic development while minimizing adverse environmental effects. Future steps will be discussed to provide action items and talk about how to turn ideas into reality.

The first day of the conference is open to the public. The cost is \$20 (\$10 for university students), which includes lunch. To register, call Marsha Riebe at (612) 625-0368.

This conference is part of the Paths to Progress workshop series, which is designed to identify programs and policies to build consensus, overcome barriers and develop technological and institutional capacities to minimize the negative impacts and maximize the opportunities associated with climate change. Workshop 2, Building Connections (Spring 2005), will focus on ways local communities and the nation can address climate change and development in partnership with developing countries. Creating a

research and policy dialogue agenda will be the focus of Workshop 3, International Approaches (Summer 2005).

The conference is sponsored by the Humphrey Institute's Center for Science, Technology and Public Policy. The center strives to understand the role of science and technology in society, particularly relationships to economic growth, health, the environment, education and national security. Researchers examine the effects of science and technology on society and on the political and economic relationships among nations. Visit www.hhh.umn.edu/centers/stpp for more information on the center. □

What: McKnight Presidential Leadership chair (new position)
Who: U of M faculty
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UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA HONORS TOP LEADERS WITH MCKNIGHT PRESIDENTIAL LEADERSHIP CHAIR

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota and the McKnight Foundation have established the McKnight Presidential Leadership Chair, a newly created chair to recognize the significant contributions of outstanding leaders at the university.

The five recipients of this award are: Frank Cerra, senior vice president for health services; Charles Muscoplat, vice president for agricultural policy and dean of the College of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences; Deborah Powell, dean of the Medical School; James Riehl, dean of the College of Science and Engineering; and Steven Rosenstone, dean of the College of Liberal Arts.

Recipients were chosen for their leadership qualities at the university, their ability to inspire others in their work and their commitment to establishing the university as a world-class institution of research and learning.

“This award recognizes the contributions of unique and gifted leaders among our deans and executive officers,” said university President Robert Bruininks. “They have been recognized not only for their extraordinary scholarly achievements but also for their role as respected leaders and mentors.”

The McKnight Leadership Chairs are funded through a gift of \$15 million from the McKnight Foundation that was made in 1999. Besides the McKnight Leadership Chairs, the gift has been used for McKnight Presidential Chairs, Professors and Fellows, to attract and retain top faculty at key stages in their careers. □

- What:** Student forum on legislative issues
- When:** Tuesday, Oct. 12
5:30 p.m. reception, 6 – 7:30 p.m. program
- Where:** Memorial Hall, McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E.,
Minneapolis
- Who:** State Majority Leader Steve Sviggum and State Minority Leader Matt Entenza
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UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA STUDENTS IDENTIFY TOP LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Students at the University of Minnesota will ask top leaders from the Minnesota House of representatives to address their primary concerns at a student-led forum Tuesday evening, Oct. 12, at the McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. SE, Minneapolis. The event is free and open to the public.

Noah Seligman of the U-DFL; Tony Zammit, chair of the College Republicans; and Tom Zearley, president of the Minnesota Student Association will ask House Majority Leader Steve Sviggum and Minority Leader Matt Entenza to address students' top issues in advance of the 2005 legislative session. Political scientist Larry Jacobs will facilitate the forum, which will include a Q&A session with the audience.

"Funding for higher education will be a major issue before the Legislature when it reconvenes in January 2005," says Lark Weller, a student at the Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs and a Student Public Affairs Coalition (SPAC) organizer. "With all House members up for re-election this fall, we want legislative leaders to know what is important to students, that we vote and that we will continue to work for accountability towards students in the state."

The forum is hosted by the Humphrey Institute's Center for the Study of Politics and by SPAC, a joint, non-partisan effort of the University of Minnesota Student Association (MSA) and the University of Minnesota Graduate and Professional Student Assembly (GAPSA). Its mission is to increase voter education and political participation among university students during the 2004 election and 2005 legislative session. □

What: CURA receives \$600,000 grant for expanding economic growth
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CENTER FOR URBAN AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS RECEIVES \$600,000 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE GRANT FOR MINNESOTA 3-D PROJECT

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's Center for Urban and Regional Affairs (CURA), in partnership with various state agencies and community organizations, has been awarded a three-year, \$600,000 Technology Opportunities Program (TOP) grant from the U.S. Department of Commerce to create a strategy for expanding economic opportunity in and around the Twin Cities.

The initiative, called Minnesota 3-D (M3D), will provide an integrated, Internet-accessible system of employment, housing and development information and analysis tools for neighborhoods, community development corporations, employment trainers, businesses, central cities, suburbs, counties and state agencies in Minnesota. The goal of the system is to promote community economic development, with an emphasis on creating jobs and housing in close proximity to one another.

"The future development of the Twin Cities depends on our ability to connect work to where people live and where they live to where there are jobs," said Kris Nelson, project director at CURA. "The M3D system will integrate this information and make it available at the local, regional and state level. This dynamic system will allow for other layers of information to be added to create effective community development strategies."

U.S. Sen. Norm Coleman (R-MN), who was notified of the grant as well, said, "Minnesota and her community organizations have always been a leader in assessing the problems and opportunities for development. This funding will finally allow them to work together to support the next generation of economic development in our region."

Minnesota 3-D will be a first-of-its-kind system, combining existing region wide parcel-level housing data with statewide employment and demographic data obtained through agreements with the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Social Security Administration and the U.S. Census Bureau. The system will include a suite of Internet-based applications that will provide geographic analysis of current development patterns, encourage job creation near areas with underutilized workforce assets, promote

housing production and reinvestment near job growth areas, and support community economic development activities at the local level.

The award allows CURA to broaden its efforts in community geographic information systems (GIS) and capacity building, which began with the Minneapolis Neighborhood Information System (MNIS) project in 2001.

The Minnesota 3-D project is a partnership between the university's Center for Urban and Regional Affairs (CURA; www.cura.umn.edu), the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED), the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, the Minnesota Office of Revenue, the Metropolitan Council, Ramsey and Hennepin Counties and various Twin Cities neighborhood organizations and community development corporations. □

What: Board of regents review biennial request
When: Friday, Oct. 8, 2004
Where: Kirby Student Center, University of Minnesota, Duluth
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UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA REGENTS REVIEW 2006-07 BIENNIAL LEGISLATIVE REQUEST

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--At its monthly meeting today (Friday, Oct. 8), the University of Minnesota board of regents reviewed President Robert Bruininks' proposed legislative request. The recommendation includes \$84 million in new state support for the 2006-07 biennium. The recommendation advocates a 50-50 financial partnership with the state. A final version of the biennial request will go before the board for approval at its November meeting.

"This is a partnership proposal with the state, and we will do our part and set priorities," said Bruininks. "This proposal supports our obligation to the state of Minnesota to continue as one of the nation's best public and research universities. It leverages the strengths and comparative advantages of not only the university, but the state of Minnesota as well."

Bruininks is proposing that the university fund its \$42 million per year share through an increase in tuition of 5.5 percent and an internal reallocation of \$15 million of current base funding in each of the next two years. The university investments will be used for increases in faculty and staff compensation and small academic investments in operations, operating costs, debt and leases.

The proposed new state funding of \$42 million each year would fund priority investments in biosciences, attracting and retaining talent, and creating and sustaining essential research and technology infrastructure. "If the state wants to be a player in complex and resource-intensive areas like bioscience, it needs to be willing to make investments—to put money on the table," said Bruininks. "We simply cannot compete without investing on the front end."

When asked by Regent Clyde Allen about what the plan would be if the state did not make these investments, Bruininks responded that the university would explore three options: increasing tuition beyond the 5.5 percent proposed, deepening the cuts and reallocation, and delaying needed investments in key areas of research.

"Our goal in each of the units will be to protect students and their academic programs first," said Bruininks.

Bruininks also exhorted the university community to urge state lawmakers to “finish the job” of passing a capital investment bill. He reminded those in attendance that every six months that bonding projects are delayed, the cost of those projects rises 5 percent.

The next board of regents meetings are November 11 and 12, 2004, on the Twin Cities campus. Complete Board of Regents agendas can be found at www.umn.edu/regents. □

What: International Symposium to focus on Public Space and the Public Good

When: Friday and Saturday, Oct. 15-16

Where: Ralph Rapson Hall, 89 Church Street S.E., University of Minnesota, Minneapolis

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PUBLIC SPACE AND THE PUBLIC GOOD IS FOCUS OF INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM AT THE U

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Does the way we design our cities reflect what we believe to be good and right? Is public space necessary to democratic life? On Friday, Oct. 15 and Saturday, Oct. 16 the University of Minnesota's College of Architecture and Landscape Architecture (CALA) will host "Public Space, Public Good?"--a symposium where participants will discuss the ways in which plazas, parks, streets and neighborhoods shape and are shaped by the shifting values of the people who design, use and manage them. The speakers include award-winning landscape architects, architects, urban designers and design historians. Each speaker will examine one particular design project as evidence of the often competing but sometimes converging values ascribed to and supported by the built environment. The symposium will be held in in Ralph Rapson Hall, 89 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis. To register, call (612) 624-1832 or visit <http://cala.umn.edu/symposium>.

"The symposium will bring together an extraordinary group of thinkers from fields including landscape architecture, planning, architecture, urban design and design history and criticism," said Tom Fisher, CALA dean. "Such a multidisciplinary, multitalented gathering demonstrates the importance of public space in public life."

Kristine Miller, organizer of the symposium and an assistant professor of landscape architecture at CALA, believes that even at a time when the Internet is considered to be the new public realm, physical spaces remain central to public life. "They are the material settings for basic social activities ranging from relaxation to political protest. Design decisions about public spaces including their location within a city, their environmental impacts, and the kinds of uses they support, raise difficult ethical questions," she said.

The following speakers will present at the symposium:

- Lodewijk Baljon, landscape architect, Amsterdam. His designs range from private gardens to regional plans with an emphasis on infrastructure and public space.

- Dianne Harris, associate professor of landscape architecture, University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana. Her research examines how ordinary postwar houses and gardens in the United States served as frameworks for assimilation and the reinforcement of racial constructs and class assignment.

- Walter Hood, associate professor and landscape architect, University of California-Berkeley; principal, Hood Design, Oakland, Calif. He has practiced in a variety of settings including community design, urban landscape design, art and research.

- Kristine Miller, assistant professor of landscape architecture, University of Minnesota, is currently writing a book on politics and public spaces in contemporary New York City.

- Frank X. Moya, architect and director of design, HACBM Architects Engineers Planners, New Jersey. His commitment to urban design projects reflects his belief in the economic impact of redevelopment projects in urban areas.

- Laurie Olin, landscape architect and founding partner, Olin Partnership, Philadelphia. His projects include Bryant Park and Battery Park City in New York, The Getty Center in Los Angeles, housing in Frankfurt, Germany, and new public squares in London.

- Lynda Schneekloth, planner, associate professor and partner, Caucus Partnership/University of Buffalo, NY; professor, designer and activist. The firm, Caucus Partnership, specializes in environmental and organizational change.

- Robert Shibley, urban planner, Caucus Partnership/University of Buffalo, NY. His research focuses on urban and architectural design practices and processes.

- Marc Treib, professor of architecture, University of California-Berkeley; professor, practicing designer, and a frequent contributor to architecture, landscape and design journals. □

What: UEL incubator moves ahead with completion of \$9 million fundraising campaign

When: Monday, Oct. 11

Where: UEL, Inc., 1000 Westgate Ave., St. Paul

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UEL INCUBATOR MOVES AHEAD WITH COMPLETION OF \$9 MILLION FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--University Enterprise Laboratories, Inc. (UEL) has completed its \$9 million private fundraising campaign. This milestone will allow the state's new bioscience business incubator to purchase its building from the City of St. Paul and proceed with plans to create lab space that will speed the development of research into commercial products.

A final gift of \$1 million from Allina moved the UEL incubator a critical step closer to hatching its first brood of bioscience start-up companies. Completion of the private fundraising campaign has enabled the board to finance the balance of the \$20 million needed to renovate the incubator building.

St. Paul Mayor Randy Kelly announced the final gift and renovation plans at a press conference held at 2 p.m. today (Monday, Oct. 11) at the UEL building, which is located just northwest of University Avenue and Highway 280 in St. Paul. Other speakers included UEL Chair Robert Elde, dean of the College of Biological Sciences at the University of Minnesota; Thomas Sullivan, vice president and provost of the University of Minnesota; Wayne Brunetti, CEO of Xcel Energy, which made the lead gift of \$2 million; and David Orbuch, executive vice president, Public Policy and Compliance, Corporate Compliance Officer of Allina Hospitals & Clinics.

"We are very grateful to Allina and other contributors for recognizing the importance of this effort for Minnesota," Elde said. "More than 50 years ago Minnesota's medical device industry was born in Earl Bakken's garage. We hope that the incubator will play the same role for Minnesota's bioscience industry."

"The launching of this venture is just the beginning in the development of bio-sciences industry in Saint Paul," said Mayor Kelly. "It is a major step in our city's future."

"UEL brings the business and science aspects of developing a bioscience start-up company together

in one place and helps companies secure the capital they need. No other entity in the Twin Cities does that,” said Phillip Messina, CEO of Gel-Del Technologies, a new UEL tenant. “We are very excited about moving into this building.”

