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**More than 7,700 U faculty and staff have contributed \$50 million** to Campaign Minnesota. Campaign has raised \$1,225,852,000 through November 2001, 94% toward \$1.3 billion goal. For more on campaign progress, see [www.campaign.umn.edu](http://www.campaign.umn.edu).

**Board of Regents approved a plan Dec. 14 to offer master's of business administration degree at UMR.** Beginning spring 2002, professors from UMD School of Business and Economics will teach classes every other Friday evening and Saturday morning in Rochester. Program, designed to meet the needs of working adults who seek management education at a graduate level, can be completed in 30 months. Graduate School will grant the degrees.

**Tuition benefit for children of U employees** was discussed at U Senate Committee on Finance and Planning (SCFP) meeting Dec. 11. Executive VP and provost Bruininks reported that there is little support in administration for the proposal because it is not equitable to all employees and it comes at a time when U has raised tuition to cover costs. Proposal assumes the tuition benefit would be a recruiting tool. Bruininks said data do not demonstrate that effect and that the U has a good set of benefits in place and is currently challenged to maintain those benefits.

SCFP members questioned whether health care is unevenly distributed--one pays the same whether one has a large family or only a spouse or partner. Bruininks responded that health care is vital to the workforce despite its uneven value. He said criteria for deciding what counts as a benefit priority at the U include cost and whether it will affect the entire workforce.

**2001 U Plan, Performance, and Accountability report** is available at [www.evpp.umn.edu/uplan/2001](http://www.evpp.umn.edu/uplan/2001). Report includes a 6-part framework--academic excellence (research and discovery); students (teaching and learning); engagement (access and outreach); human resources; physical heritage and integrity; and institutional efficiency and effectiveness--with plan and performance highlights for each campus.

Examples of key findings include: citizen satisfaction for the U has averaged more than 62% when "very" and "somewhat" satisfied responses are combined, at the U total benefits and time off for a given base pay amount exceeded by nearly \$2,000 and 5% the benefits in comparable jobs in the local market for 1999, and the U receives about 8.12 million Web hits institution-wide per day.

**U Press has acquired Pfeifer-Hamilton Inc.** regional book line consisting of picture books for children and books on the north country. "[U Press] has an ongoing commitment to making both useful information and stories about our region available to the people of the state, and Pfeifer-Hamilton's titles will continue and extend that mission," said U Press director Doug Armato.

**"Is the Public Research University Dead?"** opinion piece by President Yudof will be published in the Jan. 11 issue of *The Chronicle of Higher Education*.

**U Cancer Center and Science Museum of Minnesota** will present "Cancer and the Human Body" at the Science Museum's Human Body Gallery Jan. 11, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., and Jan. 12, noon-4 p.m. U cancer researchers will explain the latest advances in cancer research, treatment, and prevention. For information, call 612-625-4441 or e-mail [weinb011@umn.edu](mailto:weinb011@umn.edu).

**"Great Conversations,"** series of discussions created by College of Continuing Education about current issues, will begin Jan. 15 with President Yudof and political strategist Paul Begala at Ted Mann Concert Hall, TC campus. For information on series and tickets, see [www.cce.umn.edu/conversations](http://www.cce.umn.edu/conversations).

**U legislative briefing** will be Jan. 22, 5:30 p.m., McNamara Alumni Center. Session will provide information about the U's \$239.8 million capital request and the U's grassroots legislative network. Activities will include interactive displays and a Q&A session with government and U leaders. For reservations including complimentary buffet and parking, call 612-624-2323 by Jan. 15.

**Interim U librarian** is Peggy Johnson, former assistant U librarian. Johnson has held library positions at the U since 1977.

**January-June 2002 Employee Career Enrichment Program** schedule is now available at [www.umn.edu/ohr/ecep](http://www.umn.edu/ohr/ecep). Program offers a variety of services for employees and supervisors to enhance the fit between personal employee and organizational goals.

**Regents professor nominations** are due March 1; send to Regents Professor Nominating Committee, c/o Office of the President, 202 Morrill Hall. For more information, call 612-624-6327.

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**CROOKSTON**--UMC is ranked among the top 20 "most wired" small colleges in America by the online version of *Yahoo! Internet Life* magazine. Rankings were posted Dec. 21 at [www.wiredcolleges.com](http://www.wiredcolleges.com).

Equine industries management department will sponsor its annual Youth Horse Judging Contest Jan. 18. More than 200 students from Minnesota and North Dakota high schools will participate. Contest begins at 9 a.m. in the University Teaching and Outreach Center arena; awards ceremony will be at 6 p.m.

Center for Adult Learning and Equine Industries Management will host the Northwest Minnesota Equine Conference Jan. 18-19. Event offers programs for horse owners, equine business people, veterinarians, 4-H members and affiliates, and others interested in horses and the equine industry. See [www.crk.umn.edu/cal/conferences](http://www.crk.umn.edu/cal/conferences).

**DULUTH**--Alworth International Institute will hold its first Spring 2002 Brown Bag Series presentation Jan. 31, noon, in Kirby Student Center Ballroom A. Deborah Good, UMD International Education Office study abroad adviser, will present "A Spanish Learning Experience." Good recently toured educational institutions and cultural sites in Spain.

2001-02 Faculty and Staff Campaign continues through Feb. 28. Last year 388 individuals made contributions benefiting UMD students. Gifts can be made in many ways; call 218-726-6994.

University for Seniors will host a program titled "This Is One Reason We Cannot Break the Cycle of Poverty," Jan. 23, 1:15 p.m., in Kirby Student Center Bull Pub. Lynn Frgaard, ARC Northland executive director, will speak on fetal alcohol syndrome, its effects and impact on society. Questions and discussion will follow.

**MORRIS**--Collin Wick, '98 and currently a graduate student in physical chemistry on the TC campus, won first place in the IBM Graduate Student Award in Computational Chemistry sponsored by IBM and U's Supercomputing Institute.

Chancellor Schuman was a guest along with Sen. Cal Larson (R-Fergus Falls) on KBRF-AM's "Community Watch" program. Following the interview, Schuman and Maddy Maxeiner, associate vice chancellor for external relations, and Judy Riley, campus communications coordinator, were guests of Fergus Falls Rotary, where Schuman was speaker.

**ROCHESTER**--UMR is hosting its 2nd annual Faculty Reception Jan. 9, 5-6:30 p.m., at Radisson Hotel, Rochester. Reception is an opportunity for faculty from different disciplines to meet and be recognized for their efforts toward quality and student satisfaction.

**TWIN CITIES**--National Wildlife Federation's new report, "The State of the Campus Environment: A National Report Card on Environmental Performance and Sustainability in Higher Education," has listed U's TC campus as a national leader among colleges and universities in 3 categories of environmental practices--"offering majors and minors requiring environmental courses," "supporting and evaluating faculty on environmental studies," and "transportation programs." Report, based on findings from 891 colleges and universities, provides "green grades" for environmental performance in 17 categories, ranging from curriculum to transportation, and highlights exemplary schools.

Demolition of Washington Ave. pedestrian bridges began Jan. 7. Bus stops between bridges are closed until Jan. 18. Eastbound bus stop has been relocated to Moos Tower and westbound stop to Transportation and Safety Building. Work is taking place at night; traffic has been reduced to one lane in each direction. See [www.facm.umn.edu](http://www.facm.umn.edu) (construction link).

Learning Resources Center in Norris Hall and Digital Media Center (DMC) will open in Walter Library Jan. 22. Due to move, DMC development facility will be closed Jan. 14-18 but consulting appointments may still be scheduled. Also Science and Engineering Library will move out of Norris Hall and the Andersen storage caverns to Walter Library. Collections and services will not be available Jan. 17-21. For move schedule, see [sciweb.lib.umn.edu/walter/return.html](http://sciweb.lib.umn.edu/walter/return.html).

**Lectures:** Ann Hamilton, selected from more than 400 applicants nationwide to produce public art for the new Molecular and Cellular Biology Building, will speak Jan. 10, 7 p.m., Weisman Art Museum. Art is largest public piece commissioned in U history. Call 612-625-9686.

- "Managing Employees with Hidden Disabilities" by Kathryn Ellis from Disability Services, will be Jan. 15, 2-4 p.m., 274 McNeal Hall. To RSVP, e-mail [jbatt@che.umn.edu](mailto:jbatt@che.umn.edu).

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**U offices will be closed Jan. 21** to recognize Martin Luther King, Jr., Day. Spring classes will begin Jan. 22. Brief will not be published Jan. 23; the next issue will be Jan. 30.

**Board of Regents Ad Hoc Committee on Athletics will hear public comment** on ways to resolve the financial challenges facing TC campus intercollegiate athletics Jan. 28, 11:30 a.m., and Jan. 29, 4:30 p.m., 600 McNamara Alumni Center. Individuals who want to speak at the forum should contact the regents office by noon Jan. 24. Write to 600 McNamara Alumni Center, 200 Oak St. S.E., Minneapolis, MN 55455, or call 612-625-6300. Information must include your name, address (including e-mail), telephone number, group represented (if any), relationship to the U, and requested presentation date.

Speakers will be limited to five minutes each; those representing groups will be limited to 10 minutes. For "Current and Future Financial Challenges in Intercollegiate Athletics" report, see [www.unews.umn.edu](http://www.unews.umn.edu).

**Gov. Ventura's capital budget recommendations announced Jan. 14, include \$86 million in project funding for the U**--\$35 million for Higher Education Asset Preservation and Replacement (U's request is \$80 million), \$25.5 million for UMD Laboratory Science Building, \$7.7 million to replace UMC Bede Hall, \$4 million for classroom improvements, \$3.4 million for plant growth facilities in St. Paul (U's request is \$18.7 million), and \$10 million for basic renewal of Nicholson Hall in Minneapolis (U's request is \$24 million). U's 2002 capital request, which will now be considered by legislature when session opens Jan. 29, is \$239.8 million. See [www.umn.edu/qovrel](http://www.umn.edu/qovrel).

On Jan. 10, Ventura proposed to balance the state's 2002-03 budget through a combination of spending cuts, tax increases, funds from budget reserves, and one-time actions. Of proposed \$700 million in spending cuts, \$71 million are from higher education, including \$33 million from the U for fiscal year 2003.

**Timely and accurate information on issues facing the U is now available at The Source**, [www.umn.edu/thesource](http://www.umn.edu/thesource). New Web site, launched by University Relations (UR), also provides talking points (for U leaders), FAQs, and text for use in U publications (for U communicators), as well as links to relevant source documents, presentations, and news clips. Among current topics are pending budget shortfall, athletic financing, and future of U of M Extension Service. UR will be gauging feedback in the next several weeks.

**VP Kruse will leave the U Feb. 22** to launch a facilities consulting career. Kruse joined the U in 1991; as VP for U Services since 1999, he has overseen construction and renovation of more than 30 buildings, totaling nearly \$1 billion, and implemented Beautiful U Day. Transition plan will ensure that all U Services functions continue smoothly.

**Preliminary numbers show alumni giving to the U up 8% for the first 6 months of the fiscal year** (June to December) compared to the same period last year. "This is encouraging news," said President Yudof. "Private gifts are critical to sustaining our momentum and ability to attract top students and world-class faculty."

**U travel policy update:** mileage reimbursement rate for intermittent use of personal vehicles while on U business has increased from 34.5¢ to 36.5¢ a mile. Standard mileage rate for deductible moving expenses will also increase from 12¢ a mile to 13¢ a mile. Changes are consistent with IRS adjustment. For more information, call Sarah Stule at 612-624-7819.

**Academic Staff Advisory Committee (governing body representing P&A staff)** will meet Jan. 18, 9 a.m.-noon, 210 Donhowe. All P&A staff are welcome. For full agenda, see [www.umn.edu/ohr/asac](http://www.umn.edu/ohr/asac).

**U will host 3-day national symposium "Addressing the Recruitment and Retention of Faculty of Color in Higher Education"** in April. For more information about symposium or submitting research or best practices proposals, see [www.oma.umn.edu/kof](http://www.oma.umn.edu/kof); proposal deadline is Feb. 4.

**U faculty can lead short-term study abroad programs** over winter break or May session through Global Seminar program; submit proposals by May 1 for winter 2002 and May session 2003 programs. For more information, see [www.umabroad.umn.edu](http://www.umabroad.umn.edu) or call Sophie Gladding at 612-626-0597.

**CROOKSTON**--Music and theater department will present Shakespeare's comedy *As You Like It* Jan. 16-18. Dinner performance will be 6 p.m., Bede ballroom.

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UMC students will host the 27th Annual Ag-Arama Jan. 25-26. Event features student contests in agronomy, animal science, horticulture, mechanized agriculture, and natural resources. Bulk of activities will be Jan. 26 in the University Teaching and Outreach Center.

At Crookston City Council meeting Jan. 8, Pam Holsinger-Fuchs, Student Activities and Service Learning director, and her husband, Tom, were recognized for their extraordinary volunteer service in the Crookston community. UMC Student Association president Steven Brandt was recognized for building bridges between the student body and the Crookston community. Brandt and the Holsinger-Fuchs were among a group of 11 individuals and one organization to receive the 2001 volunteer awards.

**DULUTH**--"Here by Design/Made in Minnesota" will be Jan. 22-March 31, at Tweed Museum of Art. Exhibit includes beadwork, architecture, and graphic design by Minnesotans. Additional component, featuring the work of 5 Duluth area designers and manufacturers, focuses on the design process itself (from an idea to a finished product).

Christina Gallup, assistant professor of geology, is lead author of an article in Jan. 11 *Science*. Article focuses on her team's new research that finds an exception to the widely accepted Milankovitch Theory (also called orbital forcing) that states that changes in the earth's orbit drive cycles of glaciation. Their findings point to existence of other factors that can override orbital forcing to influence climate.

**MORRIS**--Sixty faculty and staff have accepted fitness challenge, "A Healthier You in '02," cosponsored by Human Resources and Intramural and Recreational Club Sports. Challenge continues through Feb. 22. Points are based on aerobic activity, nonaerobic activity, strength training, and nutrition. Top team will be awarded a prize.

Eighty people from the campus community will attend UMM's 4th Annual Multicultural Student Leadership Retreat, Jan. 25-27, in Fergus Falls. Participants will discuss various aspects of diversity on campus and in the larger community.

Reception for Abdullah Jaradat, new research leader for North Central Soil Conservation Research Laboratory in Morris, will be Feb. 7, 5-7 p.m., Soils Lab.

**ROCHESTER**--UMR Certificate in Translation program continues to grow; 5 new instructors are training on the TC campus to assist in spring and fall semesters. Nearly 50% of registrants in the spring program are fully sponsored by their employers.

**TWIN CITIES**--Rescheduled telephone system upgrade for East Bank buildings will start Jan. 18. Upgrades for West Bank will be in March and all health sciences summer 2002. For project details, see [www.umn.edu/oit/telephoneupgrade](http://www.umn.edu/oit/telephoneupgrade).

New 1,900-space East River Road underground garage (behind Coffman Union) will open Jan. 22. Facility, under construction for the past 3 years, has 8 color-coded levels, alphanumeric parking bays, and a tunnel connection to Coffman Union. Questions, call 612-626-7275.

"Designing and Developing International Courses" for faculty and instructional staff will be Jan. 31, 2-6 p.m., 210 Donhowe. Program will include individual speakers, panelists, round-table discussions, and small-group activities. For more information or to register, call Kathleen O'Donovan at 612-625-3316 or see [www.umn.edu/ohr/teachlearn](http://www.umn.edu/ohr/teachlearn).

Retirement reception for Al Easter, who has been with Information Services for 33 years, will be Jan. 25, 3:30-5 p.m., 238 Morrill Hall. To RSVP, call 612-624-5594 or e-mail [fish029@umn.edu](mailto:fish029@umn.edu) by Jan. 18.

**Event:** Martin Luther King, Jr., concert will be Feb. 2, 7:30 p.m., Ted Mann Concert Hall. Concert, a multi-arts collage of music, readings, poetry, film, and dance, will explore King's life and teachings. Performers include poet J. Otis Powell, African drum and dance group Dance Roots, pianist Keith McCutchen, and the U's Reginald Buckner Ensemble.

**Lectures:** "Workforce Housing: The Key to Ongoing Regional Prosperity--A Study of Housing's Impact on the Twin Cities Economy" will be Jan. 25, noon-1:30 p.m., 1-126 Carlson School. RSVP to 612-625-1551 or call 625-2086 for more information.

• "Women of Color in Fiction: A Conversation with Author and Activist Barbara Neely" will be Feb. 1, 3-5 p.m., 215 Humphrey Center. Questions, call 625-2031.

**Announcement:** John Budd, human resources and industrial relations professor, received an Excellence in Education award from the Industrial Relations Research Association for his teaching of labor relations and collective bargaining.

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**Fire early Saturday morning damaged Crop Research Building** on TC campus in St. Paul. Fire, which started in a construction trailer on the site of the new Microbial and Plant Genomics Building, was arson. Damage was confined to the soil testing lab; other parts of the building sustained smoke and water damage. No injuries were reported. U Police and St. Paul Fire Department are investigating. There are no suspects, and no one has claimed responsibility. If you have any information, call U Police at 612-624-3550.

**Board of Regents Ad Hoc Committee on Athletics held open forums** Jan. 28 and 29. Committee heard from more than 50 people, including U faculty, students, donors, parents of student athletes, former athletes, and coaches, on ways to resolve the financial challenges facing TC campus intercollegiate athletics.

Majority of speakers voiced support for women's athletics and called for the U to maintain separate men's and women's units. Solutions offered included more private fund-raising, implementing more stringent rules on budget and spending, and creating endowed coaching positions. Joe Massey, Faculty Consultative Committee chair, and Patrick Pederson, Graduate and Professional Student Assembly president, questioned U's level of funding for athletics and urged greater focus on academic priorities.

Committee will use public comment to formulate administrative recommendations by March. U is determined "to have a healthy and viable athletic program..." said VP Tonya Moten Brown. "All options are on the table [for possible solutions]." The report, *Current and Future Financial Challenges in Intercollegiate Athletics*, is at [www.unews.umn.edu](http://www.unews.umn.edu).

**U is negotiating to buy a share of viewing time on the Large Binocular Telescope (LBT)**, which is being installed on Mt. Graham, Arizona. Purchase is made possible by a \$5 million gift from Hubbard Broadcasting. Since project was proposed 20 years ago, activists and American Indians have raised concerns about the environmental and cultural impact of the project. In light of concerns raised recently, U officials will consult with the U's American Indian Advisory Committee and Social Concerns Committee and other stakeholders. Board of Regents will make a final decision on participation in the project sometime in the next 3 months.

**U won 2 Committee on Urban Environment awards** for its Heritage Trail and participation in the Nicollet Island Community Planting Project. Projects were part of Sesquicentennial celebration and Beautiful U Day.

**President Yudof met with Faculty Consultative Committee (FCC)** Jan. 24 to discuss state budget shortfall, capital request, replacement for Andrew Collins on the Commission on Excellence, searches for U librarian and U services VP, Mt. Graham telescope, college or department balances, and athletics.

**Dan Feeney**, veterinary radiology professor, was elected 2002-03 FCC chair. New vice chair is Judith Martin, geography professor.

**More than 350 faculty, staff, students, alumni, and friends** attended a legislative briefing Jan. 22 to launch the U's \$239.8 million capital request to the state legislature. Event organizers asked U supporters to urge lawmakers to stem proposed cuts to U's operating budget.

**House Capital Investment Committee will hear U's 2002 capital request** Jan. 30, 3 p.m., 10 State Office Building. Request will be presented to Senate Higher Education Budget Division Feb. 4, 1-3:45 p.m., 107 Capitol.

**Volunteers are needed for legislative calling nights** Feb. 4-6 and Feb. 11-13, 5-9 p.m., McNamara Alumni Center. This is an opportunity to learn more about U's capital request and call U advocates to ask them to contact their legislators. To register, call Nicole at 612-626-8371 or e-mail [benne069@umn.edu](mailto:benne069@umn.edu).

**Civil Service (CS) current practices and rules 1-5 will be reviewed** at first CS Rules Subcommittee monthly meeting Jan. 30, 2-5 p.m., 240 Donhowe. For rules, see [www.umn.edu/ohr/ohrpolicy/Governing/Civil](http://www.umn.edu/ohr/ohrpolicy/Governing/Civil). CS employees may attend or e-mail suggested rule changes or concerns to [kchalups@d.umn.edu](mailto:kchalups@d.umn.edu) or [lienx004@umn.edu](mailto:lienx004@umn.edu).

**Civil Service Committee** will meet Jan. 31, 9-noon, 300 Morrill Hall. See [www.socsci.umn.edu/civilser](http://www.socsci.umn.edu/civilser).

**W-2 forms were mailed week of Jan. 21.** If you have questions about how to read your form, see [hrss.umn.edu/paycheck\\_info/Taxes](http://hrss.umn.edu/paycheck_info/Taxes). For other questions, call 612-625-2016.

**U-Wide Policy Library contains new Accessibility of Information Technology policy**, which promotes disability access and technical environments to meet individual needs. See [www.fpd.finop.umn.edu](http://www.fpd.finop.umn.edu).

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**January/February Kiosk**, faculty and staff newspaper, should be in your mailboxes. Read about the new Biotechnology Precinct in St. Paul, the U's capital request, and fiscal problems in athletics.

**CROOKSTON**--Representatives from Ecole Supérieure d'Agriculture, an agricultural college in Angers, France, visited UMC Jan. 23 to discuss a summer study experience for students. Study abroad experience will begin late May and run through June.

Snow Daze: "Fire and Ice" will be Feb. 4-9. Annual winter fun week for students features royalty coronation on Feb. 4, 8 p.m., in Bede ballroom; Student Success Fair, Feb. 6, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., in Sahlstrom Conference Center; and Snow Daze dinner and dance, Feb. 8, 7 p.m., at Northland Inn.

John Loegering, assistant professor of natural resources, and students Dan Oberg and Debra Fowler-Caron are researching seed and feeder preference of native finch species. Project is sponsored by U's Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program, Northwest Minnesota Regional Partnership, and Wild Birds Unlimited.

**DULUTH**--Fifth annual UMD Safety Awareness Fair will be Feb. 20, noon-4:30 p.m., in Kirby Student Center Ballroom. Emphasis will be on ergonomics and multiple chemical sensitivities. Fair will include information booths and workshops. Call 218-726-6827 or see [www.d.umn.edu/umdhr/Events/safety.html](http://www.d.umn.edu/umdhr/Events/safety.html).

Donna Forbes, associate professor of anatomy and cell biology, and Arlen Severson, professor and head of Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology, have released their CD-ROM "NeuroTime?", a computer-assisted neuroanatomy learning program. For software demonstration, see [www.neurotime.com](http://www.neurotime.com).

**MORRIS**--In a December interview with *Fargo Forum*, President Yudof (when asked about impact of state budget cuts) said, "I think Morris is in a relatively strong position. If they have first-class services and they stick with the liberal arts, in the long run, they will be okay."

Diversity peer educators and resident advisers received a Diversity Programming Honorable Mention at fall meeting of Upper Midwest Region Association of College and University Housing Officers.

Sneak preview of newly renovated Science West will be Jan. 31, 2-4 p.m., building lobby.

Series "Minnesota: Rivers and Fields," produced by Media Services, airs every Saturday at 12:30 p.m., Channel 8, Duluth PBS station. Bemidji Public Television is considering when to broadcast series.

**ROCHESTER**--On Jan. 21, Colin Campbell, Department of Pharmacology, presented "The Human Genome Project: Its Importance to Society and Impact on the Study of Biology" to Rochester area high school biology teachers.

First M.B.A. class was held Jan. 25. Board of Regents approved plan Dec. 14 to offer M.B.A. degree at UMR; UMD business and economics professors teach every other Friday and Saturday in Rochester.

**TWIN CITIES**--Institute of Technology dean's office will move back to 105 Walter Library Feb. 8. For more information, call 612-624-2006.

U Parking and Transportation Services (PTS) and Printing Services won 2 Classics Awards Jan. 24 at the annual Public Relations Society of America Minnesota chapter banquet. Award recognized multimedia plan that increased bus ridership by 88% and across-the-board increase in awareness and use of PTS products and services.

Chalk Talk, new program at McNamara Alumni Center 2 hours before all Big 10 men's home basketball games, features a Gopher assistant coach sharing strategies and inside information on the opposing team, entertainment by cheer squad and alumni band, and prizes. Call 612-625-4582.

**Events:** Author Elizabeth Wurtzel will discuss her new book *More, Now Again: A Memoir of Addiction* Jan. 31, 12:30 p.m., at U Bookstores, Williamson Hall.

- "The Dead of Winter" will be Feb. 1, noon-1:30 p.m., 120 Andersen Library. U Libraries Special Collections and Archives staff will present a selection of material dealing with snow, ice, and windchill. Call 612-624-3552.
- Health Fair/Expo 2002 will be Feb. 6, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., U Rec Center.

- Herbalist Matthew Alfs will discuss his book *Edible and Medicinal Wild Plants of Minnesota and Wisconsin* Feb. 6, noon, at U Bookstores in St. Paul Student Center.
- For information on other U events, see [events.tc.umn.edu](http://events.tc.umn.edu).

**Announcements:** Gary Parker, civil engineering professor, received the G. K. Warren Prize from National Academy of Sciences for outstanding scientific contributions.

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**Regents will meet Feb. 6-8**, 600 McNamara Alumni Center. Agenda topics include U of M state budget update, communicating accountability, and undergraduate scholarships and financial aid.

**Yudof has appointed Greg Fox**, UMD vice chancellor for finance and operations, as interim VP for U Services effective Feb. 11. (Current VP, Eric Kruse, will leave the U Feb. 22.) While serving as interim VP, Fox will continue his responsibilities at UMD, splitting his time equally between the Duluth and TC campuses.

**U police chief George Aylward** is interim assistant VP for Public Safety effective Feb. 2. In addition to police functions, Office of Emergency Management and a proposed Central Monitoring Office will also report to him. Aylward will oversee security-related activities across the campus and establish minimum security requirements for U sites. He will report to President Yudof and U Services VP.

**Earth Liberation Front (ELF) has claimed responsibility** for Jan. 26 arson that damaged a construction trailer and the soil testing lab on the TC campus in St. Paul. ELF, described by the FBI as a domestic terrorist group, said in a communiqué that the target of the fire was the Microbial and Plant Genomics building.

U police department is working with state and federal law enforcement agencies in the investigation. In February 2000, U's genetic engineering research was also targeted by ELF; activists destroyed transgenic oat research crops and a greenhouse.

"Ironically, the new [genomics] facility is dedicated to improving the environment, not damaging it," said CBS Dean Elde. Research in the facility will focus on genomes of plants and microbes and lead to ways to reduce the use of pesticides and fertilizers. If you have any information that could assist in the investigation and help identify suspects, call 612-624-3550.

**U community is asked to be alert** and secure work spaces--lock unattended labs, offices, and other research spaces and report unusual activity or packages to campus security: at UMC, call Gary Willhite at 218-281-8530 or police at 281-3111; UMD, police at 218-726-7000; UMM, campus security at 320-589-6000 or 589-1155; and TC, police at 612-624-3550 or 911. "These are not idle threats nor was this an orderly demonstration of disagreement with U activity," said VP Maziar. "This appears to be a planned attack perpetrated by someone willing to risk arrest and cause significant damage."

**Changes in medical and dental plan coverage for Medicare-eligible retirees** and dependents will be offered for 2003. U has submitted requests for proposals (RFP) from health plan vendors. Benefits Advisory Committee's retiree subcommittee will help evaluate RFP and make recommendation to Yudof in May.

Regents will make final decision in May or June. U retirees currently pay the entire cost of their health coverage. New plan offerings should be available during fall 2002 open enrollment. Goal of subcommittee is to ensure proposed designs match State Employee Group Insurance Plan offerings in the past and to gain ground on long-standing goal of U subsidy of retiree health benefits.

**U's TC and Morris campuses are featured in Valued Places: Landscape Architecture in Minnesota**, a new book from the Minnesota Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects. Editor Frank Martin, who worked with UMM on its master plan, said the society included the campuses because "no other institute in the state stewards as many valued landscapes as the U of M." Dean Fisher, College of Architecture and Landscape Architecture, wrote the afterword; other landscape architects with ties to the U wrote commentaries. For more information, see [www.masla.org](http://www.masla.org).

**Executive VP and Provost (EVPP) Search Committee** is seeking nominations and applications for position. Review of applications and materials will continue until new EVPP is selected. Send materials by Feb. 15 to Bill Funk, Korn/Ferry International, 2100 McKinney Ave., Suite 1800, Dallas, TX 75201, fax 214-954-1849, or e-mail [bill.funk@kornferry.com](mailto:bill.funk@kornferry.com).

**U's Student Legislative Coalition (SLC) annual rally** drew hundreds of students from the U's campuses to State Capitol Feb. 5. Students rallied to prevent a proposed cut of \$33.5 million to the U's budget and a reduction in the online research and interlibrary lending programs as well as financial aid, work study, and child care programs.

**U Stem Cell Institute researchers** have demonstrated, for the first time, the ability of adult bone marrow stem cells to expand in vitro as endothelial cells (which line blood and lymphatic vessels) and then engraft in vivo and contribute to new growth of blood vessels (neovascularization). Findings are published in Feb. 1 *Journal of Clinical Investigation* ([www.jci.org](http://www.jci.org)).

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**Optional Retirement Plan investment performance results** through Dec. 31 will be published on the back page of *Minnesota Daily* on Feb. 7. Information will be sent to UMC, UMD, UMM, and UMR.

**Send nominations for President's Emerging Leaders Program** by Feb. 20. Yearlong program is open to P&A, civil service, and bargaining unit staff. For more information and nomination form, see [www.umn.edu/ohr/chr/emergingleaders](http://www.umn.edu/ohr/chr/emergingleaders) or call Kate Schaefer at 612-626-0769.

**CROOKSTON**--Jamie Washington, assistant VP for student affairs at U of Maryland, Baltimore County, will lead a series of discussions on leadership and diversity Feb. 12. He is a nationally known consultant on multicultural and leadership issues.

No classes will be held Feb. 15 to allow for faculty in-service training. Bush Faculty Development Grant for Enhancing Student Learning Through Innovative Teaching and Technology Strategies will sponsor day-long workshop on "Building Student Engagement."

UMC was chosen to host the Minnesota Association of Community Theaters State Festival April 2003. About 20 community theater productions from across the state will compete. Renovated Kiehle Auditorium will serve as main stage.

**DULUTH**--UMD research group, led by Large Lakes Observatory director Thomas Johnson, is one of 4 (Syracuse U, U of Rhode island, and U of Arizona) receiving a \$2 million grant from the National Science Foundation's Earth System History to conduct scientific drillings at Lake Malawi in the East African Rift Valley in December or January 2003. More than 7 million years old and 700 meters deep, Lake Malawi is one of the earth's oldest and deepest lakes.

Department of Music will present "Faculty at Play" Feb. 12, 7 p.m., in Tweed Museum of Art. Program will include selections from Schubert to Duke Ellington. Call 218-726-8877 for reservations.

Alworth Institute for International Studies will present a panel discussion and open forum, "World Trade: The New Debate" Feb. 13, 7 p.m., in Tweed Museum court gallery. Reception will follow.

**MORRIS**--Campus Resources and Planning Committee voted unanimously Jan. 25 to rename University Drive to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Drive. "We seek to recognize the work of a great American, the continuing struggle for civil rights, the work that many have done and that all of us must continue," said Chancellor Schuman.

UMM assistant professor of political science Paula O'Loughlin is new assistant to dean for enrollment management and retention. In addition to continuing her duties in social sciences, she will serve as representative to Enrollment Management Task Force and assume other tasks related to student progress.

*Alembic*, book by associate professor of English Vicki Graham, was selected a final nominee in the 14th Annual Minnesota Book Awards poetry category. Nearly 250 submissions were received; winners will be announced April 12, 7:30 p.m., at Fitzgerald Theater in St. Paul, and aired on TC Public Television.

**ROCHESTER**--In a continuing effort toward staff training and diversity, UMR staff attended "Wealth, Innovation, and Diversity: Putting Our Differences to Work in the 21st Century."

**TWIN CITIES**--U Youth Programs 2002, June 10-Aug. 16, encourage personal growth through sport instruction, academic enrichment, and recreation experiences. Register early. See [www.recsports.umn.edu/youth](http://www.recsports.umn.edu/youth) or call 612-625-2242 for catalog.

**Events:** "Dialogos," a series of discussions, presentations, and dance workshops on Latino culture, will be Thursdays beginning Feb. 7, 2:30-3:30 p.m., 525 Science Classroom Building.

- 22nd Annual Sun Bowl Tournament is Feb. 6-March 7, Gopher Spot, St. Paul Student Center. Cost is \$8 per person, per entry. Call 612-625-5246 or see [www.spsc.umn.edu/gopherspot](http://www.spsc.umn.edu/gopherspot).

**Lectures:** McKnight Summer Fellows presentation, "Refugees of the Republic: Race and Nation in the Old Northwest" and "Literacy and Property in Early America," will be Feb. 7, 3:30-5 p.m., Nolte Library.

- Miniconference, "The Sociology of Childhood and Child Well-Being," Feb. 11, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., 1114 Social Sciences Building. For agenda, call 612-624-6333 or see [www.soc.umn.edu](http://www.soc.umn.edu).

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**U will request \$3.98 million from the state of Minnesota** to increase security at facilities and labs and improve security monitoring and communications capabilities. "In the wake of Sept. 11 and an arson 2 weeks ago at one of our construction sites, we've decided that it is prudent to pursue this additional funding this legislative session," said President Yudof to regents Feb. 8.

Proposal includes \$1.8 million for card access readers and 24-hour monitoring equipment at 150 laboratories containing infectious agents, biological toxins, and radioactive agents; \$289,000 for security upgrades in 22 areas containing toxic chemicals, gases, and radioactive materials; and \$297,000 to create and maintain a database and inventory of chemical and enhanced biological materials.

"The U has an obligation to protect the life, health, and safety of our students, staff, faculty, and visitors, as well as to protect facilities and equipment that is funded in part with state and federal dollars," said Regent Reed. U will seek funding through bio-terrorism bill currently under consideration by Minnesota House of Representatives.

**Senate on Feb. 11 passed its proposal to balance the state budget**, which includes a \$25.5 million cut to the U for fiscal year 2003. On Feb. 6, Senate Higher Education Budget Division forwarded the U's entire 2002 capital request (\$239.8 million) to the Senate Capital Investment Committee for consideration. Committee, scheduled to vote Feb. 12 on entire bonding bill for the state (including U's request), will forward the bill to Senate Finance Committee Feb. 14.

On Feb. 11 the House Higher Education Finance Committee proposed its operating budget reduction bill. Under the plan, U budget would be reduced by \$19.9 million for fiscal year 2003 and \$48.5 million for the 2004-05 biennium.

**U has presented "a strong case" to the legislature**, said Yudof in legislative update to regents, but if governor's \$33.2 million reduction is passed, U has 3 options: raise tuition, make cuts to existing programs, or scale back projects that regents have approved. "At this point, everything will be on the table--reserves, merit-pool increases for faculty, the compact pool..." he said. "We'll try to put together a central package [a combination of things] and stretch the pain across the different constituents of the U."

**Students fear another tuition hike** on the heels of recent 13% increase, said Venora Hung, student representative to Board of Regents. "We understand what you can and cannot control, but we don't want to see double digit increases." Hung said that although the state continues to under fund the U, there is public support for low tuition rates "and we believe now is the time to take advantage of the support from the community."

**Faculty Consultative Committee is addressing several topics**, said chair Joe Massey in midyear report to regents. Among these are state budget, outreach role of the U, civic engagement, subsidy of intercollegiate athletics, U grievance policy, and faculty salaries. He said salaries remain an issue because "it's not that we want to be richer, [but] we want to be able to attract the best faculty and keep them here."

**"The U, from the physical standpoint, will stand the test of time..."** said VP Kruse. Kruse, who will leave the U Feb. 22, was recognized at the regents meeting Feb. 8 for overseeing nearly \$1 billion in construction and renovation at the U since 1999. Farewell reception for Kruse and Theresa Robinson, auxiliary services associate VP, will be Feb. 19, 2-3:30 p.m., Memorial Hall, McNamara Alumni Center.

Following Robinson's retirement (effective March 1), Housing and Residential Life and U Dining Services will become part of Auxiliary Services. Laurie Scheich will lead reorganized structure as new associate VP of Auxiliary Services effective March 4.

**Campaign Minnesota total as of Dec. 31 is \$1.245 billion**, or 96% toward the \$1.3 billion goal, reported Gerald Fischer, president and CEO of U of M Foundation, to regents. This includes \$52 million in gifts from 7,900 faculty and staff since campaign counting began in 1996. Major emphasis this year has been to encourage alumni to participate in the campaign; number of alumni making gifts is up 18% through December, compared with the same period last year.

**New U librarian effective June 17** is Wendy Pradt Lougee, U of Michigan Library associate director. She will replace Tom Shaughnessy who is retiring after 12 years of service.

**School of Nursing is one of 7 in the nation selected** to participate in a \$2.2 million Geriatric Investment Program. Each school will receive \$75,000 a year for 3 years from John A. Hartford Foundation. Amount, supplemented with \$25,000 annually from respective universities, will be used to enhance course offerings and training.

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**Great Conversations series continues** Feb. 19 with Thomas Fisher, College of Architecture and Landscape Architecture dean, and Steven Holl, *Time* 2001 Architect of the Year, 7:30 p.m., at Ted Mann Concert Hall, TC campus. For tickets, call 612-624-2345.

**Deadline for Gopher Guide 2002-03** calendar items is Feb. 25; submit events and programs between August 2002 and August 2003 at [www.umn.edu/cic/GopherGuide](http://www.umn.edu/cic/GopherGuide). To place an ad, e-mail Tracie at [ocelx002@umn.edu](mailto:ocelx002@umn.edu) or call 612-626-0188.

**CROOKSTON**--According to the local Environmental Services Administration, UMC's student-initiated recycling program has resulted in a 13% recycling rate for 2001 and \$4,000 savings in the nonresidential solid waste service fee assessed to the campus for 2002.

Equine industries management students will sponsor the 2nd Annual Equine Extravaganza Feb. 16, 6 p.m., in University Teaching and Outreach Center Arena. Performances will be repeated Feb. 17, 2 p.m.

David Arcott, new natural resources assistant professor, will lead the Nature Northwest Project, which will develop an inventory, economic assessment, and guidebook of nature-related recreational opportunities in northwest Minnesota.

**DULUTH**--Glensheen Historic Estate is featured in a new book, *Valued Places: Landscape Architecture in Minnesota*, by the Minnesota Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects. Book is a field guide to Minnesota's most scenic views.

New appointments are Tricia Bunten, development director for College of Science and Engineering; Patti Tolo, development director for School of Fine Arts; and Patty DeLano, alumni director.

In celebration of Black History Month, Elaine Brown, writer and social activist, will lecture Feb. 15, 6 p.m., and annual Soul Food Dinner will be Feb. 16, 6 p.m. Both events will be in Kirby Student Center Ballroom. Dinner tickets available in front of Kirby Plaza bookstore. Call Festus at 218-726-6187.

**MORRIS**--UMM will receive a Citation for Design Excellence from Advertising/Marketing Federation of Central Minnesota at Feb. 16 awards ceremony in St. Cloud for its Students of Color brochure. Piece was selected for vibrant use of color, photography, and design. Student recruitment campaign, "The Choice is Clear" earned honorable mention.

Annual Art-O-Rama will be Feb. 17, 2-6 p.m., in Humanities Fine Arts. Art Club members will teach kindergarten-6th graders a variety of activities, including silk-screening T-shirts. Cost for 4-hour session is \$15.

Women's Week (Feb. 18-23) events include keynote speaker Christy Haubegger addressing the "believe-in-yourself" determination that helped her found the Hispanic women's magazine, *Latina*, Feb. 18, 7:30 p.m.; film, *The Contender*, Feb. 20, 9 p.m., Edson Auditorium; storyteller Julie "the Story Crone" Goldstein, Feb. 21, 4:45 p.m.; and *The Vagina Monologues*, Feb. 22-23. Events will be in Edson Auditorium.

**ROCHESTER**--UMR received the Platinum Level Award from United Way of Olmsted County at annual awards luncheon Feb. 5 for its contributions to the organization's annual drive.

**TWIN CITIES**--Founders Week, celebrating U's 151st birthday, will be Feb. 18-24. Event will kick off with music, food, and special guest at noon on Northrop plaza, followed by lecture, "New Media for Writing American Lives," 7:30 p.m., in Ted Mann Concert Hall. For complete list of events, see [www.umn.edu/twincities/founders](http://www.umn.edu/twincities/founders).

Cabin Fever Week sponsored by Minnesota Student Association (MSA) is Feb. 11-15. Events include clothing and food drive (collection sites in all residence halls and MSA office); V-Day Music Fest, Feb. 14, 7 p.m., McNamara Alumni Center; and comedy show, Feb. 15, 7:30 p.m., Centennial Hall. Call 612-625-9992.

**Event:** "Focus on New Beijing" photo exhibit runs through Feb. 28, 4th floor gallery, Wilson Library. Hours are M-F, 9 a.m.-7 p.m.; Sa and Su noon-5 p.m.

**Lectures:** CS/BU Women's Initiative, "Playing from 8-5; Finding the fun in the workplace," will be Feb. 21, 3:15-4:15 p.m., 140 Wulling Hall.

- David Tilman, appointed McKnight Presidential Chair in Ecology in December, will present "Optimizing Ecosystem Services on a Human Dominated Earth" Feb. 21, 3:30 p.m., Bell Museum; reception at 5 p.m.

- "Insurance Product Design and Its Effects: Trade-Offs Along the Managed Care Continuum," Feb. 25, 12:15-1:30 p.m., 2-260z Carlson School. Call 612-626-8795.

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**Bill to fund joint Vikings and Gopher stadium was rejected** by House governmental operations committee Feb. 19. Funding plan, based largely on recommendations in a report by stadium issues task force, includes \$151.5 million from the Vikings and the NFL; U would pay \$60 million for new parking ramp on TC campus in Minneapolis. Similar bill will go to Senate this week. Proposal meets most of the U's needs (Dec. 19 *Brief*), but the U is concerned because the planned facility has a fixed roof and the U does not have a strong enough role in the facility's governing body.

**U Cancer Center is one of 20 in the nation chosen as a primary clinical trials site** for developing novel pediatric anticancer agents and immunotherapies for all cancers that afflict children and young adults. Participants in the National Cancer Institute (NCI) Pediatric Developmental Therapeutics Consortium will work with NCI, the Food and Drug Administration, and the pharmaceutical industry.

**Dangers of tobacco use are highlighted on new Transdisciplinary Tobacco Use Research Center Web site;** [www.ttunc.umn.edu](http://www.ttunc.umn.edu). U center, one of 7 funded nationwide through NCI, National Institute on Drug Abuse, and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation for tobacco research, focuses on integrating research to advance the understanding of tobacco use, nicotine addiction, and tobacco harm reduction.

**Carlson School has recognized 12 tenured faculty members** for exceptional contributions in teaching, research, and service to the school. Dennis Ahlburg, John Anderson, James Begun, Mark Bergen, John Budd, Stephanie Lenway, Christopher Nachtsheim, Akshay Rao, Judy Rayburn, K. K. Sinha, Aks Zaheer, and Sri Zaheer will carry term professor titles for 3 years and receive supplemental funds for activities.

**U campus food service is about average** according to national data on customer satisfaction presented at Senate Consultative Committee (SCC) meeting Jan. 31. "Food is a hard business," said Laurie Scheich, new associate VP of auxiliary services (effective March 4), in discussion with SCC. She said relationship between the U and ARAMARK, outsource food vendor since 1998, has improved dramatically, and ARAMARK has made significant improvements in the 13 retail food services on TC campus and is making progress in the 6 residence hall food services.

Among suggestions offered by SCC members to further improve services are getting feedback from graduate and professional students who generally keep late hours and offering more affordable meal plans to students.

**Academic Staff Advisory Committee is now Council of Academic Professionals and Administrators** (CAPA). Assembly voted the change in January because, among other things, it represents the shift from an appointed advisory committee to a proactive assembly elected by and representing all P&As in the U system. For more information, call your CAPA representative or visit [www.capa.umn.edu](http://www.capa.umn.edu).

**Her Majesty Queen Silvia of Sweden will present the Distinguished Carlson Lecture**, Feb. 27, 12:15 p.m., in Northrop Auditorium. Speech will focus on rights and needs of children in developing nations and around the world. For free tickets, call 612-625-5002.

**U has site-wide, campus-wide license for Norton AntiVirus for Windows and Macintosh.** License allows use of the product on any computer purchased with U funds and currently owned by a U department, one personal computer owned by each current staff and faculty member, and one personal computer owned by each current student. See [www.umn.edu/adcs/help/virus](http://www.umn.edu/adcs/help/virus).

**Wallace "Wally" Caryl, U emergency management director**, died at home Feb 18 of natural causes. Caryl, 79, has been with the U for almost 35 years. He was the first director of the U's Office of Civil Defense, the first emergency plan of its kind by any college or university, and he created the U's all-volunteer emergency medical service.

**Executive VP and provost Bruininks**, was appointed to the Board of Directors for Achieve!Minneapolis, organization formed from the merger of Youth Trust and Minneapolis Public Schools Foundation.

**Nominations for President's Award for Outstanding Service** are due March 1. Award recognizes exceptional service to the U by active or retired faculty or staff. For more information, call 612-625-9369.

**CROOKSTON**--United Way of Crookston recognized UMC and Northwest Research and Outreach Center with Outstanding Employee Campaign Awards for reaching 110% of their United Way fund-raising goals.

Michael Meyer is new UMC director of development. He was development director for Special Olympics of North Dakota and athletic-program marketing director for U of North Dakota and U of New Mexico.

Tom Mulvaney, Web applications developer, was named Employee of the Semester fall 2001 by UMC United Staff Association.

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**DULUTH**--In topping-off ceremony Feb. 12, Chancellor Martin placed a U.S. flag on the steel dome of Weber Music Hall and signed the topmost beam. Ceremony (tradition in construction trades) celebrated completion of the first half of the hall's steel dome. Joining her were Craig Olson, president of Duluth Building and Construction Trades Council, and Ron Hanson, VP and GM of Boldt Construction Co., Minnesota Operations. The \$9.2 million hall, designed by Cesar Pelli, is scheduled to open fall 2002.

Jackie Millslagle is new College of Education and Human Service Professions (CEHSP) associate dean. She was formerly director of CEHSP student affairs.

Alworth International Institute presents "From West Street to South Street: Creative Responses to the Capitalist Road in China" by Marshall Johnson, UWS sociology professor, Feb. 27, noon, Ballroom A, Kirby Student Center. Free and open to the public.

**MORRIS**--Advance tickets are available for the 24th annual Jazz Fest, April 4-6, featuring pianist Butch Thompson and trumpeter Vaughn Nark. Order forms have been mailed to season ticket holders; orders will be processed March 2. Remaining tickets go on sale in Office of Student Activities March 4. Performances are 7:30 p.m. in Edson Auditorium.

Rickey Hall, Minority Student Program director, was appointed to the American College Personnel Association Core Council for Member Services and Interests. He is outreach coordinator and will oversee a mini-grant program focused on including community college issues, trends, and concerns in the association.

Feb. 19 Great Conversations Series featuring Steven Holl, *Time* 2001 Architect of the Year, and Thomas Fisher, College of Architecture and Landscape Architecture dean, TC campus, will be broadcast to Science Auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

**ROCHESTER**--UMR, in conjunction with College of Continuing Education, is partnering with Mayo Clinic School of Health Sciences to offer bachelor of science degrees in respiratory care and radiation therapy. First students will be admitted in fall 2002.

**TWIN CITIES**--March 22 is incorrectly listed as a floating holiday in a free U Bookstores pocket calendar. U holiday schedule is available at [www.umn.edu/usenate/calendars/01-02/Calendar.html](http://www.umn.edu/usenate/calendars/01-02/Calendar.html).

School of Dentistry has been designated a "critical access dental provider" for being the number one provider of services to Minnesota Health Care Programs recipients in 2000. School provided more than 8,000 procedures to underserved Minnesotans.

Nominations for Community Service Award are due March 1. Award recognizes TC faculty, staff, or community members who have made enduring contributions to the community and to improving public life and the well-being of society. For more information, call Sharon Olson at 612-625-0051.

"Celebrate Reading with Goldy and Clifford Book Drive for Kids" will be March 4-9 at Barnes and Noble Booksellers in the Twin Cities, Rochester, and Duluth; buy a book to donate and receive a 10% discount. Books will go to children receiving U Literacy Initiative tutoring and to schools and community centers. Kickoff party with President Yudof, Goldy, and Clifford will be March 4, 7 p.m., B&N Edina store. Call 612-626-1601.

Annual Winterfest is Feb. 20-24. Events include comedy performance, free snow cones, movies, massage therapy, and the Sno-Ball. For full list of events, see [www.coffman.umn.edu/winterfest](http://www.coffman.umn.edu/winterfest).

**Events:** Teri James Bellis, author of *When the Brain Can't Hear: Unraveling the Mystery of Auditory Processing Disorder* (APD), and Karen Foli, author of *Like Sound Through Water: A Mother's Journey Through Auditory Processing Disorder*, will discuss APD research Feb. 22, 1 p.m., U Bookstores, Williamson Hall.

- "An Introduction to Austrian Folk Music and the Truth About Yodeling," Feb. 21, 3:30 p.m., 710 Social Sciences.
- Monte/Brown Dance Company, Feb. 23, 8 p.m., Northrop Auditorium. Tickets are \$20.50, \$24.50, \$29.50.

• "Howard Barker's Theatre of Catastrophe in the Aftermath of 9-11" symposium held in conjunction with Barker's 1983 play *Victory*, will be Feb. 22-23, Rarig Center. Call 612-625-0373.

**Lectures:** CURA Housing Forum on "Community Land Trusts--A Model to Provide Long-Term Affordable Housing and How It's Actually Working," Feb. 22, noon-1:30 p.m., 1-126 Carlson School. RSVP at 612-625-1551.  
• Nursing Grand Rounds will highlight "Nurses in the News: How to Get Your Story Across," featuring medical reporters Maura Lerner and John Croman, Feb. 25, noon-1 p.m., 5-125 Moos Tower. Call 625-1187.

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**Minnesota House and Senate both passed a budget bill Feb. 21 to solve state deficit** for the current biennium, but bill was vetoed by Gov. Ventura Feb. 25. Budget bill would cut state spending by \$374 million, including \$23.6 million from the U for fiscal year 2003 and \$50.8 million for 2004-05 biennium. According to new February revenue forecast, state deficit will grow to almost \$2.3 billion through 2003 and \$3.2 billion by 2005. House and Senate were scheduled to meet in separate sessions Feb. 26 to consider veto override.

On Feb. 18, Senate passed a \$1.2 billion bonding bill for the state, which includes funding for the U's entire \$239.8 million capital request, plus \$1.5 million to renovate and update Vet Diagnostic Laboratory on the TC campus in St. Paul. An amendment was also added allowing the U to use the design-build method of construction delivery under certain circumstances. U also presented its 2002 capital request to the House Higher Education Finance Committee Feb. 22. Request was heard by the House Capital Investment Committee Feb. 26.

**Legislators across the state are hosting town hall meetings** to hear about issues important to their constituents. See [www.umn.edu/govrel/alert1.htm](http://www.umn.edu/govrel/alert1.htm).

**Joint Gopher/Vikings stadium proposal was rejected by House Governmental Operations and Veterans Affairs Committee** but approved by Senate State and Local Government Operations Committee. Senate Taxes Committee will vote on bill Feb. 28.

**President Yudof met with National Institute of Health (NIH) officials** in Washington D.C. Feb. 18-20 about neuroscience and literacy issues. NIH is interested in sponsoring research exploring biological contributors to literacy; U is hoping to develop a research proposal that meets the NIH needs.

**U submitted testimony Feb. 6 at the eco-terrorism hearing** of the U.S. House of Representatives' Committee on Resources. Committee, concerned about escalating violence from radical environmental groups, was looking for examples where Earth Liberation Fund (ELF) had taken credit for vandalism and destruction. ELF has claimed responsibility for Jan. 26 fire that destroyed soil testing lab on TC campus in St. Paul and a greenhouse fire 2 years ago.

CBS dean Elde said the U community is disturbed that "ELF's actions were based on inadequate information...they believe our research is harmful to the environment (when in fact, the opposite is true." He said Microbial and Plant Genomics facility "was designed to offer an open environment for genomics research where everyone and all points of view would be welcome," but the U may be forced to secure the building and restrict access following recent incident.

Fire damage is estimated at \$250,000, but figures are expected to be higher after lost research is calculated. Congress may pass legislation later this year addressing "agrorrorism" and laboratory security.

**School of Journalism and Mass Communication (SJMC) will offer new master's degree** in health journalism starting fall 2002. One-year program, created by SJMC and School of Public Health, aims to improve public communication about health affairs. Class topics will include fundamentals of social and behavioral science and media ethics. For more information, see [www.sjmc.umn.edu](http://www.sjmc.umn.edu).

**More than 50 volunteers participated in the U's legislative calling nights** Feb. 5-6 and Feb. 11-13. Approximately 1,836 calls were made to members of the U's Legislative Network, alumni, and friends. Of those contacted, 653 people said they had already contacted or were planning to contact their legislators in support of the U's 2002 capital request.

**"Beyond the U" radio show** (WCCO-830) by Mark and Judy Yudof will be March 5, 1-2 p.m. Guests include Gopher basketball coach Brenda Oldfield and CBS dean Elde. To call in, 612-989-9226; questions and show ideas, e-mail [beyondu@umn.edu](mailto:beyondu@umn.edu).

**March Kiosk**, faculty and staff newspaper, should be in your mailboxes. Read about increased security at the U, the Large Binocular Telescope issue, and Gopher coach Oldfield.

**CROOKSTON**--Annual International Dinner Series begins March 4 with "China: Civilization and Modernization," by Baizhou Chen, UMC student from Xiamen, China, and continues through March. Dinner starts 6 p.m. in Brown dining room; program at 7 p.m. will be in Bede Ballroom.

Spring Convocation will be March 6, 10 a.m., Bede Ballroom. Guest speaker is Shawna Olson, coanchor "Fox News at Nine"-KVRR TV, Fargo. Academic and athletic achievements will also be acknowledged.

**DULUTH**--Theatre students won top awards at the Region V American College Theatre Festival (ACTF) and will perform at national ACTF in Kennedy Center, Washington D.C., in April--Andrew Bennet, acting (Pegah Kakhodaian was first alternate); Brook Carl, makeup; and Jeffrey Peterson, scenic design. Alumnus Adam Hummel won the playwrighting award for his script, *The Movie Game*.

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Duluth Writers' Workshop on Lake Superior will be June 12-18. Faculty include Robert Olen Butler, fiction; Patricia Weaver Francisco, memoir and personal essay; and Henry Taylor, poetry. Cost is \$495. See [www.d.umn.edu/qoto/writers](http://www.d.umn.edu/qoto/writers) or call 218-726-8996.

UMD Theatre presents *Top Girls* Feb. 28-March 3 and March 5-9, 8 p.m., Marshall Performing Arts Center. Play is feminist critique of 1970s Bourgeois Feminist Movement. Call 218-726-8561 for tickets.

Alumni Association book drive at Duluth Barnes & Noble March 4-9 will offer 10% discount for donation to Darland Connection tutoring program. March 9 will feature 11 a.m. story-time with guest reader Duluth police chief Scott Lyons.

**MORRIS**--Annual Broadway dinner, "Take You to the World," will be March 1-2, 6 p.m., Oyate Hall. Vice chancellor Schwaller will perform in "I Am the Very Model of a Modern Major General." Tickets are \$17 (dinner and show); call 320-589-6123.

Nancy Carpenter, associate professor of chemistry, received the 2002 UMM Alumni Association Teaching Award for outstanding contributions to undergraduate education. She will speak at the Student Honors and Awards ceremony May 9, 7 p.m.

More than 20 students and staff attended the 26th Pan African Student Leadership Conference at Minnesota State U Feb. 20-24. Goal of the conference was to build student leadership and to discuss the causes and effects of issues concerning people of African origin.

**ROCHESTER**--For the 2nd year, UMR is sponsoring "Beat the Odds," an event to recognize adults who have overcome obstacles in their lives to go to college. Celebration will be Feb. 28. In the fall, Rochester recipient will attend classes on the TC campus.

**TWIN CITIES**--U Libraries has launched the IMAGES (Image Megadata AGgregation for Enhanced Searching) initiative to encourage digital content producers across campus to share metadata (descriptive information) about their digital collections. System architecture will permit distributed content storage, so owners retain maximum control over content while reaping the benefits of greater user discovery and access. For more information, see [digital.lib.umn.edu/IMAGES](http://digital.lib.umn.edu/IMAGES).

Departments requiring new Minneapolis White and Yellow Pages should call Ed Rosenkoetter at 1-888-257-4115 ext. 363 or e-mail [edr@dirxionsoftware.com](mailto:edr@dirxionsoftware.com). Directories are also available electronically; departments are encouraged to request this alternative to reduce 120 tons of directories delivered annually to campus. St. Paul White and Yellow pages will be available in August and September.

Telephone system upgrade is scheduled for WBOB, Opus, and supercomputing institute March 1; all other West Bank buildings March 15. For details, see [www.umn.edu/oit/telephoneupgrade](http://www.umn.edu/oit/telephoneupgrade).

Virtual tour of renovated Coffman Union is available at [www.coffman.umn.edu/renovation/tour.php](http://www.coffman.umn.edu/renovation/tour.php).

Thomas Morley, retired professor of plant biology, died Feb. 2 at his home in St. Paul. Morley, 85, was a strong advocate for the preservation of nature and an early champion of buckthorn eradication in Minnesota. Memorial funds may be contributed to the U of M Lake Itasca Forestry and Biological Station.

**Events:** CBS Career and Internship Fair, March 1, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., McNamara Alumni Center. See [www.cbs.umn.edu/careerfair](http://www.cbs.umn.edu/careerfair).

- Free community forum and discussion, "Axis of Evil? Islam, the U.S., and the New Global Order," by MacArthur Program/Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Global Change and U's Institute for Global Studies, March 1, 7 p.m., Whitney Auditorium, Minneapolis Community and Technical College. Call 612-626-7487 or see [www.icgc.umn.edu/axisofevil.htm](http://www.icgc.umn.edu/axisofevil.htm).

**Lectures:** "Sudden Cardiac Death: a Public Health Crisis" by Mayo professor Russell Leupker, Feb. 28, 4 p.m., 2-530 Moos Tower.

- "Bioweapons: How to See Through the Hype," March 2, 3:30 p.m., Minnesota Commons Room, St. Paul Student Center.

- McKnight Summer Fellows presentations, "Craft workers, Independence, and Masculinity in the Late Middle Ages," "Teaching Shakespeare's Class-Consciousness," and "Bushwacking at Versailles: The Novel and Its Margins During the Reign of Louis XIV," will be March 6, 3:30-5 p.m., Nolte Library.

- "Restorative Gardens," featuring research on the effects of plants and gardens on emotional and physical well-being, March 6, 4 p.m., 110 Green Hall.

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**Board of Regents will meet March 7-8**, 600 McNamara Alumni Center. Agenda topics include TC athletics, public art on campus, and policy alternatives to improve graduation and retention rates. For full agenda, see [www.umn.edu/regents](http://www.umn.edu/regents).

**President Bush met with U leaders and educators in a 35-minute roundtable discussion** March 4. Participants included President Yudof, CEHD dean Yussen, and U mathematics education student-teacher Jesse Tejada, who discussed Bush's education reform package and teacher preparedness. "It was a very positive discussion," Yussen said. "President Bush was very engaging and made a special point to elicit comment from each person. He is obviously very committed to this agenda [the reauthorization of elementary and secondary education act]."

U is collaborating with Minneapolis Public Schools and Minnesota Federation of Teachers to help new teachers in urban districts succeed by offering a reduced teaching load, on-site mentoring, and continued professional development during the first year of teaching. Yudof flew to Washington, D.C., with Bush March 5 to attend a White House conference on preparing tomorrow's teachers.

**U.S. Supreme Court ruled 6-3 for the U in *Raygor v. Regents***. Case, the first the U has argued before the nation's highest court, concerned the power of Congress in relation to that of state governments. "The court clearly agreed with the U that Congress did not, and cannot, dictate to the state's time periods for filing claims in state courts," said general counsel Mark Rotenberg.

**U's Immigration History Research Center received \$250,000** from the National Park Service for its Documentation of the Immigrant Experience initiative. Project will make original historical source materials more widely available, create new historical documentation on immigration, and assist ethnic communities in preserving their histories.

**School of Dentistry and the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)** opened Hibbing Community College Dental Clinic March 1. Clinic is first joint educational initiative between school and the MnSCU system and marks a significant expansion of the U's Community Oral Health Programs.

**Adult stem cells have the ability to restore function in laboratory animals with stroke**, according to U neurosurgery and Stem Cell Institute researchers. Stem cells were isolated and expanded from human bone marrow and transplanted into lab rats 7 days after an ischemic stroke injury of the brain. "The ability of bone marrow stem cells to differentiate into cells that are typically found in the brain and restore function in laboratory animals with stroke holds promise for people who have experienced a stroke," said principal investigator Walter Low. More studies will be done before clinical trials are initiated. Research was published in March *Experimental Neurology*.

**On Feb. 28, President Yudof challenged 97 undergraduate department and discipline representatives** to prepare the U's students for a global world by integrating study abroad opportunities into all majors. Challenge is related to U's 3-year Study Abroad Curriculum Integration project funded in part by the Bush Foundation. For more information, see [www.UMabroad.umn.edu](http://www.UMabroad.umn.edu) or call Lynn at 612-624-4525.

**U Card can now be used as a calling card**--10¢ per minute on domestic calling (in-state included) with no surcharges or monthly fees. For more information or to register, see [ucardcalling.umn.edu](http://ucardcalling.umn.edu).

**Info-U 2002**, U of M Extension Service's 24-hour information access to various topics, including money management, parenting, household pests, and gardening, is now available. Call 612-624-3263 for a brochure or see [www.extension.umn.edu/info-u](http://www.extension.umn.edu/info-u).

**New Southwest Asian Languages Web site** is at [irc.lib.umn.edu/dsala.htm](http://irc.lib.umn.edu/dsala.htm). Site, launched by U Libraries, includes partial set of Urdu poetry and instructional recordings in Pushto, the language of the Pashtun people of Afghanistan and Pakistan. Recordings were developed in 1965 as part of the U Pakistan Peace Corps Project. Instructional Punjabi language recordings will soon be added.

**American Cancer Society Institutional Research Grant Applications** will be accepted until April 1. Grant is for instructors and assistant professors who have no independent national funding and are engaged in cancer-related research. Research areas include analysis of developmental biology, gene regulation, or alternation of intracellular or extracellular processes that may lead to an improved understanding or therapy of potential or actual oncogenic events in prokaryotic or eukaryotic cells. Funding is available up to \$20,000. For applications, call 612-626-1926 or e-mail [micek003@umn.edu](mailto:micek003@umn.edu).

**Applications for College of Agricultural, Food, and Environmental Sciences associate dean-extension/agriculture, food, and environment capacity area leader** are due March 20 or until suitable candidate is found. Only internal U candidates will be considered. See [www.coafes.umn.edu](http://www.coafes.umn.edu) or e-mail Gregory Cuomo at [cuomoqj@mrs.umn.edu](mailto:cuomoqj@mrs.umn.edu).

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**CROOKSTON**--Women's basketball coach Mike Curfman was named Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference Coach of the Year. Team finished in the top half of conference with a 16-11 overall record and 11-7 conference record.

Story of Minnesota's first full-term U.S. congresswoman, Coya Knutson, is the topic of a one-woman show called "Coya Come Back." Show will be performed by its writer, Kathy Ray, on March 6, 8 p.m., in Bede Ballroom and is sponsored by UMC's Concerts and Lectures Committee.

**DULUTH**--Head of the Lakes Jazz Festival will be March 9, 7 p.m., in Marshall Performing Arts Center. Nationally known saxophonist Ernie Watts will perform with UMD Jazz Ensemble I under the direction of assistant professor of music Ryan Frane. Call 218-726-8208 for tickets.

Events for "disABILITY Awareness" March 5-9. Keynote address, "Celebration of Abilities," by Geri Jewell will be March 7, 7 p.m., in Kirby Student Center Ballroom. Jewell, from "Facts of Life," was first person with a visible disability to become a regular performer on national TV. A workshop will precede address, 1:30-4 p.m., in Kirby Student Center Garden Room.

Satellite teleconference "Assistive Technology and Universal Design" will be March 11, 12:30-2:30 p.m., 173 Kirby plaza. Free and open to the public.

**MORRIS**--U communication kiosk, with Internet access, has been installed inside the north entrance of the Student Center. Kiosk is one of 4 expected to be installed on campus this year. Other locations will be Science Building and Humanities Fine Arts (HFA).

Debra Blake, assistant professor of English, will present the March 7 faculty seminar, "Women Must Defend Themselves: Violence, Resistance, and the Rewriting of *La Llorona* in Chicana Fiction and Life History Texts," 5 p.m., 6 HFA. Reception is at 4:30 p.m.; discussion will follow presentation.

**ROCHESTER**--On Feb. 22, UMR and UMD School of Business and Economics (SBE) hosted a recognition event for the pioneering group of students accepted to the Rochester M.B.A. program offered by SBE. Event included comments from Regent Neel, UMD vice chancellor for academic affairs Vince Magnuson, and SBE dean Kjell Knudsen.

**TWIN CITIES**--Ground was broken Feb. 28 for new facility to house the Multi-Axial Subassemblage Testing (MAST) system, which tests structures for their ability to withstand earthquakes, explosions, high winds, and other stresses. U's MAST system, funded by the National Science Foundation in February 2001, will be one of 12 in the nation. For more about facility, see [www.umn.edu/urelate/newsservice/newsreleases/01\\_03quake.html](http://www.umn.edu/urelate/newsservice/newsreleases/01_03quake.html).

Nomination deadline for Center for Interdisciplinary Studies of Writing Faculty Award for Excellence in the Teaching of Writing has been extended to March 15. See [cisw.cla.umn.edu](http://cisw.cla.umn.edu) or call Ann at 612-626-7583.

**Events:** Cancer Center Open House, March 10, 4 p.m., 425 East River Road, will feature information on advances in cancer research through hands-on activities, demonstrations, speakers, and tours. See [www.cancer.umn.edu](http://www.cancer.umn.edu) or call Michael Weinbeck at 612-625-4441.

- Reading by Robert Bly, U Libraries Distinguished Writer 2002, March 11, 3:30 p.m., 120 Andersen Library. Bly will be introduced by 2001 recipient Louis Jenkins.

- "Brunch with the Bald Eagles," March 17, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Raptor Center. Cost of \$55 includes bus transportation, brunch at Boat Works, presentation by center director Pat Redig, and tour of National Eagle Center. Call 624-9753.

**Lectures:** Kermit Olson Memorial Lecture on the health effects of viewing plants by behavioral scientist Roger Ulrich, will be March 6, 4 p.m., 110 Green Hall.

- "Coming Full Circle: Sustainable Agriculture, Food Security, and Health," March 7, 5:30-7:30 p.m., 42 Earle Brown Center. See [www.coffman.umn.edu/earth](http://www.coffman.umn.edu/earth).

- Linguistics series begins with "Varieties of Cleft Constructions and Why they Exist," March 8, 3:30 p.m., 229 Nolte Center.

- Design Institute (DI) Insight series will address current visual communication issues: Lisa Strausfeld (DI fellow) March 12, Tobias Frere-Jones and Jonathan Hoefler (Hoefler Type Foundry) March 19, and Michael Rock (New York design studio) March 26. All lectures 7 p.m., Walker Art Center. See [www.walkerart.org/tickets](http://www.walkerart.org/tickets).

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**New projected budget deficit in TC campus intercollegiate athletics** is \$21 million, not \$31 million as reported in December, said VP Moten Brown to Board of Regents March 8. Old figure was due to miscalculation in "out" years (2006-07). She said U is now further along in its fiscal year and has more accurate numbers on which to base its projections, and athletics has cut scholarship and salary expenses and has had higher revenues than originally projected.

Moten Brown responded to questions raised following her first report end of last year. She said there is no data to suggest competitive or academic advantages with separate women's and men's athletic departments; U is one of 5 in nation to have separate units. "There are examples of highly academically successful female student-athletes and highly competitive women's programs in merged departments," Moten Brown said. "[But] we were simply unable to document that the athletic department structure makes any difference on academic or competitive success."

To assess the cost of separate departments, a study was conducted on spending in 7 areas at comparable institutions. U averaged higher costs in marketing and promotions, sports information and media relations, athletic training, and equipment rooms. "Clearly, there seems to be some administrative efficiency in our intercollegiate athletics department that we're not capturing," she said. Administrative recommendations for addressing the financial challenges in athletics will likely go to regents in April.

**"Every dollar spent on athletics is a dollar away from academics,"** said Venora Hung, student representative to the Board of Regents. Hung said, although the students sympathize with concerns about the possible merger of men's and women's athletics, they see athletics as a larger issue of the U's overall financial responsibility. "[We] believe that the purpose of our institution is for education, research, and outreach," she said. "As you reflect upon the question of, 'What will the University become?,' here are some of the student representatives suggestions:...evaluate what level of competition [the U] needs to compete at for each sport;... [implement policies] that can positively impact the culture of the athletics department;...[and]... engage in a larger conversation with the other Big Ten institutions."

**U of M Alumni Association (UMAA) National Board** supports making fiscally responsible decisions to solve the athletic funding problems, as long as solutions ensure gender equity and academic and competitive excellence. In March 2 statement, UMAA board said tough choices "need to be made" and agreed with regents and administration that all options must be on the table.

**Timely graduation benefits students** by increasing lifetime earnings, reducing education costs, and improving employment opportunities upon graduation, said Craig Swan, vice provost for undergraduate education, to regents March 7. He said stronger financial incentives, such as reducing tuition for credits above a certain number, are needed to improve the U's 4- and 5-year graduation rates. U will ensure better access to required classes and advisers if a policy is implemented requiring students to take higher credit loads, he said.

Regents favored an "aggressive" move by the U to change culture and attitudes among students, faculty, and staff. Swan said low graduation rates are damaging to the U's reputation and ability to attract students and public support. Regents will approve a tuition plan as part of the U's operating budget in June.

**U earned 5 national rankings from Association of University Technology Managers (AUTM)**, President Yudof reported to regents. According to AUTM report, U is 4th among major research universities in the number of start-ups spun off from its research (11), 7th in licenses yielding license income, 8th in invention disclosures received, 9th in licenses executed, and 11th in the number of U.S. patents issued.

Yudof said rankings are a "testament to the efforts" of faculty, staff, and students "to get research in the lab out of the door." AUTM surveyed 142 universities and colleges for the annual rankings. Businesses spun off from U research in 2000 range from biotechnology to production of skateboard ramps.

**Also at regents meeting:** approval of new CCE direct marketing certificate (to be offered in fall 2002), name change for CEHD School of Kinesiology and Leisure Studies to School of Kinesiology (effective July 1), and discontinuation of UMD American studies and humanities and classics minors (effective fall 2002).

**U athletic teams--Gophers, Bulldogs, Golden Eagles, and Cougars--will head to postseason play.** Gopher women's basketball enters its first NCAA tournament since 1993 on March 15. No. 1 ranked Gopher women's hockey team goes to the Final Four in New Hampshire March 22-24. For complete list, see [www.umn.edu/systemwide/news/#Anchor-47857](http://www.umn.edu/systemwide/news/#Anchor-47857).

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**Committee will conduct a review of senior VP Frank Cerra.** U policy requires senior administrator reviews at the end of the initial term of appointment. VP Maziar will chair committee, which will seek input from various groups and individuals. If you would like to participate, call 612-626-0309.

**2002-04 McKnight Land-Grant Professors** are Paul Cannan, UMD English; James Druckman, political science; Markus Keel, mathematics; Robert Krueger, psychology; David Odde, biomedical engineering; Frank Symons, educational psychology; Valerie Tiberius, philosophy; David Treuer, English; Haidee Wasson, cultural studies and comparative literature; Kevin Wickman, pharmacology. Each will hold an endowed appointment for 2 years and receive a \$50,000 research grant, summer support, and a leave of absence to conduct research.

**Applications or nominations for U Services VP** will be accepted until position is filled. Send to VP for U Services Search Committee chair Sandra Gardebring, c/o Sandy Korlath, U Relations, 6 Morrill Hall.

**March 6 Brief** gave incorrect address for Southwest Asian languages Web site. It is [lrc.lib.umn.edu/dsala.htm](http://lrc.lib.umn.edu/dsala.htm).

**CROOKSTON**--Dan Svedarsky, natural resources professor, received Award of Merit for 2002 from the Honor Society of Agriculture Gamma Sigma Delta, an international society that recognizes contributions to all facets of agriculture.

Nature Northwest Project is under way to develop an inventory, economic assessment, and guidebook for nature-related recreational opportunities in northwest Minnesota. Community input meetings will be held in March and April in Breckenridge, Crookston, Fergus Falls, Mahanomen, Moorhead, Thief River Falls, and Warroad. See [www.nature-northwest.org](http://www.nature-northwest.org).

**DULUTH**--Lecture "Confronting Contemporary Slavery: International Trafficking of Women and Girls" by Sheila Wellstone, working partner and wife of U.S. Sen. Paul Wellstone, will be March 26, 7 p.m., Kirby Student Center Ballroom. Free and open to the public. Reception will follow.

Glensheen Historic Estate buffet brunch and free Easter egg hunt will be March 24. Egg hunt begins at 9 a.m.; brunch begins at 11 a.m. Cost is \$18.95 adults, \$13.50 children, free for children 5 years and under. Reservations, call 1-888-454-GLEN or 218-726-8910.

Alworth Institute for International Studies will host Sarah Bauer, assistant professor of art and design, who will present "Tibet: Pilgrimage, Practice, Sacred Art, and Ritual" March 27, noon, Tweed Museum.

**MORRIS**--Student Matt Peters had 2 ceramic pieces accepted for 3rd Biennial "Clay Bodies for Student Bodies" exhibition through April 16 at Hillstrom Museum, Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter.

Concert Choir, directed by Kenneth Hodgson, will perform March 22, 7:30 p.m., Assumption Church. Concert will feature works of classical and contemporary composers, spirituals, and folk songs. Tickets are \$4 adults, \$2 students and seniors, and \$10 family.

UMM will celebrate the 29th Annual World Touch Cultural Heritage Week, "Developing a Culture of Peace," March 18-23. Highlights: 3/19, keynote speaker Lee Mun Wah, 7:30 p.m.; 3/20, Los algeres bailadores (Mexican folkloric dance group), 7:30 p.m.; 3/21, CNIA Peace Run, 3 p.m., Minority Resource Center and D. J. Vanas "knockout" storyteller, humorist, motivator, 7:30 p.m.; 3/22, Invitational Ethnic Dinner, 5:30 p.m., Oyate Hall; 3/23, Chicago Children's Choir, 7:30 p.m. Events will be in Edson Auditorium, unless otherwise stated. For full list of events or more information, call 320-589-6095.

**ROCHESTER**--Staff members and Rochester College of Education and Human Development (CEHD) graduate students and alumni participated in the CEHD book drive to benefit young children at Rochester Barnes & Noble March 9.

**TWIN CITIES**--TC campus ranked 26 in total National Institutes of Health award dollars for 2001. Research areas that ranked in top 25 include orthopedic surgery (8), otolaryngology (9), physical medicine and rehabilitation (9), psychology (11), neurology (12), pediatrics (12), radiology (13), basic sciences (15), pathology (15), family practice (17), surgery (17), dentistry (21), and biochemistry (25).

Changes are planned for Bierman Field area to accommodate more recreation fields and a possible reconstruction of Siebert Field. Representatives from U's planning office, recreational sports, and intercollegiate athletics will meet with neighborhood organization leaders in March to preview precinct plan.

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**House passed its bonding bill, which includes \$138.7 million for capital improvements at the U**, on a 95-37 vote March 18. Disputed rail link between St. Cloud and the Twin Cities, which caused the bill to fail last week, was removed from the legislation. Bill will now go to conference committee, where the house and the senate will work out differences between their proposals. Senate is recommending \$241 million in funding for the U; Gov. Ventura is proposing \$85.6 million.

### **U ranks lowest in 5-year graduation rate in the Big 10**

and last in 6-year graduation rate among top 50 national public universities, according to report by Graduation and Retention Subcommittee of the Council of Undergraduate Deans. Subcommittee examined assumptions said to be reasons for U's low rates--urban setting, students work more and commute, students participate in more opportunities (such as study abroad and internships), and "Midwest factor" (students are less likely to be supported by parents)--and conclude that "even in aggregate they cannot fully account for the substantial difference in graduation rates" between the U and its peers.

Subcommittee recommends communicating clear and explicit institutional expectations, developing an institutional commitment to help students stay on track, reducing institutional barriers, developing incentives, and balancing access with success.

### **Senate Committee on Finance and Planning "strongly endorses"**

the comments and recommendations by undergraduate deans council. It further proposed mandating a minimum 13-credit load per semester, accompanied by a new 75% tuition discount option for 13 credits and above with no upper limits, effective fall 2002 for all undergraduate students--entering freshmen, entering transfer students, and returning students. Students currently receive a 50% discount on the 13th and additional credits.

### **Minnesota Senate passed a stadium bill March 13.**

Language in this bill, authored by Dean Johnson (D-Willmar), was amended. Sports facilities account that would partially fund a new Minnesota Twins stadium through user fees and other taxes, including taxes on most collegiate memorabilia, would only apply those taxes and fees in the 7-county metro area.

### **U will host the Minnesota Vital Aging Summit**

March 26, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Presentation topics include the meaning of aging, making healthful choices, lifelong learning, and personal enrichment. Cost is \$40. For more information and to register, see [www.van.umn.edu](http://www.van.umn.edu) or call 612-624-4938.

### **Great Conversations series continues with "The Stem Cell Revolution,"**

March 26, 7:30 p.m., Ted Mann Concert Hall. Featured speakers are Catherine Verfaillie, U Stem Cell Institute director, and Austin Smith, Center for Genome Research director at U of Edinburgh, Scotland. For tickets, call 612-624-2345.

### **Morse-Alumni Award recipients for outstanding contributions to undergraduate education**

are Patricia Bauer, child development; Andrea Berlin, classical and Near Eastern studies; Nancy Carpenter, UMM science and mathematics; Tom Isbell, UMD theater; Lary May, American studies; August Nimtz, Jr., political science; Leslie Schiff, microbiology; and Cathrine Wambach, GC psychology.

### **Award recipients for outstanding contributions to postbaccalaureate, graduate, and professional education**

are Peter Carr, chemistry; Hazel Dicken-Garcia, journalism and mass communication; David Hayden, veterinary diagnostic medicine; Paul Iaizzo, anesthesiology; Mary Jo Maynes, history; James Pacala, family practice and community health; Anthony Starfield, ecology, evolution, and behavior; and John Sullivan, political science.

### **John Tate Award recipients for excellence in undergraduate advising**

are Dian Rae Lopez, UMM science and mathematics; Patricia Neiman, GC student services; Thomas Soulen, plant biology; and Roger Wagner, UMC horticulture.

### **Nomination deadline for Josie R. Johnson Award**

for Human Rights and Social Justice is April 8. Award honors one faculty or staff member and one student who exemplify Johnson's standard of excellence in creating respectful and inclusive living, learning, and working environments. Call 612-624-0594.

### **New China Center Web site**

([www.chinacenter.umn.edu](http://www.chinacenter.umn.edu)) features description of training programs at center. Staff are currently working on a Chinese language version of the site.

**CROOKSTON**--UMC will establish a First-Year Honors Society as part of First-Year Experience Program, and 36 students have been invited to become founding members. Once established, society will apply to become chapter member of Alpha Lambda Delta, national nonprofit society that honors academic excellence across the nation.

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Annual Red River Valley Emerging Leadership social and dinner will be March 23, 4:30 p.m., sponsored by U of M Extension Services and Northwest Minnesota Foundation. Social is in Bede Ballroom and dinner is in Brown Dining Room; tickets are \$15 per person. For more information, call 218-634-1664.

**DULUTH**--English department presents the 3rd annual Klaus Jankofsky Lecture in Medieval/Renaissance Studies March 29, 4 p.m., Tweed Museum of Art. Garrett Sullivan will present "In Praise of the Bohemian Shore, or the Cultural Logic of Shakespearean Geography." Reception will follow.

Urban Studies Noon Brown Bag Series will feature James McGinnis, head of Mayor's Economic Steering Committee, presenting "A Businessman's Perspective on What's Right and Wrong with Duluth," March 27, 323 Kirby Student Center.

Guthrie Theater will perform *Ah, Wilderness!* March 26-27, 7:30 p.m., at Marshall Performing Arts Center. For tickets, call 218-726-8561.

**MORRIS**--Jim Severson, men's basketball head coach, and Tad Banker, women's basketball head coach, will not return next season. UMM graduate Severson took on position in 1995-96 season; Banker in 2000-01 season. Athletic director Mark Fohl said searches to fill positions will begin immediately.

Regent Lakeesha Ransom and Morris Mayor Carol Wilcox will attend ceremony to unveil new Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Drive, March 19, 1:30 p.m., at corner of University Drive and Cougar Circle. Ransom will also tour Social Science and new Science and Mathematics Buildings and LaFave House and meet with students, faculty, and staff.

**TWIN CITIES**--New One Stop Student Services Center has opened in 130 Coffey Hall. Center is similar to the one in 200 Fraser Hall; both offer enrollment, financial aid, and billing and payment services in one location.

Center for Teaching and Learning Services has extended deadline to April 19 for proposals from faculty who wish to integrate international content and perspectives into their undergraduate courses. For proposal guidelines, see [www.umabroad.umn.edu/bush/faculty/umtc.html](http://www.umabroad.umn.edu/bush/faculty/umtc.html).

Poster proposal deadline for community-University partnerships celebration is March 29. April 30 event is sponsored by Center for Urban and Regional Affairs, Regional Sustainable Development Partnerships, and U Civic Engagement Task Force. For guidelines or event information, see [webhome.crk.umn.edu/nwp/community](http://webhome.crk.umn.edu/nwp/community) or call 612-625-9040.

Relocation Assistance Program (RAP) can help departments conducting faculty and staff searches by providing information about the U and Twin Cities, aiding in spouse or partner employment, and connecting candidates and new hires with resources. RAP also maintains a database of sabbatical homes for rent. See [www.umn.edu/ohr/rap](http://www.umn.edu/ohr/rap) or call Mary at 612-626-0775.

**Events:** "Flight Time: Moment and Momentum in the New Millennium," featuring scholarly and artistic works from various disciplines, will be March 22-24, Weisman Art Museum.

"Time Take," exhibit following the lives of women through time, runs through April 7, Weisman Art Museum. o "Moda Italiana" fashion exhibit runs through April 14, Goldstein gallery.