UEL is a non-profit entity created by the University of Minnesota--which has made strengthening ties with Minnesota’s business community a priority. The university collaborated with St. Paul and corporate partners to provide incubator lab space for bioscience start-up companies.

Board members have raised funds over the past year to acquire and renovate the facility. In addition to Allina and Xcel Energy, other major contributors include 3M, Medtronic, Boston Scientific, Dorsey & Whitney, Ecolab, Guidant Corporation and Surmodics. The University of Minnesota and the City of St. Paul also made financial investments in UEL.

The incubator will be housed in a renovated building located at 1000 Westgate Ave. in St. Paul. The 125,000-square-foot facility, which is part warehouse and part office space, is located on an 11-acre site. Forty thousand square feet will be used for offices and 80,000 square feet for incubator facilities. The property is in the heart of the St. Paul Bioscience Zone and along the bus transit way between the university’s St. Paul and Minneapolis campuses. The location provides tax incentives for bioscience companies and allows easy access for university faculty and students.

As of Oct. 1, 80 percent of office space was leased and 40 percent of wet lab space was reserved, according to Peter Bianco, UEL executive director. Renovation of office space began this summer. The University of Minnesota’s Office of Business Development, Carlson Ventures Enterprise, Ewald Consulting, Cima Nanotech and Minnesota Research Fund have already moved into the building. Offices of M.D. Biosciences, ANDX and Gel Del Technologies are expected to occupy offices in the near future. Renovation of laboratory space began early this month to prepare for an anchor tenant to move in March 2005. Remaining labs are expected to be completed by July 2005. Approximately 10 start-up companies have expressed interest in these labs. □

- What:** University of Minnesota School of Music Homecoming Collage Concert
- When:** 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23
- Where:** Ted Mann Concert Hall, West Bank Campus, 2128 4th St. S.,
Minneapolis
- Contacts:** Jen Jackson, University of Minnesota School of Music, (612) 626-1094,
jenj@umn.edu
- Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

SCHOOL OF MUSIC'S HOMECOMING COLLAGE CONCERT TO FEATURE CHORAL LEGEND DALE WARLAND, RECIPIENT OF HONORARY DOCTORATE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota School of Music presents its annual Homecoming Collage Concert on Saturday, Oct. 23 at 7:30 p.m., at Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 4th St. S., Minneapolis. The concert is free and open to the public. An annual event, the Homecoming Collage Concert features over 500 student and faculty performers and several University of Minnesota School of Music ensembles, including University Opera Theatre, Jazz Ensemble, Symphony Orchestra, Symphonic Band, Percussion Ensemble, Concert Choir and many more. The program will also feature a piece from composer and newly appointed Director of the School of Music Noel Zahler.

At the opening of the concert, the University of Minnesota will recognize choral legend Dale Warland's monumental achievements with an honorary doctorate. "It is indeed a great honor to receive this degree from this fantastic university," Warland said. "I'm especially happy that it's in recognition of choral music." This year, Warland will return to the University of Minnesota School of Music, where he earned his master's degree in music theory and composition, to teach choral conducting courses.

Established in 1902, the School of Music offers a dynamic, comprehensive program to 640 music students in undergraduate and graduate programs, led by a world-class faculty of over 50 artists, scholars and teachers. Thanks to strong partnerships with the Twin Cities music community, another 40 professionals from organizations like the Minnesota Orchestra and the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra enrich the learning environment as adjunct faculty. The School of Music presents over 400 free concerts per year. For a complete schedule of events, visit www.music.umn.edu or call (612) 626-1094 for a brochure. □

- What:** **Renowned German filmmaker will attend special screenings of her films in the Twin Cities**
- When:** **7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 19 (“Rosenstrasse”); Noon Wednesday, Oct. 20 (“The Other Woman”)**
- Where:** **Tuesday showing at Landmark Edina 4 Theatre, 3911 W. 50th St., Edina; Wednesday showing at Oak Street Cinema, 309 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis**
- Who:** **Margarethe von Trotta**
- Contacts:** **Sabine Engel, Center for German and European Studies, (612) 626-7705**
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

TOP GERMAN FILMMAKER TO HOST FREE SCREENING OF NEW MOVIE AT THE U

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's Center for German and European Studies (CGES) will host internationally renowned German filmmaker Margarethe von Trotta, for special screenings of her two most recent films, “Rosenstrasse” (2003) and “The Other Woman” (2004). Both films are making their American debut and von Trotta will give commentary at each screening.

At 7 p.m. Tuesday Oct. 19, von Trotta will attend a screening of her 2003 film “Rosenstrasse,” at Landmark Edina 4 Theatre, 3911 W. 50th St., Edina. The film explores an event that happened in February of 1943 when the Gestapo in Berlin rounded up the Jewish husbands of Christian women, intending to deport them to concentration camps. The women heroically protested outside the prison and won the release of their husbands. University of Minnesota professor emeritus Gerhard Weiss--who lived through the film's events as a young boy--will join von Trotta at the screening.

Her second film, “The Other Woman” (“Die Andere Frau,” 2004), will have its official debut on the U of M campus at noon Wednesday, Oct. 20, at the Oak Street Cinema, 309 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis. Admission to this showing is free and open to the public. “The Other Woman” examines a story of two women in love with the same man and the parallels between personal and political deceit.

Von Trotta ranks among the most important directors in German cinema since the 1970s, during which time she also made a name for herself as an actress. By then von Trotta had justly claimed the role as one of the world's leading feminist filmmakers. She has won several international awards including the German Film Award, the Golden Lion and the Golden Palm. Trotta's most recent work continues her focus on political narrative cinema.

“I am very excited to be able to present to students and the Twin Cities public one of the most impressive German filmmakers,” said Eric Weitz, director of CGES. “In all of her work Margarethe von Trotta examines German history and individuals’ responses to situations of moral crisis. As a historian this is very exciting to me.”

Weitz also hopes to reach the large German community in the Twin Cities and make them more aware of the university’s resources. “We have so much talent here and it would be great to build more bridges to the community,” he said.

CGES, A German Academic Exchange Service Center of Excellence, is a consortium of the University of Minnesota and the University of Wisconsin, Madison, that promotes knowledge and research about Germany and Europe among established and emerging scholars, students, K–12 teachers, policymakers, business leaders and other professionals and the general public. For more information on CGES visit www.cges.umn.edu. □

- What:** Panel presentations and discussion on voting and design
- When:** Thursday Oct. 21
5:30 p.m. reception, 6:30 p.m. presentations
- Where:** Vincent James Associates Architects, 400 1st Ave. N., Minneapolis
- Who:** National experts on design, digital technology and political activism
- Contacts:** Mary deLaitre, Design Institute, (612) 626-1630
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

MAPPING THE VOTE: DESIGN RESEARCHERS AND POLITICAL ACTIVISTS TO ADDRESS DESIGN PROBLEMS IN VOTING

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--How has the Internet changed grassroots campaigning? Online community-building tools and other digital technologies have played a significant role in the 2004 presidential election—how will they affect voter participation in the future? What structural impediments need to be overcome to make the democratic process more inviting? What role can design play in ensuring a more effective and accessible experience for the individual voter—at all stages, from registration to the casting of a ballot—and thus more accurate elections?

These are some of the questions that will be addressed at Mapping the Vote, the third installment of Design/Politics/Information (DPI), the University of Minnesota Design Institute's ongoing look at contemporary design as it relates to public space and public policy issues. The event opens with a reception at 5:30 p.m. followed by the discussion and Q&A at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 21, at Vincent James Associates Architects, 400 1st Ave. N., Minneapolis.

National experts on design, digital technology and political activism will present new tools and techniques that could be used to address the design problems in voting. Speakers at Mapping the Vote are:

- Michael Frumin. He is a research and development fellow at Eyebeam Labs, a New York new media organization, where he has been primary developer of Fundrace.org, a Web site that tracks political donations by zipcode, and of ForwardTrack/TomsPetition. A graduate of Stanford University's computer science program, Frumin is currently developing other Internet-based technologies to galvanize political activism in the public realm.
- Zack Rosen. He kicked off the DeanSpace open-source development project for Howard Dean's campaign and worked as web developer and technical volunteer coordinator at campaign headquarters.

Since the campaign ended, Rosen has received funding to create CivicSpace Labs, where he is developing CivicSpace, an open-source web toolkit for grassroots organizing that builds on the DeanSpace project.

- Dori Tunstall. She is the research director of Design for Democracy, a nonprofit organization founded to help improve the design of voting, from printed matter to the physical environment of polling spaces. An anthropologist, Tunstall helped identify different types of voters (“civic”, “avid”, “issue”, “apathetic” and “excluded”) in a voter-segmentation study by Design for Democracy that has led to the design of new election materials used by Cook County, the city of Chicago and the state of Oregon.

- Susan King Roth. She describes the ballot as “the interface between the voter and the voting system, regardless of what form it takes.” An expert on the usability of voting ballots and systems and author of a widely cited article on voting research, Roth is associate dean at Virginia Commonwealth University’s School of the Arts. She has testified before the Federal Elections Commission, and she serves on the project advisory board for an NSF-funded project to assess voting technology and ballot design at the Center for American Politics and Citizenship, University of Maryland, College Park.

Janet Abrams, director of the Design Institute, and Tim Penny, senior fellow at the Humphrey Institute, will co-moderate the event.

Admission is \$10, and space is limited. Those interested are encouraged to RSVP at design@umn.edu or call (612) 625-9511. For more information on this event, and the Design Institute’s research on design aspects of voting, visit <http://design.umn.edu>.

Mapping the Vote is co-sponsored by the Design Institute, the University of Minnesota Humanities Institute and the Walker Art Center. □

What: U of M student homecoming events
When: Monday, Oct. 18-Saturday, Oct. 23
Where: Various Twin Cities campus locations
Contacts: Abby Johnston, homecoming executive committee, (612) 963-7085
 Kate McMillan, senior marketing manager, (612) 625-8269
 David Ruth, University News Service, (612) 626-1720

U OF M CELEBRATES HOMECOMING 2004 WITH REALITY TV THEME

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's homecoming festivities take place Oct. 18-23 on the Twin Cities campus. The tradition that began in 1914 continues this October with a reality TV theme of "Homecoming 2004 ... It's Reality."

Homecoming Executive Committee student co-chair Abby Johnston explained, "We wanted to celebrate the 90-year tradition with a uniquely current twist. The schedule of events includes the annual festivities such as the bonfire, pepfest, philanthropy events, parade and football game, and also new events like the "Gopher Idol Karaoke Contest" and a homecoming concert following the bonfire."

The 2004 Homecoming also marks the relocation of the bonfire, pepfest and royalty coronation from the St. Paul campus to the Minneapolis campus at the East River Flats. Due to challenges like bad weather, scheduling and location, the homecoming bonfire and pepfest has seen attendance dwindle in the recent past. The decision to move the event to the heavily populated East Bank campus and to include a live music concert aims to increase attendance and rally school spirit prior to Saturday's football game versus the University of Illinois.

Homecoming is planned by a committee of University of Minnesota students as part of the campuswide programming board, the Minnesota Programs and Activities Council of the Student Activities Office. The homecoming committee volunteers make a yearlong commitment, all in an effort to foster school spirit.

Homecoming 2004 events include:

- Monday, Oct. 18, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Kickoff Celebration, Northrop Plaza. The Minnesota Daily hosts this free event with music and food.
- Tuesday, Oct. 19, 10 a.m. Students will donate blood to the Red Cross. Donation slots are fully booked.

Dusk, Outdoor Movie: "Starsky & Hutch," St. Paul Mall. Another free event for students, where

cider and hot chocolate will be served.

- Wednesday, Oct. 20, 7:30 p.m. Gopher Idol Karaoke competition, Goldy's Gameroom, Coffman Union. An official homecoming contest.

- Thursday, Oct. 21, 8:30 p.m. Free homecoming concert featuring Panoramic Blue. Outdoors at the Superblock, between Oak and Harvard streets on the East Bank campus.

- Friday, Oct. 22, 5 p.m. Cheer competition.

6:30 p.m. Pepfest, royalty coronation and bonfire. Athletics Director Joel Maturi to speak. All events at East River Flats.

- Saturday, Oct. 23, 10 a.m. Homecoming parade. Join honorary grand marshal and longtime university supporter Larry Bentson for this year's parade. The parade usually lasts one hour and features 125-150 units and draws about 20,000 people. The parade begins at Sanford Hall and travels along University Avenue to Oak Street.

1 p.m. Homecoming football game at Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome. University of Minnesota Golden Gophers vs. the University of Illinois Fighting Illini.

For more information and a complete schedule, visit www.homecoming.umn.edu. □

- What:** Comptroller General David Walker to speak on changes and challenges in federal policy
- When:** 12:30-2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 26, 2004
- Where:** Room 205 (Freeman Commons) Humphrey Center, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis
- Contacts:** Julie Lund, Humphrey Institute, (612) 624-1190, jlund@hhh.umn.edu
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038, proul011@umn.edu

COMPTROLLER GENERAL TO ADDRESS CHANGES AND CHALLENGES IN FEDERAL POLICY AT HUMPHREY INSTITUTE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Comptroller General of the United States David Walker will address changes and challenges in federal policy and their impact on state and local government at an informal luncheon event from 12:30 to 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 26, at the University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis. A light lunch will be available.