*Russian Hamlet* by Eifman Ballet, March 20-21, 7:30 p.m., Northrop Memorial Auditorium. Tickets are \$23-\$38.

Wayne Shorter Quartet features jazz artists Brian Blade, John Patitucce, and Danilo Perez March 23, 8 p.m., Ted Mann Concert Hall. Tickets are \$33.

**Lectures:** Symposium on Technology Enhanced Learning, March 21, 7 p.m., Cowles Auditorium, Humphrey Center. Call 612-626-1601 or see [www.coled.umn.edu/alum/symposium.html](http://www.coled.umn.edu/alum/symposium.html).

Nanotechnology Friday seminar series begins March 22 with Steven Girshick, "Hypersonic Plasma Particle Deposition of Hard Nanostructured Films," 2:25 p.m., 402 Walter Library. Call 624-7555.

"Effects of Public and Private Policies on Medical Group Practice in the U.S.," March 25, 12:15-1:30 p.m., 2-260z Carslon School. Call 626-8795.

"The War Over Affirmative Action: Can Affirmative Admissions Policies Survive and Are There Viable Alternatives?" by Harvard U Civil Rights Project codirector Gary Orfield, March 26, 2:30 p.m., Weisman Art Museum. Call 625-0129.

**Announcements:** Edward Prescott, Regents Professor of economics, received the Erwin Plein Nemmers Prize in Economics from Northwestern U.

Shirley Everson, U Card Office director, will serve 3-year term as National Association of Campus Card Users Corporation president.

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**Two anonymous donors have given \$12.5 million** to build U's Translational Research Facility (TRF). U has requested \$24 million in matching funds from the state for the facility as part of the \$239.8 million capital request. Minnesota Senate included funding for TRF in its proposed bonding bill; neither the House nor Gov. Ventura recommended funding for facility. For more on TRF, see Star Tribune article by senior VP Frank Cerra at [www.startribune.com/stories/535/1913531.html](http://www.startribune.com/stories/535/1913531.html).

**U launched Vital Aging Network Web site** ([www.van.umn.edu](http://www.van.umn.edu)) in conjunction with Minnesota's Vital Aging Summit March 26. Site features information and resources for people seeking personal direction, activities, services, and advocacy groups as well as state and national news about issues and initiatives related to aging.

**Joint meeting of U Senate, Faculty Senate, and TC Campus Assembly** will be March 28, 25 Mondale Hall. Broadcast locations will be UMC, 305 Selvig Hall; UMD, Kirby Student Center Garden Room; UMM, Behmler Hall Conference Room. For agenda, see [www.umn.edu/usenate/u\\_senate/020328agenda.html](http://www.umn.edu/usenate/u_senate/020328agenda.html).

**Public presentations by finalists for associate vice provost** for multicultural and academic affairs will be 3 p.m. as follows: April 1, Tom Grayson Colonnese, U of Washington chair of American Indian studies, Ski-U-Mah Room, McNamara Alumni Center; April 4, Niloufer Merchant, St. Cloud State U professor and licensed psychologist, Ski-U-Mah Room; and April 9, Sallye Cooke McKee, U associate vice provost for Urban Educational and Community Partnerships, 7 Humphrey Center. Position description is at [www.oma.umn.edu](http://www.oma.umn.edu).

**April Kiosk, faculty and staff newspaper**, will be delivered to your mailbox this week individually addressed to you. This is an effort to ensure faculty and staff systemwide receive a copy. If you don't receive it, e-mail [coven002@umn.edu](mailto:coven002@umn.edu). Stories this month include tributes to Wally Caryl and Thomas Morley, U efforts to recycle and conserve, and new feature, "Art Pick of the Month."

**New U director of Design Center for American Urban Landscape** is Ann Forsyth (effective July 15). Forsyth is an urban advocate, author, and associate professor of urban planning at Harvard Design School. The center, a research unit in the College of Architecture and Landscape Architecture, was established in 1988 to address national urban design and planning issues.

**New Design Institute Web site** is at [design.umn.edu](http://design.umn.edu). Site features information about the institute; U design minor; events; and Knowledge Circuit, online journal reviewing international conferences on design and digital media.

**Accomplishments of U women will be celebrated** April 3, 3-5 p.m., Weisman Art Museum. Reception and award ceremony will include presentation of Distinguished Women Scholars Award, Teamster Women Recognition Award, CS/BU Staff Award, Sharon L. Doherty Award, Mullen/Spector/Truax Women's Leadership Award, and Macpherson Memorial/Minnesota Alumnae Society Scholarships. For more information, call 612-625-2385.

**Biannual Financial Systems User Network general membership meeting** will be April 4, North Star Ballroom, St. Paul Student Center. For questions or membership information or to RSVP, call Mary Selisker at 612-625-3493 or John Vick at 624-8087.

**Split Rock Arts Program** is accepting registrations for weeklong workshops in creative writing, visual arts, design, and creative enhancement July 7-Aug. 17 at UMD and Cloquet Forestry Center. Reduced tuition rates are available through Regents Scholarship and Staff Academic Tuition Benefit. See [www.cce.umn.edu/splitrockarts](http://www.cce.umn.edu/splitrockarts) or call 612-625-8100.

**Position description for College of Natural Resources dean** is available. Call 612-624-4250 or e-mail [b-berw@umn.edu](mailto:b-berw@umn.edu). Send applications and nominations to Dean Search Committee, College of Natural Resources, 235 Natural Resources Administration building.

**March 20 Brief** reported that Senate Committee on Finance and Planning (SCFP) proposed mandating a minimum 13-credit load per semester, accompanied by a new 75% tuition discount option for 13 credits and above. SCFP recommended 100% discount.

**CROOKSTON**--On March 20 Roseau High School students participated in a special project sponsored by UMC, Minnesota Agricultural Education Leadership Council, and Northwestern Minnesota Regional Sustainable Partnership. UMC students and faculty led sessions on animal reproduction and bioethics, cryogenic preservation of cells, and plant grafting and cloning. Project introduces agricultural science and biotechnology activities into existing high school curricula. See [www.crk.umn.edu/ag/NWMNsci](http://www.crk.umn.edu/ag/NWMNsci).

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Annual Northwest Urban Forestry Workshop will be April 5, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Youngquist Auditorium, Agricultural Research Center. For more information, call Center for Adult Learning at 218-281-8681.

**DULUTH**--Women's ice hockey team captured the 2002 NCAA National Championship for the 2nd consecutive year March 24 by defeating Brown University 3-2. UMD will host 2003 NCAA National Championship Games at the Duluth Entertainment and Convention Center.

Outdoor Program held grand opening festivities March 27 for new Indoor Climbing Center bouldering addition. Addition features 700 square feet of climbing surface, including climbing surface across the 10-foot-high ceiling.

Techfest 2002 will be April 5, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Kirby Student Center Ballroom. Event will feature examples and demonstrations of the latest technologies and innovations at UMD. Call for proposals is ongoing; all departments and programs are encouraged to participate. Call 218-726-6975 or e-mail [spihlaja@d.umn.edu](mailto:spihlaja@d.umn.edu). See [www.d.umn.edu/itss/etrq/techfest](http://www.d.umn.edu/itss/etrq/techfest).

**MORRIS**--"Opening the Door: Sharing the Craft of Teaching at UMM" by Academy of Distinguished Teachers will be April 1, 4-6:30 p.m., Oyate Hall. Events include address by vice chancellor for academic affairs John Schwaller. Reception will follow.

First Senior Salute Day was March 26 in the Student Center. UMM jazz artists and Pounce the Cougar entertained. UMM seniors had photos taken with friends; signed a class banner that will be saved for alumni events; and used one-stop exit shopping for ordering caps and gowns, learning about alumni networking, and filling out a senior survey.

**ROCHESTER**--Mayo Medical School and the U's School of Public Health will offer a dual doctor of medicine and master's of public health through courses available at UMR. Also offered are executive master of public health degrees and regents certificates in core concepts in public health practice.

**TWIN CITIES**--March 13 *Brief* reported TC campus ranked 26 in total National Institutes of Health (NIH) award dollars for 2001; ranking is for Medical School (out of 122 medical schools). School received \$115.7 million, placing it 11th among public universities. Department of medicine ranks 30th among 114 departments with \$28.73 million in NIH funding.

2002 Northern Stars Leadership Conference will be April 6. Top high school sophomore leaders from around the state will interact with U student leaders and participate in sessions to enhance leadership skills. Departments, units, or programs interested in participating, call 612-625-2008.

Child Language Lab is looking for children ages 8-13 who have normal hearing and cognitive abilities to participate in a study to determine if children with language delays show a general slowing of response time across motor, cognitive, and language tasks compared to children with typical language. For more information, call Meredith Bailey-Orr at 612-625-9326.

Celebration to remember the life and career of Wally Caryl, former emergency management director who died Feb. 18, will be April 1, 3-6 p.m. (short program 3:45 p.m.), Williams Arena Club Room. April 1 marks Caryl's planned retirement date and 35 years at U.

**Events:** GradFest 2002 will be April 3, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and April 4, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Field House. See [www.bookstore.umn.edu](http://www.bookstore.umn.edu) or call 612-625-6564.

- Grant writing workshop for junior faculty members, research fellows, and senior graduate students will be April 4, 8:30---4:30 p.m. and April 5, 8:30 a.m.-noon, Radisson Metrodome ballroom. To register, call 626-9545.

- "Managing Multiple Tasks" workshop, April 8, 10-11:30 a.m., 180 Humphrey Center. Register by April 1; call 626-9178.

**Lectures:** "China's Economic Development and Cooperation: The U.S. and the World," by Zhenghua Jiang, National People's Congress of China vice chair, will be April 2, 4 p.m., Cowles Auditorium, Humphrey Center. Call 612-624-1002.

- Tucker Center's spring distinguished lecture, "Emerging Faces and Visions of Sport: Female Athletes with a Disability," will be April 2, 7-9 p.m., Shepherd Room, Weisman Art Museum.

- McKnight Summer Fellows presentation, "We Are All One Light: A Phenomenological Analysis of the Vision Quest" and "Computer-Human Interfaces," will be April 3, 3-5 p.m., Nolte Library.

- CURA Housing Forum, "The Housing Agendas of Mayor R. T. Rybak and Mayor Randy Kelly," April 5, noon-1:30 p.m., 1-126 Carlson School. To RSVP, call 625-1551.

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**Gopher women's basketball coach Brenda Oldfield** has accepted a coaching position with U of Maryland. "We've done everything we could do [to keep her]," said women's athletics director Chris Voelz. At a press conference April 2, Oldfield, said "Leaving Minnesota is one of the most difficult decisions of my career... Everything is in place for this program to be successful for years to come." Oldfield, who signed a 5-year, \$130,000 base salary contract with the U in June 2001, led the Gophers to a 22-8 record, NCAA tournament, and a No. 18 ranking in the last AP poll of the season.

**Gopher coach Dan Monson** reaffirmed his commitment to the U's men's basketball team at an April 2 press conference. "We have unfinished business," he said. "I'm not turning my back on the team."

**Commission on Environmental Science and Policy is seeking public comment** on its draft report to identify the U's strengths and opportunities in terms of the environment. Recommendations in report will help shape the U's 2003-04 legislative request. Commission comprises 32 faculty, deans, and administrators from more than a dozen U colleges and programs. For report, see [www.umn.edu/enviro](http://www.umn.edu/enviro). Forums to hear public comment on the report will be April 9, 2-4 p.m. and April 10, 9-11 a.m., Ski-U-Mah Room, McNamara Alumni Center, and April 12, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., 203 Montague Hall, UMD.

**U Cancer Center researchers have developed a new method for gene transfer** using transposon, a DNA segment, and a transposase enzyme. Study resulted in a genetically modified mouse. "The Sleeping Beauty transposase enzyme plus the transposon is like a truck used to carry the cargo, or specific genes, into the animal," said David Largaespada, Genetic Mechanisms of Cancer Program director. "These specific genes could help treat diseases such as cancer." Study is published in April 2 Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences issue.

**2002 Distinguished McKnight University Professor** are Efi Foufoula-Georgiou, civil engineering; Marc Jenkins, microbiology; Eric Newman, neuroscience; and Bob Tranquillo, chemical engineering and materials science. Recipients receive a \$100,000 grant and will be honored at May regents meeting.

**Junior David Simon is one of 80 college students nationwide** to win the 2002 Harry S. Truman Scholarship. He will receive up to \$3,000 to complete his undergraduate education and up to \$27,000 for graduate study, along with advice, training, and placement assistance from the Truman Foundation. Simon, who is majoring in political science, Russian, and global studies on the TC campus, plans to pursue a master's degree in international affairs, then a law degree. His eventual goal is to become U.S. national security adviser.

**U received an Award of Excellence for functional design of a commercial facility** from Minnesota Concrete and Masonry Contractors Association for its University Avenue Ramp. Ramp, located on University Ave. S.E. and Walnut St. S.E. (adjacent to McNamara Alumni Center), was completed in March 2001 with 15,000 hours of labor, 400 tons of reinforced steel, 35,000 bricks, and 3 acres of flooring.

**International Symposium on Microdialysis in Drug Research and Development** by College of Pharmacy will be June 18-22. Scientific leaders from around the world will be key speakers. Extended deadline for early registration is April 15. See [www.pharmacy.umn.edu/resgrad/pceutics/ThirdIntSymp/index.html](http://www.pharmacy.umn.edu/resgrad/pceutics/ThirdIntSymp/index.html).

**CROOKSTON**--Intercollegiate Horse Show Association Competition will be April 6, University Teaching and Outreach Center Arena. Event begins at 9 a.m. with hunt seat riding and continues at 1 p.m. with western riding. UMC team will compete against teams from Iowa State U, St. Cloud State U, U of Wisconsin-River Falls and Wisconsin-Madison, Carleton College, Ellsworth Community College, Gustavus Adolphus College, and U of Nebraska-Lincoln.

About 35 local retailers, professionals, and business leaders joined UMC's chapter of Students in Free Enterprise for "Business After Hours" event, a post-workday and networking social, cosponsored by Crookston Chamber of Commerce.

**DULUTH**--Cultural and Global Perspectives on Terrorism conference will be April 5, 9:30 a.m.-9:30 p.m. and April 6, 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Kirby Student Center Rafters. Event will feature speakers from across the U.S. Free and open to the public. For information and speaker schedules, call Paul Deputy at 218-726-6537 or Raj Karim at 726-7250.

Baeumler-Kaplan Holocaust Commemoration events and workshop will be April 15-18. Keynote address by Marion Blumenthal Lazan on her life experiences in Nazi Germany will be April 17 at 4 p.m., Kirby Student Center Ballroom. Call 218-726-7528.

Larry Knopp, Urban and Regional Studies Program coordinator, will present "Geographies of Sexuality in the Twin Ports," April 10, noon, 355 Kirby Student Center. Companion tour will follow on April 13.

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**MORRIS**--Associate professor of philosophy Ishtiyaque Haji is recipient of the 2001-02 UMM Distinguished Research Award.

Building code renovation and cosmetic enhancement of LaFave House is complete. House, gift to campus by Morris residents Edward and Patricia LaFave, is open for tours to UMM and Morris community. Renovation was made possible by a special one-time allocation by President Yudof, and work was done by physical plant department employees. Additional furnishings such as a piano were purchased through private gifts. For more information about facilities, policies, and fees, call Maggie Larson at 320-589-6053.

**ROCHESTER**--UMR hosted a civic engagement forum March 26 as part of the U's efforts to renew its public service and land-grant mission. Forum was attended by U staff and community leaders. For information on U's Civic Engagement Task Force, see [www.umn.edu/civic/civicover.html](http://www.umn.edu/civic/civicover.html).

In the past 2 weeks, continuing education and professional development workshops were offered at UMR for veterinarians, attorneys, and road construction engineers.

**TWIN CITIES**--Washington Ave. bus stops (east- and westbound in front of Coffman Union) are closed until fall for construction of new shelters and pedestrian bridges. Bus stops are relocated to Weaver-Densford Hall (eastbound) and Parking and Transportation Building (westbound).

College of Veterinary Medicine has partnered with Minnesota Hooved Animal Rescue Foundation to provide free dental care for rescued horses at U's Veterinary Teaching Hospital. Facility is one of the largest, most comprehensive veterinary hospitals in the nation with more than 33,000 patient visits a year. Annual college open house will be April 7, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., at the hospital. Free event will include animal care seminars and displays, Raptor Center presentations, tours, silent auction, and veterinary student panel presentation. Call 612-624-4747.

CCE's Continuing Professional Education received \$399,560 from Department of Trade and Economic Development to develop a high-level systems engineering program with Lockheed Martin. Three-year program will provide 160 Lockheed Martin engineers with skills enhancement education and opportunity to pursue a credit certificate in systems engineering.

Beta Gamma Sigma, national honor society for business students, is selecting Carlson School candidates for membership--top 7% of juniors, top 10% of seniors, top 20% from master's degree programs, and all Ph.D. students who have completed their programs in the last year. Invitations to qualified students will be mailed first week of April. Spring induction ceremony and banquet will be May 3, Bistro West, Humphrey Center. Call 612-624-7511.

March 20 *Brief* reported new One Stop Student Services in two locations; One Stop centers, which allow students to see one counselor for 3 services--financial aid, registration, and accounts receivable-- are actually in 3 locations: 130 Coffey Hall, 200 Fraser Hall, and 130 West Bank Skyway.

**Events:** "Side-by-Side," joint performance by U of M Symphony Orchestra and Minnesota Orchestra, will be April 5, 8 p.m., Orchestra Hall. Program will include Shostakovich's Symphony No. 1 and Dvorak's Symphony No. 7. Tickets are free and available to the public; to reserve, call 612-624-5056.

• CS/BU Pre-Retirement Planning will be April 8. If you are 55 or older and interested in attending, call Myron Guthrie at 624-8550.

**Lectures:** "Dams, Governance, and Sustainable Development: Should the Water Flow?," April 4, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Bell Museum and "Biotechnology, Biopiracy and Biodiversity: Emerging Environmental Security Issues," April 5, West Bank Auditorium, Willey Hall. See [www.coffman.umn.edu/earth](http://www.coffman.umn.edu/earth).

• New CLA Winton Chair Evelyn Fox Keller will present "Biology and Mathematics: A Clash of Cultures?," April 5, 3:30 p.m., A. I. Johnson Room, McNamara Alumni Center. Call 612-624-2535.

**Announcements:** Nora Paul, Institute for New Media Studies director, was named one of the Top 10 Wired Women of 2002.

• Edward Prescott, Regents Professor of Economics, received the Erwin Plein Nemmers Prize in Economics from Northwestern University.

• Shirley Everson, U Card Office director, was elected to 3-year tenure as president of the National Association of Campus Card Users Corporation.

• College of Natural Resources (CNR) associate dean Steven Daley Laursen will leave mid-April after 14 years at U. He will be CNR dean at U of Idaho.

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**Plan to address the financial challenges facing TC intercollegiate athletics** may be announced by VP Moten Brown April 10. For the latest information, see the U News Service Web site at [www.umn.edu/urelate/news.shtml](http://www.umn.edu/urelate/news.shtml).

**Regents will meet April 11-12 in Rochester.** Agenda includes annual promotion and tenure recommendations, faculty and staff compensation, and capital budget update. For full agenda, see [www.umn.edu/regents](http://www.umn.edu/regents). On April 11, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., regents will meet with UMR Advisory Committee, Greater Rochester Area U Center Advisory Committee, U Center Rochester Advisory Committee, and U Center Rochester leaders in Radisson Plaza Hotel.

**VP Maziar is overseeing an external review of U of M Press** following significant media attention and public response to one of its recently published books--*Harmful to Minors: The Perils of Protecting Children from Sex*, by New York journalist Judith Levine. Contrary to some claims, said U of M Press director Doug Armato, the book does not advocate pedophilia, but rather attempts to make a case for open and honest discussion about children's sexuality.

"As a public university, we are accountable and responsive to the public," Maziar said. "When citizens are confused and concerned about what we publish, we have an obligation to assure them that our academic review process meets the highest standards." A panel of experts from other academic and university presses will look at the U of M Press academic review and book selection process. U Press is an independent, nonprofit auxiliary; less than 6% of its funding comes from the U.

**Policy on midterm alerts was passed March 28** by U Senate and has been forwarded to President Yudof for approval before it is implemented. Policy stipulates that instructors in all 1-XXX courses should notify students who, in the 6th week of the semester, "appear to be in danger of receiving a grade of D, F, or N." Notification will not be part of their transcript, and system for collecting midterm grade alerts should be similar to that used to collect final grades.

According to Bert Ahern, Senate Committee on Educational Policy chair, midterm is broadly defined in the policy and the proposed alert should be generated in the 6th week and not the 8th because students can withdraw from classes up to the 8th week.

**Congressman Martin Sabo will kick off the U's Martin Olav Sabo Lecture Series** April 15. Forum will address the challenges of public service for the nation. Sabo will speak 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m. at Humphrey Center Cowles Auditorium. RSVPs are requested but not required; call Janice Young at 612-626-0347 or e-mail [jyoung@hhh.umn.edu](mailto:jyoung@hhh.umn.edu).

**Forum featuring gubernatorial candidates** Tim Pawlenty, Brian Sullivan, Judi Dutcher, Roger Moe, and Becky Lourey will be April 17, 7:30 p.m., Ted Mann Concert Hall. Student Legislative Coalition, event sponsor, has also invited Gov. Jesse Ventura. For more information, call 612-624-5598.

**Nomination deadline for honorary degrees, Outstanding Achievement Awards, or naming of buildings** for this academic year is April 19. For nominating process and procedures, call 612-625-4805 or send nominations to All-University Honors Committee, c/o Vickie Courtney, U Senate, 427 Morrill Hall.

**Council of Academic Professionals and Administrators (CAPA) celebration** will be April 17, 3-5 p.m., Weisman Art Museum. Event is an opportunity to learn about current P&A issues and meet unit representatives. President Yudof and CAPA president Randy Croce will speak at 4 p.m.

**"Carnival of Connections," U Communicators Forum annual conference**, will be May 1, 8 a.m.-4:45 p.m., McNamara Alumni Center. Session topics include connecting with the community and the media, design in higher education, selling education, and effective writing for print and the Web. Space is limited. Register at [www.umn.edu/umcf](http://www.umn.edu/umcf) by April 25.

**CROOKSTON**--"Sharing Our World," annual international dinner, will be April 13, 6 p.m., (program starts at 7 p.m.), Brown Dining Room, Sahlstrom Conference Center. Tickets are \$10 from UMC Business Office or Tours and Travel of Crookston.

Annual Student Achievement Awards reception will be April 16, 6 p.m. (program at 6:30 p.m.), Bede Ballroom. Student Athletic Awards social will be April 18, 6 p.m., Brown Dining Room, Sahlstrom Center.

Assistant professor of natural resources John Loegering was recently featured on KVLV-TV, Fargo, for his research to determine the bird feeder design preferred by the native finch species.

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**DULUTH**--Spectrum Lecture Series will present Joanna Fowler, Brookhaven National Laboratory chemistry department, who will speak on "Imaging Drug Addiction in the Human Brain" April 13, 4 p.m., 185 Life Science Building. Lecture will highlight advances in PET imaging. Free and open to the public. Call Bilin Tsai at 218-726-7220.

Student art exhibition will run April 13-May 5 in Tweed Museum of Art. Opening reception and awards ceremony will be April 13, 6 p.m. Carla Stetson, Duluth artist, and Victor Margolin, U of Illinois-Chicago art and design history professor, will be show jurors.

Glensheen historic estate dinner theater will be April 18 and 25. Evening includes tour at 6:30 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m., and Change of Pace Productions performance at 8 p.m. Cost is \$60 adults, \$13.50 children (5 and under free). For reservations, call 888-454-GLEN or e-mail [info@glensheen.org](mailto:info@glensheen.org).

**MORRIS**--Judy Kuechle, associate professor of education since 1996, is new Division of Education chair. She replaces Craig Kissock who decided not to serve another term as chair "after a dauntingly long and impressively productive period of service in that important campus position," said Chancellor Schuman. Kuechle was student affairs assistant dean in 2000-01.

"How Japanese Media Make People Hate Politics" by Fulbright scholar and Japanese journalist Yohtaro Hamada will be April 18, 7 p.m., 1020 Science. Hamada poses the questions: "Why have we become so incapable of solving problems of our time?" and "What has been a role of news media in creating this situation?"

UMM will host 29th annual Henjum Institute for Creative Study June 10-21 for west central Minnesota students (grades 6-12). Nearly 4,000 students have participated in classes such as theatre, raku, jazz band, and vocal music. For enrollment information, see [www.mrs.umn.edu/cerp/youth](http://www.mrs.umn.edu/cerp/youth).

**ROCHESTER**--On April 10 academic program staff will promote UMR programs to the public 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Centerplace Galleria, downtown Rochester. Effort is to encourage more nontraditional students to consider education at UMR. Recent student survey revealed that more than 75% of students studying at UMR worked 40 hours or more per week.

**TWIN CITIES**--Men's ice hockey team won the 2002 NCAA Championship for the first time in 23 years by defeating U of Maine 4-3 in overtime April 6. Win resulted in disorderly conduct in Dinkytown and vandalism on campus--damaged parking facilities, broken light fixtures, overturned trash containers, and broken windows. More than 20 people were arrested; at *Brief* press time, the number of U students involved had not been determined. For statement by Campus Life VP Robert Jones on weekend disturbances, see [www.umn.edu/urelate/newsservice/jonesstatement.html](http://www.umn.edu/urelate/newsservice/jonesstatement.html).

Gopher wrestling team won the 2002 NCAA Championship for 2nd successive year March 23.

Department of Chemistry ranked No. 10 worldwide in recent 10-year citation count by *Science Watch*. Among American universities, U ranked No. 5 ahead of Harvard, Caltech, Stanford, and Cornell. U also has 14.9 citations per paper, above the average of 11.1 for schools in top 10.

"Help Us Assess the Library..." is heading of an e-mail sent to 4,000 randomly selected faculty and students. Recipients are encouraged to evaluate U Libraries using a Web-based survey. For more information, call Frank Elliott at 612-625-3814 or e-mail [ellio022@umn.edu](mailto:ellio022@umn.edu).

**Events:** Author Margaret Atwood will present the 2001-02 Guy Stanton Ford Memorial Lecture April 12, 10:15 a.m., Ted Mann Concert Hall.

- "A Working Respect," April 15, 1 p.m., St. Paul Student Center, will explore issues of power, gender, diversity, and equality through a special theater performance and discussion. See [www.coffman.umn.edu/aworkingrespect](http://www.coffman.umn.edu/aworkingrespect) or call 612-625-2272.

- Mortuary Science Career Day recruitment fair will be April 15, noon-6 p.m., McNamara Alumni Center. For more information, call 624-6464.

**Lectures:** "Web-based Materials for Two Design Courses," April 17, noon-1:30 p.m., 155 Peters Hall. See [dmc.umn.edu/services/seminar-series.shtml](http://dmc.umn.edu/services/seminar-series.shtml) or call 612-625-5055.

- "Why Does the University Exist?" by U of Iceland rector Pall Skulason will be April 18, 3 p.m., 215 Humphrey Center. Lecture celebrates 20 years of academic exchange between the U and U of Iceland.

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**Tuition and fees would increase by an average of 16% next year** under budget framework presented by President Yudof to the Board of Regents April 12. Budget is based on changes that have occurred since July, when Yudof's preliminary budget plan, which called for 13.6% tuition increase, was reviewed by the regents. Due to state budget shortfall, legislature has voted to withdraw \$23.6 million in new funding to the U for the biennium, plus the U is absorbing an additional \$9.6 million in unexpected costs, mostly for increased security.

Yudof is also recommending a 13-credit tuition band to temper the increase. Students who take more than 13 credits will pay no additional tuition. For students with a 12-credit load, the increase would be 18.8%; for students taking 16 credits, the increase would dip to 10.4%. "I think this will encourage students to graduate on time," he said.

**New budget plan supports a number of goals** such as retaining the consistency in overall investment strategy, protecting the neediest students from impact of increased tuition, and supporting pay increases for faculty and staff, Yudof said. Plan recommends a 4% merit increase for faculty, down from 6% proposed in July. A more detailed budget will be presented in May to regents, who will vote on it in June.

**Plan to trim a projected \$21 million deficit in Gopher athletics** by \$8.5 million over the next 5 years was released April 11. Three-phase plan, developed by VP and chief of staff Tonya Moten Brown, includes merging the Twin Cities men's and women's athletics departments; eliminating men's and women's golf and men's gymnastics; and implementing a 3-year moratorium on facility costs related to athletics.

"Streamlining administrative functions and improving efficiency is our first choice for reducing costs," said Moten Brown. "In our judgment, separate departments have fostered competition and rivalry, which has undermined collaboration and contributed to the financial challenge we face today." She said merging the departments would reduce the U's expenses by nearly \$4.4 million over 5 years.

Eliminating 3 of the U's 23 intercollegiate sports would reduce expenses by \$3.6 million over 5 years. Next month regents will decide the level of funding for intercollegiate athletics, which is currently \$10.8 million annually. Their decision will have bearing on the elimination of teams, but the final decision in June will be administrative.

**National search is under way for a new athletics director** to lead the combined Gopher athletics department. Mary Jo Kane, professor and director of the Tucker Center for Research on Girls and Women in Sport, will head the search committee. Women's athletics director Chris Voelz will remain at the U as special consultant to the president and athletics director emerita effective June 16. Men's athletics director Tom Moe's contract expires in June.

New director will be sensitive to Title IX and the presence of women in leadership roles, said Moten Brown. She said the U has a committee examining the best practices in schools with a single athletics department that have successful men's and women's teams (athletically and academically). New administrative structure will begin July 1.

**Ensuring a diverse student population and implementing a formal student input process** were two of 14 concerns highlighted in the annual report by student representatives to the Board of Regents. Report emphasizes progress on issues (tuition, affordable housing, alcohol misuse, graduation and retention rates, parking and transportation, and campus safety) presented to regents in December and offers additional recommendations to address them.

**U is positive about Regents vs. Clem Haskins case** whether it goes through a trial or a mediation and arbitration process, said associate general counsel Lorie Gildea. "We believe this process may provide a cost-effective and speedy resolution of this case," she said. U filed a lawsuit against former Gopher men's basketball coach Haskins September 2000 to recover \$1.5 million associated with contract buyout; court order April 9 revealed that Haskins has agreed to return some of the money.

**Minnesota Centennial Showboat will arrive at its new home** in downtown St. Paul noon, April 17. Public is invited to join President Yudof at the showboat landing at Harriet Island (near the City Dock and Covington Inn). Questions, call Sherry Wagner at 612-625-1052. For tickets to summer performance of *Dr. Jeckyll and Mr. Hyde*, call 651-227-1100.

**Joint meeting of U Senate, Faculty Senate, and TC Campus Assembly** will be April 25, 25 Mondale Hall. Broadcast locations will be UMC, 305 Selvig Hall; UMD, Kirby Student Center Garden Room; UMM, Behmler Hall Conference Room. For agenda, see [www.umn.edu/usenate](http://www.umn.edu/usenate).

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**CROOKSTON**--Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) team was named regional champion for the 3rd consecutive year at recent competition in the Twin Cities. Team will advance to the SIFE National Exposition in Kansas City, MO, May 12-14.

UMC students won the Sweepstakes Award in the 4-Year Colleges Division of the 2002 National Association of Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture Judging Conference April 4-6 at California State Polytechnic U. Individual students and teams also placed first and 2nd in other categories.

New Web portal, C My U, is at [www.crk.umn.edu/cmju](http://www.crk.umn.edu/cmju). Portal, designed as a customizable virtual desktop, will allow students, faculty, staff, alumni, prospective students, and guests access to selective UMC Web pages, services, Web-based e-mail, and other sources of information.

**DULUTH**--Department of Computer Science is collaborating with Sandia National Laboratories to offer an internship program that provides exceptional undergraduates the opportunity to gain practical experience in work related to vulnerability assessment. Sandia is a defense laboratory operating under the U.S. Department of Energy's National Nuclear Security Administration. UMD is the first institution of its type to be selected for this program.

Alworth International Institute's annual Memorial Lecture presents "Rethinking Citizen Diplomacy in the Aftermath of September 11" by Tim Honey, executive director of Sister Cities International, April 24, 7:30 p.m., Kirby Student Center Ballroom. Free and open to the public; reception in Garden Room. Call 218-726-8616 or e-mail [alworth@d.umn.edu](mailto:alworth@d.umn.edu).

**MORRIS**--Chancellor Schuman was named to Minnesota Public Radio board of directors. UMM is an MPR institutional sponsor.

Faculty and staff who received awards or who will be retiring during this academic year will be honored during the 11th annual Faculty and Staff Recognition Dinner, April 17, 6 p.m., Oyate Hall.

Undergraduate achievements of nearly 50 students will be showcased at 2nd annual Undergraduate Research Symposium April 20. Registration begins 9:30 a.m. in Science atrium, followed by presentations at 10 a.m. in east wing and poster presentations at 11:15 a.m., in the atrium. UMM alumna Colleen Garbe Le Prell will speak at 12:30 p.m.

"Confronting Contemporary Slavery: The International Trafficking of Women and Girls" by Sheila Wellstone will be April 22, 7 p.m., Edson Auditorium.

**TWIN CITIES**--Telephone system upgrade for health sciences area will start April 19 with Weisman Art Museum, Boynton Health Service, Jackson, Basic Sciences, Children's Rehab, Variety Club, and Comstock; Mayo is scheduled for April 26. PWB, Moos, and remaining buildings will be in May. See [www.umn.edu/oit/telephoneupgrade](http://www.umn.edu/oit/telephoneupgrade).

P&A and faculty volunteers are needed for Staff Day 2002 on June 6 for one-hour shifts 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m. For Minneapolis, call Pat Snodgrass at 612-625-8824 or e-mail [snodgras@umn.edu](mailto:snodgras@umn.edu). For St. Paul, call Lorraine Haley 624-5357 or e-mail [lhaley@che.umn.edu](mailto:lhaley@che.umn.edu).

U employees taking medications (for at least the past 6 months) are invited to participate in a graduate student's study regarding your experience. Interview will take 60-90 minutes. Call Sarah Shoemaker at 612-626-3641 or e-mail [shoe0019@umn.edu](mailto:shoe0019@umn.edu).

**Events:** National Take Our Daughters to Work Day will be April 25. Minnesota Women's Center will kick off the event with breakfast 7-9 a.m. For full schedule of events, see [www.umn.edu/mnwomen/todw.html](http://www.umn.edu/mnwomen/todw.html).

• *Cendrillon* (Cinderella) by Lyon Opera Ballet will be April 26-27, 8 p.m., Northrop Auditorium. Tickets \$38, \$28, \$23. Call 612-624-2345.

**Lectures:** Continuation of "Passport to Earth Summit 2002: Exploring Sustainable Development" will be April 18, 5:30-7:30 p.m., 335 Borlaug Hall. For more information, see [www.coffman.umn.edu/earth](http://www.coffman.umn.edu/earth).

• "Financial Strategies for the Modern University: Preferences for Academic Units" by CHE dean Baugher will be April 19, 3:30-5 p.m., Nolte Library.

• "Breaking Down Barriers to Participation in our Democracy: Victory on Campaign Finance Reform," April 24, noon, Cowles Auditorium. Call 612-624-1190.

• Alvin G. Anderson Award presentation and lecture, "Climate Trends and Outlooks for the Upper Midwest: What are the Implications?" will be April 24, 3:30 p.m., St. Anthony Falls Laboratory. Call 627-4010.

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**Gopher golf teams and men's gymnastics will compete next year** following a revised recommendation in 3-phase plan to trim a projected \$21 million deficit in TC intercollegiate athletics. On April 11, VP Tonya Moten Brown announced proposal to eliminate the 3 teams effective July 1, 2002. Revised recommendation includes 2 goals team supporters must meet to extend teams beyond July 1, 2003: raise \$900,000 by June 30 and then raise an additional \$1.8 million by Feb. 1, 2003, which would extend the teams through June 30, 2005, at which time U will reevaluate the department's financial condition.

"By allowing one year, we will give the seniors a chance to finish their collegiate careers at the University of Minnesota and allow others to explore transfer options," said Moten Brown.

**U will participate in national Take Our Daughters to Work Day April 25.** For list of events at UMD, see [www.d.umn.edu/umdhr/Todtw/2002](http://www.d.umn.edu/umdhr/Todtw/2002); at TC, see [www.umn.edu/mnwomen/todw.html](http://www.umn.edu/mnwomen/todw.html).

**2002 President's Award for Outstanding Service recipients** are Terence Collins, GC; Stephanie Dilworth, Department of Audits; Curt Knutson, veterinary medicine; Andy Lopez, UMM science and mathematics; Jeanne Markell and Deborah Zak, U of M Extension Service; Carol Miller, American studies; Susana Pelayo-Woodward, UMD Hispanic, Latino, Chicana Learning Resource Center; Kevin Roberts, IT; Thomas Shaughnessy, U Libraries (retired); Deborah Shubat, UMD biology; and Roby Thompson, Jr., Medical School.

**Outstanding Community Service Award recipients** are Hy Berman, history; Lillian Bridwell-Bowles, English; Helen Kivnick, social work; Nan Skelton, Humphrey Institute; David Taylor, GC; and Phuoc Thi-Minh Tran, Walter Library.

**New FCC members** elected from Twin Cities campus are Tom Clayton, CLA; Mary Jo Kane, CEHD; Marvin Marshak, IT. New AHC FCC members are Marc Jenkins, Medical School, and Ed Combe, School of Dentistry.

**U researchers are participating in a national study for new lazy-eye treatment.** Study, conducted by the Pediatric Eye Disease Investigator Group at 47 clinical sites, shows that atropine eye drops administered once a day to children with amblyopia or lazy eye works as well as the standard eye patch. "What we've learned is that there is an alternative that helps prevent permanent vision impairment for children with amblyopia, an alternative with a higher acceptance rate and a better compliance rate with both parents and children," said C. Gail Summers, U Medical School ophthalmologist. Study appears in March issue of *Archives of Ophthalmology*.

**Conference on historic landscape preservation** will be May 2, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Snyder Building auditorium, at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum. "Valued Places: History, Preservation, and Practice" will provide participants with tools for documenting, evaluating, and funding preservation sites such as parks, rural homesteads, and college campuses. Fee is \$80 for arboretum members and \$95 nonmembers. To register, call 952-443-1516.

**Look for this month's Kiosk in your mailbox** and on the Web at [www.umn.edu/urelate/kiosk](http://www.umn.edu/urelate/kiosk) (April 29). Features include a cover story on athletics at the U and an article on sustainability efforts on the TC campus. Systemwide summer programs for children and young adults are also listed on the Web site. Next issue will be published mid-June and will include a pull-out section on summertime activities on campus.

**CROOKSTON**--Student achievement award recipients include Steven Brandt, UMC Man of the Year, and Dana Prudhomme, UMC Woman of the Year. Bruce Brorson, associate professor of information technology management, received Most Supportive of Students Award, while Jennifer Loy Johnson, composition instructor, received Outstanding Educator Award. For more information, see [www.crk.umn.edu/newsevents/notices01-02/awardsreception2002.htm](http://www.crk.umn.edu/newsevents/notices01-02/awardsreception2002.htm).

Steven Brandt and Jean Korkowski were named UMC Athletes of the Year at annual awards social April 18.

Wildlife management student Dan Oberg is one of 5 students in the nation and the first in Minnesota to receive the Wildlife Leadership Award from Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation.

**DULUTH**--Chemistry professor Ron Caple received the 2001-02 Chancellor's Award for Distinguished Research. Award ceremony will be May 1, 3:15 p.m., 200 Chemistry. Caple will present "Organic Synthesis: the Science Behind the Art" (a layperson's overview) after the ceremony. Reception in Griggs Center follows presentation.

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Dennis Brissett Memorial Lecture Series will feature Stanton Peele who will present "A Moral Vision of Addiction" May 3, 3 p.m., 142 School of Medicine. Goal of lecture series is "to promote novel and insightful approaches to cultural analysis and criticism." For more information, call 218-726-6364.

Ninth annual UMD Nightwalk for Campus Safety will be April 29, 9-10 p.m. Campus administrators, faculty, staff, and students are invited to participate in the walk, which will cover all outside (and several inside) areas of campus. Safety recommendation comment forms will be available. Meet at Kirby Student Center information desk at 9 p.m.

**MORRIS**--Walter Fisher is new coordinator for the Diversity Community Outreach Program in the Minority Student Program (MSP). MSP received a 3-year \$141,000 grant from Otto Bremer Foundation to establish the program, which includes Ambassadors for Cultural Exchange and Minority Alumni Mentorship Program.

"In This Moment," original composition by senior music education major Aaron Perrine, was performed by U of M, Twin Cities Concert Band April 23 at Ted Mann Concert Hall. UMM alumnus Tim Diem is assistant director of the band.

Eight student musicians will perform in 2002 Honors Recital May 9, 8:30 p.m., Humanities Fine Arts recital hall. Students are Joshua Pauly, trumpet; Rebecca Thoennes, piano; Stephanie Seagren, flute; Nicole Stiklestad, mezzo-soprano; Sarah Howes, soprano; Jessica Nelson, bassoon; Bridget Barfnecht, clarinet; Joel Vanderheyden, tenor saxophone.

**ROCHESTER**--UMR and its U Center Rochester partners launched the TELEPro project April 16. Project is a technology renovation to provide greater access and capabilities for organizing and delivering educational programs.

Thai ambassador, His Excellency Sakthip Krairiksh, presented "Speaking on Thailand: Its Resources and Role in Our Global World" as part of U Center Rochester Visiting Scholar Series April 18.

**TWIN CITIES**--College of Architecture and Landscape Architecture building will be named Ralph Rapson Hall. Minneapolis architect Rapson headed School of Architecture for 30 years beginning in 1954. Formal dedication is scheduled for Oct. 5 when college will celebrate the opening of its newly expanded facility. The 50,000-square-foot addition houses an auditorium, gallery, library, studio and classroom spaces, and administrative offices.

Book Drive for Kids with Goldy and Clifford, organized in March by CEHD alumni society, collected 350 books. Barnes and Noble contributed \$6,300 from store sales to the drive to buy more books. Books are given to young readers tutored by CEHD students.

Individuals planning to obtain a U Card April 25 should visit the Rec Center location. The main U Card office and St. Paul Gym location will be busy that day because both locations are giving special ID cards for Take Our Daughters to Work Day.

Visit U Bookstores with your child April 25, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. for free balloons, treats, and a 15% discount on U clothing or children's books. Call 612-625-6564.

**Events:** Grand opening of Walter Library will be May 1, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. President Yudof and former Gov. Arne Carlson will give brief presentations. For more information, call 612-626-7698.

- Opening festivities for Digital Technology Center include "The Reality of Simulated Actors" by Alvy Ray Smith, academy award winner for alpha channel concept and digital paint systems, May 1, 5 p.m. (4:30 reception), 401 Walter Library.

**Lectures:** "Winds of War, Winds of Change: Politics and Policy in a Post-September 11 World," April 25, 8 a.m.-noon, Humphrey Institute. Cost \$35. See [www.hhh.umn.edu/centers/policy-forum](http://www.hhh.umn.edu/centers/policy-forum).

- "Northern Light/Northern Darkness? Rethinking Modernism After the Demise of the 'Master Narrative:' Art and Politics in Northern Europe, 1890-1950," April 25-27, Radisson Hotel Metrodome. Call 612-625-8549.

- "African American Males at the University: Who Applies, Who Is Accepted, Who Attends?" April 29, 12:15-1:30 p.m., 103 Appleby Hall.

- Gubernatorial debate on the environment by Republican candidates, April 29, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Cowles Auditorium, Humphrey Center. See [info@mnlcv.org](mailto:info@mnlcv.org).

- "Slavery Reparations," presentation and book signing by Randall Robinson, May 9, 6 p.m. (5 p.m. reception), Humphrey Institute. RSVP by May 1; call 672-3852.

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**Board of Regents will hear public comment on the U's fiscal year 2003 budget** May 13, 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m., 600 McNamara Alumni Center. Regents will review the administration's budget May 11 and act on it June 14. Information about the proposed budget is at [www.umn.edu/urelate/govre/41102regents](http://www.umn.edu/urelate/govre/41102regents). Individuals who want to speak at the forum should contact the regents office by noon May 6. Write to 600 McNamara Alumni Center or call 612-625-6300. Information must include your name, address (including e-mail), group represented (if any), relationship to the U, and a general presentation topic. Speakers will be limited to 5 minutes each.

**Advisory Committee on Athletics will meet May 6** to discuss the administration's proposal to discontinue 3 Gopher athletic teams—men's and women's golf and men's gymnastics. According to U policy on adding or deleting sports, a varsity sport may be discontinued under 3 circumstances: the athletic department is financially constrained and unable to support the sport, the sport is no longer recognized by an athletic governing organization, or there is a decline in student-athlete interest or participation.

Committee, chaired by Eugene Borgida, will forward its recommendations directly to President Yudof by May 8. Regents policy delegates administration of athletic departments to the president, central administration, and athletic directors; committee's role is to advise on policies and major decisions relating to intercollegiate athletics at the U. Summary of entire President's Athletics Financial Plan is at [www.umn.edu/urelate/news.shtml](http://www.umn.edu/urelate/news.shtml).

**Search for TC intercollegiate athletic director** has begun with the naming of 10 people to the search committee. Committee, led by Tucker Center director Mary Jo Kane, is charged with identifying and interviewing up to 10 candidates who have skills and experience consistent with criteria outlined by President Yudof and VP Moten Brown. Criteria include strong financial management and administrative skills and a demonstrated record of support for women's athletics. Committee will forward names of finalists to Yudof by June 13; finalists will participate in a broad interview process. New athletic director is likely to be named by early July.

**Impact of integrating medicine with food is focus of Foods for Health conference** hosted by College of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences and Academic Health Center May 19–21 at Radisson Hotel Metrodome. Conference will feature food and health scientists, ethicists, and consumer experts. Keynote speaker is Charles Arntzen, Arizona Biomedical Institute director, and Mich Hein, Epicyte Pharmaceutical president. To register or for more details, see [www.coafes.umn.edu/nabc2002](http://www.coafes.umn.edu/nabc2002) or call 612-625-6710.

**Policy addressing accessibility of information technology** is available at [process.umn.edu:9000/groups/ppd/documents/policy/webaccesspol.cfm](http://process.umn.edu:9000/groups/ppd/documents/policy/webaccesspol.cfm).

Policy covers Web page design standards, hardware and software issues, and workplace accommodations.

**Josie R. Johnson Human Rights and Social Justice Award recipients** are Janet McNeill Hively, CCE administration, and Stephanie Chrismon, UMM student. Award honors those who excel in creating respectful and inclusive environments.

**Optional Retirement Plan investment performance results** through March 31 will be published on the back page of *Minnesota Daily* May 9. Information will be sent separately to UMC, UMD, UMM, and UMR.

**New Web site for Center for Spirituality and Healing** is at [www.csh.umn.edu](http://www.csh.umn.edu). Site offers the latest information about complementary care initiatives at the AHC.

**New Web site for Transdisciplinary Tobacco Use Research Center** is at [www.tturc.umn.edu](http://www.tturc.umn.edu). Site includes current research and pilot studies at the U on reducing tobacco harm, ways to quit smoking, and information about tobacco legislation.

**Center for Teaching and Learning Services is accepting applicants** for next year's Midcareer Teaching Program. Over the course of 2 semesters, participants will discuss a variety of issues related to best practices in teaching and learning. For more information or to register, call 612-625-3316 or see [www.umn.edu/ohr/teachlearn/faculty/midcar.html](http://www.umn.edu/ohr/teachlearn/faculty/midcar.html).

**CROOKSTON**—UMC Flying Club and Crookston Aviation will sponsor their annual drive-in, fly-in pancake breakfast May 5, 8 a.m.–1 p.m., Crookston Municipal Airport (3 miles north on Highway 75). Cost is \$5 per person (free for pilots in command who have flown in from more than 100 miles). Antique aircraft and classic cars will also be on display.

Annual graduation and alumni dance, sponsored by UMC Alumni Association, will be May 10, 9 p.m.–12:30 a.m., Northland Inn. Admission is \$5.

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About 145 graduates will participate in commencement ceremonies for class of 2002 May 11, 2 p.m., Lysaker Gymnasium. President Yudof and Regent Hogan will address the graduates.

**DULUTH**—Faculty members Tim Holst, Dale Krageschmidt, Steve Sternberg, Lucia Barker, Geraldine Botte, and Steve Hedman accompanied a group of UMD research students to the National Conference on Undergraduate Research at U of Wisconsin-Whitewater in April. More than 400 colleges and universities were represented in disciplines ranging from creative arts to sciences.

Richard Ojakangas, geological sciences professor, will present "So Where Are You Off To Next? A Geological Career in Time and Space" May 9, 4 p.m., 175 Life Science Building. Free. Call 218-726-8385.

Glensheen Historic Mansion summer schedule is May 1 through October with daily tours from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mother's Day event (2 early buffets and an early evening dinner) will be May 12. Prices are \$21.95 for adults and \$13.95 children (6–11 years). For information about tours, fees, or reservations, call 218-726-8910 or 1-888-454-4536.

**MORRIS**—UMM was honored by Otter Tail Power Company for being one of the first institutions in the area to purchase wind-generated electricity through the company's TailWinds program. Company will also sponsor a \$500 scholarship to be awarded in fall. UMM brought wind power to its student center following a petition in March signed by hundreds of students.

Student Honors and Awards Day ceremony to recognize 2001–02 outstanding student achievements will be May 9, 7 p.m., Proscenium Theatre, Humanities Fine Arts.

Josie Johnson, president of Josie Robinson Johnson and Associates, Inc., will be keynote speaker at the 39th annual commencement ceremony, May 10, 4 p.m. Johnson was a U of M regent, associate VP for academic affairs, and director of the All-U Forum on Diversity.

**TWIN CITIES**—U is likely to pay more than \$55,000 to repair property damaged by vandals following the Gopher men's NCAA hockey championship win April 6. Current estimate includes repairs to waste containers, windows, fences, and security lighting.

Finalists for Humphrey Institute dean will speak at public forums: Allan Mendelowitz, May 1, 2:30 p.m., 3M Auditorium, Carlson School; Lawrence Korb, May 3, 1 p.m., 3M Auditorium; Brian Atwood, May 6, 2 p.m., Cowles Auditorium, Humphrey Center; and Charles Wise, May 8, 1 p.m., Cowles Auditorium.

New Pre Health Sciences advising office in AHC is in the works. Office is joint effort of CBS, CLA, and AHC to more effectively serve students interested in health sciences careers. Kathie Peterson, former CBS student services director, is setting up the office with Barbara Brandt, AHC assistant VP for education.

New University Pediatrics Foundation, affiliate of Minnesota Medical Foundation, will oversee fund-raising activities benefiting pediatrics practice, research, and patients. Organization combines fund-raising efforts of Variety Children's Association and U Children's Foundation. For information, call Sandy Landberg at 612-624-6900.

Como Community Child Care is open to children 16 months to 7 years old. Center has bilingual staff and is governed by a parent board. Call 612-331-8340.

**Events:** "You Are Here," site-specific art performance at Tate Lab of Physics rooftop observatory will be May 2, 4, 5, 9, 11, and 12, at 8 p.m. Free, but call 612-626-4747 to reserve spot.

- Free skin cancer screenings will be offered on Melanoma Monday, May 6, 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m. To make appointment, call 626-4002.

**Lectures:** 16th annual Life Sciences Undergraduate Research Symposium will be May 1, 1:30–4:30 p.m., Earle Brown Center. See [www.cbs.umn.edu/honors/symposium](http://www.cbs.umn.edu/honors/symposium).

- Konopka Institute for Best Practices in Adolescent Health annual lecture will be May 2, 2:30–4 p.m., Memorial Hall, McNamara Alumni Center.

- 2002 Phi Delta Kappa Distinguished Lecture, "Raising Student Achievement: The Roles of Educators," will be May 6, 5 p.m., Earle Brown Center. Cost is \$15. To register, call 612-626-1601.

**Announcement:** Rhoderick Brown, Hormel Institute professor, received a 4-year, \$1.34 million grant from National Institutes of Health to continue studies on glycolipid cells in normal and diseased cell processes.

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**Regents will meet May 8–10**, 600 McNamara Alumni Center to review proposed \$2 billion budget for July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003. Budget includes recommendations for tuition rates on all campuses, investments in new and ongoing initiatives, and cost savings strategies. Regents will also discuss the level of institutional support for intercollegiate athletics, consider authorizing alcohol sales on the Minnesota Centennial Showboat, and discuss issues related to the U's patent and technology marketing. For complete agenda, see [www.umn.edu/regents](http://www.umn.edu/regents).

**U approved workplace standards for trademark licensees** May 1. Code of conduct standards to protect workers making U licensed products in 10 areas, include wages and benefits, working hours, child labor, and women's rights. If a licensee fails to follow code and corrective action is not taken, license may be terminated by the U with a 30-day written notification. For full code, see [www.umn.edu/urelate/newservice/newsreleases/codeofconduct.pdf](http://www.umn.edu/urelate/newservice/newsreleases/codeofconduct.pdf).

**Academic Health Center** is preparing for the April 2003 implementation of the privacy component of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). New federal law aims to ensure that personal health data remains private and goes in a safe manner only where the patient wants it to. Two task forces are charged with addressing the policy, education, and technology needs of AHC faculty, students, and staff who work with patients or patient records.

**Professor David Tilman was elected to the National Academy of Sciences**, an honor many scientists consider 2nd to the Nobel Prize. Tilman, a Distinguished McKnight Professor and director of Cedar Creek Natural History Area, was recognized for his discoveries of how varied species contribute to the healthy functioning of ecosystems. Institute for Scientific Information survey indicated that Tilman was the ecologist most quoted by peers in the 1990s.

**Director of Intercollegiate Athletics Search Committee is seeking nominations and applications.** Review of applications and materials will continue until new athletic director is selected. Send cover letter, resume, and addresses and phone numbers of at least 3 references to Mary Jo Kane, chair, Search Committee for Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, 202 Morrill Hall.

**Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation gave \$3.9 million to the Center for School Change (CSC)** at the Humphrey Institute to help educators, parents, students, and community members transform large public high schools in St. Paul, Cincinnati, and West Clermont, Ohio, into small public schools of choice. This is the Gates Foundation's 3rd grant to CSC.

**New Rusty Barceló award to recognize individuals who foster a multicultural environment** has been established in honor of Barceló, former associate VP for multicultural and academic affairs. First award will be presented in spring 2003. To contribute to the award endowment or for more information, call Office of U Women at 612-625-2031.

**Annual awards for U women were presented** April 3. Distinguished Women Scholars Award recipients are Karlyn Kohrs Campbell, communication studies, and Bianca Conti-Fine, biochemistry, molecular biology, and biophysics. Mullen/Spector/Truax Women's Leadership Award recipient is Sally Gregory Kohlstedt, history of science and technology. CS/BU Staff Award recipients are Toni Coleman, men's intercollegiate athletics, and Marcella Samec, Health Services Research and Policy Survey Center. Teamster Women Recognition Award recipient is Terry Monette, U Dining Services. Sharon L. Doherty Award went to Vidhya Shanker, Humphrey Institute graduate student.

**Minnesota teachers like Profile of Learning** and believe with quality training and support it can improve student learning and teacher effectiveness, according to report by U's College of Education and Human Development. "The Impact of Minnesota's Profile of Learning on Teaching and Learning in English and Social Studies Classrooms" was based on a statewide survey of high school teachers in English and social studies. For report, see [education.umn.edu/media](http://education.umn.edu/media).

**Richard Levins, economics, received the Faculty Award for Excellence** in the Teaching of Writing. U's Center for Interdisciplinary Studies of Writing recognized his work in Applied Economics 3041.

**CROOKSTON**—April 24–26 marked 20th anniversary of volunteer tree-planting trip to Chippewa National Forest by students, faculty, and staff of natural resources department. This year, the group planted 4,000 trees and learned more about forest ecosystems. It is estimated that the department's 20-year efforts have resulted in nearly 140,000 trees being planted—roughly a 220-acre forest.

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Graduation ceremony for the first 5 graduates of the UMC bachelor of manufacturing program offered onsite at Marvin Windows and Doors in Warroad will be May 15; Regent Bergland will be present. UMC began offering the program at Marvin Windows in 1999; 25 students are currently enrolled. Students earn 15 credits per year in courses taught by UMC faculty. For more information about the program, call Jane Sims at 218-281-8679.

**DULUTH**—Baccalaureate commencement ceremony for 840 students will be May 18, noon, at Duluth Entertainment and Convention Center. Sheila Wellstone, who will be awarded the Chancellor's Distinguished Service Award, is guest speaker.

Graduate School commencement for 140 master's degree students will be May 16, 7 p.m., Romano Gymnasium. Speaker will be Regents Professor of Geoarchaeology George Rapp. Honorary doctor of laws degree will be presented to Winona LaDuke.

Free public lecture by LaDuke will be May 15 at 6 p.m., Kirby Student Center Rafters. Reception will follow. Event is sponsored by Endowed Chair in American Indian Education, Department of Social Work, and American Indian Projects.

**MORRIS**—Students who compete in intercollegiate athletics at UMM may soon move from Division II to Division III. "We will work to devise a strategy which will hold true to our scholarship commitment to current student athletes while also being true in letter and spirit to the guidelines of Division III," said Chancellor Schuman. "For all of us, this step represents an effort to strengthen Cougar athletics in a realistic and appropriate way." For full report, see [www.mrs.umn.edu/news/00stories](http://www.mrs.umn.edu/news/00stories).

Center for Small Towns received a \$187,000 grant from the Blandin Foundation to strengthen its programs and activities over the next 2 years. Center coordinates faculty, staff, and student resources to assist small towns in west central Minnesota and makes internships and service-learning activities available. For more information, e-mail Roger McCannon at [mccannonr@cda.mrs.umn.edu](mailto:mccannonr@cda.mrs.umn.edu).

**ROCHESTER**—Susan Craddock, U Institute for Global Studies, presented a workshop at UCR on "The Politics of HIV/AIDS in Southern Africa: A Focus on Clinical Trials and Drug Access."

On April 30, Paul Morin, U geology and geophysics department, demonstrated the GeoWall, a new technology in data projection systems.

**TWIN CITIES**—COAFES and the Agricultural and Food Sciences Academy signed a new partnership agreement in April. Agreement cements an informal relationship aimed at preparing students for careers ranging from veterinary medicine, to food research, to environmental science.

Road construction on East River Road continues through summer. Sidewalks and bike paths on the south side of the road will remain open. For information on parking ramp access and map, see [www.facm.umn.edu/facm/Road\\_Work/ERR\\_Garage/err.htm](http://www.facm.umn.edu/facm/Road_Work/ERR_Garage/err.htm).

List of spring 2002 commencement ceremonies and speakers through May 25 are available at [www.umn.edu/twincities/commencement](http://www.umn.edu/twincities/commencement).

New Goldstein Gallery Web site at [goldstein.che.umn.edu](http://goldstein.che.umn.edu) gives information on the museum's collections, exhibitions, and programs.

**Events:** Gubernatorial Debate on the Environment by Green and Independence Party candidates will be May 8, 6:30–8:30 p.m., Cowles Auditorium, Humphrey Center. See <http://info@mnlcv.org>.

- Beginning grants training offered by GC will be May 20 (grant-writing overview and budgeting) and May 22 (Introduction to EGMS, campus resources, Funding your International Project, and Searching for Funding), 302 Appleby Hall. Seating is limited. To register, e-mail L. A. Williams at [willi225@umn.edu](mailto:willi225@umn.edu).

- Vintage art, posters, playbills, and film clips from the vaudeville era will be at Weisman Art Museum through Aug. 4.

**Lecture:** "Strengthening the Foundation: CS/BU Women Building a Better U Community" panel discussion will be May 9, noon–1:15 p.m., 100 Murphy Hall. Call 612-625-2031 to RSVP.

**Announcements:** Russell Holman, assistant professor of inpatient academic medicine, received the Outstanding Service in Hospital Medicine award from the National Association of Inpatient Physicians for his contributions to public policy, organizational activities, hospital systems innovations, and leadership in organized medicine.

- Linda Halcon, assistant professor of Nursing, received the 2002–04 A. Marilyn Sime Faculty Research Fellowship to pursue research and clinical interests in therapeutic use of plant essential oils.

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**U will face a \$38.2 million budget challenge in fiscal year 2003**—\$23.6 million in anticipated state cuts and \$14.6 million in additional costs for security, insurance coverage, and software updates—President Yudof told regents May 10. To face this challenge, Yudof proposed increasing tuition and fees by an average of 16%, reducing college and unit budgets by 2%, in-creasing faculty salaries by 4% instead of 6%, and only partially funding staff and faculty salary increases through central administration. "For the colleges and units, these reductions represent real pain, including the loss of faculty and staff positions and a reduction in service hours," Yudof said.

To mitigate the increases in tuition and fees, Yudof said the U will add \$2 million in need-based grants and implement a new credit pricing model offering smaller, per-credit rate increases on 13 or more credits. If his proposal is adopted, Yudof said the U is likely to "be in the middle of the pack again next year" in tuition among Big Ten universities.

For more information on the proposed fiscal year 2003 budget, see [www.umn.edu/urelate/govrel/41102regents](http://www.umn.edu/urelate/govrel/41102regents). Regents will act on the \$2 billion budget at the next monthly meeting June 14.

**Regents approved design for new \$1 million Washington Ave. bus shelters** after Yudof assured regents he will review the schematic plans carefully, and if necessary, come back to regents with recommendations. At May 9 Regents Facilities Committee meeting, several regents raised concerns that the new shelters' arched copper roofs would obstruct the view of Northrop Mall and Coffman Union. New shelters, located on each side of Washington Ave. and to be constructed at the same time as the Washington Ave. pedestrian bridges, will be approximately 1,030 square feet and will accommodate 225 people each.

Bus stops cannot be moved further east or west to resolve aesthetic concerns because of issues such as traffic flow, sidewalks, and building setbacks, said interim U Services VP Greg Fox. "[The Washington Ave. bus stop] is the major pickup point on campus and the 2nd busiest bus stop in Minnesota," he said. Combined U and Metro Transit bus services recorded more than one million riders in February, said Bob Baker, parking and transportation director.

**Former Gopher men's basketball coach Clem Haskins will repay the U \$815,000** over 11 years following a May 13 Hennepin County District Court order. U filed lawsuit September 2000 against Haskins to recover \$1.5 million associated with his contract buyout after he admitted lying in U's investigation of academic fraud in the Gopher basketball program. Court order adopts an arbitration award issued May 10 by former state District Court Judge Richard Solum.

**After extensive national search, finalists for executive VP and provost position** (EVPP) are Robert Jones, VP for Campus Life; Christine Maziar, VP for Research and Graduate School dean; Risa Palm, U of North Carolina at Chapel Hill College of Arts and Sciences dean; and Marlene Strathe, U of Northern Colorado provost and VP for Academic Affairs. Finalists will be scheduled for interviews and public speaking engagements. President Yudof is expected to name new EVPP by end of the month.

**American Society of Interior Designers has awarded the U a \$1.18 million grant** to develop a Web-based clearinghouse for design and human behavior research. Denise Guerin and Caren Martin, Department of Design, Housing, and Apparel faculty, are co-principal investigators. They will collect existing research findings from design disciplines and translate them into user-friendly information that will be available on the Web this fall.

**U is again accredited by Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care** (AAALAC), a private nonprofit organization that promotes the humane treatment of animals in science. AAALAC, a voluntary accreditation program, has more than 640 members—companies, universities, hospitals, government agencies, and other research institutions.

**Adult bone marrow stem cells can become liver cells**, according to Stem Cell Institute researchers. Findings are published in May 15 issue of *Journal of Clinical Investigation*. Catherine Verfaillie, institute director, said the research could benefit patients with genetic diseases of the liver and some types of cirrhosis or acute liver failure due to medications. Cells might also be used to create bio-artificial livers, which can bridge a person from acute liver failure to transplant.

**U Libraries online catalog, MNCAT (via LUMINA), will have a new interface** on TC campus starting this summer (Web address will remain the same: [www.lib.umn.edu/books](http://www.lib.umn.edu/books)). Change spearheads the transition to a new statewide, integrated online library system that will also be implemented at the other campuses next year. For more information, see [www.lib.umn.edu/about/mncat](http://www.lib.umn.edu/about/mncat).

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**CROOKSTON**—Stacey Grunewald, student health services coordinator, received the Outstanding Service to Students Award based on UMC student votes.

New Golden Eagle sculpture was officially dedicated May 11. Sculpture, by Richard Arfsten of Burlington, WI, was made possible by a grant from the Arts Council of the Northwest Regional Development Commission. Grant acknowledges UMC's Sport Center role as host site for many regional and community athletic tournaments and other events. To view sculpture, see [www.crk.umn.edu/campusinfo/tour/SportsCenter/eaglesculpt.htm](http://www.crk.umn.edu/campusinfo/tour/SportsCenter/eaglesculpt.htm).

UMC will host its 10th Annual Regional Junior High Music Festival May 15. Junior high school musicians from 10 area schools will participate in the daylong performance festival.

**DULUTH**—2002 faculty awards and recipients are Chancellor's Distinguished Research Award: Ron Caple, chemistry; Albert Tezla Teacher/Scholar Award: Leif Brush, art; and Outstanding Faculty Adviser Award: Thomas Duff, finance and management information sciences; Frank Guldbrandsen, education; Keith Lodge, chemical engineering; William Payne, theater; and Gerald Pepper, communication.

**MORRIS**—At May 10 commencement ceremony, 357 students received bachelor's degrees. Guests were Regent Berman and UMM Alumni Association president Donald Brabeck, '84. Curtis H. Larson Award recipients and senior class speakers were Stephanie Chrismon and Nathan LaCoursiere. Regent emerita Josie Johnson gave keynote address and concert band performed "In This Moment," original composition by graduating senior Aaron Perrine.

About 30 murals, created by Morris area preschool and elementary schoolchildren depicting "Our Favorite Thing(s) About Our Small Town," will be shown at the annual Ice Cream and Lollipops children's public art exhibit May 15–18 in Oyate Hall. Event, which draws 700 children annually, is a 30-year UMM and Morris community tradition.

**ROCHESTER**—UMR will host P. M. Forni, Johns Hopkins U professor and author of *Choosing Civility: The 25 Rules of Considerate Conduct*, May 29, 7 p.m., in Assisi Heights Community Center. Forni is cofounder of the Johns Hopkins Civility Project, which strives to assess the relevance of civility to quality of life in the workplace and in society at large.

**TWIN CITIES**—Medical School will receive \$3 million from Fairview Health Services as part of its ongoing commitment to medical education and research. Money will go to recruit and retain key faculty in blood and bone marrow transplant, stem cell research, urology, pediatric cardiology, and other areas deemed high priority by the school and Fairview.

Old Test File (OTF) is seeking recent tests from faculty. OTF, located in 197 Coffey Hall, maintains a file of previous tests provided by professors for students to use as study aids. Faculty who contribute to the service can save on printing costs (if they typically supply old tests to students), encourage studying for exams, and alleviate student concerns about types of test questions. Send tests with course number, your name, and year test was given in electronic or paper formats to [spboc@umn.edu](mailto:spboc@umn.edu) or mail to St. Paul Board of Colleges, Old Test File, 197 Coffey Hall. For more information, see [www.umn.edu/~spboc](http://www.umn.edu/~spboc).

Insurance information for international travel or study is available for faculty, staff, and students at Global Campus in 94 Blegen Hall or call 612-626-4782.

**Events:** U Pediatrics Foundation 7th annual WineFest will be May 17–18 at Minneapolis Convention Center. Proceeds will go to research at the Department of Pediatrics. Activities include wine tasting (more than 300 wines) and hors d'oeuvres by Twin Cities restaurants May 17 and black-tie dinner and auction May 18. See [www.theWineFest.com](http://www.theWineFest.com) or call 612-625-4020.

- *Iris*, starring Judi Dench, Kate Winslet, and Hugh Bonneville, will be shown May 17–23, 7:15 p.m. (and 9:15 p.m., May 17–18). Tickets are \$6 general, \$5 students/seniors, \$4 U Film Society members. Call 627-4430.

- Rosalyra String Quartet will perform May 19, 3 p.m., Weisman Art Museum (WAM). For tickets (\$8 general and \$6 WAM members, students, and seniors), call 625-9495.

**Lecture:** "Stealth Chemicals Sabotaging the Destiny of Wildlife and Humans," by Theo Colborn, World Wildlife Fund senior program scientist, will be May 23, 7 p.m., Bell Museum. To reserve free tickets, call 612-624-9050 or e-mail [bellreg@umn.edu](mailto:bellreg@umn.edu).

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Brief will not be published May 29. The next issue will be June 5, 2002. Brief will be published every other week during the summer.

**Legislature passed a \$979.1 million bonding bill May 19**, allotting \$132 million for U capital projects. Adding private contributions and the U's debt obligation, the U's projects in the bill total \$180 million. Projects in the bill are Higher Education Asset Preservation and Replacement, \$35 million; Jones Hall, \$8 million; plant growth facilities, \$17.7 million; UMD Lab Science, \$33 million; Nicholson Hall, \$24 million; Translational Research Facility, \$37 million; UMC Bede Hall, \$7.7 million; UMM Social Science Building and fire protection, \$9 million; classroom improvements, \$2 million; Research and Outreach Centers, \$2.5 million; Teaching and Technology Center (planning), \$3 million; and Veterinary Diagnostic Lab, \$1.5 million.

Bill has been forwarded to Gov. Ventura, who has the authority to veto individual projects or the entire bill. The legislature will not be able to override any gubernatorial vetoes on the bonding bill.

**President Bush honored Gopher and Bulldog NCAA national champion hockey teams** at the White House May 21. Gopher men's team won its first NCAA championship in 23 years by defeating Maine 4-3 in overtime April 6; Bulldog women's team defeated Brown U 3-2 March 24 to win its 2nd consecutive title. Teams also met with Minnesota representatives to Congress and U alumni.

**Senate Committee on Finance and Planning (SCFP) urged regents to adopt the \$2 billion fiscal year 2003 budget** presented by President Yudof to regents May 10. SCFP, comprising faculty, staff, and students, supported the administration's recommendations to meet anticipated state cuts—16% tuition and fees increase, minimum 13-credit load per semester, and 13-credit tuition band (students taking 12 credits would pay an extra 18.8%; for students taking 16 credits, the increase would be 10.4%). "None of us is enthusiastic about this tuition increase, but the alternative—more draconian cuts to the budget—is much less palatable and will severely weaken the U," according to SCFP statement at May 13 regents budget forum. Regents will act on budget June 14.

**Former Minneapolis mayor Sharon Sayles Belton** has joined the Humphrey Institute's Roy Wilkins Center for Human Relations and Social Justice as a senior fellow. She will lecture on her experiences as an elected official and policy maker and work on current antiracism initiatives to improve information sharing between community-based organizations and research institutions.

**Public forums with executive VP and provost candidates** will be May 22, 11 a.m.–noon, Risa Palm, U of North Carolina at Chapel Hill College of Arts and Sciences dean; May 23, 1:45–2:45 p.m., Robert Jones, U Campus Life VP; and May 24, 2:30–3:30 p.m., Christine Maziar, U Research VP. All forums at 101 Walter Library.

**New Law School dean effective** July 1 will be Alex Johnson, Jr., pending Board of Regents approval June 14. Johnson will also hold the William S. Pattee Professorship of Law. He will replace E. Thomas Sullivan, who returns to a faculty position after 7 years as Law School dean.

**New U of M Extension Service associate dean and director of extension** July 1 is George Morse, extension economist and applied economics professor. New assistant dean of human resources and professional development is Calvin Walker. National search will be conducted to fill interim district director position for the southeast district.

**Individuals without symptoms of cardiovascular disease** may already have early heart or blood vessel disease, according to researchers at U's Rasmussen Center for Cardiovascular Disease Prevention. More than half of asymptomatic patients screened at the center were found to have early disease.

**Nomination deadline for 2002 College of Continuing Education Distinguished Teaching Awards** is June 28. For questions or nomination materials, e-mail [pundem@cce.umn.edu](mailto:pundem@cce.umn.edu).

**CS/BU Sesquicentennial video** "Holding Up the U: 150 Years of Staff Women at the University of Minnesota" is available through Office of U Women for \$15. E-mail [women@umn.edu](mailto:women@umn.edu).

**CROOKSTON**—Faculty and Staff awards presented May 16 included Outstanding Community Service Award, George French, music; United Staff Association Employee of the Semester, Meloni Rasmussen, Career Center; Service Learning Award, Paula Viker, health management; Distinguished CS/BU Award, Don Wieland, facilities management; Distinguished P&A Award, Heidi Patterson, financial aid; Distinguished Teaching Award, Roger Wagner, horticulture.

**DULUTH**—New bachelor of science in mechanical engineering program will be offered beginning fall 2002 through Department of Industrial Engineering.

Joseph Gallian, UMD mathematics and statistics professor, and 2 of his research students represented the Mathematics Association of America at the National Science Foundation's Coalition for Science Funding exhibition on Capitol Hill May 15.

Gallian was named one of 2 Council on Undergraduate Research (CUR) fellows for 2002. He will receive \$1,000 and speak at 9th annual CUR conference in June. Fellowships are presented biennially to CUR members who have developed nationally respected research programs involving undergraduates. Go to the [U of M home page](#)

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**MORRIS**—Division of Education has received accreditation from the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). Schools accredited by NCATE must meet rigorous standards set by the profession and the public.

Paul Grove was named head coach of Cougar men's basketball following national search. Grove was coach at Mayville State, where he built a 105-64 record in the Dakota Athletic Conference.

**ROCHESTER**—Certificate in interpretation program students celebrated the completion of their course with an International Food Festival May 8.

**TWIN CITIES**—College of Veterinary Medicine broke ground May 16 for Nestlé Purina Memories Garden next to Veterinary Teaching Hospital (VTH). Garden will be dedicated early September. Donors or VTH clients may sponsor benches or bricks as permanent tributes to their pets or make donations toward landscaping. Funds will support construction of the garden and clinical research at VTH. For project information, call Michelle Dingwall at 612-625-5275.

Lot SC-108 (State Fairgrounds lot) is closed to faculty, staff, and students through Sept. 4. Contract parking has been permanently relocated to Lot SC-102 and reciprocal parking to Gortner Ave. Ramp. Public and carpool parking is available in Lot S-104, east of Earle Brown Continuing Education Center. Daily public rate is \$3 (\$3.25 beginning July 1) and carpool rate before 2 p.m. M–F is \$1.50 (\$1.75 July 1). Call 612-626-7275.

Grand opening of Gateway Plaza will be part of "Rock Around the Block," annual UMAA celebration, June 4 on the lawn outside McNamara Alumni Center. Festivities begin at 5:30 p.m. and will feature performances from the '50s and '60s eras. Tickets are \$42 for UMAA members, \$57 nonmembers. To order, see [www.umaa.umn.edu/event/elvis](http://www.umaa.umn.edu/event/elvis) or call 612-624-2345. For more information, call Karla at 625-9195.

2002 marks 100th anniversary of Department of Otolaryngology. Celebration will include medical seminar June 7, 7:30 a.m.–noon, Basic Sciences and Biomedical Engineering Building. To register, call 612-625-5602. Commemorative T-shirts are available in 8-240 Phillips-Wangensteen Building.

Passport photos are available for \$7 (set of 2) at the U Card Office, room 107, 825 Washington Ave.

**Events:** CHE and Minnesota Extension Association of Family Consumer Sciences 4th annual Research Dialogue will be May 23, 9 a.m., McNeal Hall. Event will focus on research that benefits families or can be incorporated into educational programs. To register, call Yvonne Everling at 612-625-7272.

o U Film Society will show *Scotland, PA—A Fast-Food Mabeth* May 24–30 at 7:15 p.m. (also 5:15 p.m. May 25–26, 9:15 p.m. May 24–25), Bell Museum Auditorium. Call 627-4430.

o Roundtable on "The Quest for Educational Equality in a Time of High-Stakes Testing, Standardization, and Debates Over Access" will be May 31, 10 a.m.–noon, University Ballroom, Radisson Metrodome Hotel. Event, facilitated by James Banks, U of Washington Center for Multicultural Education, will feature regional scholars. See [www.gen.umn.edu/research/crdeul/calendar.htm](http://www.gen.umn.edu/research/crdeul/calendar.htm).

**Lectures:** "Protecting the Safety of Food Systems in the Age of Bioterrorism," by Michael Osterholm, Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy director, will be May 29, 12:30–2 p.m., Radisson Hotel Metrodome. Tickets are \$25. See [www.cpheo.umn.edu/institute/events.html](http://www.cpheo.umn.edu/institute/events.html) or call 612-626-4515.

o "Teaching for Unity and Diversity in a Time of National Crisis," by multicultural scholar James Banks, will be May 29, 7 p.m. Book signing will follow.

o Breakfast Seminar on science, politics, and food safety by Patricia Jensen, former USDA Marketing and Regulatory Programs assistant secretary, will be June 4, 8–9 a.m., Radisson Metrodome. Tickets \$15. Call 612-626-4515.

**Announcement:** Carolyn Garcia, School of Nursing teaching specialist, received the American Red Cross 2002 Emergency Services Volunteer of the Year Award for the Greater Minneapolis Chapter. She spent time at Ground Zero in New York City following Sept. 11.

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**Regents approved \$2.3 billion for U's fiscal year 2003 operating budget** June 14. The budget includes re-allocations, reductions, and a tuition increase to fund a \$38.2 million budget challenge created by a state budget reduction of \$23.6 million and new security, insurance, and software costs.

Budget also includes nearly \$10 million in new investments in priority areas. "This budget effectively aligns new investments with our strategic priorities, including additional support for undergraduate education, the biological sciences, and new computer science faculty, while absorbing the cost of state cuts and new expenses as painlessly as possible," said Regent Reed.

New investments include \$300,000 to improve undergraduate education by adding advisers, \$1.6 million for 12 new computer science faculty members, \$550,000 for biological sciences and nanotechnology, and \$500,000 for writing-intensive courses. Tuition increases across all campuses will average 16%. Reductions include reducing faculty salary increases to 4% and college and unit budgets by 2%.

**Regents discussed the presidential search process.** "This is a process where we need to use all the resources at our fingertips to find the best person--man or woman--for the job," said Regent Reed in a special June 13 Board of Regents work session.

Regents will select a search firm by the end of this week and members of a presidential advisory group in July. Group's charge will be to review in depth the qualifications of applicants and recommend 4 or 5 semifinalists to the board. Reed said committee will likely have 3 faculty members, a student, a business leader, 2 people from the political arena, one from labor, a dean, an alumnus, and someone from the University of M Foundation. Regents hope to select new president by the end of the year.

**Executive VP and provost Bruininks will be interim president** effective no later than Aug. 1. "He is the obvious choice to see the University through an orderly and successful transition while continuing to advance the vision and priorities that have been set out," said Regent Reed. Bruininks, who has been 2nd in command for 5 years, had planned to step down June 30 to take a year-long sabbatical and then return to teaching. He is expected to serve as interim president for at least 6 months, until a permanent president is named. As provost, he oversaw the successful transition from quarters to semesters and the implementation of new technology systems for student services and human resources.

Bruininks will oversee preparations for the U's 2003 legislative request and fill the open positions of provost, VP for U Services, athletics director, and deans of Humphrey Institute, Medical School, and College of Natural Resources.

**Don Sargeant will step down as UMC chancellor** effective June 30, 2003. He will take a one-year leave to polish his technology skills and visit other technology-focused colleges and universities. He will then return to the faculty to further assist technology integration and development.

**Regents approved a resolution to maintain but freeze annual \$10 million subsidy** to Twin Cities intercollegiate athletics for fiscal years 2003 and 2004. Board resolution reaffirmed support for the administration "to manage a financially sound program, committed to the well-being of all student-athletes, and consistent with the values and principles of the University."

**UPlan offers "the widest array of access any employer has offered, nationwide,"** said senior VP Cerra to Regents Committee on Faculty, Staff, and Student Affairs June 13. Cerra reported that the U is "performing well" in its first year of self-insuring with \$13.5 million in reserve and \$21.4 million in expenses the first quarter (budgeted expenses were \$24.8 million). U decided to self-insure June 2001 to have greater role in determining benefits and because of rising cost of state health plan premiums.

U is now in 2nd phase of plan. RFP was issued in February to health plan carriers for dental, life, and retiree medical benefits. In 2003, there will be 5 dental options through 2 carriers, Delta Dental and HealthPartners; 4 options will be traditional plans with variations on network size and annual benefit maximums; 5th option will be an indemnity policy with higher out-of-pocket costs but no limitations on provider network. UPlan life insurance will continue to be provided by Minnesota Life. More information on 2003 UPlan will be sent to employees by mid-July.

**Campaign Minnesota has surpassed \$1.3 billion goal with one year to go, but funds are still needed** for student support and libraries and to meet individual campus and college goals. Campaign in final year will focus on raising \$38.5 million for merit and need-based undergraduate scholarships,

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graduate fellowships, and enrichment activities such as study abroad and research; \$5 million for new library acquisitions, technology, and maintenance of special collections; and \$100 million or more for campus and college goals. As of April 30, \$1.327 billion has been raised; Campaign Minnesota is state's largest private fund-raising campaign and nation's 6th largest among public universities. For updated information or to make a gift, see [www.campaign.umn.edu](http://www.campaign.umn.edu).

**Finalists for director of Employee Benefits** are Dann Chapman, U Health Programs interim director; Kathy Prondzinski, Watson Wyatt consultant; and Terry Koves, Land O'Lakes, Inc., compensation and benefits director. Public forums for Chapman and Prondzinski were June 17. Forum for Koves will be June 24, 1:15-2 p.m., 238a Morrill Hall.

**Look for the summer issue of *Kiosk*,** with a special pull-out section on places to eat and things to do on and around the TC campus, in your mailbox this week. Faculty-staff newspaper also features an article on President Yudof and interviews with U award recipients.

**CROOKSTON**--UMC will host the U of M Student Administrative Services Group June 19-20. Event involves training and business meetings for admissions, financial aid, registration, records, and administrative computing services staff from all U campuses.

Fiscal year-to-date Campaign Minnesota gifts and pledges designated to UMC total \$667,438. "Thanks to the tremendous support of UMC alumni and friends the four-year total of gifts and pledges for UMC has now reached \$5,166,272, with one year left of the campaign," said development director Michael Meyer. UMC campus-specific goal is \$5 million.

**DULUTH**--School of Business and Economics (SBE) held dedication ceremonies May 15 for its new SBE Financial Markets Program and Wells Fargo Financial Markets Lab. Program provides students hands-on fund-management experience and real-world understanding of the financial market industry.

Beginning fall 2002, UMD Department of Art will be renamed UMD Department of Art and Design.