As comptroller general, Walker is the nation's chief accountability officer and head of the Government Accountability Office (GAO). GAO's mission is to help improve the performance and ensure the accountability of the federal government for the benefit of the American people. Over the years, the GAO has earned a reputation for professional, objective, nonpartisan reviews of government programs and operations.

Comptroller general since November 1998, Walker will address recent policy changes at the federal level, such as homeland security and No Child Left Behind, and their implications for state and local governments. He also will entertain questions from the audience.

The event is sponsored by the Humphrey Institute alumni board and the Public Affairs Student Association. The talk and light lunch are free, but reservations are required. To register, call (612) 625-5002. □

A photo of Steven Ruggles is available by request at (612) 624-1359 or (612) 624-8038

- What:** World's largest population database to be developed under the supervision of local resident Steven Ruggles, director of the U of M's Minnesota Population Center
- Where:** Minnesota Population Center, a department of the U of M's College of Liberal Arts
- Who:** Steven Ruggles, director, Minnesota Population Center
- Contacts:** Sue Banovetz, College of Liberal Arts, (612) 624-1359
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

LOCAL RESIDENT TO PLAY KEY ROLE IN DEVELOPING THE WORLD'S LARGEST POPULATION DATABASE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--As the Minnesota Population Center's director, local resident Steven Ruggles has undertaken a project of global proportions—developing the world's largest population database. This first-of-its-kind project involves garnering international cooperation and deciphering massive amounts of data that will enable researchers worldwide to analyze global populations.

The Minnesota Population Center, a part of the University of Minnesota's College of Liberal Arts (CLA), is undertaking this project due to a recently awarded \$5 million grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF) to develop the world's most comprehensive population database.

Ruggles oversees the integration of 500 million records spanning more than 40 years and 44 countries. He and his colleagues have approached 82 countries in their effort to create a worldwide view of population data. The database will be of unparalleled geographic and chronological scope.

"It will serve as the world's most powerful resource for understanding the causes and consequences of cataclysmic social and economic transformations that reshaped the world during the past four decades," said Ruggles.

The new database will allow researchers to analyze global change over the past four decades, a period of unprecedented economic, demographic and political upheaval. These data underpin new research and policy analysis on global, transformational changes, such as economic development, urbanization, mass migration, fertility transition, aging populations, mass education, democratization and growing international trade and capital flows.

The project has brought recognition to the center and to CLA, which now houses one of the world's

most important resources for population data. Ruggles has been the center's director since its establishment in 2000 and has been a professor in CLA's history department at the U of M since 1985.

"The College of Liberal Arts is proud of the Minnesota Population Center and its 13 years of successful NSF funding to integrate large census data samples," said Steven Rosenstone, dean of CLA. "Since the center's initial work in 1991 of documenting and disseminating all U.S. census microdata, it has spearheaded a number of significant and much-heralded archival projects. In fact, the National Institutes of Health describes the center's work as 'the crown jewel of historical demography in the United States.'"

The center has quickly become one of the most widely used demographic resources in the United States. Since May 1996 more than 10,000 researchers have registered to use the center's data access system. These users are involved in a wide range of fields, including sociology, history, environmental studies, political science, neuroscience, anthropology and epidemiology.

The quantity of data sought from the center's Web site is staggering. It is now distributing about 450 gigabytes of data per month, or an average of 638 megabytes per hour, 24 hours a day.

The largest college in the University of Minnesota, CLA is home to the arts, social sciences and humanities. The college serves 14,000 undergraduates and 2,000 graduate students and has 540 faculty who teach and work in 30 academic departments and 20 interdisciplinary research centers and support

A photo of Matt Sobek is available by request at (612) 624-1359 or (612) 624-8038

- What:** Matt Sobek plays important role in development of world's largest population database at the U of M's Minnesota Population Center, funded by a recently-awarded \$5 million National Science Foundation grant
- Where:** Minnesota Population Center, a department of the U of M's College of Liberal Arts
- Who:** Longfellow resident Matt Sobek
- Contacts:** Sue Banovetz, College of Liberal Arts, (612) 624-1359

LONGFELLOW RESIDENT TO PLAY KEY ROLE IN DEVELOPING THE WORLD'S LARGEST POPULATION DATABASE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Longfellow resident Matt Sobek has a project of global proportions in front of him—he's supervising the integration of 500 million records into the world's most comprehensive and largest population database. The project involves 150 censuses, and spans more than 40 years and 44 countries.

Sobek is part of a team at the Minnesota Population Center that is creating the first-of-its-kind international census database, a project recently awarded a \$5 million grant from the National Science Foundation.

He describes the immense project as an "incredible tool for researchers anywhere in the world to study populations," and he feels significant value lies in the project's potential to affect public policy in the United States and throughout the world. "The database has users from around 60 countries and from influential international organizations like the United Nations and the World Bank," Sobek said.

The new database will allow researchers to analyze global change over the past four decades, a period of unprecedented economic, demographic and political upheaval. These data underpin new research and policy analysis on global, transformational changes, such as economic development, urbanization, mass migration, fertility transition, aging populations, mass education, democratization and growing international trade and capital flows.

Sobek also enjoys that the center's work brings recognition to the College of Liberal Arts (CLA) at the University of Minnesota, which now houses "the world's most important resource for population data." He received his doctoral degree from CLA's history department at the U of M and has been working with census data for 12 years. Sobek has been at the center since 2001.

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What: U of M registers more than 3,000 voters
Who: Mike Dean, U of M Legislative Network
Contacts: David Ruth, University News Service, (612) 626-1720

U OF M LEGISLATIVE NETWORK, COALITION OF STUDENT GROUPS REGISTER MORE THAN 3,000 VOTERS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota Legislative Network and a coalition of nonpartisan student groups have registered more than 3,000 voters since classes began in September. This effort were part of a universitywide initiative to encourage students, faculty and staff to go out and vote in the presidential election.

The university has been working to make voting easier and to increase voter turnout among students by partnering with the city of Minneapolis to increase the number of polling locations on campus.

“Additional polling locations will help reduce the long lines that students experienced during the 2002 election,” said Mike Dean, coordinator of the university’s voter outreach initiative.

The university also distributed more than 12,000 voter registration cards to students in the residence halls and at most campus libraries. Also, a campuswide e-mail was sent to all students, faculty and staff to encourage them to vote, and student volunteers registered students at various locations around campus, gave brief presentations in their classes and hosted voter education events.

The voter outreach campaign was launched because an important part of the university’s mission is to increase civic engagement among students. Many recent studies have shown a steady decline in youth participation in the electoral process since 1972.

In the coming weeks, the university will provide students with information on where to vote and what is required to register to vote on Election Day. For more information about the voter outreach campaign, go to www.votefortheU.umn.edu. □

- What:** Lecture and panel discussion on global and historical effects of expansionist policies
- When:** 7:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4
- Where:** Memorial Hall, McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis
- Contacts:** Marguerite Ragnow, Center for Early Modern History, (612) 625-6303
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

U OF M PUBLIC FORUM TO EXAMINE GLOBAL AND CULTURAL IMPACT OF PAST AND PRESENT DAY EMPIRES

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Cultural traditions endure for centuries, but how are they molded or affected by the reigning empires of the day? Will Iraq and the Middle East feel the effects of western culture and American influence for generations to come, and if so what does that mean politically? The University of Minnesota's Center for Early Modern History is hosting a lecture and panel discussion to examine these questions and look for present day impacts from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, at Memorial Hall, McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis.

Historical observers and a former local journalist will take part in "Echoes of Empire: America and the Contest for Cultural Preeminence," a public forum to examine and explore the ways in which the empires of past centuries have influenced 20th and 21st century geopolitics. In particular, the panel of experts will examine three early modern empires--the Spanish, Ottoman and Chinese--whose lasting influence on the development of cultural identity in the Americas, the Middle East and South Asia now confronts U.S. expansionist policies.

"Asia, the Middle East and Latin America have been, at various times throughout their long history, ruled by empires, several successive empires in some cases," said Marguerite Ragnow, associate director of the Center for Early Modern History. "Imperial domination often affected local culture. It certainly affected how nation-states in these parts of the world developed, so we hope to look at what remnants of past empires affect how nations operate and whether our awareness of this should influence U.S. foreign policy."

The event will feature a keynote speaker followed by a panel discussion with questions from the audience. Featured at the lecture are:

- Amitai Etzioni, keynote speaker. Etzioni holds the endowed position of University Professor at George Washington University and is the author of "From Empire to Community; A New Approach to

International Relations.” He also directs the Institute for Communitarian Policy Studies.

- Robert White, moderator. White is a former editorial pages editor at the Star Tribune.
- Taner Akcam, panelist. Ackam is a visiting professor at the University of Minnesota. His interests include Armenian genocide, the sociology of the Middle East, the late Ottoman Empire and modern Turkey.
- Patrick McNamara, panelist. McNamara is a history professor at the University of Minnesota with expertise in the areas of Mexico and Latin America.
- Robert Entenmann, panelist. Entenmann is a professor of history and Asian studies at St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn.

The forum is free and open to the public but tickets and advance registration are required. For tickets call (612) 625-6303 or e-mail cemh@umn.edu. For additional information visit the center’s Web site at www.hist.umn.edu/~cemh and click “conferences.”

Part of the College of Liberal Arts, the Center for Early Modern History was established in the department of history in 1987, as an outgrowth of faculty and student interest in exploring the early modern world, roughly 1350 to 1750, from a comparative perspective. The center encourages collegial interaction and scholarly collaboration among its students and faculty, who collectively represent expertise in most regions of the globe.□

Media Availability

What: Bolshoi Ballet media availability
When: 12:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 22
Where: Northrop Auditorium, 84 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis
Who: Bolshoi Ballet and Orchestra
Contacts: David Ruth, University News Service, (612) 626-1720

BOLSHOI BALLETS DRESS REHEARSAL; MEDIA AVAILABILITY THIS FRIDAY

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Russia's fabled Bolshoi Ballet, a unique force in world culture for 228 years, is coming to Minnesota. Its four performances with the acclaimed Bolshoi Orchestra at Northrop Auditorium will feature new, contemporary stagings of "Romeo and Juliet" on Friday, Oct. 22, at 8 p.m. and the grand classic "Don Quixote" on Saturday, Oct. 23, at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 24, at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Media wishing to interview Bolshoi director Alexi Ratmansky are invited to a 12:30 p.m. media availability Friday, Oct. 22, at Northrop Auditorium, 84 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis. Following the availability, media is welcome to tape the dress rehearsal, 1-4 p.m., for news purposes.

Internationally renowned for its full-length productions that dazzle with spectacle and dramatic realism, its bravura dancing and its storied history, the Bolshoi made a mighty impression in its first Minnesota engagement in 2002, repeatedly selling out Northrop performances. Its upcoming performances with 100 dancers also have the rare fortune of musical accompaniment by the Bolshoi Orchestra.

A new era is now unfolding within the Bolshoi, ushered in with the January 1, 2004, appointment of 36-year-old Alexei Ratmansky as artistic director. To see the Bolshoi Ballet and Orchestra now is to witness both a fresh, innovative spirit represented by the groundbreaking "Romeo and Juliet," and an unrivaled classical tradition embodied in "Don Quixote."

This "Romeo and Juliet," directed by distinguished British theater director Declan Donnellan, turns its back on 19th century balletic conventions — out with the pointe shoes and tutus, in with the contemporary costumes and feuding groups suggestive of West Side Story. It was a bold stroke for the Bolshoi to engage a theater director to create a ballet. Donnellan directs the ensemble Cheek by Jowl ("one of the ten great theater companies in the world," according to Time Magazine). While a piece of modern physical theater with expressionist daring and "penetrating intensity," Donnellan's Romeo and

Juliet is still set to the Sergei Prokofiev score. Premiered in December 2003, the two-act production credits Moldovan choreographer Radu Poklitaru with the dance and Nicholas Ormerod for design.

Just as "Romeo and Juliet" illustrates new dimension within the Bolshoi, "Don Quixote" shows the company in all its classical finery. In the 135 years since Don Q was born on the Bolshoi stage, the company has danced the extravaganza nearly 1,000 times. One of the most entertaining, spectacular ballets on the world stage, it swirls with Spanish charm, high spirits and nonstop dance.

It's an enormous production with more than 20 specialty soloists and character dancers alone. The three acts unfold to music by Ludwig Minkus, with romance between young lovers Kitri and Basil taking the spotlight in this account of the stunned Don who dreams of Dulcinea. As Alexei Fadeychev, whose 1999 staging of Don Q will be danced at Northrop, has said, "The ballet company that can give a good performance of Don Quixote has earned the right to dance almost anything."