Minnesota Repertory Theatre opens its summer season June 19 with *Arsenic and Old Lace*. Play runs through July 18 in Marshall Performing Arts Center. Show times are 8 p.m. on June 19-22, July 5, 10, 11, 20, 25 and 2 p.m. on July 7 and 21. For tickets and more information, call 218-726-8561.

**MORRIS**--Head wrestling coach Doug Reese spent 3 weeks in the Caucasus mountain region of southern Russia teaching in the Department of Sport and Physical Culture at Karbardino-Balkaria State U in Nalchik. He also coached at 2 wrestling clubs in the Republic of Karbardino-Balkaria and Republic of Severnaya Ossetia, where this year's 3 world champions and silver medalist train.

**ROCHESTER**--Program in Translation and Interpreting started its first Introduction to Translation June 18, with sections in Spanish (live) and Somali (via ITV). The 3-credit courses, which will run through August, are led by CLA associate professor Bruce Downing.

**TWIN CITIES**--Mind Body Spirit Clinic will close Aug. 16. "The decision to close the clinic was difficult, but necessary in light of the difficult health care economy and inadequate reimbursements," said senior VP Cerra. The complementary medicine clinic is jointly owned by AHC and Fairview Health Services. AHC will continue to support Center for Spirituality and Healing, Cerra said.

During Freshman Orientation June 10-July 18, faculty and staff who need new or replacement U cards should visit the Rec Sports location (M-Sat., 11 a.m.-1 p.m. and M-F, 4-6 p.m.) instead of main office.

**Events:** Center for Spirituality and Healing and College of Veterinary Medicine will host hands-on healing demonstrations: Tellington Touch for Humans, June 19-22, 592 Mayo; Therapeutic Touch for Horses, June 20, 7 p.m. (horse race at 6:30 p.m.), Canterbury Park Racetrack and Card Club; and Tellington Touch for Pets, June 23, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Animal Humane Society, Golden Valley. To register, see [www.csh.umn.edu/Education/ltj](http://www.csh.umn.edu/Education/ltj) and [www.cvm.umn.edu/outreach/02tt.htm](http://www.cvm.umn.edu/outreach/02tt.htm).

o Karla Kuskin, author of *The Philharmonic Gets Dressed*, will give Naomi C. Chase Lecture in Children's Literature June 25, 2:30 p.m., 120 Elmer L. Andersen Library.

o U Film Society will show *Baran*, a story about an Afghan boy who meets an Iranian girl, July 5-11, 7:15 p.m., Bell Museum Auditorium. See [www.ufilm.org](http://www.ufilm.org).

**Announcement:** Denise Guerin, interior design professor, received the Michael Tatum Excellence in Education Award from International Interior Design Association and Teknion, Inc., for outstanding contributions to interior design education.

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**Board of Regents has hired Korn/Ferry International to assist in the U's presidential search.** Firm assisted in hiring President Yudof in 1997 and has been involved in the U's recent searches for executive VP and provost (EVPP) and Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs dean. Regents will appoint Presidential Search Advisory Committee at its July 12 meeting. Committee, composed of 10 to 12 individuals from a broad cross-section of constituencies and who represent the diversity of the U and the state, will be charged with assisting in the search process, searching for candidates, reviewing qualifications of applicants, and advising regents on those qualifications. For full July 11-12 board agenda, see [www.umn.edu/regents](http://www.umn.edu/regents).

**Christine Maziar will be EVPP** effective July 15, pending regents approval. Maziar, who has been U Graduate School dean and VP for research since 1998, will be responsible for implementing the U's academic programs and priorities.

President Yudof and Robert Bruininks, outgoing EVPP and interim president designate, jointly made the appointment. "I look forward to working with Christine, who is already a valued colleague and brings outstanding preparation, dedication, and experience to the office," Bruininks said. Position is a one-year appointment. Upon installation of a permanent president, Maziar will serve for 90 days, during which time the president will review the appointment.

**U issued 4 requests for proposals (RFPs) June 24 for a Gophers-Vikings stadium predesign.** Predesign for U-owned, on-campus stadium is part of the agreement between the U and Vikings being developed at the request of the Minnesota Legislature. RFPs, for work estimated to cost up to \$325,000, cover facility planning, site design, transportation planning, environmental investigation, cost estimating, and schedule development. In addition to the predesign, legislation directs the U to come to an agreement with the Vikings regarding operations of the joint facility.

"We're enthusiastic about the opportunity to bring Gopher football back to campus, and we're committed to ensuring any new stadium is integrated into the campus and neighborhood environment, both programmatically and aesthetically," said Greg Fox, interim U Services VP. Work must be completed by early November 2002 for submission to the legislature by Dec. 1.

**As of July 1, sales tax will be applied to food by U Dining Services** retail, residential hall, and catering services. Tax follows a recent legislative amendment to the state sales tax statutes. New law exempts food served under the U's room and board contract, which means students with residence hall contracts won't have to pay sales tax on their meal plans.

**All-new Minnesota Centennial Showboat will kick off its inaugural season July 4** on Harriet Island in St. Paul. Boat will be officially christened in honor of Captain Frank Whiting, founder of the original showboat tradition at the U, in a ceremony at 6:30 p.m. First public performance, *Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde*, will be July 5. Performances will run through Aug. 25. Only a few tickets remain; call 651-227-1100.

**New Humphrey Institute dean is J. Brian Atwood.** Appointment is effective Oct. 1, pending approval by regents July 12. Atwood will replace John Brandl, who returns to a faculty position after 6 years at the helm.

**Administrative fees for international scholars, faculty, and students have increased** as of July 1. For list of new fees, see [www.iss.umn.edu](http://www.iss.umn.edu). For more information, call 612-626-7100.

**New Soudan Mine lab, operated by the U and Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory in Chicago, was dedicated July 2.** Main Injector Neutrino Oscillation Search (MINOS) laboratory involves about 200 scientists from 20 institutions in 5 countries and is part of a \$146 million experiment funded by U.S. Department of Energy, United Kingdom, and state of Minnesota to determine if neutrinos have mass—which in turn would help physicists determine what the universe is made of. Lab is a half mile down in an iron mine at the Soudan Underground Mine State Park in northern Minnesota. See [www.hep.umn.edu](http://www.hep.umn.edu).

**New U Libraries online catalog MNCAT (via LUMINA) was launched** at TC campus. New service features include access to your library account online (to view materials you have checked out, to renew them, etc.). Web address is [www.lib.umn.edu/books](http://www.lib.umn.edu/books). Change is part of transition to new statewide, integrated online library system that will also be implemented on other U campuses in the next year. For more information and assistance with new catalog, see [www.lib.umn.edu/about/mncat](http://www.lib.umn.edu/about/mncat).

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**CROOKSTON**—Northwest School of Agriculture (NWSA) reunion was June 28-29. Top Aggies include Charles "Casey" Brantner '50, Moorhead; David Haugo '52, Waubun; Ralph and Carol Green Tucker '52, St. Thomas, ND; and Donald Strickler '62, Euclid. Former UMC director of development Del Roelofs received the NWSA Distinguished Service Award.

About 125 students from Minnesota, North Dakota, Wisconsin, and Thunder Bay, Ontario, will attend the 11th Annual Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) camp July 7-13. UMC cohosts the summer leadership camp with Rotary International District 5580. For more information, see [www.camppryla.org](http://www.camppryla.org).

**DULUTH**—School of Medicine will hold its 6th annual Golf Classic July 22 at Northland Country Club. Fees support UMD Medical Student Research Fund, which provides support for scholarships. Shotgun rounds begin at 1 p.m. with a chance to win a new car. Dinner and silent auction follow. Entry fee is \$175 per person (\$55 is tax deductible). Limited to first 100 who respond; call 218-726-7572.

Center for Economic Development held its 10th annual Joel Labovitz Entrepreneurial Success Awards luncheon in May. This year's Labo Awards were presented in 6 categories; the 45 award nominees represent a growing number of small businesses in the north region.

Minnesota Repertory Theatre continues its run at UMD Marshall Performing Arts Center. *Love Letters* show times are 8 p.m. July 6, 19, 24 and 2 p.m. on July 28. *Pippin* performances will be 8 p.m. July 12, 13, 17, 18, 26, 27 and 2 p.m. on July 14. *Arsenic and Old Lace* performances are 8 p.m. July 5, 10, 11, 20, 25 and 2 p.m. on July 17 and 21. For tickets and information, call 218-726-8561.

**TWIN CITIES**—Public parking rates on campus changed July 1. Hourly lot rates of \$2.25 per hour with an \$18 maximum changed to a sliding rate of \$2.50 per hour for first 2 hours, \$2 for 3rd hour, and \$1 for each additional hour, with a \$12 maximum. Daily lot rates increased from \$3 per day to \$3.25. Premium lot outside Earle Brown Continuing Education Center is now \$5 a day; carpool lots are \$1.75. Daily vendor permits changed from \$3.50 per day to \$5. Motorcycle rates did not change. Contract rates are not affected by the July 1 changes; increases occur in October.

U Libraries has acquired the archival records of Milkweed Editions, one of the leading small presses in the Upper Midwest. Collection will be housed in the Manuscripts Division in Elmer L. Andersen Library and will be available to scholars after it has been inventoried. Inventory will be placed online; process is expected to take up to a year.

During the next few months the cow pasture on the north end of the TC campus in St. Paul will become a turf research facility that will include a research golf hole. Goal of research is to gain more knowledge about northern grasses and prepare graduates to fill growing demand for turf management experts. For more information, e-mail Brian Horgan at [bphorgan@umn.edu](mailto:bphorgan@umn.edu).

New Campus Life associate vice provost is Kathryn Brown. Office of Multicultural and Academic Affairs associate vice provost is Sallye Cooke McKee.

Charles Raush, former St. Paul Student Center director, died June 1 while undergoing heart surgery at North Memorial Hospital. Rausch, 62, retired in 1999 after 33 years of service to the U.

Weight Watchers meeting has been scheduled for those interested in a 10-week "At Work Program." For information, call Vicki at 612-624-9575 or e-mail [vlund@csom.umn.edu](mailto:vlund@csom.umn.edu).

**Events:** "Hats Off to You" farewell to the Yudofs will be July 16, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. (program at 11:45), Northrop plaza. Free event will include Texas-style barbecue, live music, and photo cutouts of President Yudof in his many roles. Open to the public.

o Individual tickets for Bolshoi Ballet's *Nutcracker* Dec. 6-7 will go on sale July 15. Russian troupe of 100 dancers and full orchestra will also perform *Swan Lake* Dec. 3-4. Call 612-624-2345.

**Lecture:** Allan Petterson, an MFA student, will speak on iron sculpture July 20, 7-8 p.m., Coffman Union. To learn more about his work, see [www.storysouth.com](http://www.storysouth.com).

Merrill Brown, who is stepping down after 6 years as editor-in-chief of MSNBC.com, will give keynote address at "Sensing the News" conference July 11, 7-8 p.m., Murphy Hall Auditorium. Address will also be Web cast live at [www.inms.umn.edu/convenings/sensingthenews/webcast.htm](http://www.inms.umn.edu/convenings/sensingthenews/webcast.htm).

**Announcements:** Richard Di Fabio, physical medicine and rehabilitation professor, received the American Physical Therapy Association Golden Pen Award for contributions to the association's journal *Physical Therapy*. o Robert Miller, neuroscience professor, received the 2002 Bryan Boycott Award for coauthoring "2-amino-4-phosphonobutyric Acid: a New Pharmacological Tool for Retina Research," which was published in 1981 in *Science Magazine*.

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**Board of Regents presented certificates of appreciation to President Yudof and his wife, Judy**, July 12 for 5 years of service to the U and state. Regents meeting marked Yudof's last before leaving for the U of Texas July 31. "The board greatly appreciates all they have done," said Regent Reed. "We wish them the best and extend our sincere thanks for their many contributions to the University."

Yudof thanked the board for its support and said the future looks bright for the U. "It has a lot of momentum, and all indicators are on the rise," he said. "There are a lot of reasons why the University is on the right track: the leadership of the Board of Regents and Executive VP and Provost Robert Bruininks, the faculty who work hard every day, and the students who are hungry to learn. We've accomplished a lot, and we've had a lot of fun."

**Regents will act as the official search and selection committee for new U president.**

"Our goal for the next 6 months is to find the finest person for the position," said Regent Metzen. However, during the 90-minute discussion, some regents expressed concern about being able to attract "the best person" because of the state's open meeting law. They questioned whether qualified candidates, especially standing or current university presidents, would stay away to avoid making their interest public.

Korn/Ferry International consultant Bill Funk, who helped the U find President Yudof 5 years ago and has been hired to help find his replacement, said that although the law is "problematic," it would not keep interested and qualified candidates away. "The list is a long one," he said. "There are many interested in taking an already good university and making it a great one." Top on the regents' list of 14 characteristics for a new president are having "impeccable integrity" and ability to connect with alumni, donors, and community leaders.

**Regents unanimously approved VP for research and Graduate School dean**

**Christine Maziar** as executive VP and provost (EVPP) effective July 15. Current EVPP Bruininks will begin role as interim president Aug. 1 and continue until a new president is hired. David Hamilton, genetics and cellular biology professor, was named interim VP for research. Victor Bloomfield, associate dean, vice provost, and assistant VP of the Graduate School, is interim Graduate School dean. Both appointments were also effective July 15.

**New Medical School dean is Deborah Powell.**

She is the first dean in nearly 90 years to come to the position from outside the U and is one of just 9 female deans among the 125 U.S. medical schools. Powell, who was executive dean of the U of Kansas School of Medicine and vice chancellor for clinical affairs, is a board-certified pathologist.

**New athletics director is Joel Maturi**, who will begin at the U Aug. 2. Maturi was director of athletics at Miami U, where he was responsible for budgets, policies, and procedures for 19 men's and women's programs with more than 600 student-athletes. "We were asked to find someone very special with integrity and who strongly supported men's and women's athletics," said Mary Jo Kane, search committee chair. "It has not been the easiest task...but we found someone who encompasses all the qualities we were looking for, someone who will lead one department into the future."

Maturi said his first priorities will include meeting with individual athletes, coaches, and staff members of the newly merged athletic department; focusing on continuing the smooth transition to one department; and attending to the department's financial condition.

**NCAA committee on infractions has accepted the U's self-imposed corrective actions**,

extended its 4-year probationary period by 2 years on the Gopher athletics program, and imposed additional penalties on Gopher women's basketball program. Committee's findings are based on the U's own investigation of allegations in April 2001, which led to the termination of head coach Cheryl Littlejohn. For report, see [www.ncaa.org](http://www.ncaa.org).

**U is missing opportunities and falling short of its potential in the environmental arena**,

according to report by U Commission on Environmental Science and Policy. The 32-member commission, led by College of Natural Resources Dean Sullivan, offers 27 recommendations in 3 areas—communication, coordination, and capacity—that, "with refinement," could become a new academic initiative for the U.

Recommendations include a centralized effort to gather information about the U's many environmental teaching, research, and outreach projects; to develop an environmental Web portal; to create an Environmental Science and Policy Council to guide further efforts; and to provide funding for environmental grant proposal writing. Report, at [www.umn.edu/enviro](http://www.umn.edu/enviro), was influenced by comments at 3 public forums that drew more than 100 participants.

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**Tours of MINOS, U's neutrino experiment in the Soudan Underground Mine**

(off Hwy. 169, Soudan, MN), are available 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. every day through Labor Day. Tours operate on first-come, first-served basis. For tour information, call Department of Natural Resources at 218-753-2245. For information about MINOS, see [www.hep.umn.edu/minos](http://www.hep.umn.edu/minos).

**U scientists are seeking patients diagnosed with Parkinson's disease**

within the last 10 years to participate in 16-day study to determine if forced limb-use therapy is effective. Study will begin in early August. For more information, call 612-625-7973.

**Deadline for annual reporting of external sales activity**

by Resource Responsibility Center managers and department administrators is July 31. Send forms to External Sales Office, 334 Morrill Hall, or fax to 612-626-2278. Questions, call George Ogbonna at 612-625-2415 or e-mail [ogbon001@umn.edu](mailto:ogbon001@umn.edu).

**Series tickets for 2002-03 Northrop dance and jazz seasons**

are now available. Faculty and staff can save 22%-27% and make payments by payroll deduction. For performance schedule, see [www.northrop.umn.edu](http://www.northrop.umn.edu) or call 612-624-2345.

**Pay statements are online at [hrss.umn.edu](http://hrss.umn.edu).**

Printed direct deposit slips will be discontinued July 24. See [www.umn.edu/ohr/hrss](http://www.umn.edu/ohr/hrss) or call 612-625-2016.

**International travel grants for faculty are available**

from Office of International Programs, China Center, and McKnight Arts and Humanities Fund. Deadline is Aug. 1 for activities Sept.-Dec. For guidelines and application, call 612-624-5580.

**CROOKSTON**—Scott Oliver will step down as

head football coach July 28 to take on role as associate development officer with UMC athletics fund-raising responsibilities. Shannon Stassen, current assistant football coach and offense coordinator, will serve as head coach for 2002 season. Goal of staffing change is to bring amount raised annually for athletic scholarships from \$170,000 to \$250,000 over the next 3 years.

Annual Teambackers Golf Classic will be July 20, Crookston Minakwa Golf Club. Registration begins at 10 a.m., with start at 11 a.m. Cost is \$65 per person. Proceeds go to student scholarships.

**DULUTH**—Twenty scientists from around the

nation attended the Large Lakes Workshop hosted by UMD Large Lakes Observatory July 14-16. Guests included Congressman Oberstar, Chancellor Martin, and Herman Zimmerman, director of the National Science Foundation's Earth Sciences Division. Outcome of the workshop will include an informative science and implementation plan in mid-September addressing the basic research needs in the biology, chemistry, geology, and physics of large lake systems.

Annual UMD Educators Institute offering 29 one- and two-day courses and workshops, runs through Aug. 2. Courses are available for undergraduate and graduate credit or noncredit. Call 218-726-6536.

**ROCHESTER**—U and Minnesota State Colleges

and Universities System signed an agreement that will direct the future development of higher education opportunities in southeastern Minnesota. Agreement covers leadership role at U Center Rochester for UMR provost, development of new programming, and delivery of student services for upper level undergraduate and graduate or professional students.

**TWIN CITIES**—President Yudof thanked

students, staff, and faculty for their hard work and "for making me look good" at "Hat's off to Yudof" event. More than 5,000 people gathered on Northrop plaza for a Texas barbecue. A proclamation from Gov. Ventura was read declaring July 16 Mark G. Yudof Day.

Seven students have been charged with felony damage to campus property following April 7 NCAA championship hockey game. U Police Department has also submitted 5 other complaints against students to the Minneapolis City Attorney's Office and are investigating leads to 9 more people whose photos are at [www.umn.edu/umpolice/help-id.htm](http://www.umn.edu/umpolice/help-id.htm). Anyone who can identify them is asked to call Troy Buhta at 612-624-1036 or the UMPD Anonymous Tip Line at 612-378-1914.

Street closures: Delaware St. from Washington Ave. off ramp to the Basic Sciences and Biomedical Engineering Building is closed.

Construction will continue through Aug. 28. Ramp from Washington Ave. to East River Road will be closed until Aug. 16. East River Road from Oak St. to Church St. will be closed from Aug. 28. For detours, see [www.facm.umn.edu/facm/construction.htm](http://www.facm.umn.edu/facm/construction.htm).

Earn \$15 in a 25-minute study by U political science professor involving an anonymous survey on political preferences. E-mail [study@polisci.umn.edu](mailto:study@polisci.umn.edu).

July 3 *Brief* gave incorrect title for Kathy Brown. She is the new associate vice provost in the Office of Student Affairs.

**Lecture:** Allan Petterson, an MFA student, will speak on iron sculpture July 20, 7-8 p.m., Coffman Union. To learn more about his work, see [www.storiesouth.com](http://www.storiesouth.com).

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**Twelve-member U Presidential Search Advisory Committee will be key to identifying top candidates.** Committee, appointed by Board of Regents, will be responsible for sorting through resumes and identifying 7 qualified semifinalists to advance to board, which will make the final decision. First committee meeting will be in August. Regents hope to name a new president to replace Mark Yudof by end of the year. Robert Bruininks, former executive vice president and provost, has been named interim president effective Aug. 1.

**VP and chief of staff Tonya Moten Brown is leaving for U of Texas system** in August. Among her responsibilities during her 5-year tenure were overseeing the U's investigation of academic fraud allegations in the Gopher men's basketball program and leading a comprehensive financial assessment of the TC men's and women's athletics departments, which resulted in the recent merging of both units under one new athletic director. Transition planning for Moten Brown's position has begun; an appointment is likely within 2 weeks.

**New U of M Foundation fellowship recognizes Mark and Judy Yudof's leadership** in raising private gifts and engaging the community on behalf of the U. The \$500,000 Mark G. and Judy Yudof Endowed Graduate Fellowship in Science Policy and Ethics will support a top graduate student who is pursuing interdisciplinary work in these fields. Fellowship will be funded by a \$250,000 grant from the foundation and matched by the 21st Century Graduate Fellowship Endowment, a fund that matches fellowship gifts of \$25,000 or more.

**U Cancer Center will accelerate its research on new cancer therapies for patients** thanks to a \$3.5 million bequest from former Minneapolis school teacher Olga Hart. Combined with gifts from other benefactors, bequest will be used to create the Cancer Therapeutics Initiative, which will support high-priority clinical trials and convert laboratory findings into treatments to help patients.

**Minnesota Landscape Arboretum has begun construction for new \$18 million visitor center.** Current work includes building a new road, 2 parking lots, picnic areas, and model rain gardens. When completed, new center will serve as a formal entry point to the gardens and collections. Center will also provide expanded space for educational displays, classrooms, an auditorium, gift shop, restaurant, and outdoor terrace.

**U will use 4-year, \$1.7 million grant from Howard Hughes Medical Institute to ease shortage of biology teachers** in rural areas of the state and encourage more American Indians to become science teachers. Grant, one of 44 given to research universities nationwide, will support internships for future K-12 biology teachers and professional development for current middle school and high school teachers in Bagley, Bemidji, Grand Rapids, Park Rapids, Waubun, and White Earth Reservation school districts.

**Lanny Schmidt has been appointed Regents Professor** of Chemical Engineering and Materials Science. Regents professorships are the U's highest faculty honor. Supported by U of M Foundation, regents professors receive an annual \$10,000 salary augmentation and \$15,000 to support research or other professional activities. Schmidt's current research focuses on new ways to convert natural gas and gasoline into hydrogen for next generation of fuel cells to produce cheaper and cleaner electricity.

**Susan Stafford will be new dean of College of Natural Resources** effective Oct. 1, pending Board of Regents approval Sept. 14. Stafford was head of the forest sciences department at Colorado State U. She replaces Al Sullivan, who returns to a faculty position after serving 9 years as dean.

**Diversity Explorations program will be Aug. 12-23.** Nehrwr Abdul-Wahid, U Diversity Institute training coordinator, and Beth Zemsky, Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Programs director, will facilitate 6, 3-hour sessions on enhancing a positive climate for diversity. Cost is \$200 for staff and faculty and \$400 for non-U participants; \$50 discount is available for departments and organizations that have received training from the institute. For more information, call 612-625-0537.

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**U-Wide Policy Library has 2 new policies:** Review of Proposals for New and Changed Academic Programs and Assessing Institutional Revenue Sharing. Also, 2 new standards on Anti-Virus and Wireless Access Point were added to the Acceptable Use policy. See [www.fpd.finop.umn.edu](http://www.fpd.finop.umn.edu).

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**\CROOKSTON**—Dell Latitude model C610 will be standard notebook computer for all students and faculty 2002-03. Standard software will include Microsoft Windows XP operating system and Windows XP programs—Word, Excel, Access, PowerPoint, FrontPage, and Outlook. Technology access fee remains unchanged at \$500 per semester.

UMC has received its largest gift ever—\$1 million for academic scholarships from Lyle and Kathleen Kasprick, Orono. Lyle was raised on a farm near Angus and graduated from Northwest School of Agriculture in 1950 before it became UMC.

**DULUTH**—New pharmacy program will begin at UMD September 2003. Program, an expansion of U College of Pharmacy, is aimed at addressing shortage of pharmacists in Minnesota. Fifty students will be enrolled in program.

Joseph Prohaska, biochemistry and molecular biology professor, was an invited speaker and chair for the opening session at the 11th international meeting on Trace Elements in Man and Animals (TEMA) in Berkeley, CA. He was reelected chair of the parent committee, which will oversee organization of the next TEMA meeting in Coleraine, Northern Ireland.

Lester Drewes, head of Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, chaired the opening session of the Gordon Conference on Barriers in the Central Nervous System in Tilton, New Hampshire.

**ROCHESTER**—UMR and Rochester Area Alumni and Friends of the U will host a booth at the Olmsted County Fair, July 29-Aug. 4.

**TWIN CITIES**—Fairview-U Medical Center ranked 38th for cancer care by *U.S. News and World Report* in 13th annual "America's Best Hospitals" edition. Ranking is based on facts such as mortality figures, hospital survey information, and reputation of institute among 150 randomly chosen board-certified oncology specialists. See [www.usnews.com/usnews/nycu/health/hosptl/tophosp.htm](http://www.usnews.com/usnews/nycu/health/hosptl/tophosp.htm).

Tentative site for new Bell Museum of Natural History building is southwest corner of Larpenteur and Cleveland in St. Paul, according to museum director Scott Lanyon. Planning group of museum staff and supporters made the decision after considering 4 sites in Minneapolis and 5 sites in St. Paul during an 18-month, predesign study. Relocating to St. Paul will enable museum to partner with U units engaged in environmental research, Lanyon said. Next step is to complete the predesign based on the selected location. U has yet to approve construction of the building; there is no timetable for completion.

New Medical School Emergency Medicine Department is 62nd such department in nation, according to Society for Academic Emergency Medicine; first was established in 1971 at U of Southern California. Department is the result of efforts among the U, Hennepin County Medical Center (HCMC), and Regions Hospital, and evolves from the Medical School's emergency medicine program that has been in place for the past 10 years. New department, which will have about 45 faculty from HCMC and Regions Hospital, will be led by Joseph Clinton, who is currently chief of emergency medicine at HCMC.

Cargill Building for Microbial and Plant Genomics is official name of genomics research building under construction on Gortner Ave. in St. Paul. Approved by regents in June, name recognizes Cargill Foundation gift of \$10 million, half the building cost.

U in Partnership with Coca-Cola is seeking individuals to serve on selection committees for grants awarded through academic, campus life, and community-building initiatives during 2002-03. For more information, e-mail [swiley@umn.edu](mailto:swiley@umn.edu).

July 17 *Brief* reported closure of East River Road from Oak Street to Church Street beginning Aug. 28; road is closed now until Aug. 28. See [www.facm.umn.edu](http://www.facm.umn.edu).

**Event:** "Exploring Nature's Histories and Mysteries" at the Bell Museum will run through Aug. 4. Exhibit draws from rarely seen objects from museum's art and scientific collections. For more information, call 612-624-7083.

**Announcements:** Michael Farrar, assistant professor of laboratory medicine and pathology, was named one of the nation's 20 most promising biomedical researchers by the Pew Charitable Trusts. He received the 2002 Pew Scholar Award and \$240,000 to support his research in immunology over a 4-year period.

o Richard Di Fabio, professor of physical medicine and rehabilitation, received the American Physical Therapy Association Golden Pen Award for contributions to association's journal, *Physical Therapy*.

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**U has won an EduCause Award for Excellence in Administrative Information Systems** for its paperless financial aid system. Project is "exemplary in its leveraging of existing resources, partnerships between contributing departments, attention to developing an effective business model, alignment with the overall strategies of the university, and the value and applicability to other higher education institutions of all sizes." U was among the first in the nation to launch the system in April 2001; process has reduced expenses by \$80,000 annually through reductions in temporary help, overtime, printing, and mailing.

**Former prime minister of Somalia** Ali Khalif Galaydh has joined Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs as a 3-year visiting professor. Starting fall 2002, he will teach politics of public affairs, strategies for economic development, and the role of nongovernmental organizations in governance.

**Maroon and Gold Day at the Minnesota State Fair will be Aug. 25.** Win prizes in new "Know Your U" game show and get a free bandana while they last by visiting the U of M building on Dan Patch Ave. For list of exhibits and U stage events, see [www.umn.edu/statefair](http://www.umn.edu/statefair). Fair will run Aug. 22–Sept. 2.

**Learn how to support the U** by visiting the U of M Legislative Network booth in the U's state fair building. Pick up a free Goldy postcard or stop by to learn more about the coalition of volunteers who share a commitment to higher education and to the U. Or see [www.umn.edu/urelate/govrel/tools.htm](http://www.umn.edu/urelate/govrel/tools.htm).

**Kathleen O'Brien will be new VP for U Services** effective Sept. 16, pending Board of Regents approval. O'Brien, former city coordinator for Minneapolis, will be responsible for operations of Facilities Management, Campus Health and Safety, Public Safety, Auxiliary Services, and Northrop Auditorium. Combined, these departments have about 3,000 employees and a \$1 billion budget.

**Al Sullivan will be new vice provost for academic programs and facilities** in the Office of the Executive VP and Provost effective Oct. 1, upon conclusion of his current role as College of Natural Resources dean. He will have U-wide responsibility for academic planning and budgeting, facilities coordination, and capital planning. Newly created position will retain many of the responsibilities of associate VP Robert Kvavik, who will leave the provost's office Aug. 16 to become a senior fellow with EduCause Center for Applied Research before returning to the College of Education and Human Development.

**Aspirin use may decrease the incidence of pancreatic cancer**, possibly through its anti-inflammatory effects, according to researchers at U's School of Public Health. Study, published in Aug. 7 issue of *Journal of the National Cancer Institute*, followed the use of aspirin or aspirin-containing products and other nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs in a group of postmenopausal women for 7 years. "What's most encouraging is that we've seen these benefits in women who have taken aspirin 2–5 times per week," said lead author Kristin Anderson. "Based on these observations, we estimate that aspirin use might prevent 43% of pancreatic cancer cases in women who do not normally use aspirin."

**New Student Financial Collections office will open** Aug. 16 in 20 Fraser Hall on TC campus. Office, which will handle student loan billings for TC, UMC, and UMM, is a combination of Student Loan Collections (which will move out of 140 Williamson Hall Aug. 15) and Student Accounts Receivable. All telephone numbers in both units will remain the same.

**Optional Retirement Plan investment performance results through June 30** were published on the back page of *Minnesota Daily* Aug. 12. Information will be sent separately to UMC, UMD, UMM, and UMR.

**CROOKSTON**—Twenty-eight incoming students took part in UMC's first Summer Start program Aug. 4–7. Part of the First-Year Experience Program, Summer Start introduces students to college life. Students stayed in residence halls and completed Computer Applications 1010, a one-credit introduction to a technology course required for all new students.

UMC will participate in Crookston's annual Ox Cart Days Festival. Public is invited to an ice cream social near the campus atrium Aug. 16, 3–5 p.m. Fall athletes will greet the public and walk beside UMC's parade entry Aug. 17.

Faculty and staff return to campus Aug. 19. Mimi Harris Steadman, research specialist at the National Center for Research in Vocational Education at U of California-Berkeley and coauthor of *Classroom Research: Implementing the Scholarship of Teaching*, will work with faculty in special sessions sponsored by Bush Faculty Development Grant. New Student Orientation will be Aug. 23; fall classes begin Aug. 27.

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**DULUTH**—New Robert W. Bridges Fleet/Grounds Maintenance Facility will be dedicated Aug. 23, 10:30 a.m. Public is invited to attend. Bridges was UMD's first director of Plant Services and played an important role in campus growth from one building in 1951 to 43 by his retirement in 1983.

July 31 *Brief* reported that new pharmacy program at UMD, which will begin September, would enroll only 50 students. Enrollment figure is for the first year; program will enroll 50 students in each consecutive year for a total of 200 students by 2006.

Glensheen Historic Congdon Estate continues its summer exhibit, "The Congdon Children—Pets and Pastimes" through Labor Day. Exhibit features more than 50 items from the Congdon family collection in Glensheen's 39 rooms. Tours run 9:30 a.m.–4 p.m. daily. For more information, call 218-726-8918.

**MORRIS**—Forty K–12 educators participated in the Instructional Technology Institute hosted by Continuing Education, Media Services, and Computing Services Aug. 6–7. Financial support also came from UMM's New Teachers, New Technology grant.

U.S. Olympic Training Center's first residence program for women's freestyle wrestling Aug. 19 will include 6 current or former UMM students. Katie Downing, Samantha Branka, Tina George, Sara McMann, Sally Roberts, and Nina Vernon will join 12 other women to prepare for upcoming competitions including the 2004 Olympics in Athens, Greece, where the sport will debut as a medal sport.

**ROCHESTER**—New student orientation program for incoming students will be initiated Aug. 14. Program, which will also run on Aug. 22, will guide students through Web registration, use of One Stop, obtaining UCards, and many other issues that will affect their experience at UMR. Program was designed with input from students through UMR Student Group and Student Satisfaction Survey conducted spring 2002.

**TWIN CITIES**—School of Dentistry has teamed with UCare Minnesota to turn a 37-foot Winnebago into the UCare Tooth Care mobile dental clinic. Dentistry students and faculty will provide preventive and limited restorative dental care and refer UCare patients enrolled in state public health care plans for follow-up visits. Mobile clinic will operate in Twin Cities and then expand statewide.

More than 600 educators participated in the College of Education and Human Development Summer Literacy Institute as part of a 2-year, \$24.5 million federally funded effort through the Reading Excellence Act. College is partnering with Minnesota Department of Children, Families, and Learning to improve reading instruction.

Minnesota Reads, College of Education and Human Development's new collaboration to revamp teacher licensure programs, will use new 3-year, \$1 million Bush Foundation grant to better train new Minnesota teachers to teach children to read.

Due to falling revenues and increased maintenance costs, Office of Information Technology, in coordination with Qwest Communications, is removing about 90 pay telephone stations in August from locations throughout TC campus. For list of affected sites, see [www.umn.edu/nts/payphoneremovalproject.shtml](http://www.umn.edu/nts/payphoneremovalproject.shtml). If you have questions or concerns, call Frank Stever at 612-624-3311 or e-mail [fstever@umn.edu](mailto:fstever@umn.edu).

Discounted state fair admission tickets (\$5) are available at U Bookstores. Regular ticket is \$7. Fair runs through Sept. 2. Call 612-625-6564.

**Events:** U Film Society is showing a selection of Finnish films at the Bell Museum Aug. 9–15 in conjunction with 20th annual FinnFest. For film schedule, see [www.ufilm.org](http://www.ufilm.org); for FinnFest activities, see [www.finnfest.com](http://www.finnfest.com).

**Lectures:** Hormone Replacement Therapy forum with U experts in women's health will be Aug. 19, 6:30–9:30 p.m., Ted Mann Concert Hall. Event is free and open to the public, but reservations are required and space is limited; call 1-888-226-2376 or 612-624-2620.

o Center for Spirituality and Healing will host "The Inner Life of Healers" to help health professionals cope with the emotional, physical, and spiritual demands of their jobs. Day seminar will be Sept. 6 at Minnesota Landscape Arboretum (\$125 for nurses and other health care professionals and \$175 for physicians); weekend retreat will be Sept. 13–15, Osceola Retreat Center, Wis., (\$495, includes food and lodging). To register or for more information, call 612-626-4772 or see [www.chs.umn.edu](http://www.chs.umn.edu).

**Announcement:** Tom Fiutak, director of Center for Conflict and Change at Humphrey Institute for Public Affairs, was among 500 volunteers in New York in July who gathered citizen input on redevelopment plans for the former World Trade Center towers site.

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**U's Clinical Outcomes Research Center was named a National Evidence-based Practice Center (EPC)** by the Agency for Healthcare Quality and Research. Five-year contract will provide patients, practitioners, researchers, and policymakers with unbiased evidence to ensure high-quality and cost-effective health care. One of 12 sites in the nation, Minnesota's EPC is a collaboration of the U and the VA Center for Chronic Disease Outcomes Research and UnitedHealth Group in Minneapolis.

**U's interactive voice response system will be discontinued after Dec. 31.** Use of system, which was introduced in 1997 to provide information on grades, registration status, housing, loans, and student finances for all campuses, has fallen dramatically because the same information is accessible on the Internet. In May, system was accessed 10,126 times; grade information on the Web site received 150,000 hits during the same period. System is known as Golden Eagle Informer at UMC, the UMD Student Line at UMD, Morris Student Line at UMM, and Gopher Student Line at TC campus.

**Number of alumni donors to the U increased by 7% in fiscal year 2002,** and alumni gave one third of the \$165 million in gifts received for the year ending June 30, 2002. A record 73,000 donors made gifts last year, with 40 donating \$1 million or more. Although less than the previous 2 years, donations from all donors were 22% higher than in fiscal year 1999 when Campaign Minnesota was launched. Campaign will continue through June 2003; as of June 30, 2002, \$1.368 billion had been raised.

**New Web site for U's Jane Goodall Institute Center for Primate Studies** is at [www.discoverchimpanzees.org](http://www.discoverchimpanzees.org). Science Museum of Minnesota produced *Wild Chimpanzees*, an IMAX film about Goodall's research (opens Oct. 17), which funded the redesign. Site, which was featured in Aug. 23 issue of *Science*, has photos, video clips, and biographies of chimpanzees studied over the past 40 years by Goodall and colleagues in Gombe National Park, Tanzania. It also includes information and videos of chimp behavior, downloadable activities for use by science teachers, and a virtual tour of Gombe.

**Nation's only health journalism master's program will be offered this fall** by U's School of Journalism and Mass Communication and School of Public Health. One-year program is designed for journalists interested in public health and public health professionals interested in communicating public health issues in a multimedia environment. Courses include mass communication in public health, fundamentals of social and behavioral science, and media ethics. See [www.healthjournalism.umn.edu](http://www.healthjournalism.umn.edu).

**U physicist Allen Goldman has won the Fritz London Memorial Prize**, considered the highest award in the field of low-temperature physics. Prize, founded and endowed by 2-time Nobel Prize winner John Bardeen, is given once every 3 years by Duke U, where Fritz London (who died in 1954) was a pioneer in the field. Goldman was chosen for his contributions to the physics of superconductivity, a state in which electrons move freely or encounter no electrical resistance. He is the 2nd faculty member of the U's School of Physics and Astronomy to win the prize. Anatoly Larkin won in 1990, before he came to the U.S. from the former Soviet Union.

**Registration for U's Mini Medical School, Oct. 7–Nov. 11, will begin Sept. 9, 10 a.m.** Six-week session, which meets 6–8 p.m. Monday evenings in Moos Tower, will feature classes on the anatomy of the kidney, heart disease and prevention, food safety, infectious diseases, forensics, and obesity. Space is limited, and seats fill fast. To register, see [www.ahc.umn.edu/MiniMed](http://www.ahc.umn.edu/MiniMed) or call Natalie Thayer at 612-624-9163. Fee is \$35; check or money order must be received by Sept. 30 to guarantee a spot.

**Historic Lake Superior and Minnesota's North Shore 2003 wall calendar is available for \$10** (plus tax) from the U's Sea Grant Program and its partners. The 14-month, black-and-white calendar features images from the archives of Northeast Minnesota Historical Center, Minnesota Historical Society, and Lake Superior Maritime Collections at U of Wisconsin-Superior. To view sample images or order calendar, see [www.seagrants.umn.edu/calendar](http://www.seagrants.umn.edu/calendar).

**Compleat Scholar Program is seeking course proposals for paid, part-time, or temporary teaching positions** in a variety of disciplines summer 2003 through spring 2004. For application materials, see [www.cce.umn.edu/scholars](http://www.cce.umn.edu/scholars), call 612-625-7777, or write to Part-Time Instruction, Compleat Scholar Program, 360 Coffey Hall. Application deadlines are Nov. 1 for summer or fall 2003; April 1, 2003, for spring or summer 2004. Early submission recommended.

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**CROOKSTON**—UMC was approved as a full-fledged Division II member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) effective Sept. 1. For the past 4 years, UMC had been a provisional member of NCAA Division II within the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference. Golden Eagles will be eligible to participate in NCAA championship playoffs.

Men's head basketball coach Gary Senske has requested a leave of absence. Jeff Oseth, who has served as assistant coach since 1995, was appointed interim head coach. Kevin Forde will serve as assistant coach.

Next phase in Centennial Park development on the mall has begun with installation of concrete plaza south of Peterson Gazebo. See [www.crk.umn.edu/campusinfo/tour/gazebo/centpark.htm](http://www.crk.umn.edu/campusinfo/tour/gazebo/centpark.htm).

**DULUTH**—Groundbreaking ceremonies for \$33 million James I. Swenson Science Building on Kirby Drive will be Aug. 29. Three-floor structure will house departments of biology and chemistry. Completion is expected fall 2004. Swenson is a 1959 chemistry graduate; Swenson Family Foundation helped fund the new building.

Student Campus Move-in Day will be Aug. 31. Chancellor's Move-in Team consisting of Chancellor Martin, deans, directors, faculty, and staff will assist students with move into residence halls and staffing complimentary food tents. Event kicks off Bulldog Bash 2002, weeklong series of activities that include convocations, advising, entertainment, and sports.

**MORRIS**—Women's wrestling squad will perform on the U's main stage at Minnesota State Fair Aug. 31 and Sept. 1. Athletes will explain Olympic scoring, demonstrate throws, and wrestle exhibition matches. Women's freestyle wrestling will debut as a medal sport in 2004 Olympic Games.

New freshmen and transfer students will receive Cougar Cash Cards donated by Computing Services and Briggs Library. Card, worth \$5, can be used for photocopying or print jobs; students can add to its value throughout the year.

**ROCHESTER**—First Brown Bag Workshops program, which was on program evaluation, was Aug. 23. Workshops, held in downtown Rochester at the Chamber of Commerce, provide the community with convenient and open access to U expertise.

**TWIN CITIES**—UPlan informational forums will be 11:30 a.m.–12:45 p.m. Aug. 28 and Sept. 17, St. Paul Student Center theater; Aug. 30, 210 Donhowe; Sept. 4 and 9, A.I. Johnson Room, McNamara Alumni Center; and Sept. 11 and 16, Cowles Auditorium, Humphrey Center. For more information, call Employee Benefits at 612-624-9090.

Center for Magnetic Resonance Research received a \$4.5 million Keck Foundation grant to support development of a 9.4 Telsa magnet for large primate research and to expand its efforts to understand development and function of the brain and other organ systems. Minnesota Medical Foundation helped secure the grant.

Parking on campus in St. Paul during state fair will be limited on evenings and weekends through Sept. 2. Access to northeast side will be restricted from 6 p.m.–6 a.m. weekdays, all day on weekend, and Labor Day. Larpeur Avenue at Gortner Avenue and Gortner north of Buford Avenue will be closed to vehicles during those times. U Card may be needed to enter parking facilities and gated areas. For more information, see [www.umn.edu/pts/hottopics.htm#2002map](http://www.umn.edu/pts/hottopics.htm#2002map) or call 612-626-7175.

College of Veterinary Medicine is cohosting 2nd annual Miracle of Birth Center at the state fair in the Children's Barnyard. Minnesota Veterinary Medical Association and U veterinary students will assist with births and help educate visitors on the intricacies of modern reproduction practices. Students will also discuss training and requirements for becoming a veterinarian at 10 a.m. on Aug. 29 and 31.

Weight Watchers at Work Program open house will be Sept. 4, 12:15 p.m., 240 Donhowe. Ten-week "At Work Program" will run Sept. 18–Nov. 20. For information, call Toni at 612-624-4153 or e-mail [a-zieg@umn.edu](mailto:a-zieg@umn.edu).

**Events:** On Aug. 29, Raptor Center will offer presentations on bird migration at 5:30 p.m. and raptor identification at 6:30 p.m. Falconry demonstration will be 7:30–8 p.m. Free and open to the public; no reservations required. Call 612-624-4745 or see [www.raptor.cvm.umn.edu](http://www.raptor.cvm.umn.edu).

o U Film Society will show *Warm Water Under A Red Bridge* Aug. 30–Sept. 5, 7:15 p.m., Bell Museum Auditorium. See [www.ufilm.org](http://www.ufilm.org).

o 2001 U/McKnight Foundation Artist Fellowships for Photographers Program exhibit will run Sept. 3 through Oct. 4 at Nash Gallery. Public reception will be Sept. 13, 6–8:30 p.m. See [artdept.umn.edu/nash/default.html](http://artdept.umn.edu/nash/default.html).

**Announcement:** Jan Merrell, U Child Care Center Toddler Program (ages 16–33 months) head teacher, received the Scholastic Early Childhood Professional Award from Scholastic Inc.

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**U's St. Anthony Falls Laboratory will share \$19.3 million grant from National Science Foundation** for a new National Center for Earth-surface Dynamics with the Science Museum of Minnesota, U of California-Berkeley, Princeton U, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Fond du Lac Community College and Tribal College. Five-year grant will fund research on processes that shape the Earth's surface. U's share is \$14.06 million; Science Museum's is \$2.47 million.

**Bilateral cochlear implant procedure on the world's youngest patient was performed** by U otolaryngologist Frank Rimell at Fairview-U Children's Hospital Aug. 19. Six-hour procedure on Isabella Rowe, a 200-day-old Chaska infant, involved implanting a thin wire electrode along the spiraling curve of the cochlea and placing a quarter-sized decoder under the skin behind the ear. Rimell expects to confirm the results of Isabella's surgery in early September.

**Knowledge clusters are new survival model for rural towns**, according to research by Humphrey Institute's State and Local Policy Program. "If our beef can come from Argentina, and our steel can come from Japan, rural communities need to join the knowledge economy and focus on innovation and competitive advantage—just as cities do," said Lee Munnich, program director. Report, "Rural Knowledge Clusters: The Challenges of Rural Economic Prosperity," identifies successful clusters and offers rural economic development strategies, which will be topic of the Sept. 13–14 "Rural Community Vitality in a Global Economy" conference at Humphrey Center; see [www.ruralvitality.org](http://www.ruralvitality.org). For full report, call 625-8575 or see [www.hhh.umn.edu/centers/slp/projects/rkcweb/projects.htm#eda](http://www.hhh.umn.edu/centers/slp/projects/rkcweb/projects.htm#eda).

**Thomas Schumacher is the U's first Director of Compliance**, effective Sept. 16. Schumacher, who served as an attorney in the General Counsel 's office since 1998, will be responsible for coordinating and monitoring U research and programs to assure employees and actions are compliant with U policies and federal, state, and local laws and regulations.

**New policy on midterm alerts will be in effect this fall.** Policy, passed by U Senate and approved by U administration June 26, requires instructors in all 1-xxx courses to alert students who appear in danger of receiving grades D, F, or N during the 6th week of the semester. Policy does not require instructors to assign midterm grades.

**By the end of the decade, more than half of all new homes could be mobile units**, according to geography professor John Fraser Hart. In Minnesota, recent census figures showed 4.5% of households live in mobile homes; 20 million Americans (7%) live in mobile homes, which account for 20% of all new single-family housing construction and about 30% of all new single-family houses sold. His new book *The Unknown World of the Mobile Home* is available at U Bookstores.

**Updated U Style Manual is now available** at U bookstores for \$3.75. Manual was written to foster consistency in U communications and suggests solutions to common writing and editing problems. To order, call 612-625-6000. Manual is also available online at [www.umn.edu/urelate/style](http://www.umn.edu/urelate/style).

**Nomination deadlines for honorary degrees, Outstanding Achievement Awards, Alumni Service Awards, and naming of buildings** to All-University Honors Committee for 2002–03 are Sept. 18, Nov. 15, Jan. 17, Feb. 14, March 2, and April 11. Send to Vickie Courtney, U Senate, 427 Morrill Hall. For information about awards, call 612-625-4805. Awards and Recognition Procedures and Policy Handbook is available at [www.umn.edu/usenate/alluhonors/handbook.html](http://www.umn.edu/usenate/alluhonors/handbook.html).

**CROOKSTON**—Dell Computer Corporation representatives worked with faculty, staff, and students Aug. 26–27 to issue more than 1,300 Dell Latitude C610 laptop computers, UMC's standard notebook for 2002–03.

Director of First-Year Experience Kami Mattson reported record participation at almost every program associated with New Student Orientation 2002. Freshman attendance was 91.6%; overall attendance, including new transfer students, totaled 88.6%.

Seven faculty, staff, and students will present sessions at "Beyond Boundaries: Integrating Technology into Teaching and Learning" conference Sept. 19–20 at U of North Dakota in Grand Forks. UMC presenters include Mary Margaret Pringle, David DeMuth, Jerry Knutson, Hilary Bertsch, Jane Sims, and student Tim Gerla. See [www.conted.und.edu/elearning](http://www.conted.und.edu/elearning).

**DULUTH**—First Alworth Institute Brown Bag Lunch will be Sept. 12, noon, in the Bullpub. Political professor Khalil Dokhanchi (Haji) will speak about his trip to Bosnia. Dokhanchi, 2 other faculty members, and several students visited Sarajevo, Tuzla, Mostar, and Banja Luka, where they focused on the concerns of refugees and the impact of land mines and on issues of rebuilding Bosnia economically, politically, and socially.

Glensheen Historical Estate fall exhibit, "Chester Congdon: A Man of the Land" will run Sept. 6 through Nov. 3. Exhibit features more than 50 of Congdon's personal items from the U.S. and around the world that show his interests in and love of the land. Items are located in all rooms of the house. Tours are 9:30 a.m.–4 p.m. daily.

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**MORRIS**—Martin Sampson, associate professor of political science and director of Graduate Studies on the TC campus, will deliver the opening First-Year Seminar Convocation Sept. 3, 7:30 p.m., Edson Auditorium. His presentation on Israel and Palestine was published in the November 2001 issue of *Kiosk*.

Former Gopher All-American Brad Gibson has accepted a position as UMM's assistant wrestling coach. Gibson won an individual Big Ten title in 1994 under coach J. Robinson.

**ROCHESTER**—UMR, in collaboration with U School of Nursing and School of Social Work, launched 2 new degree programs—Bachelors of Science in Nursing and Masters of Social Work programs—in Rochester this fall. Classes began week of Sept. 3.

**TWIN CITIES**—"A Moment of Remembrance" will be held Sept. 11, 4:30–6:30 p.m., on Northrop Mall. Program will include speakers, music, dance, and an art installation. Event to commemorate the events of 9/11 is organized by the Graduate and Professional Student Association and the Minnesota Student Association. For more information, call 612-625-2982.

Center for Early Education and Development received a 2-year, \$1.5 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education to launch an outreach program to develop early literacy and language skills in children. Project partners include Minneapolis Public Schools, White Earth Indian Reservation, and Hennepin County and Minneapolis Library associations.

Division of Pediatrics and Adolescent Health within the Medical School has opened a new eating disorder and weight management clinic for adolescents and young adults. STAR clinic offers evaluations, consultations, and multidisciplinary outpatient treatment, including psychology, medicine, nutrition, and family therapy. For more information, call Kerri at 612-626-2633; to make an appointment, call 626-4260.

Office of Human Resources in partnership with U Bookstores will again provide gifts for the CS/BU Employee Recognition Program. Program recognizes staff who are celebrating 5-year service milestones. Employees will receive a postcard from U Bookstores with information about how to select a gift by phone or online. Questions, call Millie at 612-625-2327.

Tandem conversation partner program is looking for English speakers to pair with ESL students for language or culture exchange. Apply by Sept. 11; call Andrea at 612-626-9581 or e-mail [tandem@umn.edu](mailto:tandem@umn.edu).

**Events:** "Bon Voyage: Travel Accounts and Travel Books," Sept. 6, noon–1 p.m., will kick off First Fridays at Elmer L. Andersen Library, which will provide an insider's look at special collections across the campus.

o Christian Faculty Network reception will be Sept. 6, 4–5 p.m., 125 Nolte Center. For more information, call 612-625-0092.

o "Inside Cars—Surrounding Interiors," an exhibit featuring 16 artists in photography, video, sculpture, painting, and mixed media who explore the experience of being inside a car, will run Sept. 7–Dec. 29, Weisman Art Museum.

o "Access to Essential Medicines EXPO," free traveling interactive exhibit by Doctors Without Borders, will be Sept. 8–9, 10 a.m.–6 p.m., across from the main entrance to Fairview-U Medical Center. Call 212-679-6800 or see [www.doctorswithoutborders.org](http://www.doctorswithoutborders.org).

o Bell Museum theater will show HBO documentary *In Memoriam: New York City, 9/11/01* on Sept. 11, hourly 9 a.m.–4 p.m. Admission is free. Call 624-7083.

o First live broadcast of MSNBC's "Hardball with Chris Matthews" college tour Sept. 18, 8–9 p.m. (general admission 6:30 p.m.), Northrop Auditorium. Gov. Jesse Ventura will be guest; audience can ask questions and participate in the live discussion. Free; no tickets needed. Public is encouraged to wear maroon and gold. Call 624-2345.

**Announcement:** Family social science professor Pauline Boss will be honored by New York City Sept. 9 for helping union members and their families following the events of Sept. 11.

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**Board of Regents will meet Sept. 12–13 at UMC.** Agenda topics include implications of federal budget on higher education, post-tenure update review report, and TC campus football stadium policy issues. For full agenda, see [www.umn.edu/regents](http://www.umn.edu/regents).

**U Benefits Advisory Committee (BAC) is reviewing UPlan.** BAC is seeking comments about experiences, positive or negative, with your health plan. Comments will be discussed with plan administrators and presented at BAC meetings over the next few months. Contact appropriate person for your plan (deadline is Sept. 17 for Health Partners, Oct. 1 for other plans). For Health Partners Classic, e-mail Gavin Watt at [gdw@umn.edu](mailto:gdw@umn.edu) or call 612-625-6614; for Choice Plus or Choice Plus-Duluth, Ted Litman, [litma001@umn.edu](mailto:litma001@umn.edu) or 626-7344; Definity, Dick McGehee, [mcgehee@umn.edu](mailto:mcgehee@umn.edu) or 624-9040; PreferredOne National or PreferredOne Regional (Morris, Crookston), Peh Ng, [pehng@mrs.umn.edu](mailto:pehng@mrs.umn.edu) or 320-589-6318. Or contact BAC chair Fred Morrison at [morrison@umn.edu](mailto:morrison@umn.edu) or 612-625-0321. For information on BAC, see [www.umn.edu/usenate/committees/bac.html](http://www.umn.edu/usenate/committees/bac.html).

**Performance gaps in reading and mathematics between highest scoring groups of students** and those classified as ethnic or racial minorities are documented in new report by U's Office of Educational Accountability. "The Minnesota Basic Skills Test: Performance Gaps on the Reading and Mathematics Tests from 1996 to 2001, by Gender, Ethnicity, Limited English Proficiency, Individual Education Plans, and Socio-Economic Status" looks at changes in overall scores on the Minnesota Basic Skills Test. "Minnesota is doing a good job educating students, but there are still some disparities," said Ernest Davenport, educational psychology professor. For findings, see [www.umn.edu/urelate/newsservice/newsreleases/02\\_08basicskills.html](http://www.umn.edu/urelate/newsservice/newsreleases/02_08basicskills.html).

**College of Veterinary Medicine's Mini-Vet School, Oct. 8–Nov. 12,** will offer participants the chance to explore a variety of animal-related topics and understand the veterinary student experience. Six sessions are every Tuesday, 6:30–8:30 p.m. on TC campus in St. Paul. Registration is \$65; see [www.cvm.umn.edu/outreach](http://www.cvm.umn.edu/outreach) or call 612-624-3434 or 800-380-8636.

**School of Dentistry will offer the nation's first regional program** for advanced training in craniofacial and oral health research thanks to 5-year, \$5.5 million National Institutes of Health grant awarded to Mark Herzberg, U professor of preventive sciences. Minnesota Craniofacial Research Training (Minn-CResT) Program will offer students advanced degrees (D.D.S., Ph.D., M.D., M.S.) and interdisciplinary training opportunities with graduate faculty from 33 degree-granting programs at various universities. For program information, call 612-625-5984.

**Mid-Career Teaching Program offers experienced faculty chance for professional development.** Multi-disciplinary groups meet 12 times during the academic year to discuss issues related to teaching and learning. To register or for more information, call Kathleen O'Donovan at 612-625-3316 or see [www.umn.edu/ohr/teachlearn/faculty/midcar.html](http://www.umn.edu/ohr/teachlearn/faculty/midcar.html).

**New CD, "Exotics To Go! Presentations and Publications to Prevent the Spread of Aquatic Nuisance Species,"** is available from Minnesota Sea Grant for \$2.50 plus tax. CD contains 22 publications in PDF format, lists of people to contact, and 7 adaptable PowerPoint presentations that focus on zebra mussel impact and control. To order, call 218-726-6191 or e-mail [seagr@d.umn.edu](mailto:seagr@d.umn.edu).

**September Kiosk, U's monthly faculty and staff newspaper,** is also on the Web at [www.umn.edu/urelate/kiosk](http://www.umn.edu/urelate/kiosk). Read an interview with interim president Bruininks and learn about the U's hunt for neutrinos and the connection between Hmong shamanism and western medicine.

**Application deadline for 2002–03 Grant-in-Aid Program is Sept. 23.** Materials are available at [www.research.umn.edu/research/fundsrcr.html](http://www.research.umn.edu/research/fundsrcr.html) or from Office of the VP for Research, 420 Johnston Hall. For more information, call 612-625-2356.

**American Cancer Society Institutional Research Grant applications** will be accepted until Oct. 1. Grant is for instructors and assistant professors who have no independent national funding and are engaged in cancer-related research. Funding up to \$20,000. Call 612-626-1926 or e-mail [micek003@umn.edu](mailto:micek003@umn.edu).

Sept. 4 *Brief* reported that policy on midterm alerts will be in effect this fall. For more information about the policy, which applies to Crookston, Morris, and TC campuses, see [www.umn.edu/usenate/policies/midtermalerts.html](http://www.umn.edu/usenate/policies/midtermalerts.html). Web-based alert was part of recommendations from Graduation and Retention Task Force report. Questions about the alert, e-mail Tina Falkner at [rovic001@umn.edu](mailto:rovic001@umn.edu).

Aug. 28 *Brief* reported new health journalism master's program by U's School of Journalism and Mass Communication and School of Public Health will be offered this fall; program will start next year.

**CROOKSTON**—Annual Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony will be Sept. 20, Crookston Eagles Club. Inductees will include Jim Sims, UMC head football coach, 1976–95; Mark Bagaason, cocaptain for 1983 men's basketball team; Jeff Perreault, member of UMC hockey team, 1988–90; Natalie Ueland, outstanding women's basketball player, 1989 and 1990; Jay Gunderson, who led UMC's football team to 1982 Northern Division of the Minnesota Junior College Conference title; and 1986–87 women's basketball team, which holds UMC record for most victories.

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**DULUTH**—Homecoming, "Party in the Pound," will be Sept. 27–28. Saturday highlights include parade at 4 p.m.; UMD football vs. Crookston at 6 p.m., Griggs Field; and alumni gathering 8 p.m.–midnight, Fitger's Courtyard Lakeside. See [www.d.umn.edu/~umdsa/homecoming](http://www.d.umn.edu/~umdsa/homecoming). For alumni information, e-mail [alumni@d.umn.edu](mailto:alumni@d.umn.edu).

Biology alumni homecoming social and barbecue will be Sept. 28, 11:30 a.m.–1 p.m., outside the UMD Greenhouse (1110 Kirby Drive). Life Science open house will follow, 1–3 p.m. Tour labs; meet the architects who designed the new James I. Swenson Science Building. For information or to register, call 218-726-6262 or e-mail [sjohns35@d.umn.edu](mailto:sjohns35@d.umn.edu).

Sustainable Farming Association farmers' market will be every Wednesday through September at 2 p.m., Kirby Student Center overpass on Kirby Drive.

**MORRIS**—UMM graduate Nate Maher presented "Micheaux's Characterization of his Women Antagonists" at the 2002 Oscar Micheaux Film Festival in Gregory, SD. Festival celebrates one of the nation's first African American homesteaders and premiere filmmakers.

Mark Fohl will step down as athletic director to focus on coaching, teaching, and facilitating UMM's transition to NCAA Division III in the Upper Midwest Athletic Conference. Position will be restructured; search begins this fall.

**ROCHESTER**—Program in Translation and Interpreting began its 2nd year with 50 students. Two new courses will be offered this fall: American Law for Interpreters and Fundamentals of Health Care for Interpreters.

UMR's first veterinary seminar of 2002–03 will feature Gary Goldstein from College of Veterinary Medicine, speaking on common dental diseases. Seminar will be Sept. 12, 7 p.m., Holiday Inn South, Rochester.

**TWIN CITIES**—Two Ph.D. students were injured in an explosion caused by a chemical reaction in a beaker in Amundson Hall Sept. 10. One sustained minor injuries and was treated at Boynton, the other had serious burns and was transported to Hennepin County Medical Center. Building was closed for remainder of the day because of water damage.

Memorial service for Brandon Hall, Gopher football player who was fatally shot Sept. 1, was held Sept. 5 at Williams Arena. Golden Gophers Ben Utecht and Dan Nystrom sang Hall's favorite hymn "Amazing Grace"; speakers included interim president Robert Bruininks and athletics director Joel Maturi. Funeral was Sept. 9 in Southfield, MI. Memorials may be sent to Brandon Hall Memorial/U of M Foundation, 250 Bierman Field Athletic Building or Finney High School, 17200 Southamptton, Detroit, MI 48224.

**Events:** UPlan information forums with dental and medical plan representatives will be 11:30 a.m.–12:45 p.m., Sept. 11 and 16, Cowles Auditorium, Humphrey Center, and Sept. 17, St. Paul Student Center theatre. All employees must select a new dental plan. For more information, call 612-624-9090.

o Photography exhibit by 2001–02 McKnight fellows runs through Oct. 4, Katherine Nash Gallery.

**Lectures:** "Into the Hidden World of Bears: Slide Lecture by Lynn Rogers" on black bear social life, diet, and hibernation will be Sept. 14, 7–10 p.m., Bell Museum Auditorium. Dessert reception will follow. Tickets are \$5 members, \$10 nonmembers; for reservations, call 612-624-9050.

o "Gender Inequalities: Neglected Dimensions and Hidden Facets," will be Sept. 17, 3:30 p.m., Cowles Auditorium. Call 624-2535.

o "Conducting a Job Search in the Twin Cities" will be Sept. 19, 9 a.m.–12:30 p.m., 215 Donhowe. Workshop will focus on helping spouses and partners of recently relocated U employees identify potential places of employment and make contacts through networking. Register by Sept. 13; call 626-0774 or e-mail [chrd@umn.edu](mailto:chrd@umn.edu).

o "Crisis and Memory: The Music of Lost Time," Sept. 19, 3:15 p.m., 348 Folwell Hall, will focus on the success of Beethoven's Pastoral Symphony as a model for other expressive works in times of military and political disaster.

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**Board of Regents, meeting in Crookston last week, discussed principles** to guide the U's completion of a predesign and memorandum of understanding for a joint Gophers-Vikings football stadium.

The principles address ways in which the stadium must provide value to the University, and include advancing the U's academic mission; ensuring a financial gain for the U; enhancing the campus and surrounding community; benefiting Gopher football; and ensuring that the U retains effective control over the governance, design, construction, and operation of the facility.

"We want to ensure that the University is protected, financially and otherwise, in any potential plan for an on-campus, Gophers-Vikings football stadium," said regents chair Maureen Reed.

The principles affirmed by the board will provide guidance and direction as the U develops the predesign and memorandum of understanding required by the legislature.

**The presidential search is moving forward** on the timeline the board set in June, said Reed. Over the next 6 weeks, the search advisory committee will begin reviewing and distilling the candidate pool. Information on the search is at [www.umn.edu/regents/pressearch.html](http://www.umn.edu/regents/pressearch.html).

**Board reviewed the U's 6-year, \$775 million capital plan** for fiscal years 2003–08. The plan includes a supplemental request to the state legislature in the 2003 session for the projects that were vetoed by Gov. Ventura in 2002. Projects, which total \$61 million, include the Translational Research Facility on the TC campus, renovations of the Social Science Building on the Morris campus and Jones Hall on the TC campus, and a new veterinary diagnostic laboratory on the TC campus in St. Paul. Board action is expected on the plan in October.

**Board approved the appointments** of Kathleen O'Brien as vice president for University Services and Susan Stafford as dean of the College of Natural Resources.

**Changes to the affiliation agreement** between the University and Fairview Health System were also approved by the board.

**Cedar Creek Natural History Center will celebrate 60 years** Sept. 21, 1:30–5 p.m. Cedar Creek, located in Bethel, is situated at the convergence of 3 ecosystems—hardwood forest, evergreen, and prairie—creating a microcosm of North America's biological heritage. Dedication program is at 1:30 p.m., followed by ice cream social and history display. Other activities include a research update by regents professor and ecologist David Tilman, tour of Cedar Bog Lake, demonstration of radio tracking (developed at Cedar Creek to study animal behavior) with Goldy Gopher, and children's nature adventure. For directions, see [www.cedarcreek.umn.edu/about/cdrdir.html](http://www.cedarcreek.umn.edu/about/cdrdir.html).

**Statistical consulting is available for U community** through the School of Statistics on the TC campus. Services, usually free, include analysis of design experiments and surveys, report writing, and grant preparation. Call Sanford Weisberg at 612-625-8777 or e-mail [sandy@stat.umn.edu](mailto:sandy@stat.umn.edu).

**International exchange agreements must be submitted to Office of the Executive VP and Provost** for review once agreement is finalized, according to new U policy and procedure. Academic exchange is defined as "formal 2-way relationships involving students, faculty, or both, between another institution and the U." For more information, see [www.international.umn.edu/exchanges/approval.html](http://www.international.umn.edu/exchanges/approval.html).

**CROOKSTON**—UMC ranks as one of the best public colleges in the Midwest for 5th consecutive year, according to *U.S. News & World Report's* 2003 rankings. UMC ranked among the top 4 colleges in the Top Public Midwestern Comprehensive Colleges-Bachelor's category.

UMC homecoming will be Sept. 16–21. Highlights include coronation of homecoming royalty Sept. 19, 8 p.m., Bede Ballroom; 4th Annual Athletic Hall of Fame induction banquet Sept. 20, 7 p.m., Crookston Eagles Club; and parade around campus mall Sept. 21, 11:30 a.m. Golden Eagles football team will face Southwest State Mustangs at 1:30 p.m. on Widseth Field. For list of events, see [www.crk.umn.edu/homecoming](http://www.crk.umn.edu/homecoming).

Outstanding Alumni for 2002, who will be recognized at halftime, are Jim Roers, '72, Fargo, and Monica (Holm) Christensen, '80, Bemidji.

**DULUTH**—Duluth Transit Authority (DTA) will continue its U-Pass Program for 2002–03. Students, faculty, and staff can get free unlimited rides on DTA to and from campus or anywhere in the DTA service area. For more information about the U-Pass program and DTA services, see [www.duluthtransit.com](http://www.duluthtransit.com).

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UMD library is one of 100 voting sites around the state selected for the People's Choice Award, a program that celebrates America's stories and Minnesota's authors, sponsored by Minnesota Center for the Book and Minnesota Humanities Commission. Vote for your favorite Minnesota authors by Sept. 22 at the welcome kiosk on the first floor. Winners will be announced Oct. 12 at the National Book Festival in Washington, D.C.

Highlights of German cinema will be shown every other Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in 403 Humanities. Films span years from 1920s to the '70s. For listing of films, see [www.d.umn.edu/fil/German/germanstudies/kino.html](http://www.d.umn.edu/fil/German/germanstudies/kino.html).

**MORRIS**—Homecoming 2002 will be Sept. 20–22. Highlights include presentation of first Distinguished Alumni Awards (Robert Gandrud, '64, retired CEO of Lutheran Brotherhood; Bruce Johnson, '71, founder of Porchlight Entertainment; and Lue Her, '97, program manager of AmeriCorps Get Ready). Cougar Hall of Fame inductees include Shane Pribyl, '91, Stacy Rust Martig, '93, and retired staff member Art Durkee who drove the athletics bus for more than 25 years.

UMM will study biomass resources within 100 miles as potential campus alternative energy source; support comes from West Central Research and Outreach Center, Otter Tail Power Company, U of North Dakota Energy and Environmental Research Center, and the U's central administration. Chancellor Schuman called the new technology cutting edge, practical, environmentally responsible, and beneficial to the region's economy.

**TWIN CITIES**—More than 300 people visited McNamara Alumni Center to donate blood to the American Red Cross Sept. 11. Event, scheduled in remembrance of 9/11, was coordinated in part by the Academic Health Center.

New name for Institute on Community Integration is University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities. Center, part of the College of Education and Human Development, has been a federally funded and affiliated program on developmental disabilities since 1985.

International Service and Travel Center and Global Campus Study Abroad office have begun plans to merge by July 1, 2003. Merger will provide more cohesive advising and expertise on internships, work, service, volunteer programs, and careers.

CBS will offer B.S. degree in biology, society, and the environment in fall 2003. Students may choose a theme to integrate their studies; examples include ethics, economics, and politics of health care; biology and the U.S. government; and communicating biology to the public. New option replaces CLA's B.A. in biology. For more information, call John Beatty at 612-624-6749 or e-mail [beatty@umn.edu](mailto:beatty@umn.edu).

Deadline for ordering Northrop Dance Season and Northrop Jazz Season series tickets under payroll deduction option is Sept. 29. Total amount will be spread over 8 pay periods starting Oct. 16. For more information, call U Arts Ticket Office at 612-624-2345.

**Events:** Fashion accessories exhibit, "From Head to Toe: The Finishing Touch," runs through Nov. 10, Goldstein Gallery; see [goldstein.che.umn.edu](http://goldstein.che.umn.edu).

**Lectures:** Epidemiology professor David Jacobs will present "Role of Whole Grains in Disease Prevention," Sept. 20, 1–3 p.m., 306 Borlaug Hall. See [cphh.coafes.umn.edu](http://cphh.coafes.umn.edu).

o Rudolf Kaaks, nutritional epidemiologist with International Agency for Research on Cancer, Lyon, France, will present "Excess Weight, Endogenous Hormone Metabolism and Endometrial Cancer Risk," Sept. 23, 3–4 p.m., 15 FScN, and "Insulin, Insulin-like Growth Factor-I, and Cancers of the Colorectum and Prostate," Sept. 24, noon–1 p.m., 450 Cancer Center Research Building.

o Campuswide Q&A on learning assessment with guest speaker Marv Peterson, U of Michigan Center for the Study of Higher Education, Sept. 25, 10:30–11:30 a.m., 238a Morrill Hall. Call 612-625-0563.

o "Autotopographies: Staging the Subject in Installation Art" by art historian and critic Jennifer Gonzalez will be Sept. 26, 7 p.m., West Bank Program Hall.

o CURA Housing Forum by Tim Griffin, "St. Paul's North Quadrant Mixed-Use Development and Precinct Vision," will be Sept. 27, noon–1:30 p.m., 1-147 Carlson School. RSVP by Sept. 24; call 612-625-1551.

**Announcement:** Raptor Center director Pat Redig received a Conservation Award from Association of Avian Veterinarians "for lifelong dedication to improve the welfare of the avian population."

o Ann Holt, former CFO of River Valley Preservation Co., is new Campus Club executive director. Club, which will reopen January 2003 in Coffman Union, is a membership organization and provides dining, meeting, and special services to facilitate and promote the U's missions and activities.

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**State of the U address will be Oct. 3, 3 p.m.**, 25 Mon-dale Hall, TC campus, after joint U Senate, Faculty Senate, and Twin Cities Campus Assembly meeting. Question-and-answer session will follow. See [www.umn.edu](http://www.umn.edu) for video streaming link; check compatibility between Sept. 25 and Oct. 2. U Senate agenda is at [www.umn.edu/usenate/usen/021003agenda.html](http://www.umn.edu/usenate/usen/021003agenda.html)

**Robert Jones has assumed expanded academic, administrative, and financial responsibilities with new title**, VP and executive vice provost for faculty and academic programs, effective immediately. Jones will also serve as deputy academic and administrative officer and act on behalf of executive VP and provost Maziar; he will continue to provide leadership for campus life issues.

**U has received an \$8.5 million grant from National Cancer Institute to participate in an 8-year study** to determine which lung cancer screening method—spiral CT scans or chest X-rays—works best to increase survival rates. Participants will be screened at 3 sites; U researchers plan to enroll 5,000 participants within 2 years. Participants will be randomly divided into 2 groups, both of which will receive an initial and 2 subsequent annual screens, with one group receiving spiral CT and one group receiving X-ray screening. Smokers or former smokers ages 55 to 74 are eligible to participate in the study. Call 763-572-4120. For more information on the study or cancer, see [www.cancer.umn.edu](http://www.cancer.umn.edu) or call 1-888-CANCER MN.

**Tucker Center for Research on Girls and Women in Sport has teamed up with U's Department of Epidemiology** in Trial of Activity for Adolescent Girls, a nationwide study of community and school-based intervention programs aimed at encouraging participation in physical activity for middle school girls. Study is funded by National Institutes of Health in collaboration with the U and 6 other universities across the country.

**College of Architecture and Landscape Architecture will host "Contemporary Landscapes of Contemplation,"** national symposium to explore definitions, theories, and case studies of contemplative landscapes, Oct. 18-19. Cost is \$100 per person (\$85 for CALA alumni, faculty, and donors) and \$30 for students. Register by Oct. 10; fee includes lunch on both days. For more information, call 612-624-1832 or see [www.cala2.umn.edu/contemplation](http://www.cala2.umn.edu/contemplation).

**For helpful information and resources on midterm alerts for 1xxx-level courses**, see [onestop.umn.edu/registrar/midterm-alerts](http://onestop.umn.edu/registrar/midterm-alerts). If you have questions about the alerts, e-mail Tina at [rovic001@umn.edu](mailto:rovic001@umn.edu).

**"Teaching with Writing," lunch and conversation about teaching writing-intensive (W-1) classes** or courses that involve writing assignments, will be Oct. 16, noon-2 p.m., Radisson Hotel and Nov. 12, noon-2 p.m., St. Paul Student Center. Organized by Center for Interdisciplinary Studies of Writing, the conversations for faculty and teaching assistants will include ideas for formal and informal writing assignments, ways to encourage revision, methods for commenting on and grading student work, and strategies to manage paper load. Lunch provided for first 35 to sign up. RSVP to [klegin@umn.edu](mailto:klegin@umn.edu).

**CROOKSTON**—2002 homecoming royalty crowned Sept. 19 are Princess Sara Krippner, Kimball; Prince John Burger, Afton; Queen Megan Brorson, Crookston; and King Ben Loll, Campbell.

UMC's natural resources department sponsored "Chronic Wasting Disease: Wisconsin's Response and Implications for Minnesota," by Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources ecologist Karl Martin Sept. 20. About 150 students, faculty, staff, media, and residents of the region attended.

Representatives from YHR Partners Architecture Planning, Moorhead, and Stanius Johnson Architects, Duluth, are requesting input from the campus community and developing the conceptual design for the Bede Hall replacement project funded by the Minnesota Legislature. Input meetings have been taking place over the past 2 weeks.

**DULUTH**—Jack Bowman began his duties as School of Fine Arts dean July 1. Bowman was dean of the Petrie School of Music at Converse College, Spartanburg, SC, and has performed as a professional orchestral conductor in the U.S. and Europe.

David Karpeles, founder and director of Karpeles Manuscript Library and 1956 UMD graduate, will present "The Bible, Genesis, and the Birth of Mathematics" Sept. 27, 3 p.m., 130 Solon Campus Center. Many illustrations, as well as original clay manuscript cuneiform tablets from the Karpeles Manuscript Library will be on display.

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**MORRIS**—Newly renovated Science Building west wing was dedicated Sept. 21 during homecoming festivities. Special guests included state representatives Torrey Westrom and George Cassell and Morris mayor Carol Wilcox.

2003 U.S. *News & World Report* rankings place UMM 4th among the nation's top 21 public liberal arts colleges.

Ralph Nader will open the Campus Activities Council Convocation series Sept. 25, 7:30 p.m., Edson Auditorium. Nader was recently honored by *Time* magazine as one of the 100 most influential Americans of the 20th century.

**ROCHESTER**—New U School of Nursing Skills Lab at UMR held an open house Sept. 18. Lab will facilitate needs of bachelor of science nursing education.

On Sept. 20, UMR held its 2nd seminar in series of brown bag workshops: "Social Influence" presented by Judith Puncochar, College of Education and Human Development.

**TWIN CITIES**—Most homecoming activities will continue on schedule despite change in football game from Oct. 12 to Oct. 10. Football game was rescheduled to accommodate a potential Twins playoff game at the Metrodome. For a full list of events, see [www.homecoming.umn.edu](http://www.homecoming.umn.edu).

Facilities Management is working with 3M's Commercial Care Division in a new, safe-cleaning program for U custodians; program was launched Sept. 18. Plan includes eliminating the use of all cleaning chemicals that pose health risks and using products and systems that are safe and environmentally responsible by 2005. 3M will also help educate workers on chemicals they are using, gather feedback on the program, and ask for input on new product concepts.

Grand opening and dedication of Ralph Rapson Hall will be Oct. 5, 5-8:30 p.m. Events include discussion on 50 years of design education by Dean Fisher, former dean Harrison Fraker, and former head Ralph Rapson. Steven Holl, who designed the addition and who was named *Time* magazine's architect of the year, will participate in the opening. Event cost is \$35; RSVP to 612-624-1832. Exhibit of Rapson's drawings will run through October in the college gallery.

School of Music's centennial year will kick off with an all-U Convocation Sept. 27 at 11:15 a.m. in Ted Mann Concert Hall. Ceremony will feature reflections by students, faculty, and administration as well as performances by School of Music ensembles and faculty. Event is free and open to the public. Celebration continues throughout the year with free concerts and events; see [www.music.umn.edu](http://www.music.umn.edu).

Ribbon-cutting ceremony to open new Washington Avenue pedestrian bridges will be Oct. 2, 11 a.m. Event will feature caramel apples, Goldy Gopher, and comments by interim president Bruininks.

Preliminary planning is under way for next Beautiful U Day, which will coincide with Earth Day in April 2003.

West Bank Weight Watchers group is starting a new 12-week, at-work meeting series Sept. 30-Dec. 16. Current group has lost more than 300 pounds so far. For more information, call Vicki Lund at 612-624-9575 or e-mail [vlund@csom.umn.edu](mailto:vlund@csom.umn.edu).

Sept. 18 *Brief* reported name change for Institute on Community Integration (ICI). ICI name remains but designation as University Affiliated Program on Developmental Disabilities is changed to University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities as the result of language changes during the reauthorization of the federal Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act.

**Events:** U Film Society will show *Metropolis*—*New Print* at 7 p.m. and *I am Trying To Break Your Heart* at 9:30 p.m., Sept. 27-Oct. 3, Bell Museum Auditorium. Call 612-627-4431.

**Lectures:** "The Logically Possible Ways in Which Time Can Begin," by philosophy professor Quentin Smith, will be Sept. 27, 3:30 p.m., L-114 Carlson School.

o "Disciplining Feminism," by English professor Ellen Messer-Davidow, will be Sept. 30, 3-5 p.m., 400 Ford Hall. o "The Miami Language: Reclamation from Ground Zero," discussion about the Myaamia Project (joint venture between the Miami tribe of Oklahoma and Miami U in Ohio) will be Oct. 1, 3-4:30 p.m., 207a Lind Hall.

o U Forum will offer a series of discussions on the role of community partners, funding sources, and other external forces in the choice of intellectual pursuits. Series begins Oct. 9, 3-5:30 p.m., Weisman Art Museum. See [www.research.umn.edu/forum](http://www.research.umn.edu/forum).

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**U fall enrollment is 62,789, up 3.9% over last fall.** Largest increases were on Duluth campus (9,815, up 4.6%) and the TC campus (48,677, up 4.5%). Craig Swan, vice provost for undergraduate education, said increase indicates that U remains an attractive and affordable option for many students.

Average credit load for new freshmen on the TC campus increased from 14.9 to 15.3 (entering students are required to register for a minimum of 13 credits every term), and average credit load for all TC undergraduate students rose from 13.3 to 13.9. According to report by Institutional Research and Reporting, ability level of entering freshmen is the highest in recent years, based on high school rank and test scores. Overall, 14.5% of the U's new freshmen are students of color, with TC campus (18.5%) and Morris campus (13%) enrolling the highest numbers. For enrollment report, see [www.irr.umn.edu/stix/fall02](http://www.irr.umn.edu/stix/fall02).

**Medtronic, Inc. will work with U on a \$6.4 million stem cell research initiative** to discover and develop new cardiovascular therapies. Stem Cell Institute director Catherine Verfaillie will collaborate with yet-to-be named Medtronic Bakken Chair in Cardiovascular Repair. They will coordinate the basic and clinically targeted research that will focus on repairing diseased heart tissues and other cardiovascular systems.

U started international search to recruit a scientist with a leading presence in biological science and biomedical engineering for chair position. Initiative is supported by \$5.3 million from Medtronic Foundation (for chair and projects since 1987), \$1.1 million from the U's matching funds and investment income, and additional gifts by Medtronic Foundation to Campaign Minnesota over a 5-year period.

**U and Jewish Historical Society of the Upper Mid-west honored Nathan and Theresa Berman** Oct. 1 for providing a \$500,000 endowment to maintain the society's archives and provide programming, conferences, and educational materials that spotlight contributions of Jewish people to their community and the region. Gift is largest received by U Libraries. Bermans are also responsible for initiating the idea of the historical archive. Collection was moved because of space limitations from Hamline U to the U's Andersen Library summer 2001.

**U will take additional actions if it enters Large Binocular Telescope (LBT) contract,** said interim president Bruininks in Sept. 27 letter to concerned parties of the project, which is under construction at Mt. Graham, AZ. Recommended actions include requesting that U of Arizona create a Native American Cultural Advisory Committee to guide ongoing activities on the mountain and appoint a cultural liaison to facilitate access for cultural and religious activities. Board of Regents Finance and Operations Committee will discuss issue at Oct. 10 meeting. For updated information on the LBT project, see [www.umn.edu/urelate/thesource](http://www.umn.edu/urelate/thesource).

**U plant biologist George Weiblen has received a Packard Foundation Fellowship,** a \$625,000 grant over 5 years to continue research on biodiversity in tropical rain forests. Weiblen was coauthor of a recent study that revised the number of arthropod species (including insects, crustaceans, and arachnids) worldwide from 31 million to 6 million. According to study, published in April 25 issue of *Nature*, realistic estimates of global species numbers are necessary to monitor the impact of human activities on the diversity of life.

**U and MnSCU will sponsor "Workforce Minnesota Conference" Oct. 9-10** to analyze the state's workforce needs and encourage stronger partnerships between business, industry, and educational entities. Event at RiverCentre in St. Paul will feature presentations by Rebecca Yanisch, Minnesota Department of Trade and Economic Development commissioner, and Nancy Mills, AFL-CIO Working for America Institute executive director. Gubernatorial candidates Roger Moe, Tim Penny, Tim Pawlenty, and Ken Pentel will participate in panel discussion about the role of education in workforce development Oct. 9, 12:30 p.m. Cost is \$250. Call 612-624-3745 or see [www.cce.umn.edu/workforceminnesota](http://www.cce.umn.edu/workforceminnesota).