The Bolshoi Orchestra, founded in 1776, is Russia's oldest orchestra. It was begun with serf musicians who by the 1830s were performing well-known European operas by Mozart, Rossini, Puccini and others. From 1904-06, Rachmaninov conducted the orchestra. In the 1920s and '30s the best players in the country joined the Orchestra, which had become the hub of the capital's musical life. Today's Bolshoi Orchestra claims many first-class musicians, winners of international competitions and soloists who perform at home and abroad. It tours extensively at home and abroad, having made numerous recordings of operas, ballets and symphonic works.

Tickets for Northrop performances are \$73.50, \$70.50, \$51.50 and \$37.50 with children age 12 and under \$52, \$50, \$37 and \$27. To order by phone, call (612) 624-2345 or visit www.northrop.umn.edu. □

What: **Knighting of U of M donor**
When: **4:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28**
Where: **U of M Andersen Library, 222 21st Ave. S., Minneapolis**
Who: **A. William Høglund**
Contacts: **Sue Banovetz, College of Liberal Arts (CLA), (612) 624-1359**
Joel Wurl, Immigration History Research Center, (612) 625-0553
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U OF M DONOR TO BE KNIGHTED BY FINNISH GOVERNMENT

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The Republic of Finland will knight A. William Høglund, a leading donor to the University of Minnesota's Immigration History Research Center, in a ceremony at the University of Minnesota at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, in Room 308, Andersen Library, 222 21st Ave. S., Minneapolis.

Finland's Consul General to the United States, Osmo Lipponen, who is headquartered in New York City, will knight Høglund and award him that country's highest honor, the White Rose Medal, an award given to non-Finnish people living outside of the Republic of Finland who have given meritorious service to the Republic of Finland.

Høglund, a retired University of Connecticut faculty member, was chosen for the honor because he has served as a bridge between Finnish and American historians interested in the history of Finland and its immigrants in North America. Høglund has written four books on Finnish immigration to North America and donated his vast personal collection of Finnish immigrant archival material to the Immigration History Research Center.

"The Immigration History Research Center holds William Høglund in very high esteem, and we are proud to host this knighting ceremony," said Rudy Vecoli, the center's director and a faculty member with the CLA's department of history. "His donation of his very rich archival collection on Finnish immigration almost doubled the center's Finnish holdings, which was one of the largest in the world before receiving Bill's contribution."

The knighting ceremony is part of the "Finn Forum VII: Cultural Encounters," an international conference for leading research specialists on Finnish immigration, culture and ethnicity. Themes to be explored include cultural identity, settlement patterns, communities, literature, architecture, folklore and the genealogy movement. The forum is being held Oct. 27-30 at the U of M.

As part of the conference, a reception and musical cabaret will be held Saturday, Oct. 30, at the Humphrey Center, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis, on the U of M's West Bank. The event begins at 7:00 p.m. and is open to the public. Admission is \$30 per person. Proceeds will benefit the Immigration History Research Center.

Founded in 1965, the Immigration History Research Center enriches society by preserving and promoting understanding of the history of the American immigrant experience. It acts in partnership with various ethnic communities, historical agencies, research specialists, educators and many others. The center develops and maintains a library and archival collection, provides research assistance and sponsors academic and public programs.

The center is part of the College of Liberal Arts (CLA). The largest college in the University of Minnesota, CLA is home to the arts, social sciences and humanities. The college serves 14,000 undergraduates and 2,000 graduate students and has 540 faculty who teach and work in 30 academic departments and 20 interdisciplinary research centers and support units. □

- What:** Call for nominations for the Hubert H. Humphrey Public Leadership Awards
- When:** Nomination deadline Dec. 22, 2004
- Who:** University of Minnesota's Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs
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HUMPHREY INSTITUTE SEEKS NOMINATIONS FOR ANNUAL HHH PUBLIC LEADERSHIP AWARD

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs seeks nominations for the 2005 Hubert H. Humphrey Public Leadership Awards. This awards program honors individuals who have made demonstrated contributions to the common good through public leadership and service. Four awards are given annually: two to leaders (either emerging or established); one award to celebrate the work of the Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs (to a faculty member, student, center, research project, etc.); and the Dean's Award to a candidate selected by the Humphrey Institute dean.

Nominations for all three publicly nominated categories must show that the nominee has contributed significantly to the common good through public leadership or service in elected office, the nonprofit/non-governmental sector, community service and/or the private sector. Such contributions could include altering the political landscape through a lifetime of public leadership, sustaining a major positive influence through a career of public service, fostering a sense of community, demonstrating social entrepreneurship, furthering active citizenship, and/or demonstrating a significant act of courage in the face of opposition, pressure or challenging circumstances. Special consideration will be given to nominees who have blurred political boundaries—whether working across party lines, crossing geo-political borders or bridging other traditional divides. Nominees need not be from Minnesota.

To nominate an individual, organization or project, submit the following information:

- Name and contact information of nominee, including address, telephone, fax and e-mail
- Name and contact information of nominator(s), including address, telephone, fax and e-mail
- Resume or summary of accomplishments of nominee, not to exceed two pages.

- Letter of nomination describing how the nominee satisfies the above listed criteria. The letter of nomination may not exceed one page. Do not include attachments. (Additional information may be requested later in the process.)

- Letters of recommendation and resumes must be submitted on 8 1/2" x 11" white paper for ease and quality of reproduction. Please do not submit clippings, brochures, etc. They will be discarded.

Letters of nomination must be postmarked no later than December 22, 2004. Only letters with all contact information will be considered. Nominations may be submitted via regular mail, special delivery, e-mail or fax. The names of the nominees and nominators will be held in confidence. Please send nomination materials to:

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What: Letters between E. Ethelbert Miller and the late June Jordan
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POET DONATES LETTERS TO COLLECTION OF AFRICAN AMERICAN LITERATURE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Award-winning African American poet E. Ethelbert Miller has donated 200 of his personal letters to the Archie Givens, Sr. Collection of African American Literature in the University of Minnesota Libraries.

The letters, written between 1975 and 1999, chronicle Miller's relationship with acclaimed poet and political activist June Jordan. Jordan and Miller's relationship began as a professional one and evolved into a romantic one. By the time of Jordan's death from breast cancer in 2002, the two considered themselves to have a deep, spiritual connection.

"By donating these letters to the Givens Collection I continue to support the work of a dear friend and important American writer," Miller said. "When I look at the letters I've kept, I think they provide insight into the writing life."

University of Minnesota Libraries staff will arrange and describe the correspondence before adding an electronic search to the Givens Collection Web site. The materials will be available to the public in January 2005.

"The Givens Collection of African American Literature is honored to have been chosen as the repository for these letters," said Karla Davis, curator of the Givens Collection. "The correspondence from June Jordan to her friend E. Ethelbert Miller represents a rare opportunity for patrons to examine primary sources dealing with a friendship between two African American poets."

Jordan was born in New York City in 1936. Her books of poetry include *Haruko/Love Poems* (1994), *Naming Our Destiny: New and Selected Poems* (1989), *Living Room* (1985), *Passion* (1980), and *Things That I Do in the Dark* (1977). Advocacy for women, the poor and the disenfranchised permeates her poems. During her career, Jordan received a Rockefeller Foundation grant, the National Association of Black Journalists Award, and fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts and the New York Foundation for the Arts. She taught at the University of California, Berkeley.

Miller is the former chair of the Humanities Council of Washington, D.C. He is a core faculty

member at Bennington College in Vermont and he has been director of the African American Resource Center at Howard University in Washington, D.C., since 1974. He is the author of several collections of poetry, including *Andromeda* (1974), *The Land of Smiles and the Land of No Smiles* (1974), and *First Light* (1994).

The Archie Givens, Sr. Collection of African American Literature includes more than 9,000 rare books, literary manuscripts, correspondence, pamphlets, photographs, playbills, ephemera, magazines and audiovisual media documenting the literary life of African Americans. The collection is located in the University of Minnesota's Special Collections and Rare Books Department at the Elmer L. Andersen Library on the University's Minneapolis campus. □

What: \$450,000 for Violence Against Women Online Resources
Who: Minnesota Center Against Violence and Abuse
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U OF M RECEIVES GRANT TO ADDRESS VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN THROUGH UNIQUE ONLINE TOOL

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The Minnesota Center Against Violence and Abuse (MINCAVA), a center within the University of Minnesota College of Human Ecology's School of Social Work, has been awarded \$450,000 for its Violence Against Women Online Resources (VAWOR). This collaborative project between MINCAVA and the U.S. Department of Justice Office on Violence Against Women will provide online resources to people who are working to end violence against women.

Under the new grant, VAWOR will continue to expand its online library of full-text resources about intimate partner violence and sexual assault and stalking. It will also develop two new areas of expertise. The first is an online learning module to train criminal justice professionals and advocates on culturally competent practices. The second is an online review mechanism that will allow other Office on Violence Against Women technical assistance providers to have their resources reviewed by experts from across the country.

"We are excited to continue our collaboration with the United States Department of Justice Office on Violence Against Women," said Ann Kranz, VAWOR program director in the School of Social Work. "Social service and criminal justice programs across the country currently feel the stress of budget shortfalls and shrinking resources. Now, more than ever, practitioners need a fast, reliable and cost-effective means to provide training and education to professionals addressing violence against women."

VAWOR provides one-stop access to information from individual, governmental and non-governmental sources, which allows professionals to efficiently access the most effective resources from one location, seven days a week, 24 hours a day.

VAWOR has been developing and disseminating up-to-date resources for criminal justice professionals, state coalitions, tribal coalitions and victim advocacy groups since 1997. For more information on VAWOR, visit www.vaw.umn.edu □

Media Advisory

What: Tobacco summit and news conference

When: Summit from 8:15 a.m. to 4 p.m.; news conference at 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 4

Where: Cowles Auditorium, Hubert H. Humphrey Institute, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis

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'HEALTHY CAMPUS: TOBACCO-FREE SUMMIT' TO BE HELD AT U THURSDAY

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota's Boynton Health Service will host "Healthy Campus: Tobacco-Free Summit" 8:15 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4 at Cowles Auditorium in the Hubert H. Humphrey Institute, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis.

The summit brings together leading experts in the health field to discuss the the effects of tobacco use and the ongoing preventive/educational methods universities and colleges can use to decrease student tobacco use.

At 11 a.m., Boynton Health Service will hold a news conference to release a new survey of University of Minnesota student tobacco use. The survey includes:

- Current tobacco use of first-year students
- Tobacco use of 18 to 24-year-old undergraduates
- Frequency of daily tobacco use
- Quit attempts

Boynton Health Service will also release a study of college students and second-hand smoke. The study identifies where and how students are exposed.

For more information about "Healthy Campus: Tobacco-Free Summit," go to www.healthycampusmn.umn.edu/summit. □

- What:** Humanities Institute's Great Speaker Series
- When:** 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10 (reception from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.)
- Where:** Humphrey Institute's Cowles Auditorium, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis
- Who:** James Fallows, author and national correspondent for *The Atlantic Monthly*
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NATIONALLY RENOWNED JOURNALIST JAMES FALLOWS TO EXAMINE U.S. PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Nationally renowned journalist and author James Fallows will examine the U.S. presidential election as part of the University of Minnesota Humanities Institute's Great Speaker Series.

Fallows' presentation, "Don't Stop Thinking About Tomorrow: After the 2004 Elections," will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, at the Humphrey Institute's Cowles Auditorium, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis. The event begins with a reception at 5:30 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

Fallows is the national correspondent for *The Atlantic Monthly* and has worked for the magazine for more than 20 years. He received the 2003 National Magazine Award for his article "The Fifty-First State?," which is about the consequences of the United States' victory in Iraq.

The author of eight books, Fallows received the National Book Award for his book "National Defense." In addition, his widely acclaimed book "Breaking the News: How the Media Undermine American Democracy" is considered the definitive analysis of the crisis facing contemporary news media.

The event is cosponsored by the university's Humanities Institute, political science department, communication studies department and Center for Writing, all part of the College of Liberal Arts.

The University of Minnesota Humanities Institute was founded in 1998 to promote collaborative, interdisciplinary research in the arts and humanities. The institute aims to demonstrate the importance of creative work in the arts and humanities in producing a rich and critical understanding of culture, both past and present. In addition to the Great Speaker Series, the institute supports focused research groups, fellowship opportunities, colloquia and symposia and collaborative research agendas.

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and humanities. The college, which serves 14,000 undergraduates and 2,000 graduate students, has 540 faculty in 30 academic departments and 20 interdisciplinary research centers and support units. □

- What:** **Inside the Boardroom** lecture series at the U of M
- When:** **6-7:15 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8**
- Where:** **3M Auditorium, Carlson School of Management, 321 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis**
- Who:** **Linda Alvarado, founder, president and CEO, Alvarado Construction**
Marilyn Carlson Nelson, chairman and CEO, Carlson Companies
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ALVARADO CONSTRUCTION PRESIDENT AND CEO TO SPEAK AT THE U OF M CARLSON SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Linda Alvarado, president and CEO of Alvarado Construction, and host Marilyn Carlson Nelson, Carlson Companies chairman and CEO, will discuss Alvarado's rise to the top of one of the nation's largest Hispanic-owned businesses at 6 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8, at the University of Minnesota Carlson School of Management "Inside the Boardroom" Leadership Series. The event will be held at the Carlson School's 3M Auditorium, 321 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis.

Alvarado and Nelson will have an informal conversation on Alvarado's personal and professional successes and struggles. They will then be joined by a group of experts to discuss a range of business issues.

Alvarado has moved from modest beginnings to seats on such FORTUNE boards as 3M, Lennox International, the Pepsi Bottling Group, Pitney Bowes and Qwest. She started a business in 1976 with a \$2,500 loan from her parents and now leads one of the fastest growing commercial general contracting firms in the country. Her Denver-based company has completed high-profile projects such as Invesco Field at Mile High, Denver International Airport and the Colorado Convention Center.

A pioneer on several fronts, Alvarado made history in 1991 when she became the first Hispanic co-owner of a major-league baseball franchise, the Colorado Rockies. This also marked the first time a woman was involved in an ownership bid. She is a recipient of the Horatio Alger Award and the prestigious Sara Lee Frontrunner Award, a member of the National Women's Hall of Fame, and has been named one of the "100 Most Influential Hispanics in America" by Hispanic Business Magazine. Alvarado also served on President Clinton's Advisory Commission of Educational Excellence for Hispanic Americans.

Registration starts at 5:30 p.m. and a networking reception follows. The event is free and open to the public. Seating is limited. Register at www.carlsonschool.umn.edu/events or call (612) 626-9635.

The bi-annual "Inside the Boardroom" series, developed and hosted by Marilyn Carlson Nelson, showcases American CEOs considered to be the leaders in their field. The series is sponsored by the Carlson School's chapter of Graduate Women in Business. □

What: Tobacco use survey results
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TOBACCO USE BY U STUDENTS CONTINUES TO DECREASE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Boynton Health Service released results from two new surveys on tobacco use today at the "Healthy Campus: Tobacco-Free Summit," which was held at the Hubert H. Humphrey Institute on the University of Minnesota's Twin Cities campus.

Both surveys focus on "Tobacco Use Among University of Minnesota Students" and show a continued downtrend of tobacco use. Survey results include:

- Current tobacco use by 18-to 24-year-old undergraduates decreased from 32.4 percent in 2003 to 28.2 percent in 2004.
- Current tobacco use by 18-to 24-year-old female undergraduates went down from 27.8 percent in 2003 to 24.2 percent in 2004.
- Current tobacco use by 18- to 24-year-old male undergraduates went up from 29.1 percent in 2003 to 35.1 percent in 2004.
- Current tobacco use by first-year students went down from 53.3 percent in 1998 to 20.5 percent in 2004.
- Frequency of daily tobacco use by 18-to 24- year-old students went down from 7.2 percent in 2003 to 5.6 percent in 2004.
- Among 18-to 24-year-old undergraduate smokers, 30.4 percent do not consider themselves smokers, 34.1 percent have not attempted to quit smoking within the past 12 months and 35.5 percent have attempted to quit smoking in the past 12 months.
- 72.3 percent of students reported that they were exposed to secondhand smoke in restaurants and bars, by far the most frequently cited location for secondhand smoke exposure.

"Too many people still smoke, but the survey results are encouraging," said Dr. Ed Ehlinger, director of Boynton Health Service. "Our goal is to keep up the efforts locally and nationally and get these numbers down even further."

All data was compiled from surveys conducted of University of Minnesota, Twin Cities campus students, with random samples of 3,000 to 6,000 students and a 40 percent to 55 percent response rate.

These results are a part of a series addressing the health of University of Minnesota students related to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Service's leading health indicators. Ten indicators are used as a measure for monitoring significant aspects of the nation's health: tobacco use, mental health, overweight and obesity, substance abuse, injury and violence, responsible sexual behavior, physical activity, environmental quality, immunization and access to healthcare.

For more information on the survey and Boynton Health Service, go to www.bhs.umn.edu.

For more information about the "Healthy Campus: Tobacco-Free Summit," go to www.healthvcampusmn.umn.edu/summit. □

What: Lecture on Native filmmakers in the 21st century

When: 4-7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16

Where: Ski-U-Mah Room, McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E.,
Minneapolis

Who: James Fortier, five-time Emmy award winning filmmaker

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EMMY-AWARD WINNING FILMMAKER TO PRESENT HIS FILMS AND DISCUSS CHALLENGES FACING NATIVE FILMMAKERS AT THE U

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Emmy-award winning filmmaker James Fortier will present excerpts from his documentaries and discuss his films and the challenges facing native filmmakers from 4 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, at the University of Minnesota's McNamara Alumni Center, in the Ski-U-Mah Room, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis. The event is free and open to the public.

Fortier wrote and was the associate producer for the documentary "Waasa-inaabidaa: We Look in All Directions," a six-hour PBS series that focused on the history of the Ojibway people of Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan. The series received five Emmy awards in 2003 and won the American Indian Film Festival's 2003 Best Documentary Feature Award.

He also directed, co-wrote and produced the documentary "Alcatraz Is Not an Island," which was selected for screening at the 2001 Sundance Film Festival and received the Best Documentary Feature Award at the 1999 American Indian Film Festival.

Fortier's credits also include "Voices for the Land," a PBS documentary he wrote, produced and directed for Duluth's public television station WDSE, that focused on Minnesota environmental issues. In 1995, he was the director of photography for the dramatic short video "Looks into the Night," which was awarded Best Dramatic Short Video at the 1996 American Indian Film Festival.

Currently, Fortier is working on directing a 90-minute feature documentary about the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indians that will be broadcast nationally on PBS this month.

Born in Ontario, Canada, he grew up near Chicago and moved to California in 1983 to finish film school at San Francisco State University where he earned a bachelor's degree in broadcast communications arts. Fortier has operated Turtle Island Productions since 1987.

Throughout his life, Fortier has maintained strong ties to his Metis and Ojibway relatives in Thunder

Bay, and Nipigon, Ontario, and on the Pic River Ojibway First Nation Reserve.

The event is sponsored by the department of American Indian studies and the American Studies department.

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What: 43rd annual University of Minnesota Marching Band indoor concerts
When: 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21
Where: Northrop Auditorium, 84 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis
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WORLD-RENOWNED SAXOPHONIST TO APPEAR WITH MINNESOTA MARCHING BAND IN ITS ANNUAL INDOOR CONCERTS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota Marching Band will welcome internationally acclaimed saxophonist Eugene Rousseau as he appears with the "Pride of Minnesota" in the 43rd installment of the band's annual indoor concerts. The concerts will take place at 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, and at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21 in Northrop Auditorium, 84 Church St. S.E., Minneapolis.

"We are absolutely thrilled that Eugene will be joining us for this year's concerts," said Professor Jerry Luckhardt, director of the marching band. "This is an outstanding opportunity to hear one of the world's foremost saxophone players, as well as to enjoy all the power and pageantry of our very own Big Ten marching band."

Critics around the world have praised Rousseau as a brilliant saxophonist. He has performed across North America and on five continents since his Carnegie Hall debut. He was among the first to hold solo saxophone recitals in Paris, Berlin, Vienna, London and Amsterdam and has appeared with such orchestras as the Minnesota Orchestra, the BBC Orchestra in London and the Kansai Philharmonic in Osaka. Rousseau has also appeared with the U.S. Army Band at Kennedy Center and the Budapest Strings in Hungary, and he recently joined the faculty at the University of Minnesota.

"I'm very excited to be appearing with the Minnesota Marching Band in their annual concert," Rousseau said. "It's an honor to be part of this 43-year-old tradition, and I'm looking forward to a great show with these talented young musicians."

In addition to a solo performance in which Rousseau will be accompanied by the marching band, the concerts will offer a collection of music from this year's halftime shows and all of the traditional University of Minnesota school songs. With more than 300 student members, the marching band will perform traditional Minnesota Gopher favorites, familiar family tunes like "Zip a Dee Do Dah" and "My Favorite Things," as well as selections from 1970s pop super-group Chicago and many hits from the Beatles. As always, the concerts will feature the band's dramatic march into the auditorium, plus the

inevitable fun surprises that have made these annual performances a crowd favorite for decades.

Tickets are \$15.50 for adults and \$13.50 for children age 12 and under and can be purchased by calling (612) 624-2345. Prices reflect a \$3.50 handling fee. Seating is reserved, and group discounts are available. Parking is available at the East River Road Garage at 391 E. River Road and the Church Street Garage at 80 Church St. S.E. Visit www.northrop.umn.edu for additional parking tips.

Established in 1902, the School of Music offers a dynamic, comprehensive program to 640 music students in undergraduate and graduate programs, led by a world-class faculty of over 50 artists, scholars and teachers. Thanks to strong partnerships with the Twin Cities music community, another 40 professionals from organizations like the Minnesota Orchestra and the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra enrich the learning environment as adjunct faculty. The School of Music presents over 400 free concerts and recitals per year. For a complete schedule of events, visit www.music.umn.edu or call the School of Music events hotline at (612) 626-8742. □

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THREE MINNESOTANS WIN SIEHL PRIZE FOR EXCELLENCE IN AGRICULTURE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences (COAFES) at the University of Minnesota today announced that David Johnson, Inver Grove Heights, Minn., C. Jerry Nelson, Columbia, Mo. and Noreen Thomas, Moorhead, Minn., are the 2004 winners of the Siehl Prize for Excellence in Agriculture. As winners, they were awarded \$50,000 in cash and a sculpture honoring their contribution to the production of food and the alleviation of hunger. The awards were presented today in a ceremony at the McNamara Alumni Center on the University of Minnesota Twin Cities campus.

The Siehl Prize for Excellence in Agriculture was created by Eldon R. Siehl to honor individuals who make extraordinary contributions to agriculture and the alleviation of world hunger.

“Minnesota is a leader in applying technology and innovation to food production, and these three individuals are outstanding examples of applying those leadership skills to make a difference,” said Charles C. Muscoplat, dean of COAFES.

COAFES awards the Siehl Prize for Excellence in Agriculture for accomplishments in each of three areas—agribusiness, academic and production agriculture. The 2004 honorees are:

- **Agribusiness**

David Johnson grew up on his family’s farm near Taylor’s Falls, Minn., and graduated from the University of Minnesota with a bachelor of science degree in soil science in 1959. He has devoted his life to ensuring a strong future for U.S. agribusiness. Johnson began his career with CENEX as manager of a fertilizer plant in northwest Minnesota. He moved through the management ranks to senior vice president. In 1987, he was named president and CEO of the CENEX/Land O’Lakes agronomy company and served in that position until he retired in 1998. In his retirement, Johnson continues to lead domestic and international initiatives to help agriculture and agribusiness succeed.

- **Academic**

C. Jerry Nelson is a native of southern Minnesota. He received both a bachelor of science degree in animal husbandry and a master of science degree in forage production from the University of Minnesota in 1961 and 1963, respectively. In 1966 he received his doctorate in forage physiology from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. He currently serves at the University of Missouri, Columbia, as a

curator's professor of agronomy. Nelson's research on alfalfa and other forages has advanced understanding of a number of plant growth and development factors leading to improved forage management and new areas of research on an international level. His research focuses on forage grasses and legumes.

- Production

Noreen Thomas, a resident of Moorhead, Minn., is a volunteer educator and producer whose work in the community is based on the belief that knowledge shared with others can collectively aid in resolving world hunger. Since 1997, she has been a certified organic producer on 1,200 acres with her husband, Lee Thomas. They produce grains, feed and beans for both domestic and international food markets. With a goal of applying the dynamics of new technology and scientific research to enhance sustainable and environmentally sound foods, Thomas regularly participates in studies with the UMAC/Aerospace and the University of Minnesota. As a result, faculty and researchers have a clearer understanding of the effects of organic farming practices on environmental quality as well as how to improve advance satellite technology modeling to better meet producers' needs.

For more information on the Siehl Prize for Excellence in Agriculture, COAFES and its priorities of emphasizing exemplary education, promoting safe and healthy foods, improving environmental quality, enhancing agricultural systems, revitalizing Minnesota's rural communities and serving urban communities, go to www.coafes.umn.edu □

Media Advisory

What: Former INS Commissioner Doris Meissner speaking on “The Growing Challenge of Immigration”

When: 9 to 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 19

Where: Humphrey Institute, Room 215, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis

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MEISSNER TALK AT HUMPHREY INSTITUTE TO ADDRESS THE GROWING CHALLENGE OF IMMIGRATION

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Former Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) Commissioner Doris Meissner will address “The Growing Challenge of Immigration” at a public forum from 9 to 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 19, in Room 215 of the University of Minnesota’s Humphrey Institute, 301 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis.

Meissner served as INS commissioner at the U.S. Department of Justice from October 1993 to November 2000. Her accomplishments include reforming the nation’s asylum system, creating new strategies to manage U.S. borders in the context of open trade, improving services for immigrants, managing migration and humanitarian crises firmly and compassionately and strengthening cooperation and joint initiatives with Mexico, Canada and other countries. Meissner currently is a senior associate with the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace in Washington, D.C.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information on the Humphrey Institute and its events visit www.hhh.umn.edu. □

Media advisory

- What:** Forum on U.S. immigration policies
- When:** 1:30-4:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12
- Where:** University of Minnesota Law School, Room 25, 229 19th Ave. S.,
Minneapolis
- Who:** Local and national immigration experts
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HUMPHREY INSTITUTE FORUM TO DISCUSS IMMIGRATION REFORM IN MINNESOTA AND NATIONALLY

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Is America's immigration system broken? A panel of local and national experts will present points of views from business, labor, law enforcement and immigration advocacy groups regarding the need for comprehensive immigration reform from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, in Room 25 of Mondale Hall at the University of Minnesota Law School, 229 19th Ave. S., Minneapolis.