**CROOKSTON**—UMC has 2 new areas for undergraduate students: natural resources aviation and law enforcement aviation. Academic content will be provided by UMC and current partnerships with U of North Dakota (aviation) and Bemidji State U (law enforcement). New course—natural resources aviation applications—will be developed in collaboration with Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and Minnesota State Patrol.

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**DULUTH**—UMD engineering program ranks among "Best Undergraduate Engineering Programs in the Nation" (No. 46), according to *U.S. News & World Report's* 2003 rankings. UMD was ranked 9th among Midwest Public Universities That Offer a Master's Degree.

Spectrum Lecture Series will present former Minneapolis mayor Sharon Sales Belton speaking on "Looking Back, Moving Forward" at Kirby Student Center Ballroom, Oct. 9, 7 p.m. Sales Belton is currently a senior fellow at Humphrey Institute for Public Affairs on TC campus. Event is free and open to the public.

Tweed Museum of Art will present 35 contemporary glass works by noted international artists through Dec. 21. Collection belongs to Don and Carol Wiiken of Oak Park, IL, who will donate a gift to start a world-class contemporary glass collection unique to the Great Lakes region. During exhibition, museum will also display a glass installation by Joel Phillip Myers, who has led the contemporary studio glass movement for more than 35 years.

**MORRIS**—Biology professor Margaret Kuchenreuther and colleagues Dan Svedarsky (UMC), Greg Cuomo and Av Singh (West Central Research and Outreach Center), and personnel from Minnesota DNR and USDA have produced "A Landowner's Guide to Prairie Management in Minnesota." Publication is at [www.crk.umn.edu/research](http://www.crk.umn.edu/research).

**ROCHESTER**—UMR has initiated a new series of workshops for K-12 educators called "After School Snacks" to give local teachers and administrators access to U expertise in an informal setting. First workshop featured Professor John Manning, who talked about child literacy issues and his experiences in literacy development in rural Mississippi.

UMR is cosponsoring a series of 4 political debates during the weeks leading up to the election. First debate, featuring State Senate and House of Representatives candidates, will be Oct. 7, 7 p.m., CF 206-208.

Conference, "Forty Years After Silent Spring: Lessons Learned, Lessons Ignored," will be Nov. 9, Assisi Community Center. Cost is \$75. Call 507-280-2819 or see [www.r.umn.edu/cepd.html](http://www.r.umn.edu/cepd.html).

**TWIN CITIES**—TC campus ranks among the top 3 public research universities in the nation, according to *The Top American Research Universities, 2002*, a report by U of Florida. Report ranks public and private universities on 9 quantitative measures of quality, which include strength of faculty, research program, and private support. For 2nd consecutive year, the U ranks among the top 25 on 8 measures; only other public research universities that score as well are U of Michigan and U of California, Berkeley. U is one of only 3 public research universities to rank within the top 10 public and private research universities; top 6 positions are held by private institutions. For full report, see [thecenter.ufl.edu](http://thecenter.ufl.edu).

Dedication of Molecular and Cellular Biology Building will be Oct. 9, 11 a.m., building plaza. Speakers will be interim president Bruininks, Regent Neel, senior VP Cerra, CBS dean Elde, Medical School dean Powell, and former governor Arne Carlson. Time capsule contents will be presented; tours and informal lunch will follow.

U Libraries is hosting its 3rd training institute Sept. 28–Oct. 5 for 24 early career librarians from under-represented groups in the profession. Institute combines training in leadership and organizational behavior with developing practical skills in key areas.

College of Human Ecology launched Campaign Human Ecology, a \$27 million fund-raising drive that will focus on providing support for its faculty and students, Sept. 24. More than 275 alumni, donors, and friends attended the reception and dinner. College has raised 82% or \$16.5 million of its \$20 million Campaign Minnesota goal.

**Events:** Cinematographer Neil Rettig will give slide presentation with live harpy eagle Oct. 9, 9 p.m., Raptor Center. Tickets are \$20; call 612-624-9753.

o Faculty Fulbright workshop will be Oct. 15, 3-4:30 p.m., 120 b-c Andersen Library. To learn more about Fulbright program and meet with past recipients, RSVP to [international@umn.edu](mailto:international@umn.edu) or call 624-5580.

**Lectures:** "Attack Iraq?," free public community forum on President Bush's policies regarding Iraq will be Oct. 3, 3-5 p.m., 210 Anderson Hall.

o "The Future of African American Art and Politics," free symposium devoted to the works of Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright August Wilson, will be Oct. 9, 7:30 p.m., Whiting Proscenium Theatre, Rarig Center (reception will be 6 p.m.).

o "The Effects of Tertiary Education on Political Democratization," will be Oct. 11, 1-3 p.m., 1014 Social Sciences Building. Call 612-624-6333.

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**Upcoming legislative session will be "the most challenging" in the past 10 or 15 years** because of the state budget deficit and current economy, said Interim President Bruininks in Oct. 3 State of the U address. "This year, more than ever, we will have to make the case for the University and for higher education; it is unacceptable that only 3% of Minnesotans say higher education is a priority," he said, referring to a July *Pioneer Press* public opinion poll.

Recognizing this challenge, Bruininks described the U's new approach in developing its biennial request. Rather than asking the state to fund all of its needs, the U will propose a "reasoned, 50-50 partnership with the state," in which the U will fund half of its needs through reallocations and tuition increases while seeking "reasonable" new state resources.

Bruininks announced the launch of an enhanced service and productivity initiative to achieve \$5 million in savings through cost reductions and revenue enhancements. He called on faculty and staff to "think creatively" about enhancing productivity and reducing costs. For full State of the U address, see [www.umn.edu/urelate/newsservice/newsreleases/stateofuaddress.html](http://www.umn.edu/urelate/newsservice/newsreleases/stateofuaddress.html).

**Board of Regents will meet Oct. 10–11**, McNamara Alumni Center. Agenda topics include U's biennial budget request, 6-year capital plan, Large Binocular Telescope contract, and Commission on U of M Excellence report. For full agenda, see [www.umn.edu/regents](http://www.umn.edu/regents).

**Regent O'Keefe has resigned from the Board of Regents** to avoid potential conflict of interest following his appointment as president of Minneapolis College of Art and Design. O'Keefe, former commissioner of Minnesota's Department of Human Services, has served as a regent for 6 years and was chair of the Finance and Operations Committee. Gov. Ventura may appoint the successor if he so chooses.

**Academic Health Center was awarded a \$1.1 million federal grant** to develop an Area Health Education Center (AHEC) in Minnesota. Center will support existing rural health programs—community-campus partnerships that provide educational opportunities for health-professions students—and address health workforce issues in rural areas. Activities will initially focus in northeastern and southern Minnesota.

**U's Minnesota Cystic Fibrosis Center** has received Therapeutics Development Network (TDN) membership. TDN centers conduct clinical research on cystic fibrosis using a multidisciplinary approach. U center is one of 14 in the nation and the only one in the region admitted to TDN.

**U-wide Policy Library** contains a new procedure on implementing the grievance process, a new policy on reconciling and verifying general ledger accounts and other financial information, and updates to publishing information on the Web. See [www.fpd.finnop.umn.edu](http://www.fpd.finnop.umn.edu). To receive e-mail notification of changes, call 612-624-1611 or e-mail [process@umn.edu](mailto:process@umn.edu).

**Office of the Executive VP and Provost is seeking applications for assistant vice provost** (33% time) to assume responsibility for faculty development and academic administrative matters on behalf of VP and executive vice provost for faculty and academic programs. Qualifications include 3 or more years as department chair, assistant or associate dean, or other senior academic administrator. For full position description, see [www.umn.edu/ohr/employ.html](http://www.umn.edu/ohr/employ.html). Applications will be reviewed beginning Oct. 15 and accepted until position is filled. For more information, e-mail [cranx001@umn.edu](mailto:cranx001@umn.edu).

**CROOKSTON**—Fall convocation will be Oct. 16, 10 a.m., in the newly renovated Kiehle Auditorium. Guest speaker will be David Badman, owner of Badman Design, Grand Forks, ND, who will speak about small business ownership. He will also present the new UMC academic torch, which he created.

Natural resources professor Dan Svedarsky was named executive committee chair of the U-wide Academy of Distinguished Teachers. Academy was established to ensure continuation of world-class instruction, honor exceptional teachers, and publicly recognize the importance of teaching.

**DULUTH**—William Wade has been named vice chancellor for university relations. New position includes responsibility for UMD Department of Intercollegiate Athletics, as well as development, public relations, publications, alumni, photography, and KUMD radio units. Wade has been university relations and development director since 1997.

UMD women's hockey coach Shannon Miller will be honored by Calgary Flames NHL team Oct. 15 for "significant contributions to hockey." Miller was coach of Team Canada for 7 years and the first female to coach a women's Olympic hockey team anywhere in the world.

UMD women's hockey team ranks number one in the U.S. College Hockey Online Division I preseason poll. The 2-time NCAA defending champions were ranked 2nd in the final regular season poll last year; this season UMD received 13 first-place votes.

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**MORRIS**—UMM has been accepted for membership in the Upper Midwest Athletics Conference beginning 2003–04. "The process of transition from NCAA Division II to III will take a bit longer," said Chancellor Schuman.

Johns Hopkins University Press will publish *Old Main*, Schuman's book on American small colleges in the 21st century. Schuman suggests that small campuses need to reassert their central role in higher education, noting that only 4% of American college students are enrolled at small schools today compared to almost 100% a century ago.

Division of Science and Mathematics, Center for Small Towns, and several off-campus agencies sponsored Super Science Saturday Oct. 5 for 6th–8th graders.

**ROCHESTER**—On Oct. 3, UMR featured an ITV telecast of "Preparing for Bioterrorism" by U Center for Infectious Disease director Michael Osterholm.

**TWIN CITIES**—Carlson School ranks 14th for best undergraduate business studies program in the nation, according to *U.S. News & World Report* 2003 rankings. Program ranks 9th among business schools at public universities. School also received rankings for several undergraduate specialties: management information systems (5), quantitative analysis/methods (10), marketing (12), management (12), accounting (17), production/operations management (17), supply chain management/logistics (17), and finance (20).

2002 Community Fund Drive, "Minnesota Counts on U," will continue through October. If you did not receive an enrollment brochure in campus mail, contact your unit fund-drive volunteer. Each person who submits a pledge form is eligible for weekly and grand prize drawings. See [www.umn.edu/cfd](http://www.umn.edu/cfd).

New 12-foot-wide Washington Ave. pedestrian bridges connecting Coffman Memorial Union to Northrop Mall are open. Ribbon-cutting ceremony was Oct. 2. Marcus Mattison, who helped build the original bridges in 1940, was among those to first walk across the new bridges.

Four new 54-seat Campus Connector buses replaced 6 39-seat buses Oct. 2. New buses, which serve the limited-stop routes weekdays from 7:30 a.m., will reduce overcrowding and lower campus congestion and pollution, said Bob Baker, parking and transportation director. About 22,500 people use the system daily. For more information, call 612-626-7275.

U Legislative Network is seeking volunteers to hand out "I'm voting for the U" buttons and pocket cards at homecoming parade and pancake breakfast Oct. 12. Volunteers receive a free T-shirt; call Nicole Bennett at 612-626-0913.

CS/BU employees who did not receive Staff Day cooler on June 6 can request one by sending name and campus address to [wendy@umn.edu](mailto:wendy@umn.edu).

**Events:** Satellite telecast of Minnesota Cultural Diversity Conference, will be Oct. 10, 8:30–11:15 a.m., 2-101 Basic Sciences Building. Event will explore the impact of current world events on individuals, organizations, and the community. Summary and discussion will follow. No registration required. For more information, call 612-625-6411.

o "BiblioFemina: Publishers and Librarians Discuss How Good Books Get on the Shelves," will be Oct. 15, 10–11:30 a.m., 120 Andersen Library. See [www.lib.umn.edu/women/invite.html](http://www.lib.umn.edu/women/invite.html).

o "Wild Chimpanzees," IMAX film about Jane Goodall, will open Oct. 17 at Minnesota Science Museum. Anne Pusey, director of U's Jane Goodall Institute Center for Primate Studies in CBS was scientific adviser for the film. Center is cataloging Goodall's field notes and photographs from 38 years of research.

**Lectures:** "Venture Capitalism and the Nanotube" will be Oct. 10, 6–7:30 p.m., 402 Walter Library. Speakers include Nobel laureate Richard Smalley, Rice U. Call 612-626-1802.

o "Global Climate Change: Uncertainties, Risks, and Values in Determining Public Policy," will be Oct. 11, 12:30–4:40 p.m., McNamara Alumni Center. Call 625-4724.

o "Reconcilable Differences: Setting the Agenda in the Social Sciences," will be Oct. 15, 1–3 p.m., Humphrey Center, and "Balancing the Life Science Missions of a Land-Grant University, Post 9/11," will be Oct. 16, 10 a.m.–1 p.m., 135 Earle Brown Center. See [www.research.umn.edu/forum](http://www.research.umn.edu/forum).

o "Five Life Lessons from the Playing Fields: How Sports Are Transforming Women, Girls, and Society" by author Mariah Burton Nelson will be Oct. 16, Cowles Auditorium, Humphrey Center. Call the Tucker Center at 625-7327.

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**U's 2004-05 proposed legislative request is the lowest in 10 years**—\$96 million in new state funding and a 50-50 partnership, in which the U will fund half of its needs through reallocations and tuition increases (tuition would increase 4.5% for each of the next 2 years). Interim President Bruininks told regents Oct. 11 that request will advance academic initiatives, build on recent investments, sustain strong departments and programs, and support faculty and staff compensation.

Proposal is a balanced one, said Regent Reed, because it addresses the U's needs and recognizes "the difficult budget problems the state faces." Regents will likely act on request at their Nov. 8 meeting.

**Regents have approved the U's 6-year, \$775 million capital plan**, which includes \$647 million in state financing. Plan will include the resubmission of 6 projects totaling \$61 million, which were vetoed in 2002 legislative session. Projects include Translational Research Facility, Jones Hall, UMM Social Science Building, and Research and Outreach Centers.

**U will sign contract to buy viewing time on Large Binocular Telescope (LBT)**, following 7-2 vote by Board of Regents Oct. 11. Regents approved the U's participation in the Mt. Graham, AZ., project after receiving written assurance from U of Arizona President Peter Likins that his university "will work closely" with the U and the United States Forest Service, which controls access to the mountain, "to create a fair and neutral process" to resolve any disputes raised by traditional Apaches. He also stated that U of Arizona will create a Native American Cultural Advisory Committee to guide ongoing activities on Mt. Graham.

U will have 9 viewing nights a year on the LBT and 7.66 equivalent nights on telescopes at the U of Arizona's Steward Observatory. U's astronomy department will bring expertise in infrared instrumentation to the project. Regents meeting was disrupted for 45 minutes after the board vote by opponents of the project.

**Faculty Consultative Committee (FCC)** is currently focused on 8 issues and will continue to further its relationship with central administration and TC Deans Council, reported FCC chair Dan Feeney to regents. Among concerns the FCC will address are accountability of nonacademic or service units, such as Facilities Management, to academic units they serve; restrictions by Department of Defense on publication of certain federally funded U research projects; and institutional financial liability of the U in joint Gophers-Vikings stadium; and analysis of the efforts of 5 years of Incentives For Managed Growth (IMG).

**Gov. Ventura has appointed Peter Bell to join Board of Regents**, effective immediately. Bell, executive VP for publishing and education services of Hazelden Foundation, replaces Michael O'Keefe, who resigned after accepting position as president of Minneapolis College of Art and Design.

**For the first time, U researchers have secured more than half a billion dollars in research funding** in a single year, attracting a record \$526.6 million in sponsored funding for fiscal year 2002 (July 2001-June 2002). Federal government was the largest sponsor of U research, giving more than \$370 million.

**State of the AHC address, "Core Priorities in A New Era," will be Oct. 22**, 12:15 p.m., 3-120 Molecular and Cell Biology Building, TC campus. Live audio feed will be at 458 Vet Teaching Hospital, TC campus, and 165 School of Medicine, Duluth campus.

**Open Enrollment for health coverage begins Oct. 16** and runs until Nov. 15. Eligible employees must complete an application to choose a new dental plan for 2003; you may also change your medical plan. For provider directories, see [www.umn.edu/ohr/eb](http://www.umn.edu/ohr/eb). Changes will be effective Dec. 30, 2002. If you have a pretax health care or dependent care reimbursement account, you must enroll at this time to continue the account for 2003; current account will expire Dec. 31, 2002. Questions, call 612-624-9090 or 800-756-2363.

**U presented an Outstanding Achievement Award to Julie Kiriara**, founder and president of ATG Laboratories, Inc., and head of MNBIO, a statewide association of biotechnology companies, for her work in cloning and her efforts to promote Minnesota's biotech industry.

**Economists and neuroscientists from the U and across the nation will gather Oct. 25-27** for first-ever conference to explore the correlation between human brain functions and economic decision making. Event at Honeywell Auditorium in Carlson School is free. To RSVP, call 612-624-3885. For more information, see [neuroeconomics.econ.umn.edu](http://neuroeconomics.econ.umn.edu).

**October Kiosk readers who read "Flexible scheduling: making it work for U"** and are interested in more information about such work arrangements, how to negotiate and implement them, see [www.umn.edu/ohr/worklife](http://www.umn.edu/ohr/worklife). Kiosk is online at [www.umn.edu/urelate/kiosk](http://www.umn.edu/urelate/kiosk).

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**CROOKSTON**—UMC won its first Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference (NSIC) title with 2002 NSIC Men's Golf Championship Oct. 5-6. Student Branden Schwartz is the first UMC golfer to win the NSIC Men's Golfer of the Year award, and head coach Jason Tanquist earned Golf Coach of the Year title.

About 120 family members attended Family Weekend Oct. 12. Events included class demonstrations and a reception at Northland Inn in Crookston. For more information about UMC parent programs, see [www.crk.umn.edu/FYE/Parent\\_Programs](http://www.crk.umn.edu/FYE/Parent_Programs).

**DULUTH**—College of Science and Engineering inaugurated the UMD Academy of Science and Engineering by inducting 5 alumni and friends: Jerome Klun, Casimir Ilenda, William Crain, David Karpeles, and Howard Hanson.

Urban Studies Brown Bag Series will present "Public Journalism and the *Duluth News Tribune*" by Don Wyatt, Tribune editor, Oct. 23, noon, Kirby Student Center Garden Room.

UMD public relations director Susan Beasy Latto has completed an Advanced Emergency Communication Training course, the highest level of federal emergency training. Program included preparation skills for large-scale emergency situations and legal issues.

**MORRIS**—O. T. Driggs Distinguished Lecture, "Women and Islam: Contemporary Perspectives," will be delivered by Iman Ghazalla, Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs research fellow, Oct. 22, 7:30 p.m., HFA Recital Hall. Lecture is free and open to the public.

Brian Friel's *Dancing at Lughnasa* will open UMM theater season. Play, set in rural Ireland in 1936, follows the struggles and triumphs of 5 Mundy sisters. Performances are at 7:30 p.m., Thursday through Saturday, Oct. 31-Nov. 2. For more information and advanced tickets, call 320-589-6249.

**ROCHESTER**—UMR, League of Women Voters, and *Post Bulletin* will host debate between Sen. Paul Wellstone and Norm Coleman Oct. 17, 6:30 p.m., Regional Sports Center at U Center Rochester.

On Nov. 7 and 8, U Center Rochester and Southern Minnesota Initiative Fund will host "LiNK 2002: Building a High Performance Workforce—Best Practices in e-Learning." Speakers include Sean Rush, general manager of Global Education Industry, IBM Corp., and Brian Mueller, CEO of U of Phoenix. For more information or tickets, see [www.roch.edu/link](http://www.roch.edu/link) or call 507-529-6136.

**TWIN CITIES**—More than 200 people attended the Oct. 9 dedication of the new Molecular and Cellular Biology Building, which is shared by CBS and AHC. VP Cerra said the \$80 million building with 300,000 sq. feet (40% classrooms, 60% labs) represents a "cross-fertilization of science disciplines and research and teaching."

Panhellenic Council and Interfraternity Council are hosting their first Philanthropy Day in the Marcy-Holmes neighborhood Oct. 19. Fraternity and sorority members will rake leaves and help senior residents with chores.

Lupus study is seeking healthy females, 35+, willing to donate blood samples. Participants should have no family history of autoimmune diseases such as lupus, multiple sclerosis, type-1 diabetes, rheumatoid arthritis, and psoriasis. For more information, call Carmen Stevens at 612-625-1107.

**Events:** "Halloween at Eastcliff" for children of U staff, faculty, and students will be Oct. 31, 3-5 p.m. RSVP by Oct. 25 to 612-627-6800. For more information, see [events.tc.umn.edu](http://events.tc.umn.edu).

o Raptor Center fall open house will be Oct. 27, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., 1920 Fitch Ave., St. Paul.

**Lectures:** "What Does The Future Hold For Abused and Neglected Children?" will be 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Humphrey Center. Panel discussion, "Implications for Improving Practice and Policy," will follow. For more information, call 612-624-4231.

o "Measuring the Health Impacts of Medical Innovation and Expenditure," will be Oct. 21, 3-4:30 p.m., 2-260z Carlson School. Call 626-8795.

o "Of Sevenfold Mankillers, Gagged Priests, Scheming Mothers and Other Austrian Phenomena: Lilian Faschingers's Novel *Magdalena the Sinner*" will be Oct. 24, 3 p.m., 710 Social Sciences.

o "Bringing Affordable Housing Construction under Control: Cost, Durability, Energy, and Health," Oct. 25, noon-1:30 p.m., 1-123 Carlson School. To register, call 625-1551.

Date change: "Teaching with Writing" workshop is Nov. 12 (from Oct. 24), noon-2 p.m., St. Paul Student Center. To register, e-mail [klegin@umn.edu](mailto:klegin@umn.edu).

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**According to the Commission on U of M Excellence report**, U's mission and scope are unique, broad, and comprehensive but appropriate for a public research university and for meeting the needs of the state. Commission found a need for greater public understanding of the U's mission and that public and private support are equally important—public support enables the U to deliver on its mission while private support allows for a margin of excellence. Commission was created in June 2001 by Minnesota Legislature to identify areas at the U that can develop national stature and achieve top 10 national rankings within 10 years.

Commission also challenges the U to be within the top 5 among its peers, as measured by the quality and productivity of its faculty members, and to achieve that, the Commission emphasizes that the U must have an excellent undergraduate program. For complete findings and recommendations submitted to the legislature in September, see [www.umn.edu/urelate/govrel/excellence.htm](http://www.umn.edu/urelate/govrel/excellence.htm).

**Department of Neuroscience and Science Museum of Minnesota are collaborating on 5-year, \$1.6 million project**—"Bringing Resources, Activities, and Inquiry in Neuroscience" (BRAIN). Goal is to

develop in-depth materials and teacher training programs for middle-school science curriculums. Group of Minnesota teachers is currently working with U staff and faculty to increase students' understanding of the brain. "Our hope is that students will be excited about science and consider science as a potential career," said U researcher Carrie McNabb.

**Humphrey Institute's Center for Nations in Transition will train the first generation of free enterprise business leaders in Ukraine.** Project with 8 other American and Polish universities involves teaching educators from about 30 Ukrainian education institutions about Western-style business practices to help them start their own accredited M.B.A. programs in Ukraine. Project is supported by a 5-year, \$9.5 million grant from the U.S. Agency for International Development.

**Joint meeting of U Senate, Faculty Senate, and TC Campus Assembly** will be Oct. 31, 2:30–5 p.m., 25 Mondale Hall. Broadcast locations will be UMC, 305 Selvig Hall; UMD, Kirby Student Center Garden Room; UMM, Behmler Hall Conference Room. For agenda, see [www.umn.edu/usenate/usen/021031agenda.html](http://www.umn.edu/usenate/usen/021031agenda.html).

**Carlson School of Management and Board of Regents will posthumously honor Thomas Burnett, Jr.**, with Regents Certificate of Outstanding Merit Oct. 25. Burnett, a 1986 CSOM graduate, is known for his heroic efforts on 9/11. Event from 5 to 7:30 p.m. at McNamara Alumni Center will also recognize the Thomas E. Burnett, Jr., Scholarship, sponsored by Alpha Kappa Psi fraternity to benefit a CSOM student, and the Thomas E. Burnett, Jr., Leadership Program. Ceremony will feature U speakers and Burnett's friends and family.

**Combination of science, public opinion, and legislative policy makes timing ripe for strides in tobacco control**, according to study by U researcher Dorothy Hatsukami and U of Wisconsin colleagues Michael Fiore and Timothy Baker. Authors also challenge physicians, health officials, and lawmakers to take responsibility for increasing smoking cessation and encourage states to use master settlement agreement monies to fund programs to treat tobacco dependence. Study was published in Oct. 9 *Journal of the American Medical Association*.

**Submission guidelines for selected U awards**—Morse-U of M Alumni Association Award for Contributions to Undergraduate Education; Outstanding Contributions to Postbaccalaureate, Graduate, and Professional Education; and John Tate Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Advising—are now available at [www.umn.edu/ohr/awards](http://www.umn.edu/ohr/awards). Questions, call 612-624-5082.

**CROOKSTON**—Oct. 30 is Program Improvement Audit Committee (PIAC) Day. PIACs help implement, evaluate, and continuously improve UMC academic programs. For more information, see [www.crk.umn.edu/UMCadmin/AcademicAff/PIAC.htm](http://www.crk.umn.edu/UMCadmin/AcademicAff/PIAC.htm).

Annual Torch and Shield Recognition Event will be Oct. 30, 6 p.m., Kiehle Auditorium. Award recipients are Bruce Bronsor, associate professor and program director for Information Technology Management; Beverly Durgan, CFO and associate dean for research and outreach in the College of Agricultural, Food, and Environmental Sciences; Northwestern School of Agriculture alum Lyle Kasprick and his wife, Kathleen; Dale Knotek, former director of student activities; and Jerry Nagel, president of Northern Great Plains, Inc. New UMC Gift Club members will also be recognized.

UMC's precision agriculture program; alum Gary Wagner, '75; and U faculty were featured in Oct. 6 *Star Tribune* article, "New Agriculture Takes Root" ([www.startribune.com/stories/535/3345685.html](http://www.startribune.com/stories/535/3345685.html)).

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**DULUTH**—Concerts, receptions, and high school master classes will mark the grand opening of UMD Weber Music Hall, Oct. 25–27. The \$9.2 million, copper-domed building, designed by world-renowned architect Cesar Pelli, completes the arts triangle in UMD Ordean Court (along with Tweed Museum of Art and Marshall Performing Arts Center). "[Weber Hall] will prove to be the finest small concert hall in America," says Pelli.

Department of Music will present more than 50 additional concerts and recitals in 2002–03. Performances at Weber Music Hall will include the annual Head of the Lakes Jazz Festival and the Scandinavian Song Festival. Hall will also provide a best practices facility for K–12 performance music training.

**MORRIS**—2002 Classic Film Festival, Oct. 24–27 at Morris Theatre, will feature *The Out-of-Towners* (Oct. 24, 7 p.m.), *The Apartment* (Oct. 25, 7 p.m.), *On the Waterfront* (Oct. 26, 7 p.m.), *King of Hearts* (Oct. 26, 9 p.m.), and *Rear Window* (Oct. 27, 7 p.m.). Tickets are \$3 for single movie or \$10 for the weekend. Post-film discussion will be at Prairie Renaissance Cultural Arts Center, 630 Atlantic Ave.

National Chemistry Week runs through Oct. 26. UMM American Chemical Society Student affiliate will demonstrate safe, fun chemistry Oct. 26, 10:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m., Willie's Super Valu.

Fred Peterson Retrospective Exhibit will feature 60 works spanning 40 years by faculty member Fred Peterson. Opening reception at HFA Gallery is Oct. 28, 7:30 p.m.

**ROCHESTER**—President Bush spoke at U Center Rochester Regional Sport Center Oct. 17. Event drew nearly 5,000 people.

**TWIN CITIES**—College of Veterinary Medicine students will help Minnesota Department of Natural Resources monitor chronic wasting disease, a fatal brain disease found in elk and deer. Students will be collecting brain samples of hunter-killed deer during first weekend (Nov. 9–12) of hunting season. Collaboration launches school's Veterinary Response Team, which will prepare veterinary medicine students to help in state or national emergencies.

Parking and Transportation Services received the Governor's Award of Excellence in Waste and Pollution Prevention for its U-Pass discounted bus pass. Since the program's introduction fall 2000, carbon monoxide emissions on campus have decreased by 110 tons per year and bus ridership has increased by 88% resulting in a reduction of 50,000 vehicle miles traveled per day.

Giant copper mesh skirt will be added to *Platonic Figure* sculpture south of Mechanical Engineering building at a reception Oct. 25, 7 p.m. Temporary skirt artwork is designed by artist Kristine Miller to inspire discussion about the impact of the arts on public space and gender issues. Viewpoints will be collected and made available on the CALA Web site.

Medical School and Parkinson Study Group seek families with at least 2 living brothers or sisters with, or possibly affected by, Parkinson's disease (PD) for study to identify genes that may cause an increased risk of PD. For more information, call 1-888-830-6299.

**Events:** U Libraries book sale will be Oct. 28–29, 10 a.m.–3 p.m., 30 Wilson Library. Nothing over \$1.  
o Halloween at the Raptor Center, Oct. 31, 4–8 p.m., will feature nocturnal raptors and other creatures of the night, including Charlie the raccoon, a flying squirrel, bats, and geckos. Free. Call 612-624-4745.

**Lectures:** "Intimacy and Autonomy, Gender and Aging: Living Apart Together" will be Oct. 25, 1–3 p.m., 1014 Social Sciences Building.

o Humphrey Institute Policy Forum conference, "The American Community—Diversity and Democracy: Challenges and Opportunities," will be Oct. 24–25. Keynote address is by *Washington Post* columnist E. J. Dionne. To register, call 612-625-8330. For agenda, see [www.hhh.umn.edu/centers/policy-forum](http://www.hhh.umn.edu/centers/policy-forum).

o Immigration History Research Center's "Defying the AVO," an interview with 3 Hungarian-Americans who resisted the Hungarian Secret Police in 1956, will be Oct. 25, 5 p.m., 308 Andersen Library. Call 625-4800.

o CLA dean Rosenstone will moderate Oct. 28 gubernatorial debate with Roger Moe, Tim Pawlenty, Tim Penny, and Ken Pentel; 7–8 p.m.; Doubletree Park Place Hotel, 1500 Park Place Blvd., Minneapolis.

o Jordanian ambassador Karim Kwar will speak on "Crisis and Peace in the Middle East" Oct. 29, 9:30–10:30 a.m., Cowles Auditorium, Humphrey Center.

o Artist Judy Pfaff will give public lecture on her work Oct. 31, 7 p.m., West Bank Program Hall, Willey Hall. Lecture is part of her Oct. 28–Nov. 1 residency with the art department.

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[Past Issues](#)**Memorial service for Sen. Paul Wellstone and 5 others who perished in a plane crash**

**Oct. 25** was held at Williams Arena Oct. 29. Wellstone; his wife, Sheila; daughter, Marcia; U professor Mary McEvoy; senior Will McLaughlin; and Tom Lopic, the husband of Trudy Lopic, a senior accountant in the English department; were killed when their private plane crashed near Eveleth, MN. McEvoy was former chair of the Department of Educational Psychology, former director of the Center for Early Education and Development, and legislative liaison for the Faculty Consultative Committee. McLaughlin, a political science major, was past president of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

**U has joined the Federal Demonstration Partnership (FDP)**, an initiative established in the late 1980s to encourage collaboration between federal agencies and institutional recipients of federal funds. FDP's mission is to find ways to increase research productivity by streamlining administrative processes. U is one of 92 research members; there are 10 federal members.

**College of Education and Human Development will offer a technology training course for school administrators nationwide.** New course is part of \$2.1 million initiative to teach principals and superintendents how to use educational technology effectively to enhance student achievement. College will begin yearlong graduate-level program in summer 2003. Most classes will be offered online, and participants will come to the TC campus for one-week summer courses at the beginning and end of the program.

**1880 U.S. Census is available online for genealogists and academic researchers.**

Volunteers from Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints spent about 2 million hours over an 18-year period transcribing information. U's Minnesota Population Center staff processed the data. Searchable database of 55 million people, including Thomas Edison, the Wright brothers, and John D. Rockefeller, is at [www.familysearch.org](http://www.familysearch.org).

**Academic Health Center is developing privacy training for faculty and staff** and a curriculum for students as part of its commitment to maintaining the privacy of personal information, said senior VP Cerra in his State of the Academic Health Center address Oct. 22. Cerra said the Internet and events of 9/11 have heightened interest in the long-standing issue of personal privacy. AHC staff are also working on a plan to inform the U community about the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) that will take effect April 2003. The full address summarizing AHC achievements, challenges, and future plans is at [www.ahc.umn.edu](http://www.ahc.umn.edu).

**AHC Seed Grant research program produces a 685% average return on investment,** reported Cerra in AHC address. For every dollar invested in seed grants over the past 5 years, federal grants worth \$7.85 have come back to AHC. Program has provided 58 grants of up to \$25,000 for faculty members to develop innovative projects in new research areas. The 26 Faculty Research Development Grants returned an average of 228% over 4 years. These grants averaged \$200,000 and support innovative interdisciplinary and interscholastic research.

**The Science Coalition is highlighting U research on its Web site this week** ([www.sciencecoalition.org](http://www.sciencecoalition.org))—"60 years at Cedar Creek," "The Promise of Stem Cells," and "MRSEC: Materials for the Future." Coalition comprises 60 research universities and 340 organizations and corporations; U is on the steering committee. Goal of Coalition is "to expand and strengthen the federal government's investment in university-based scientific, medical, engineering, and agricultural research."

**Hormel Institute in Austin, MN; is celebrating 60 years.** Institute was established in 1942 to conduct research and education in biological sciences with applications in medicine and agriculture and to provide technical and educational expertise. Center has gained global prominence for lipid research; most studies are conducted by independent scientists who hold U faculty appointments. For more information, see [www.hi.umn.edu](http://www.hi.umn.edu).

**New application for creating Academic Progress Audit System reports** and processing transfer students is now available online. To access DARwin at UMC, go to [www.crk.umn.edu/people/services/registrar/register.htm](http://www.crk.umn.edu/people/services/registrar/register.htm); at UMD, [www.d.umn.edu/advising](http://www.d.umn.edu/advising); at UMM, [www.mrs.umn.edu/services/registrar/apas.html](http://www.mrs.umn.edu/services/registrar/apas.html); at UMTC, [onestop.umn.edu/Advising](http://onestop.umn.edu/Advising).

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**CROOKSTON**—UMC and Northland Community and Technical College (NCTC) in Thief River Falls signed an agreement Oct. 24 to facilitate credit transfers and provide a smooth transition from NCTC's related manufacturing associate in science degree and certificate programs to UMC's bachelor of manufacturing management program.

Kiehle Building open house will be Oct. 30, 3–4:30 p.m. Highlights of the recent renovation include a new rotunda entrance, alumni and heritage space, consolidated technology area, and refurbished auditorium.

**DULUTH**—Employee Benefits Fair, "Health, Wellness, and Safety Awareness," will be Nov. 7, 10 a.m.–3:30 p.m., Kirby Student Center Ballroom. Representatives from health, retirement, and safety-related organizations will answer questions and provide materials. Open enrollment forms must be submitted to UMD Human Resources by Nov. 15.

UMD Professional Staff Council's fall forum will be Nov. 7, 11 a.m.–1 p.m., Weber Music Hall. Event will feature tours of the new building, live music, and refreshments. For information, call 218-726-6526.

Patrick Ward, professor and head of pathology and laboratory medicine department, will receive the 2002 H. P. Smith Award for Distinguished Pathology Educator from the American Society for Clinical Pathology at its annual meeting in Washington, D.C.

**MORRIS**—On Oct. 22, Minnesota Historical Society unanimously endorsed UMM's application to have its campus mall declared a national historic district. Proposal will now go to the state coordinator before being forwarded to Washington.

2002 Carol Concerts, "Angels and Shepherds," by UMM Choirs (directed by Ken Hodgson) will be Dec. 6–7, 7:30 p.m., and Dec. 7–8, 2 p.m., Proscenium Theatre, Humanities Fine Arts building.

Ralph Nader's presentation, "Democracy, Big Business, and the American Duopoly," will air on Pioneer Public Television, KWCM, Nov. 3, 4 p.m. Nader was the opening speaker at UMM's Campus Activities Council Convocations series Sept. 25. Video copies of his address are also available for viewing from the Student Activities Office; call 320-589-6080.

**TWIN CITIES**—Employees have contributed more than \$800,000 to the Community Fund Drive, which has a \$1 million goal. Drive has been extended to Nov. 8. Pledge by Nov. 1 for Nov. 4 drawing. Grand prizes, including an iMac computer and 2 round-trip tickets anywhere in the continental U.S., will be drawn Nov. 15. To pledge online, see [www.umn.edu/cfd/form.html](http://www.umn.edu/cfd/form.html). Questions, call your unit volunteer or Karen Linquist at 612-624-9817.

*2002–03 Student-Staff Directory* will be delivered in the next 3 weeks to all offices that responded to October request form. RoadRunner company will make one delivery attempt between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. If a signature cannot be obtained on this first attempt, departments must arrange and pay for 2nd delivery. Questions, call Barb Carlson at 612-626-1785.

**Events:** U Film Society will show *Tosca* Nov. 1–7, 7:15 p.m., and *Jakob the Liar*, Nov. 3, 5 p.m., Bell Museum Auditorium. Call 612-627-4430. o Herbie Hancock Quartet will perform Nov. 8, 8 p.m., Ted Mann Concert Hall. Tickets are \$34 and \$27; call 624-2345.

**Lectures:** Guy Stanton Ford Memorial Lecture, "The Future of Conservation and Wildlife," by paleo-anthropologist Richard Leakey will be Nov. 6, 10:15 a.m., Ted Mann Concert Hall. See [www.grad.umn.edu/events/ford.html](http://www.grad.umn.edu/events/ford.html).

o Humphrey Institute Policy Forum presents postelection analysis with Vin Weber and Chris Gilbert Nov. 6, 9:30–11 a.m., and "Elders in the Fabric of the American Community: Successful Intergenerational Programs and Policies" Nov. 15, 8 a.m.–1 p.m., Cowles Auditorium, Humphrey Center. Call 612-625-8330 or see [www.hhh.umn.edu/centers/policy-forum](http://www.hhh.umn.edu/centers/policy-forum).

o MINERVA (Minnesota Electronic Resources in the Visual Arts) Symposium will be Nov. 7, Andersen Library. See [digital.lib.umn.edu/minerva](http://digital.lib.umn.edu/minerva). o Center for the Study of Political Psychology will host postelection panel discussion with local political observers Nov. 8, 2–4 p.m., 215 Hubert Humphrey Center.

o "VROOM: The Future of Car Design and Car Culture" symposium and "All Hands on the Wheel" roundtable moderated by Design Institute director Janet Abrams, will be Nov. 9, Rapson Hall Auditorium. Tickets are \$15 (\$10 for Weisman Art Museum members). Free keynote address will be Nov. 8, Weisman; for reservations, call 626-5302 or e-mail [desiqn@umn.edu](mailto:desiqn@umn.edu) by Nov. 8.

**Announcement:** Judith Kahn, director of U's Konopka Institute for Best Practices in Adolescent Health, was appointed by Gov. Ventura to Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee.

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**In an emergency meeting Nov. 4, Board of Regents voted unanimously to amend its presidential search process** to allow for confidential interviews and deliberations, citing among other things, top candidates' reluctance to participate in a public process and the board's fiduciary responsibility under the U charter to select the best candidate. The effect of the resolution is to exempt a portion of the presidential search process from the open meeting law and the Data Practice Act. In a similar case in 1999, the Michigan Supreme Court granted similar relief to Michigan State U in its presidential search.

Following the confidential interview and deliberation, the finalist or finalists, will participate in public interviews to include the U and broader community. The board reports that it is on track to select a president by the end of the year. For more information about the search, see [www.umn.edu/thesource](http://www.umn.edu/thesource).

**Regents will meet Nov. 7-8**, 600 McNamara Alumni Center. Agenda topics include football stadium, enrollment management strategies and issues, biennial budget request, and impact of post-Sept. 11 federal guidelines on research and international students. For full agenda, see [www.umn.edu/regents](http://www.umn.edu/regents).

**Current planning information exploring feasibility of a Gophers-Vikings stadium** is available at [www.umn.edu/stadium](http://www.umn.edu/stadium). New Web site includes U regents' 6 guiding principles and background on 2002 legislation that gave the U \$500,000 to complete a predesign study.

**U of M Graduate and Professional Student Assembly will name a new award for Mary McEvoy**, educational psychology professor who was killed in Sen. Paul Wellstone's plane crash Oct. 25. Mary E. McEvoy Award for Public Engagement and Leadership will be given each year to one graduate student and one professional student who best exemplify the union of academics and civic responsibility.

**U researchers are testing new housing technologies to lower construction costs and improve resident health.** Technologies are biothermal, using heat from the earth to heat the homes, and PERSIST, a 2-inch watertight, airtight insulation that may prevent mold problems in newly built homes. Test sites are in St. Paul—Jackson Street Village townhouse project and a low-income, single-family housing project at Edmund and St. Albans streets in Frogtown.