Presenters will discuss potential new legislation on providing earned legal status for qualified immigrants and the ramifications of proposed amnesty programs for the 8-10 million undocumented immigrants currently in the United States. Discussion will include the special issues facing Minnesota and the problems confronting diverse immigrant communities.

Katherine Fennelly of the Humphrey Institute will moderate the discussion and the speakers will be:

- Jorge Saavedra, chief legal officer, Centro Legal, Minneapolis
- Pat McGowan, Hennepin County Sheriff
- Rick Carter, president/CEO, Care Providers of Minnesota and
- Benjamin Johnson, Immigration Policy Center, Washington, D.C.

The event is free and open to the public. □

- What:** School of Music faculty members to play in upcoming recitals
- When:** Davis recital: 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14
Artymiw recital: 7:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 15
- Where:** Davis recital in Lloyd Ultan Recital Hall, Ferguson Hall, 2106 Fourth St. S., Minneapolis
Artymiw recital: Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 Fourth St. S., Minneapolis
- Who:** Immanuel Davis, flute, and Lydia Artymiw, piano
- Contacts:** Jen Jackson, University of Minnesota School of Music, (612) 626-1094
Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA SCHOOL OF MUSIC FACULTY TO HOLD FALL RECITALS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Two University of Minnesota School of Music (SOM) faculty members will give fall recitals. Flutist Immanuel Davis will perform with faculty members Timothy Lovelace (piano) and Käthe Jarka (cello) at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14, at Lloyd Ultan Recital Hall, Ferguson Hall, 2106 Fourth St. S., Minneapolis; and world-renowned pianist Lydia Artymiw will perform in recital with the Rosalyra String Quartet (also the quartets' farewell performance) at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 15, at Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 Fourth St. S., Minneapolis. Both recitals are free and open to the public.

Davis is a highly versatile performer and innovative teacher. He has performed as a recitalist and chamber musician across the country including a performance at Carnegie Hall, and his orchestral work includes performances with the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra, Oregon Symphony, Riverside Symphony, Hudson Valley Philharmonic, Jupiter Symphony and Buffalo Philharmonic. Davis has also played on Broadway and with other contemporary music ensembles. He has been the flute professor at the University of Minnesota since 2001.

Artymiw, hailed by the New York Times as "a pianist with a beautiful touch, a creative imagination, and a feeling for color," has emerged as one of the most compelling pianists of her generation. She has appeared with over 100 orchestras worldwide and has made recital appearances across the globe with such artists as Yo-Yo Ma, Arnold Steinhardt, Michael Tree, John Aler and Benita Valente. She also has recorded seven solo albums. Artymiw began her tenure at the University of Minnesota in 1989, and in

2000 she received the “Dean's Medal” for Outstanding Professor. She was awarded the Distinguished McKnight Professorship in May 2001, making her the first performer ever at the University of Minnesota to receive this award.

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What: 2nd Annual 'Winter Warmth from U' clothing drive
When: Clothing drive begins Tuesday, Nov. 16
Fill the Bus: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 1
Where: Coffman Union, 300 Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis
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U OF M STUDENTS TRY TO 'FILL THE BUS!' IN WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The second annual Fill the Bus! event, a campus and community clothing drive, will begin collecting clothes Tuesday, Nov. 16, when residence halls and university apartment buildings will put carts in their lobbies to collect donations. University of Minnesota students, faculty and staff are encouraged to donate new and used clothing, which will be sent to Pillsbury United Communities in north Minneapolis.

Faculty and staff are asked to help fill the bus by bringing their donations to the Fill the Bus! event on Wednesday, Dec. 1, at Coffman Union between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Keynote speakers include University President Robert Bruininks and his wife Susan Hagstrum. They will speak at 3 p.m.

The goal of Fill the Bus! is to collect clothing for families and children in need. Although warmer clothing is preferred, clothing of any season is accepted. Pillsbury United Communities, a Twin Cities nonprofit organization, will distribute the clothing throughout the metro area.

KDWB (101.3 FM) radio station will broadcast live from 9 a.m. to noon on the day of the event at Coffman Union. The first 500 people to donate at least 10 clothing items on the day of the event will receive a free Chipotle gift certificate. An additional 400 gift certificates will be given throughout the day from the following sponsors: Campus Pizza, Dairy Queen, McDonald's, Noodles, Old Chicago, Papa John's, Sally's, Steak Knife, Subway, U of M Bookstores and the Village Wok. Pizza, gyros, and refreshments will be served to donors during lunch hours.

The idea for Fill the Bus! was sparked last year, when two university students, John Barber and Surbhi Madia, were in chilly downtown Minneapolis on one of their first dates. As a result of their conversations and after months of intense planning, they launched the Fill the Bus! campaign and filled five buses with over 10,000 pieces of clothing. For more information, visit www.fillthebus.org □

What: Board of regents meeting
When: Thursday, Nov. 11, and Friday, Nov. 12, 2004
Where: Suite 600, McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis
Contacts: Patty Mattern, University News Service, (612) 624-2801

'U' REGENTS TO ACT ON 2005 LEGISLATIVE REQUEST

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota board of regents will hold its monthly meetings on Thursday, Nov. 11, and Friday, Nov. 12, on the Twin Cities campus in Minneapolis in Suite 600 of the McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis.

The priority action item for the regents will be to vote on President Robert Bruininks' proposed biennial budget request to the state. The recommendation includes \$42 million each year in new state support for the 2006-07 biennium.

At last month's Regents meeting, Bruininks stated, "If the state wants to be a player in areas like biosciences and leading research, they need to put money on the table," said Bruininks. "We cannot compete without investing on the front end."

Bruininks is proposing a 50-50 partnership with the state. The university will fund its \$42 million a year through an increase in tuition of 5.5 percent and an internal reallocation of \$15 million of current base funding in each of the next two years. The university investments will be used for increases in faculty and staff compensation and small academic investments in operations, operating costs, debt and leases.

The proposed new state funding of \$42 million each year would fund priority and needed investments in biosciences, attracting and retaining talent, and creating and sustaining essential research and technology infrastructure. The board reviewed the full proposal in October.

In work sessions, the board will take up three areas of interest: the university's strategic position (specifically the environmental realities of higher education), the clinical campus plan, and the capital plan and budget process.

The board will recognize the Twin Cities campus recipients of the McKnight Presidential Leadership Chair awards, which represent a new agreement with the McKnight Foundation to use the interest earnings on a \$15 million contribution to recognize and attract the most talented leaders among deans and executive officers.

Select committee meetings and agenda items follow:

Thursday, Nov. 11, 2004

- 8-10:00 a.m., Facilities Committee, West Committee Room. Review and action on real estate transaction related to the purchase of Block 12. Discuss issues related to the resubmission of the 2004 capital request.

- 8:30-10:00 a.m., Educational Planning and Policy Committee, East Committee Room. Review board policies on Academic Misconduct, Tuition, and Student Financial Aid. Act on board policy on Research Involving Human Subjects.

- 10:15-11:45 a.m., Work Session, East Committee Room. Discussion with Minnesota State Demographer Tom Gillaspay and Minnesota State Economist Tom Stinson regarding the environment in which the university operates and the implications for the university.

- 1:30-2:30 p.m., Work Session, East Committee Room. Discussion with university senior vice-president for health sciences, Frank Cerra, M.D., regarding the clinical sciences enterprise and plan.

- 2:45-3:45 p.m., Work Session, East Committee Room. Discussion of the six-year capital planning process and its alignment with the strategic position.

- 4-5 p.m., Audit Committee, West Committee Room. Discussion with external auditor, Deloitte & Touche LLP, regarding the 2004 financial statements. Discuss emerging trends and best practices in higher education and the Audit Committee's governance role.

Friday, Nov. 12, 2004

- 9 a.m.-noon, Board of Regents Meeting, Boardroom. Act on the biennial budget request, review and act on the resubmission of the 2004 capital bonding request, and review the six-year capital plan.

Complete board of regents' agendas can be found at www.umn.edu/regents. □

- What:** Transgender Day of Remembrance events
- When:** Memorial Wall, Monday, Nov. 15 to Sunday, Nov. 22
Film, "Boys Don't Cry," 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19
- Where:** Memorial Wall, Peters Hall Atrium, 1404 Gortner Ave., St. Paul
Film, Room 39, Peters Hall
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ACTIVITIES REMEMBER THOSE KILLED BECAUSE OF ANTI-TRANSGENDER HATRED

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Organizations at the University of Minnesota will hold two activities in recognition of the sixth annual Transgender Day of Remembrance during the week of Nov. 15.

The Transgender Day of Remembrance, which is Nov. 20 this year, is set aside to memorialize those who were killed due to anti-transgender hatred or prejudice. It has been observed every November since 1999. It also raises public awareness about hate crimes against transgender people and reminds non-transgender people to step forward to end anti-transgender violence.

In recognition of Transgender Day of Remembrance, the Minnesota Center Against Violence and Abuse (MINCAVA) will host the following activities together with the University of Minnesota Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender (GLBT) Programs Office and the Queer Student Cultural Center (QSCC):

- Memorial Wall, Monday, Nov. 15 to Sunday, Nov. 22, Peters Hall Atrium, 1404 Gortner Ave., St. Paul. The wall will display more than 500 names and stories of people who were killed due to anti-transgender hatred or prejudice from 1972 to 2004. Feel free to bring items to decorate the Memorial Wall.

- The film, "Boys Don't Cry" will be shown from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19 in Room 39, Peters Hall. The film explores the true-life story of Brandon Teena, a transgender man, who was brutally raped and killed in rural Nebraska in 1993. Attendees may bring lunch to the movie. Light refreshments will be served.

For more information about the events, contact Yukiko Nakajima, graduate assistant, MINCAVA, at (612) 624-3059. □

**A digital photo of Jamie Tiedemann is available by request at
proul011@umn.edu or (612) 624-8038.**

What: Hallock native receives President's Award for Outstanding Service
Who: Jamie Tiedemann
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HALLOCK NATIVE RECEIVES PRESTIGIOUS AWARD FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--The University of Minnesota has honored former Austin resident and advocate Jamie Tiedemann with the 2004 President's Award for Outstanding Service. Tiedemann is one of fourteen university faculty and staff that received this annual award for exceptional and outstanding service to the University of Minnesota.

Tiedemann developed the Crime Victim Center in Austin and is now doing the same work at the University of Minnesota. She is director of the Aurora Center for Advocacy and Education, an organization that provides crisis intervention and advocacy to victims of sexual assault, relationship violence, and stalking. She has been with the university in her current position for more than 13 years. The Aurora Center was established in 1989, and Tiedemann is credited for raising the center to his current level of expertise and support for victims and survivors of sexual violence.

"My personal hope is that my work has made a positive and enduring difference in the lives of women and children," Tiedemann said. "We need to all be committed to celebrating differences in people and recognizing the wonderful gifts that every human being brings to our own growth and humanity."

When asked about the award she said, "I felt strongly that I was accepting the award on behalf of all of the students, staff, faculty and community survivors of sexual assault, relationship violence and stalking we have served. All survivors need a strong voice and I hope that our program will always be remembered for empowering and helping to change the lives of abuse survivors."

In 1998, The Aurora Center was honored with the prestigious U.S. Department of Justice Crime Victim Service Award. According to Tiedemann, it is the only campus program in the country that has received this award. The center was recognized for its innovative and state of the art service to students on a college campus.

Tiedemann received her bachelor's degree in speech and sociology from the University of Minnesota, Duluth. She obtained her master's degree in vocational rehabilitation counseling from Mankato State

University (currently Minnesota State University, Mankato).

“I feel very honored and humbled by the career I have chosen,” Tiedemann said. “The work means so much to me and we sincerely make a difference in people's lives every day.” □

What: Scholars Walk and Alumni Wall of Honor
Where: University of Minnesota, Minneapolis
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PROJECTS HONORING U'S TOP SCHOLARS, TOP ALUMNI NEAR COMPLETION

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL--Two privately funded projects that will permanently honor the University of Minnesota's most celebrated scholars and its most distinguished alumni are nearing completion near the McNamara Alumni Center on the University of Minnesota Twin Cities campus.

The Scholars Walk, a wide pathway featuring 40 bur oak trees and monuments, is designed to celebrate the research and classroom accomplishments of the U's award-winning faculty and students, and for the first time provide a prominent, permanent memorial to those honored.

Among the national and international award recipients recognized are the U's Nobel and Pulitzer Prize winners, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences winners, national academies inductees and Rhodes, Truman, and Marshall Scholars. University award recipients recognized include the Regents Professors, McKnight Distinguished Professors, McKnight Presidential Chairs, Morse-Alumni Distinguished Undergraduate Teachers, and the Outstanding Graduate and Professional Teachers.

A special faculty committee assisted planners of the Scholars Walk in determining the names of those to be included, according to Larry Laukka, '58. Laukka is a volunteer executive with a non-profit group formed by the University of Minnesota Foundation, the University of Minnesota Alumni Association and the Minnesota Medical Foundation. This partnership also worked to build, and operates, the McNamara Alumni Center. The Scholars Walk and the nearby Alumni Wall of Honor are gifts to the University from the three organizations.

The Scholars Walk will be built in phases, eventually stretching from Walnut Street near the McNamara Alumni Center west to Appleby Hall and Pleasant Street. Once completed, it will become the major east to west walkway on the East Bank campus, complementing the beautiful Northrop Mall which runs north to south. The Scholars Walk was designed by landscape architect Gary Fishbeck of Hammel, Green and Abrahamson.

Most of the construction on the first phase, from Walnut Street to Union Street, will be completed this autumn, though finishing work will continue next summer. Completion of the second phase, to

Church Street, and then across the Mall to Pleasant Street and Appleby Hall, is dependent on raising more private gifts, Laukka said.

The Alumni Wall of Honor, a landmark work of art designed by architect Antoine Predock in collaboration with sculptor Constance DeJong, will stretch more than 200 feet along Oak Street from the corner of Oak and Washington Avenue. The structure honors the winners of the Outstanding Achievement Award, the university's highest honor for its graduates. All winners of the award will be listed on the wall.

The design of the Alumni Wall of Honor also includes an artistic interpretation of the stars overhead on the day of the university's founding in February 1851. Construction of the Alumni Wall of Honor is expected to be substantially complete by the end of this year.

A third project has been completed which improves the plaza between the Scholars Walk and the Alumni Wall of Honor; most of the crushed granite from the plaza orchard has been removed and replaced with turf and mulch, benches, tables and more trees, according to Laukka. The crushed granite was intended to provide durable groundcover for an area that was expected to draw large event crowds. "But that's not how people used it," Laukka said, "and the crushed granite wasn't a popular material." Instead, he said, planners regularly saw students congregating on the grassy areas, and took their cue from that. He said the grassy plaza will be a "far more comfortable and inviting place for students to come and spend some time."

The Alumni Wall of Honor and the Scholars Walk are being entirely funded through private giving, principally through the generosity of the late Carlyle E. Anderson, '32, whose charity also made possible the recognition of major donors to the university in the McNamara Alumni Center. Anderson was among the founders of the University of Minnesota Foundation and its first president. After a distinguished business career in the Chicago area, he was awarded the university's Outstanding Achievement Award in 1959. □

What: Senior fellow appointment at the Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs
Who: Jacqueline Copeland-Carson
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JACQUELINE COPELAND-CARSON HAS BEEN APPOINTED AS A SENIOR FELLOW WITH THE HUMPHREY INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL (11/18/2004) --The University of Minnesota's Hubert H. Humphrey Institute for Public Affairs has selected U.S. Bank executive Jacqueline Copeland-Carson as a senior fellow with its Center for Leadership of Nonprofits, Philanthropy and the Public Sector. As a senior fellow, Copeland-Carson will conduct research in the areas of economic development, philanthropy and evaluation for Minnesota's changing nonprofit sector, including organizations that serve immigrants and other communities.

Managing director of U.S. Bank's philanthropic services program since May 2000, Copeland-Carson holds master's degrees in city and regional planning and anthropology, as well as a doctorate in anthropology, with field experience in Nigeria. Previous professional positions include vice president for operations and programs for Twin Cities RISE! and vice president of programs for the Philadelphia Foundation, as well as consultancies with the National Community Development Initiative, the U.S. Department of Housing and Economic Development and foundations throughout the United States.

"Jackie Copeland-Carson's experience as a practitioner and scholar who has worked with nonprofits, foundations and government agencies represents a unique asset for the Humphrey Institute and for the Center for Leadership of Nonprofits, Philanthropy and the Public Sector," said Humphrey Institute Dean J. Brian Atwood. "Her experience as a cultural anthropologist gives her a wonderful and useful perspective on the needs and concerns of philanthropy and the nonprofit sector in Minnesota's diverse communities. For example, her recently published book on African immigrant acculturation looks at the challenges of Minnesota's multi-ethnic nonprofit sector."

As a senior fellow, Copeland-Carson will coordinate the center's efforts to respond to Minnesota's growing immigrant communities and help to further expand services to the broader philanthropic and nonprofit sectors.

The Center for Leadership of Nonprofits, Philanthropy and the Public Sector works to enhance the

leadership of institutions that serve the public and their ability to work together effectively to advance the common good and serve the public interest. The center is unique in the United States in its concentration on all three institutions that serve the public and its focus on furthering understanding of how and when cross-sectoral partnerships are effective mechanisms to solve complex public problems and advance the common good.

For more information about the center, visit www.umn.edu/centers/clnpps. □

What: First Tuesday luncheon on “Moral capitalism: transvaluation of value”
When: 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 7
Where: McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis
Who: Stephen Young, global executive director, Caux Round Table
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FIRST TUESDAY LUNCHEON TO ADDRESS MORAL CAPITALISM IN TODAY'S BUSINESS WORLD

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL (11/22/2004) --Stephen Young, global executive director of the Caux Round Table, will be the featured speaker at the University of Minnesota's Carlson School of Management First Tuesday luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 7, at the McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis. His speech, “Moral Capitalism: Transvaluation of Value,” will discuss how the Caux Round Table's Principles for Business can serve as a blueprint for a moral capitalism that unites sustainable profitability with ethical conduct.

Founded in 1986, the Caux Round Table (CRT) is an international network of business leaders working to promote a moral capitalism. The CRT's Principles for Business provide the basis for a principled capitalism through which sustainable and socially responsible prosperity can become the foundation for a fair, free and transparent global society. At the company level, the CRT advocates implementing the Principles for Business as the cornerstone of principled business leadership, applying fundamental ethical norms to business decision-making.

In addition to his position with the Caux Round Table, Young is president of Winthrop Consulting and of the Minnesota Public Policy Forum. He was dean of the Hamline University School of Law, an assistant dean of Harvard Law School, and has worked with the Council on Foreign Relations and consulted to the U.S. Department of State.

Co-sponsored by U.S. Bancorp, each month the First Tuesday luncheon draws as many as 500 local business leaders, Carlson School alumni, students and educators to hear from the leading business voices in today's economy.

Registration is \$23 before Dec. 2 and \$28 afterwards, which includes lunch and parking in the Washington Avenue Ramp. Register by calling (612) 626-9634, visiting www.carlsonschool.umn.edu or e-mailing firsttuesday@csom.umn.edu. □

- What:** School of Music Musicology/Theory Colloquium
- When:** 2:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3
- Where:** Ferguson Hall, room 280, West Bank Campus, 2106 4th St. S.,
Minneapolis
- Who:** Bruno Nettle, professor emeritus, University of Illinois
- Contacts:** Jen Jackson, University of Minnesota School of Music, (612) 626-1094
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WORLD-RENOWNED ETHNOMUSICOLOGIST TO LECTURE ON NATIVE AMERICAN MUSIC AT THE U

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL (11/24/2004) --The University of Minnesota School of Music (SOM) will host renowned scholar and ethnomusicologist Bruno Nettle, professor emeritus, University of Illinois, as part of the Musicology/Theory Colloquium. Nettle will present the lecture "Some Abiding Issues in the Study of Native American Music" from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3, in Ferguson Hall, room 280, 2106 4th St. S., Minneapolis. The lecture is free and open to the public.

Ethnomusicologists study music within its cultural context and work to understand its importance and influence on people of that culture. Their research is done often while immersed within the culture allowing for personal insights into the music and its evolution.

As an ethnomusicologist, Nettle's main research interests include the music of Native American cultures and music of the Middle East, especially Iran. To gather his research, Nettle has done fieldwork with the Blackfoot people of Montana, and in Iran, Israel and India. He also has researched the music history and folk music of his native Czech Republic. In recent years, Nettles has focused on the study of improvisatory music, the understanding of musical change throughout the world and the intellectual history of ethnomusicology.

Nettle is widely published through many articles and more than a dozen books, the best known being *The Study of Ethnomusicology* (1983), *The Western Impact on World Music* (1985), *Blackfoot Musical Thought: Comparative Perspectives* (1989), *Heartland Excursions: Ethnomusicological Perspectives on Schools of Music* (1995), and *Encounters in Ethnomusicology* (2002), a professional memoir.

Nettle received his doctorate in musicology and ethnomusicology from Indiana University. He currently teaches part-time at the University of Illinois School of Music.

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program to 640 music students in undergraduate and graduate programs, led by a world-class faculty of over 50 artists and teachers. Thanks to strong partnerships with the Twin Cities music community, another 40 professionals from organizations like the Minnesota Orchestra and the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra enrich the learning environment as adjunct faculty. The School of Music presents over 400 free concerts and recitals per year. For a complete schedule of events, visit www.music.umn.edu or call the School of Music events hotline at (612) 626-8742. □

Media Advisory

What: Grand opening of Business Development
When: 3-7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 1
Where: Suite 160, 1000 Westgate Dr., St. Paul
Who: University of Minnesota President Robert Bruininks
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OFFICE OF BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT OPENS ITS DOORS FOR...BUSINESS

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL (11/30/2004)--The Office of Business Development (OBD) will officially open its doors with a grand opening celebration from 3 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 1 at its new offices located at 1000 Westgate Dr. (Suite 160), St. Paul. President Bruininks will speak at 5:45 p.m.

OBD will work to increase the number of successful start-up companies based on university research.

University of Minnesota research and discoveries have affected nearly everyone in this state and the nation: ultrasonic cancer screening, flight data recorders (black boxes), retractable seatbelts, the taconite process for making high-grade iron ore, several varieties of apples and many more inventions.

However, starting a new business from university research can be a tough. Failure rates are high and the road to success is long. "In many cases, the scientific and business worlds are quite incompatible. Breakthrough technologies may be scientifically extraordinary yet have nonexistent commercial markets. Finding the right person to run a new company and securing adequate funding add to the difficulty," said Doug Johnson, director of the Office of Business Development.

OBD'S four main functions include:

- Assisting and supporting university start-ups with market analysis, business planning and finding money and management.
- Fostering an entrepreneurial culture on campus through faculty outreach and education about the technology commercialization process.
- Acting as a single point-of-entry to the university for the entrepreneurial and business community, thereby making it easier to interact with university resources.

- Providing funding assistance for promising scientific projects that are not sufficiently developed to warrant outside-investor support, yet are too far along for continued government funding. This program, called the University Discoveries Gap Fund will be raised primarily from non-university sources.

Case study: Acera Biosciences

Founded in 1999, Acera Biosciences, Inc. offers biotech solutions for the development of drug production systems for abandoned or under-explored natural compounds. Acera also provides a drug modification solution to improve drug properties through the attachment of unique sugars.

Earlier this year, Acera was in need of new management. That's when the Office of Business Development Assistant Director Dick Sommerstad stepped in to help. With assistance from the venture capital community Dick was able to hire a new CEO for Acera to help them focus on their core competencies and capitalize on the outstanding science upon which Acera is based.

A key component of OBD's start-up assistance is the Business Feasibility Evaluation, a joint effort between OBD and the Carlson Ventures Enterprise, a Carlson School of Management program providing MBA students with a unique educational experience in assessing new business ideas.

Guided by a team of directors with decades of experience in academia and industry, these students evaluate the commercial potential of each new potential business opportunity. The evaluations culminate in Business Feasibility Evaluation plans. An outside advisory board of industry experts reviews each plan to determine if the new technology has sufficient business potential to enable a company start-up.

"While the University of Minnesota has done a remarkable job in the field of technology transfer through its Office of Patents and Technology Marketing, we recognize the opportunity to do more with start-up companies and to collaborate more effectively with the business community," added Johnson.

OBD's director, Doug Johnson, will be available for media interviews. To set up an interview with him, please call Bruce Erickson at (612) 625-2354. For more information on OBD, visit www.obd.umn.edu. □

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UNIVERSITY WINS OPEN MEETING LAW ATTORNEY'S FEES DISPUTE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL (11/30/2004)--The Minnesota Supreme Court ruled today that the University of Minnesota Board of Regents is not required to reimburse attorney fees to the Star Tribune Co., Minnesota Daily, Northwest Publications, St. Paul Pioneer Press, Rochester Post-Bulletin and Minnesota Joint Media Committee.

The suit stemmed from a Minnesota Supreme Court decision (Star Tribune Company, et al. v. University of Minnesota Board of Regents, et al.) in July, which ruled that the university would need to release the names of the individuals who were finalists for university president in 2002.

"I am pleased with the court's unanimous decision we received today," said Mark Rotenberg, university general counsel. "We take considerable comfort from the Supreme Court's recognition that the board of regents' decision to protect confidentiality in its presidential search process had a constitutional foundation and a reasonable legal basis. We believe that this matter is now concluded."□

What: Bachelor of Social Work Child Welfare Consortium
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NEW U OF M PARTNERSHIP TO IMPROVE CHILD WELFARE SERVICES IN GREATER MINNESOTA

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL (12/1/2004)--The number of social service professionals dedicated to improving child welfare has been declining steadily in Minnesota and the nation in recent years. In an effort to reverse this trend in greater Minnesota, the University of Minnesota School of Social Work is partnering with universities across the state to offer financial assistance and specialized classes to social work undergraduates who intend to work in non-metro areas of the state.

The Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) Child Welfare Consortium is a partnership between the University of Minnesota, Bemidji State University, Minnesota State University Moorhead, Minnesota State University Mankato, St. Cloud State University, Winona State University and the Minnesota Department of Human Services.

Fifty-five students will be supported during their junior and senior years in the BSW program at a rate of \$1,900 per student. There will be 16 students in St. Cloud, 12 in Moorhead, nine in Mankato, eight in Bemidji and 10 in Winona. Consortium funds will also be used to develop new classes focused on child welfare training.

"We are enthusiastic that this collaboration will significantly boost recruitment and retention of professionally trained social workers in rural areas of the state," says Jean Quam, director of the U of M's School of Social Work.

Social service agencies across the state are excited about the prospect of an increased number of professionals working on child welfare issues.

"I think this is fantastic. I can envision where this scope of training focusing on a rural emphasis will not only be a huge benefit to students who have an interest in rural settings, but also to potential employers," says Ken Yutrzenka, director of Pennington County Human Services.

For more information on the consortium, call Jean Quam at (612) 624-3719. □

What: Evaluation of national high school financial planning program
Who: Sharon Danes, family social science professor
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TEENS REPORT IMPROVED FINANCIAL BEHAVIOR AFTER SHORT FINANCIAL COURSE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL (12/3/2004)--University of Minnesota researchers have found that teens who studied a financial education curriculum for as little as 10 hours significantly increased their understanding of money management and improved their financial behaviour in the following months, according to a recently released national evaluation of a teen financial education program.

The impact evaluation was conducted during the 2003-2004 academic year on the National Endowment for Financial Education's (NEFE®) High School Financial Planning Program (HSFPP®), which is provided to schools at no cost by the NEFE. NEFE is the nation's only nonprofit foundation wholly dedicated to helping Americans take control of their finances.

Sharon Danes, a family social science professor at the University of Minnesota and a member of the Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service, conducted the evaluation of students and teachers across the country.

"Through both the answers to evaluation survey questions and their own words, teens throughout the United States have reported that not only have they learned about personal finance by studying the HSFPP, but many have changed their spending and saving behaviour and are more confident about managing their finances in the future," she said.

The study posed a series of questions to students at three points in time. At the completion of the program, students were asked 14 core questions related to what they gained from the curriculum. Using their answers as a foundation, the students then were asked the same questions in relation to what they knew before they studied the curriculum. Finally, students were asked the same questions again three months later.

Questions and results were grouped into the categories of financial knowledge, confidence and behaviour. Results showed statistically significant improvement in all categories immediately after the program—and further improvements later on.

In the area of behaviour, for example, 18.5 percent of students said that before they studied the

curriculum they “almost always” set aside money for future needs and wants; after the program, the percentage increase rose to 28. Three months later, the number had grown to 36.5 percent. Likewise, the percentage of students who said they “almost always” set goals for managing money nearly tripled, from nine percent before the program, to 15 percent immediately after the program and 24 percent three months later.

Other results showed that 42 percent of students said that before studying the HSFPP, they strongly agreed that they knew the difference between needs and wants; immediately after the program, the number had grown to 67 percent—an increase of 25 percent. The number rose further, to 80.5 percent, in the three-month follow-up. Similarly, 19 percent of students said they “almost always” felt confident about making financial decisions before studying the HSFPP. The percentage increased to 29 after the program, and three months later it had grown to 37.5 percent.

These results suggest that even relatively limited exposure to financial education can impart significant, lasting and practical personal financial knowledge to young people from all walks of life, Danes said.

Of the 5,329 students surveyed who studied the HSFPP, 95 percent were in high school and nearly 70 percent were juniors and seniors. Rural areas, small communities, medium-sized cities and large metropolitan areas were almost equally represented. A smaller number of students—324—took part in the three-month follow-up survey, primarily for logistical reasons.

“The High School Financial Planning Program has allowed millions of students the opportunity to gain the skills necessary to lead financially secure and rewarding lives in adulthood,” said William L. Anthes, president and CEO of the National Endowment for Financial Education. “The program’s value has been proven and America’s youth are benefiting from it,” added Elizabeth Schiever, director of HSFPP. □

What: Grant to enhance student learning
Where: University of Minnesota campuses
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BUSH FOUNDATION AWARDS U \$990,000

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL (12/6/2004)--The Bush Foundation, created by Archibald and Edyth Bush to encourage and promote charitable, scientific, literary and educational efforts, has awarded the University of Minnesota \$990,000 to enhance student learning through innovative teaching and technology strategies. Each year, the Bush Foundation provides grants and fellowships to support the professional development of individuals and the work of nonprofit organizations in Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota.

The campuses used three goals to unite their efforts and design for specific program activities under this grant:

- Align with current campus initiatives to keep student learning in the forefront.
- Foster a scholarly and collaborative approach to addressing student learning issues.
- Integrate the assessment of student learning and the evaluation of student learning initiatives into the campus mainstream.

Each university campus selected a particular focus to concentrate its programming:

- UM-Twin Cities: Promoting student learning in large classes.
- UM-Duluth: Developing reflective practitioners and self-regulated learners.
- UM-Morris: Engaging students by teaching to multiple learning styles.
- UM-Crookston: Promoting high quality collaborative learning.

The principal investigators for the grant are Carol Carrier, vice president for human resources; Linda Jorn, director of the Digital Media Center; and Joyce Weinsheimer, director of the Center for Teaching and Learning Services.

For further information about the three-year implementation plan for the grant, as well as information about the campus units and people involved in the project, see "Proposal for Continuation of Bush Grant 2004-2007" at www.umn.edu/ohr/teachlearn/innovative/index.html. □

What: Symposium on political changes in Central and Eastern Europe
When: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17, 2004
Where: Room 215, Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, 301 19th Ave. S.,
Minneapolis
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SYMPOSIUM TO ADDRESS CHANGES IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL (12/9/2004)--The recent contested election in Ukraine has focused attention on Central and Eastern Europe and the former Soviet states. For more than a decade, the Center for Nations in Transition at the University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs has been working on economic, social and environmental reforms and on building catalytic institutions, such as universities and think tanks, to facilitate changes in seven Central and East European countries.

Join leading scholars, businesspeople, and policymakers from the United States and Central and Eastern Europe as they examine the profound changes that have taken place over the past 15 years and the crucial roles played by University of Minnesota faculty members and staff in making this transformation a reality.

The symposium, "Transforming Central and Eastern Europe: Lessons Learned and New Challenges," will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17, in the Wilkins Room (Room 215) at the Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, 301 19th Ave. S. in Minneapolis. The symposium is free and open to the public, but registration is required. Please contact John Radzilowski at (612) 625-5581 or jradzilowski@hhh.umn.edu. □

What: Bobby McFerrin in concert
When: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 1, 2005
Where: Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 Fourth St. S., Minneapolis
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 Jamie Proulx, University News Service, (612) 624-8038

U OF M SCHOOL OF MUSIC PRESENTS BOBBY MCFERRIN IN CONCERT

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL (12/16/2004)--The University of Minnesota School of Music (SOM) will present Bobby McFerrin in a one-night-only solo concert, at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 1, at Ted Mann Concert Hall, 2128 Fourth St. S., Minneapolis. The concert is part of InterPlay, the SOM's annual series of world music concerts. More information on the InterPlay series may be found at www.music.umn.edu/interplay.html.

Known in the Twin Cities for his stint as creative chair with the artistic department of the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra, Bobby McFerrin is one of the natural wonders of the music world. A 10-time Grammy Award-winner, he is one of the world's best-known vocal innovators and improvisers, a world-renowned classical conductor and a passionate spokesman for music education.

McFerrin's solo concerts have always included audience participation; McFerrin sees them not as "singalongs" but as a genuine collaborative process of making music in the moment. By creating a blend of virtuosity, comedy and diverse genres, he turns the audience into active participants. For more information on McFerrin, visit his Web site at www.bobbymcferrin.com.

Tickets are \$35.50 and \$45.50 and can be purchased by calling (612) 624-2345. Student rush tickets (\$13.50) are available at the box office at 6:30 p.m. the day of the performance. Prices reflect a \$3.50 handling fee. Parking is available in the 21st Avenue parking ramp, one block southwest of the concert hall.

Established in 1902, the School of Music offers a dynamic, comprehensive program to 640 music students in undergraduate and graduate programs, led by a world-class faculty of over 50 artists, scholars and teachers. Thanks to strong partnerships with the Twin Cities music community, another 40 professionals from organizations like the Minnesota Orchestra and the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra enrich the learning environment as adjunct faculty. The School of Music presents over 400 free concerts and recitals per year. For a complete schedule of events, visit www.music.umn.edu or call the School of Music events hotline at (612) 626-8742. □

What: American Advertising Federation names U senior Gloria Delgadillo to its 'Most Promising Minority Students' list

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UNIVERSITY SENIOR IS ONE OF AMERICA'S 'MOST PROMISING MINORITY STUDENTS'

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL (12/21/2004)--The American Advertising Federation (AAF), a national trade association representing 50,000 industry professionals, has named University of Minnesota senior Gloria Delgadillo one of America's "Most Promising Minority Students." She is the third student from the university's School of Journalism and Mass Communication (SJMC) to be awarded this premier honor in the past four years.

A Milwaukee native, Delgadillo is a student in SJMC's professional strategic communications track. "I was honored to even be nominated for this award," said Delgadillo. "But now that I have received it, the initial excitement doesn't compare to what I'm feeling."

Delgadillo is one of only 30 minority undergraduates across the country to receive this award. To be considered, students must be nominated by a faculty member at their college or university. Delgadillo was nominated by SJMC senior fellow Howard Liszt, former CEO of the Minneapolis advertising agency Campbell Mithun. Liszt recognized her potential for success where he served as adviser for SJMC's Ad Club and noted her performance on the student advertising competition's 2003 regional championship team. Delgadillo is the co-leader of this year's team.

"We nominate those students who are extraordinary," Liszt said. "This award is a great tribute to Gloria for her talent, her hard work and her character. It demonstrates that her performance in the classroom and in campus activities points to an outstanding professional career in the advertising industry."

Liszt noted that the award is an honor for SJMC and the university as well. "The fact that our students have won this award three of the past four years says that our faculty is successfully preparing our students to be leaders in the field," Liszt said.

"Minority students succeed in our program," Liszt said. "I hope this will be a signal to minority students around the state-and around the country-that the School of Journalism and Mass Communication at the Univeristy of Minnesota is an outstanding place for you to reach your potential."

Recent SJMC alumni that have won the AAF award are Toni Thompson '04, now an assistant account manager with Campbell Mithun, and Jason Reed '02, now an account manager with the McCann Erickson advertising agency in New York. "When the AAF selects these students and says that they offer promise to the industry, they're absolutely right," Liszt said.

AAF's Most Promising Minority Students Program is the premier advertising industry award program to recognize and recruit outstanding minority college graduates in the areas of advertising, marketing, media, and communications. For more information on AAF and its awards program, visit their Web site at www.aaf.org. □

What: Carlson School luncheon featuring MinuteClinic CEO
When: 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 4, 2005
Where: McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis
Who: Linda Hall Whitman, president and CEO, MinuteClinic
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MINUTECLINIC CEO TO SPEAK ABOUT ITS GROWTH AND SUCCESS AT CARLSON SCHOOL LUNCHEON

MINNEAPOLIS / ST. PAUL (12/29/2004)--Linda Hall Whitman, president and CEO of MinuteClinic, will be the featured speaker at the University of Minnesota's Carlson School of Management First Tuesday luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 4, 2005, at the McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak Street S.E., Minneapolis. In her talk, "Steering a Career from the Corporate Track to the Start-up Fast Lane," she will discuss what motivated a successful FORTUNE 500 executive to join a start-up with a staff of nine.

Whitman has 26 years of experience in service and manufacturing businesses, including positions as vice president of Honeywell's Worldwide Consumer Business Group and president of Ceridian Performance Partners. Prior to her career in business, she worked for 11 years as a clinical social worker, researcher and educator. Whitman also currently serves as chair of the Ninth District Federal Reserve Bank Board and on several corporate boards.

Founded in 2000, MinuteClinic healthcare centers are specifically designed for the treatment of common ailments like strep throat and ear infections and for screenings. The result is an accessible and convenient care system that has reportedly saved patients, employers and insurers time and money. Since its inception MinuteClinic has treated more than 165,000 patients and achieved better than 99 percent customer satisfaction. MinuteClinic has 14 clinics in the Twin Cities metro area and expanded to the greater Baltimore area in August 2004.

Co-sponsored by U.S. Bancorp, the monthly First Tuesday luncheons draw as many as 500 local business leaders, Carlson School alumni, students and educators to hear from the leading business voices in today's economy. Registration is \$23 before Dec. 30 and \$28 afterward. It includes lunch and parking in the Washington Avenue Ramp. Register by calling (612) 626-9634, visiting www.carlsonschool.umn.edu or sending an e-mail to firsttuesday@csom.umn.edu. □