**School of Dentistry has received a 3-year, \$7.5 million grant to determine if nonsurgical therapy for pregnant women with gum disease** reduces the incidence of preterm birth. According to past research, there is an association between preterm birth and low birth weight and periodontal disease. New study funded by the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR) will involve more than 800 women across 4 clinical trial centers.

**U diagnostic and surgical science professor James Friction will develop a national registry and repository** for information and biological specimens from patients with temporomandibular joint (TMJ) disorders. Friction received a 5-year, \$5.9 million grant from the NIDCR for project, which involves 29 faculty and staff from the U's School of Dentistry and Medical School and consultants from U of Alabama, Loyola U, and Mayo Clinic.

**U will present Doctor of Science to Fred Sherman**, biochemistry and biophysics professor at U of Rochester Medical Center, NY. Sherman, considered one of the founding fathers of yeast molecular biology, will give lecture on "My Life with Cytochrome c" Nov. 11, noon, Mayo Auditorium. Honorary degree is the U's highest award.

**U presented a Doctor of Humane Letters to August Wilson** Oct. 9. Pulitzer prize-winning playwright lived in St. Paul during the late 1970s and early '80s, where he worked with Penumbra Theatre Company.

**Benefits open enrollment continues through Nov. 15.** All employees must choose a new dental plan for 2003. Submit completed application to Employee Benefits. Deadline to make changes in your medical and long-term disability coverage or to enroll in a flexible spending account for 2003 is also Nov. 15.

**Nomination deadline for Distinguished Women Scholars Awards is Nov. 25.** Award honors the scholarly accomplishments of U women. For nomination guidelines, see [www.research.umn.edu/research/womsch.html](http://www.research.umn.edu/research/womsch.html).

**U Grants Training Day will be Nov. 19.** Refresher course about grants issues and procedures is for faculty, staff, and postdoctoral students involved in grants through research and community service. For more information or to RSVP, see [www.gen.umn.edu/grants/uqrantsday.htm](http://www.gen.umn.edu/grants/uqrantsday.htm).

**Financial Systems User Network general membership meeting** will be Nov. 21, St. Paul Student Center NorthStar Ballroom. RSVP by Nov. 14; call Mary Selisker at 612-625-3493.

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**CROOKSTON**—UMC's hotel, restaurant, and institutional management degree program is featured in the October-November 2002 issue of *American Spa Magazine*. In the article, program manager Ken Myers discusses the development of college degree programs for those aspiring to professional careers and internships in the spa industry.

UMC earned the top 3 team and individual rankings in judging competition at the Minnesota Beef Expo. Winning students were Staci Slykerman (first), Kim Rankin (2nd), and Chris Hanson (3rd).

Residential Life student staff and VolunTEAM members raised \$575 for Crookston Habitat for Humanity by hosting a haunted house Oct. 31. Nearly 300 area children and teens attended the event.

**DULUTH**—Kirby Plaza renovation is under way. Phase I includes space for the bookstore, a coffee shop, copy center, transit center, food service, auxiliary services offices, and a child care center. Future expansion phases will include space for Information Technology Systems and Services, American Indian Learning Resource Center, U for Seniors, Library archives, classrooms, and offices. For renovation update, see [www.d.umn.edu/fm](http://www.d.umn.edu/fm).

"Scandinavian Song Festival: Songs of Denmark" will be Nov. 5, 7:30 p.m., Weber Music Hall. Concert will feature Danish soprano Eva Braun Hansen, Arrowhead Chorale, and UMD faculty and students. To reserve seating, call 218-726-8877.

Chuck Carter, internationally known computer game designer and animator, will lecture about his art on Nov. 6, 2 p.m., Tweed Museum of Art. He will give a 2nd presentation (on technical aspects) Nov. 7, 10 a.m., Kirby Student Center Bullpub.

**MORRIS**—UMM students collected more than 2,245 pounds of food in this year's Trick or Can drive for the local food shelf. Citizens in the community turned on their porch lights Nov. 29 night to indicate their willingness to donate.

Class rank of entering freshmen increased by 2% from last fall—57% ranked in the top 20% of their graduating class.

**ROCHESTER**—UMR and Center for the Development of Technological Leadership (CDTL) recently wrapped up their 4th annual "Signature Series: The Best of the MOT" in Rochester. Series, which comprises 8 full-day lectures with content drawn from CDTL's master of science in management of technology program, served more than 30 students from 3 southeastern Minnesota companies.

**TWIN CITIES**—At Employee Benefits Fair Oct. 30, 1138 flu shots were given. Due to overwhelming response, Boynton Health Service has arranged for 10 additional flu vaccine clinics—Nov. 6, 10 a.m.–2 p.m., AHC/CHIP Student Center; Nov. 7, 4–7 p.m., Middlebrook Residence Hall; Nov. 12, 2–6 p.m., Rec Center; Nov. 13, 4–7 p.m., Territorial Residence Hall; Nov. 18, 10 a.m.–2 p.m., Boynton; Nov. 19, 10 a.m.–2 p.m., 125 Veterinary Medicine; Nov. 20, 10 a.m.–2 p.m., Boynton Health Service, and 4–7 p.m., Pioneer Residence Hall; Nov. 21, 10 a.m.–2 p.m., Boynton; Nov. 22, 10 a.m.–2 p.m., 2-206 Carlson School.

**Events:** Annual fall auction of U vehicles will be Nov. 9, 11 a.m., Fleet Services building. For more information, call 612-625-3033 or see [www.umn.edu/fleetsrv](http://www.umn.edu/fleetsrv).

o Students from Carlson School and the nation's top 8 business schools will respond to the EliteEight Brand Management Case Challenge Nov. 9, 8 a.m.–4 p.m., Carlson School's 3M Auditorium. Teams will prepare to address current branding issues faced by a sponsoring company.

**Lectures:** "How to win the Freedom of Information wars in an era of secrecy" by Anders Gyllenhaal, *Star Tribune* editor and senior VP, will be Nov. 12, 6:30 p.m. (reception at 6 p.m.), 100 Murphy Hall. For more information, see [www.mjc.umn.edu/gyllenhaal](http://www.mjc.umn.edu/gyllenhaal).

o Nutrition seminar, "Pre- and Post- Workout Nutrition: Tips for eating over the holidays," by Steven O'Reilly, dietitian and Newtrition Solutions founder, will be Nov. 13, 11:45 a.m.–1 p.m., Rec Center Aquatic Lobby. Call 612-626-9233.

o Japanese artist Kumi Yamashita will present her work on light and shadows, Nov. 14, noon, 120 Art Building. Her lecture is part of her Nov. 11–15 residency with art department.

o "Worldwide Expansion of Higher Education 1970–2000" will be Nov. 15, 1–3 p.m., 1014 Social Sciences Building. Call 624-6333. o "Campus Design—Campus Heritage" by Richard Dober, nationally recognized planning and design consultant, will be Nov. 15, 7 p.m., 100 Rapson Hall.

o Center for Interdisciplinary Studies of Writing literacy and rhetorical studies speaker series, "Reading, Writing, and Wealth," will be Nov. 19, 3–4:30 p.m., 207 Lind Hall. Call 626-7583.

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**Bob Bruininks is the new University of Minnesota president.** The Board of Regents announced his appointment Nov. 8, one day after naming Bruininks sole finalist following a nearly 6-month nationwide search. Bruininks, whose contract will run through June 30, 2005, has been with the U for 35 years in various positions—interim president, executive VP and provost, dean of the College of Education and Human Development, and professor of educational psychology. Presidential inauguration plans have not been finalized.

**Regents have approved the U's \$96 million legislative request** for new state funding. Request, which calls for a 50-50 partnership with the state, is the smallest in a decade. U's share would be funded through a 4.5 percent annual tuition increase and reallocations totaling 2.5% of the U's \$1.8 billion operating budget. Request will support academic initiatives and infrastructure, faculty and staff compensation, and student experience improvements. For more information about the request, see [www.umn.edu/govrel](http://www.umn.edu/govrel).

**Post-9/11 federal legislation addressing national security has "real and potential effects" on the U,** and the U is taking steps to ensure compliance, said interim VP for research David Hamilton to Regents Educational Planning and Policy Committee Nov. 7. He cited 3 provisions in the USA PATRIOT Act with immediate impact on the U and its research activities—Select Agents and Restricted Persons (U has inventoried and secured certain biological substances and is developing a policy to define roles of those who handle them); Collecting and Reporting Information on Foreign Students and Faculty (U is modifying its admissions system); and Surveillance and Disclosure of Records (federal officials would have access to all student records).

Hamilton said, in addition to new federal laws, some government agencies are imposing publication restrictions in research contracts or requiring prior approval of non-U.S. citizens working on research projects. U contract officials have been screening federal award agreements for any restrictions on the right to publish; U policy prohibits research secrecy.

**New U international student enrollment is down by 180 students** or 18% over fall 2001, reported C. Eugene Allen, International Programs executive director, to regents Nov. 7. Drop is attributed to post-9/11 federal regulations that have increased security clearances for students from certain countries and in certain academic fields. Allen said if numbers continue to drop, U will see "significant adverse effects" in some academic programs, especially science and engineering where the bulk of international graduate students is concentrated and there is an inadequate pool of domestic students. U administrators are awaiting the results of a survey conducted by the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges to determine if international student and scholar enrollment has been affected nationwide. U currently has 3,400 students and 1,000 scholars from 130 countries.

**U is one of 5 institutions selected by PeopleSoft to develop systems** that will accommodate the federal government's new Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS). SEVIS, which will take effect Jan. 30, 2003, will electronically track international students and scholars and link colleges and universities, U.S. embassies and consulates, U.S. ports of entry, the Department of State, and exchange visitor programs.

**Also at regents meeting:** Discussion of pre-design and memorandum of understanding for an on-campus, Gophers-Vikings football stadium and approval of National Register of Historic Places nomination for West Central School of Agriculture and experiment station on the UMM campus. School is one of the most intact examples of a residential agricultural facility remaining in the U.S.

**International Education Week is Nov. 18–22.** U colleges and departments will host events to highlight the U's support of international education. Week was first declared by the U.S. Departments of State and Education in 2000 as part of its effort to encourage policies and programs that prepare Americans for a global environment and to attract future leaders from abroad to study in the U.S. For list of events, see [www.international.umn.edu/iweek/2002](http://www.international.umn.edu/iweek/2002).

**CROOKSTON**—UMC will host a briefing Nov. 22 in Kiehle Auditorium for regional professionals and business and civic leaders to assess regional health care workforce issues and needs. Group will discuss the nature of the problem, resources available to address the problem, plan to meet those needs, and the roles higher education institutions play.

Don Cavalier, Counseling and Career Services director, was elected vice chairperson of Minnesota State Department of Economic Security's Job Service Employer Committee.

Pam Holsinger-Fuchs, Student Activities and Service Learning director, was named one of 25 Women on the Go by Minnesota's American Council on Education Network and the Office of Women in Higher Education for being a leader in higher education.

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**DULUTH**—Special Minnesota Public Radio feature, "Tuning the Hall," about achieving "near perfect" acoustics in UMD Weber Music Hall, will air worldwide after Nov. 15 on the Voice of America's English Language Service weekend program "Our World." Story can be heard at [news.mpr.org/features/200210](http://news.mpr.org/features/200210).

School of Medicine Duluth (SOMD) will present the 3rd free public lecture in its "Doc Talks" series Nov. 19, 7:30 p.m., 142 SOMD lecture hall. Richard Danila, Minnesota Department of Health, will speak on "The Threat of Bioterrorism: Issues and Our Plan for Preparedness." Call 218-726-7012 or 726-8975.

Free UMD Planetarium shows are offered every Wednesday at 7 p.m., 130 Marshal W. Alworth Planetarium. Open to the public. For more information, e-mail [planet@d.umn.edu](mailto:planet@d.umn.edu) or call 218-726-7129.

**MORRIS**—UMM hosted the north central North America regional portion of the ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest Nov. 9. Computer science majors Matt Fair, Dan Flies, Jeff Hauck, Curt Kunkel, Mike Maurer, and Joel Nelson competed with teams from St. Cloud State, Moorhead, NDSU, and SDSU for a chance to advance to the world finals in Beverly Hills, CA, in March.

Cougar Soccer team advances to first rounds of Final Four after defeating Northern State U in playoffs.

Former Cougar wrestler Tina George captured the silver medal in the Women's World Wrestling Championship in Greece.

Instructional Technology Fair 2002 will be Nov. 14, Student Center. Linda Jorn, Digital Media Center on TC campus, will give the keynote address at 9 a.m. Fair will include 20-minute presentations by national and local vendors and teachers on products, innovations, or lesson plans and concurrent 50-minute sessions on instructional technology topics, beginning on the hour until 4 p.m.

**ROCHESTER**—UMR and Association of Southeast Minnesota Nurse Practitioners hosted a seminar, "Setting the Pace: A Clinical Practice Update Utilizing Case Study Analysis," for 50 nurse practitioners, physician assistants, and midwives from the region.

UMR and Assisi Community Center held a full-day conference on Rachel Carson's *Silent Spring* to study the scientific, environmental, literary, philosophical, and legal impacts of the book that led to the current environmentalist movement.

**TWIN CITIES**—2002 Community Fund Drive has surpassed its goal of \$1 million as of Nov. 7. Month-long drive was extended to Nov. 8. Grand prize drawing will be Nov. 15. For results, contact your unit volunteer or see [www.umn.edu/cfd](http://www.umn.edu/cfd).

Boynton Health Service primary care, vision, and gynecology services listed in the UPlan HealthPartners Classic Network Provider Directory is available to all faculty and staff members who select HealthPartners Classic. Directory listing incorrectly states that services are only open to students. Questions, see [www.consumerchoice.com/uofm](http://www.consumerchoice.com/uofm) or call Boynton Health Service at 612-624-6985.

Second-year dental and dental hygiene students have launched an e-mentoring program with ninth graders at Roosevelt Medical Magnet High School in Minneapolis. Project will help students learn more about basic sciences and health care professions as well as recruit students to dentistry.

**Event:** Biological Basis of Behavior Group fall retreat, "The Sensory Basis of Communication," will be Nov. 23, 9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m., BSBE building. Event is free and open to all interested in behavior study. For more information, see [nash.cbs.umn.edu/BBBG](http://nash.cbs.umn.edu/BBBG).

**Lectures:** "A Life of Birds: Illustrated Lecture and Book Signing" by wildlife artist Robert Bateman will be Nov. 14, 7 p.m., Bell Museum. Call 612-624-9050.

o Former VP Walter Mondale will lecture on "High Tide: The 89th Congress, Lyndon Johnson, and the Warren Court" Nov. 19, Cowles Auditorium. For tickets, call 625-5309.

o Howland Symposium "Thinking Smarter About Public Policies for Out-of-School Time," featuring national leaders in youth development, will be Nov. 20, 9 a.m.–noon, McNamara Alumni Center. To register, call 624-8192.

U Children's Literature Research Collections and Rivendell Group of the Mythopoeic Society will host a panel discussion, "Harry Potter in the Library of Childhood," Nov. 20, 2:15 p.m., Andersen Library.

o McKnight Summer Fellows presentations, "Society, Politics, and Government in Late Imperial Austria: Thoughts on a New Synthesis" and "Mobilizing Wonder, Creating the Scientific Imperial Subject—Japan 1920–45," will be Nov. 20, 3:30–5 p.m., 710 Social Sciences.

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**Brief will not be published Nov. 27.** Next issue will be Dec. 4. Happy Thanksgiving.

**U will share \$2.65 million from National Science Foundation** with Duke, Oregon State, and Clark Universities to study genetic relationships among fungi. U's share of four-year grant (\$510,000) will be used to compile existing and new data into a Web-accessible database; David McLaughlin, Bell Museum fungi curator, is principal investigator. Goal of study is to identify more species of fungi that may produce new drugs or other useful products.

**School of Music received a \$5 million gift** from the estate of U alum Harvey Berneking to fund scholarships and fellowships. Gift is largest ever to the school and 2nd largest single gift to any school of music at a U.S. public university.

**U's Center for Magnetic Resonance Research has received a \$4.5 million grant** from the W. M. Keck Foundation to expand its brain imaging research. Center will acquire a larger ultra-high field magnet system and add new electrophysiology and neurochemistry laboratories to its existing structure on the TC campus.

**Obesity and breast cancer connection linked to leptin**, a growth factor associated with weight gain, according to a new U study published in the Nov. 20 *Journal of the National Cancer Institute*. Hormel Institute and Mayo Clinic researchers have found that leptin enhanced the proliferation of normal and cancerous breast cells; they also found that a lack of leptin or its receptor is associated with a lack of breast tissue development in mice.

**U's Office of Educational Accountability helps Minnesota high schools comply with Elementary and Secondary Education Act** or No Child Left Behind Act, which requires all states to have a single statewide accountability system based on standards and assessments by 2003. Recommendations include achieving a 95% attendance rate at elementary and secondary school levels, raising the standard on teacher licensure exams, and developing a zero tolerance policy for weapons, drugs, and violence. For full report, see [education.umn.edu/OEA](http://education.umn.edu/OEA).

**New U Web site will enable community volunteers and outreach workers better help low-income families** determine eligibility for multiple state and federal programs. Web site, produced by the U's Children, Youth, and Family Consortium and Children's Defense Fund Minnesota, is at [www.coverinqallfamilies.org](http://www.coverinqallfamilies.org).

**U's governance system is strong on trust and efficiency**, said William Tierney, U of Southern California professor, to Faculty Consultative Committee Oct. 31. Tierney, who visited the U as part of a 3-year national study of institutional governance and decision making, said 75% of each survey participant group agreed that there is enough trust between faculty and administration for governance to work. In the first year of the study, his research team surveyed 750 institutions (5 individuals at each, including administrators and faculty); this year, he is visiting 15 other institutions, including the U, to flesh out the study.

**Former U regent and UMC provost Stanley Sahlstrom** won the 2002 Siehl Prize for Excellence in Agriculture. Sahlstrom and the 2 other winners, Leonard Wulf and Peter Poss, each received \$50,000 and a sculpture honoring their contributions to the production of food and alleviation of hunger. Sahlstrom, a U regent for 12 years and leader in agricultural education, has provided opportunities for youth to learn how to improve farm production and produce safe and healthy foods.

**2002-03 Even Mother Nature Loves Maroon and Gold poster** is now available. Nature photographer and U alum Jim Brandenburg donated a photo of a whitetail fawn walking through prairie grass in southwestern Minnesota. You can pick up one free poster at the U Relations reception desk, ground floor Morrill Hall, TC campus. Posters can be ordered online at [www.umn.edu/systemwide/MandG2002.html](http://www.umn.edu/systemwide/MandG2002.html).

**Gift certificates for College of Continuing Education noncredit programs** are now available. 2002-03 programs include fiction writing classes, cooking culture of India, and conversation with Archbishop Desmond Tutu. For more information, call 612-625-5760 or see [www.cce.umn.edu/giftcertificate](http://www.cce.umn.edu/giftcertificate).

**Optional Retirement Plan investment performance results through Sept. 30** appeared on the back page of *Minnesota Daily* Nov. 14. Information was sent separately to UMC, UMD, UMM, and UMR. For a copy of the report, call 612-624-9090.

**New nomination deadline for Financial Systems User Network Board of Directors** is Nov. 27. For more information, e-mail Mary Selisker at [m-seli@umn.edu](mailto:m-seli@umn.edu).

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**CROOKSTON**—On Nov. 13, the student body selected Lyle Westrom, associate professor of dairy science and agricultural education, as academic adviser with the most impact on students' lives. Crookston Student Association sponsored the voting.

UMC has established the Don and Mary Beth Sargeant Endowment to recognize the contributions of Chancellor Sargeant and his wife to the campus. Fund will support student scholarships and use of technology at UMC. Ken Broin, Veden Trust, has committed a \$50,000 matching gift; final endowment total will be announced at the end of Campaign Minnesota.

**DULUTH**—Exhibit, "Cesar Pelli: Architectural Models and Drawing of UMD Weber Music Hall," continues through Dec. 15, Tweed Museum of Art. Hours are Tuesdays, 9 a.m.–8 p.m., Wednesdays–Fridays, 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m., and Saturdays and Sundays, 1–5 p.m. Call 218-726-7823.

UMD Opera Workshop will perform "From Bizet to Broadway," featuring scenes from opera, operetta, and musical theatre Nov. 23. UMD Jazz Ensembles and UMD Percussion Ensemble will present "Forces in Motion," Nov. 26, featuring vocal jazz and chamber music. Both performances are at 7:30 p.m. in Weber Music Hall. Tickets are \$4 and \$5; call 218-726-8877.

**MORRIS**—Chancellor Schuman has been named to the Minnesota Public Radio Board of Trustees.

UMM's 40th commencement ceremony will be May 10, 1:30 p.m., campus mall. Commencement information is available at [www.mrs.umn.edu/events/commencement](http://www.mrs.umn.edu/events/commencement). For more information, call Maggie Larson at 320-589-6053.

UMM has joined more than 200 institutions in the National Student Exchange (NSE) program, which offers students the chance to pursue course work and gain a different academic experience at another NSE institution for up to a year.

**ROCHESTER**—UMR staff raised \$5,446 for United Way's annual campaign, with 91% participation.

**TWIN CITIES**—"Pharmacist Lucy," one of 109 Lucy statues that graced St. Paul during the summer, was recently installed in Weaver-Densford Hall. Statue is gift of 3 School of Pharmacy alumni who own the West 7th Pharmacy in St. Paul.

U's China Center hosted several medical professors and cardiovascular experts from China Nov. 14. Purpose of U visit was to learn about the U.S. health care system and prevention of cardiovascular diseases.

Coffman Memorial Union is scheduled to open Jan. 21. To view finished spaces, see [www.coffman.umn.edu](http://www.coffman.umn.edu). New photos will be posted each week as areas are completed and the opening draws closer.

U Youth and Community Programs will offer winter activities for children ages 5–12 Dec. 26, 27, 30, and 31, and Jan. 2 and 3, 7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. For more information, see [www.recsports.umn.edu/youth](http://www.recsports.umn.edu/youth).

Human Resources is sponsoring Weight Watchers 12-week At Work Program Nov. 27–Feb. 12. For more information, call Toni at 612-624-4153.

**Events:** Celebrate International Education Week, Nov. 21 at McNamara Alumni Center: 3–4 p.m., poster session with winners of the Walter H. Judd International Graduate and Professional Fellowships; 4–5 p.m., Judd Lecture "America: Vulnerable? Hegemonic? Or Both?" by J. Brian Atwood, Humphrey Institute dean; and 5–6:30 p.m., reception. For more information, see [www.international.umn.edu/news/2002/iweekcelebration.html](http://www.international.umn.edu/news/2002/iweekcelebration.html).

o U Marching Band indoor concert will be Nov. 23, 7 p.m., and Nov. 24, 3 p.m., Northrop Memorial Auditorium. Tickets are \$15 (\$13 children 12 and under). Call 612-624-2345.

o Jewelry sale to benefit nursing education programs and scholarships will be Dec. 5, 7:30 a.m.–4 p.m., by Outside In cafeteria, Phillips-Wangensteen.

**Lectures:** "Comic Books Can Teach You Physics," will be Nov. 21, 7 p.m., 150 Physics.

o "Hiawatha Corridor Housing Density," will be Nov. 22, noon–1:30 p.m., 1-147 Carlson School. Speakers are Gary Schiff, Minneapolis City Council, and Michael Krause, Green Institute. RSVP to 612-625-1551.

o "Period and Cohort Effects in the Production of Scholarly Knowledge: The Case of Criminology, 1951-1993," will be Nov. 22, 1–2:30 p.m., 1114 Social Sciences.

**Announcements:** Mahmood Zaidi, human resources and industrial relations professor, received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Graduate School of Business, Zurich.

o Paul Rupprecht, former director of health service at Boynton Health Services, died Oct. 30 at the age of 78.

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**Inauguration for President Bruininks will be Feb. 28, 2003.** Ceremony and related festivities will coincide with U's Founders Week Feb. 23–March 1. Mary Jo Kane, Tucker Center director, and John Adams, geography professor, are cochairs for the planning committee. Event details will be announced in the coming weeks.

**Vikings have rejected on-campus stadium plan** because it does not meet the requirements of an NFL-style entertainment venue in terms of infrastructure, traffic, and parking capacity. U and Vikings have explored joint-use stadium possibility since June as requested by the Minnesota Legislature.

U administrators will evaluate options and discuss next steps with the Board of Regents, faculty, students, and other key constituents. "Our biennial legislative request remains our top priority," said Richard Pfitzenreuter, U's chief financial officer and treasurer. "Our lease at the Metrodome expires in 2011, so this is a very real issue for the Gophers." For stadium updates, see [www.umn.edu/stadium](http://www.umn.edu/stadium).

**U epidemiology professors will combat tobacco-caused illnesses and death in developing countries** with grants from Fogarty International Center, which is part of the National Institutes of Health. Harry Lando will lead a tobacco cessation project in India and Indonesia, and Cheryl Perry will develop a smoking prevention program for 6th–9th graders in 44 schools in 3 Indian cities.

**Senior VP Cerra is one of 12 current and former chief executive officers of academic health centers** who will explore how academic health centers nationwide can fight bioterrorism. As a member of the Association of Academic Health Centers Biodefense Council, Cerra will help determine the roles and responsibilities for institutions and analyze potential options for the future, including collaboration in a biodefense network.

**U plant biologist Cynthia Weinig has received the Young Investigator Award**, which includes \$1.7 million over 4 years, from the National Science Foundation's Plant Genomics Research Project. Weinig is investigating how plants modify their shape or form in response to crowding and competition for sunlight.

**Faculty Senate and Student Senate will meet Dec. 5**, 2:30–5 p.m., 25 Mondale Hall. Broadcast locations are UMC, 305 Selvig Hall; UMD, Kirby Student Center Garden Room; and UMM, Behmler Hall Conference Room. (U Senate and TC Campus Assembly will not meet until Feb. 27). See [www.umn.edu/usenate/fsen/021205facagenda.html](http://www.umn.edu/usenate/fsen/021205facagenda.html).

**Diversity Institute is offering Diversity Explorations**, a 3-day workshop for faculty, staff, managers, and trainers to learn concepts and models used to address diversity and multiculturalism in a variety of settings. For more information, see [www.oma.umn.edu/di/diexplorations.html](http://www.oma.umn.edu/di/diexplorations.html).

**December Kiosk features include student alcohol consumption**, black bear research, the Great Service Initiative, and a proposed postretirement health care savings plan for civil service employees. Find *Kiosk* in your mailbox or on the Web at [www.umn.edu/urelate/kiosk](http://www.umn.edu/urelate/kiosk).

**CROOKSTON**—UMC has been recognized as one of 10 NCAA Division II colleges with the highest student-athlete graduation rate improvement by *USA Today* and National Collegiate Athletic Association. UMC student-athlete graduation rates increased by 44%, comparing freshmen who entered in 1994 with those who entered in 1995.

UMC will hold its first Holiday Tour of Lights on the campus mall. Organized by several student groups, display will open to the public Dec. 6, 7–10 p.m., in conjunction with the Crookston Chamber of Commerce Winter Wonderland, and continue Dec. 7, 8, 13, 14, and 15, 5–10 p.m. nightly.

Josh Clark, information technology management senior, participated in the Fastest Geek Competition sponsored by *PC Week* magazine and Systemax in Las Vegas Nov. 18–22. Competition, aired on CNN and TechTV's "Tech Live," required contestants to install various computer components quickly and boot up the machine successfully.

**DULUTH**—Music Department will present Holiday Concert Series "Sounds of the Season" featuring U Singers, Concert Chorale, Chamber Singers, and Instrumental Chamber Ensembles Dec. 6 and 7, 7:30 p.m. and Dec. 8, 3 p.m. "Story Hour Concert" will feature the UMD Symphony Orchestra performing musical stories, including "Carnival of the Animals," Dec. 10, 7:30 p.m. Both events are in Weber Music Hall. For tickets, call 218-726-8201. Go to the [U of M home page](#)

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Campus Food Drive sponsored by AFSCME Locals 3801 and 3800 for local food shelves will continue through Dec. 18. Drop off nonperishable food items in front of *Statesman* office in Kirby Student Center.

Glensheen Historic Estate will offer holiday brunches 10:30 a.m. every Tuesday, Thursday, and weekends through Dec. 22. Self-guided house tours begin at 9:30 a.m. Prepaid reservations required; 218-726-8910.

**MORRIS**—President Bruininks will visit UMM Dec. 6–7 to tour the campus; meet UMM students, faculty, and staff (3:45 p.m., Science Atrium); and attend the UMM Concert Choir's Carol Concert. Public is invited to meet Bruininks and his wife, Susan Hagstrum, at a community breakfast Dec. 7, 8:30 a.m., Prairie Inn Cougar Room.

Trustees of the Frank W. Veden Trust have established the Frank W. Veden Memorial Scholarship, which will be awarded annually to UMM students from Otter Tail County. Veden completed his undergraduate degree at the U and graduated from the School of Dentistry. The first award recipient is Alisa Greenwaldt '06, Henning.

Office of Community Service and Volunteerism is partnering with Black Student Union and Morris Area High School students for the Toys for Tots drive.

**TWIN CITIES**—Gopher women's basketball team ranked No. 12 in Dec. 2 *Associated Press* Top 25 Women's College Basketball Poll. Ranking is highest in school history, bettering the No. 14 ranking held last week and for a week in 2001–02 season. Team has been ranked in the AP polls since Jan. 21, 2002.

School of Dentistry students and faculty have treated 63 public program patients in Fergus Falls as part of the school's ongoing community outreach program.

*2003 Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges* will feature students from 2,300 institutions, including 21 from TC campus. Nominations were based on academic achievement, community service, leadership in extracurricular activities, and potential for continued success.

Architecture and Landscape Architecture Library is now open in Rapson Hall. All telephone numbers remain unchanged: circulation and information, 612-624-6383, reference service 626-7538.

U Libraries will move 160,000 lesser used books (not circulated in at least 12 years) from the Dewey Decimal collection in Wilson Library to Minnesota Library Access Center beginning January 2003. For more information, see [www.lib.umn.edu/books/dewey](http://www.lib.umn.edu/books/dewey) or call 612-626-7960.

Housing and Residential Life has furnished apartments available in December for visiting faculty and staff. One-bedrooms rent for \$58 per night; 2-bedrooms are \$68 with 3-night minimum. Apartments are in University Village and Roy Wilkins Hall. For more information, see [umn.edu/housing/visitors/tempGuestHousing.shtml](http://umn.edu/housing/visitors/tempGuestHousing.shtml) or call 612-624-2994.

Campus Club will reopen on the 4th floor of Coffman Union Jan. 21 with new executive chef. To reserve facility for an event or to request membership information, e-mail [platt@umn.edu](mailto:platt@umn.edu).

Campus Courier department is now offering off-site computer media storage. Pilot program focuses on small- to medium-sized IT or IS departments that need off-site storage of computer data. For more information, call Grant Tragethon at 612-625-6055.

Afro American and African studies instructor Wynfred Russell and some of his students have organized a campaign to raise awareness of HIV/AIDS in African immigrants and African American communities in conjunction with World AIDS Day. Events through Dec. 8 include performances by Eager Artists, 14-member South African troupe. For full event list, see [www.umn.edu/urelate/newsservice/newsreleases/02\\_11aidsawareness.html](http://www.umn.edu/urelate/newsservice/newsreleases/02_11aidsawareness.html).

**Events:** CS/BU Women's Initiative "Surviving Winter, CS/BU Style" will be Dec. 5, 11:30 a.m.–1 p.m., 140 Nolte Center. Create holiday cards and scented lotions and enjoy a free lunch. For more information, call 612-625-2385.

o U Child Care Center is celebrating Peace Week (Dec. 2–6) with a book sale, featuring books on peace and kindness, Dec. 4–5. Call 627-4014.

o Panel discussion, "Crime and Punishment: the Minnesota Connection," with Minnesota mystery writers William Kent Krueger, M. D. Lake, John Sandford, and Deborah Woodworth will be Dec. 13, 4 p.m., 120 Andersen Library. RSVP by Dec. 10 to [stangret@umn.edu](mailto:stangret@umn.edu) or 624-9339.

o Mesopotamian cuneiform texts exhibit will run through Dec. 20, James Ford Bell Library in Wilson Library. Selection of clay tablets, prisms, and cones are from U Library collections and Science Museum of Minnesota; see [special.lib.umn.edu/rare/cuneiform](http://special.lib.umn.edu/rare/cuneiform).

o Exhibit, "Time and Space Constructed: Tradition and Innovation in Contemporary Tapestry," will run through Jan. 26, Goldstein Gallery.

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**Regents will meet Dec. 12–13**, 600 McNamara Alumni Center. Agenda topics include U plan, performance, and accountability report; state economic update; and policies and issues related to student credit card usage. For full agenda, see [www.umn.edu/regents](http://www.umn.edu/regents).

**U is part of the solution to states's economic challenges, said President Bruininks** following Gov.-elect Pawlenty's announcement of the \$4.56 billion state budget deficit, but the state must be a partner in funding the U to ensure that the U has, and grows in, strengths that can help the state. "The U is a revenue generator, attracting more than \$525 million in research funding to Minnesota each year and creating new knowledge and technology that fuel the economy over the long term," he said. In light of state's budget woes, U administrators have prepared the U's lowest request in 10 years, which includes a 50-50 funding responsibility. For U budget information or updates, see [www.umn.edu/govrel](http://www.umn.edu/govrel).

**College of Pharmacy expansion program to Duluth is first in the college's 110-year history.** Program, which will admit its first class of 50 students in September 2003, will be headed by senior associate dean Stephen Hoag, who served for 7 years as dean and pharmacy professor at Drake U College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. U's College of Pharmacy is the only such college in Minnesota; goal of expansion is to address the shortage of pharmacists in greater Minnesota.

**Policy on faculty responsibility in academic governance was discussed** at Faculty Senate meeting Dec. 5. Goal of proposed policy is to clarify the role of tenured and tenure-track faculty in the functioning of their departments. Concerns were raised that policy may be perceived as threatening to nontenure track staff and may inadvertently create a 2-class track for faculty. Further discussions will be held; for policy information, call Gary Engstrand at 612-626-0884.

**Recommendations for faculty postretirement health care savings plan** were discussed in Faculty Senate meeting. (Proposed plan for CS/BU staff is outlined in the December *Kiosk*, or see [www.umn.edu/urelate/kiosk](http://www.umn.edu/urelate/kiosk).) Plan, to counteract the concerns of present and future retirees about increasing costs of health care, would provide similar benefits to 401a, 403b, and 457 plans but would also provide tax-free withdrawals to pay health insurance premiums and other health care costs upon retirement or termination of employment. Plan, especially contribution amount, would be evaluated every 3 years based on health care costs. "Our hope is for the plan to be in effect July 2003," said Faculty Retirement Subcommittee chair Dick Goldstein. "People are generally supportive of the idea, but maybe not the details." Committee will meet with U administration Dec. 12 to discuss plan.

**U senior David Simon has been awarded a 2003 Rhodes Scholarship.** Simon, who will pursue a graduate degree in international relations at Oxford for a career in foreign affairs, is the 2nd U student to win the scholarship in recent years. Simon is also a 2002 recipient of the Harry S. Truman Scholarship.

**U catalogs are available on a newly designed Web site, [www.catalogs.umn.edu](http://www.catalogs.umn.edu).** Based on usability testing, improvements have been made to site navigation, links, and pdf downloads of current catalogs. (New search function will be available soon.) Site includes information about faculty, academic programs, and courses for colleges and schools on all U campuses.

**College of Continuing Education will launch 2 new certificate programs beginning spring 2003:** Paper Science and Engineering, to give students a basic background in engineering and industry-specific knowledge of paper products, processes, and technologies; and Construction Management, which will give students a design and technology framework and communication and management skills. For more information, see [www.cce.umn.edu/certificates](http://www.cce.umn.edu/certificates).

**Effective Jan. 1, 2003, mileage allowance for personal vehicle use** on approved U business decreases from 36.5 cents to 36 cents per mile. Standard rate for moving expenses has also decreased from 13 cents to 12 cents per mile.

**Nominations are being accepted for the 2003 Northern Stars Leadership Conference**, which recognizes Minnesota high school sophomores who have demonstrated strong leadership and commitment to academics. Selected students will attend a daylong leadership conference on the TC campus April 12, 2003. Send nominations to Maureen Cisneros at 612-626-0515 or [ramir015@umn.edu](mailto:ramir015@umn.edu).

**CROOKSTON**—Music department will give 2 holiday concerts in the newly renovated Kiehle Auditorium: Dec. 12, 7:30 p.m. and Dec. 15, 3 p.m. Both programs are free and open to the public.

UMC competed at the Collegiate Crops Contest Nov. 17–21 in Kansas City, MO. Team placed 2nd overall, 3rd in identification, 2nd in seed analysis, and 3rd in grain grading. Individual members—Ben Loll, Jeremy Sather, and Kevin Jacobson—also placed in several categories.

Mark Huglen, assistant professor of speech communication, was panel respondent at the National Communication Association's (NCA) "Top Competitive Papers on Kenneth Burke" in New Orleans. Huglen will serve as program planner for the Kenneth Burke Society (an NCA division) at the 2003 convention in Miami and 2004 convention in Chicago.

**DULUTH**—Chancellor Martin has been appointed to the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II Presidents Council effective January 2003. The 13-member council oversees the Division II Management Council, which consists of 25 athletics administrators and faculty representatives across the nation.

UMD accepted an invitation to join the North Central Conference (NCC) Division II; it is the first institution NCC has admitted for membership since 1981. Bulldog athletic teams will compete in the 8-member NCC starting in the 2004–05 season.

**MORRIS**—UMM will participate in the 63rd annual William Lowell Putnam Mathematics Competition, most elite math contest for undergraduates, Dec. 7. Each year, more than 2,000 students spend 6 hours trying to solve 12 problems. Individual and team winners are recognized with monetary awards.

Tutoring, Reading, Enabling Children (TREC) program has recognized its outstanding tutors for fall semester 2002. The 40 UMM students who participated in the program worked with Morris Area School students in 8 program areas, including the Homework Helping Center, in-class tutoring, story time at the library, early childhood family education, Head Start, and Morris Area Child Care Center.

**ROCHESTER**—UMR was recognized at the Rochester Area Math Science Partnership's annual meeting for its leadership role in supporting improvements dedicated to helping students achieve world-class standards in math, science, and technology. Recent UMR masters of education graduate, Mike Greve, received the Partnership's Teacher of the Year award.

**TWIN CITIES**—U has 3 parking ramps designated for SnOasis, free overnight parking during a snow emergency cleanup. Ramps are 4th St. (Dinkytown), Oak Street (Stadium Village), and 21st Ave. (West Bank). U community may use these ramps only on the first day of an emergency, which runs from 9 p.m.–8 a.m. Enter ramps after 8 p.m. and exit before 8 a.m. Those who leave their vehicles past 8 a.m. must pay the maximum daily rate, including overnight hours.

At "Legislative Advocacy at the U" event Dec. 5., President Bruininks outlined the 2004-2005 biennial budget proposal philosophy and made a direct appeal for U community-wide involvement. About 70 people gathered to learn about the current budget situation and grassroots advocacy strategies. To attend the 2003 Legislative Briefing on Jan. 21, 5:30–7:30 p.m., see [www.alumni.umn.edu/legnetwork](http://www.alumni.umn.edu/legnetwork).

Gopher football team will play against the Arkansas Razorbacks in the 2002 Music City Bowl Dec. 30, 1 p.m., Nashville. Gophers finished the season 7-5 overall. This will be the U's 3rd appearance in a bowl game in the past 4 seasons. For ticket information, see [www.gophersports.com/Bowl2002](http://www.gophersports.com/Bowl2002).

Twin Cities Public Television (channel 17) will air "We Watch the City" Dec. 15, 8 p.m. Documentary, produced by U's Research and Training Center on Community Living, features stories of 9/11 through the eyes of people with developmental disabilities and those who support them.

International Student and Scholar Services will be open only from 10:30 a.m. to noon Dec. 13 because of an afternoon staff meeting.

Five-year comprehensive performance review of General Counsel Mark Rotenberg has been completed. He will continue as legal support to the president, Board of Regents, and U community; his next review is scheduled for 2007.

Human Resources-sponsored, West Bank At-Work Weight Watchers group will hold informational open house and registration Dec. 16, Humphrey Center. For more information, e-mail Vicki at [vlund@csom.umn.edu](mailto:vlund@csom.umn.edu) or call 612-624-9575.

**Announcement:** Laurie McLaughlin is the new director of Housing and Residential Life. As assistant director for the department from 1989 to 1997, she was instrumental in developing the U's initial Living Learning Communities, including the First-Year Student Residential Experience program.

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**U will explore an on-campus, Gophers-only facility**, said President Bruininks to Board of Regents Dec. 13. "We have serious reservations about whether a joint stadium would yield our desired outcomes," he said, noting that the U wants to create a collegiate game day experience that would increase student attendance and bring alumni back to campus. "It certainly matters that virtually all of our constituencies have expressed concerns about the impact of an NFL entertainment venue on campus," he said.

U's Metrodome lease expires 2011; Bruininks said the U will remain open to other ideas and has no plans to advance a stadium proposal in the 2003 legislative session. Regents expressed support for exploring a Gophers-only facility; U will outline its plans in a letter to the legislature that will also include a summary of work it completed on a joint facility with the Vikings. "[The predesign work with the Vikings] was a very valuable process that helped us understand the site and design elements and infrastructure and transportation needs," he said.

**State's projected \$4.560 billion 2004-05 budget deficit** is the result of a weak stock market, slow-to-rebound economy, and higher than projected human services expenditures, said Tom Stinson, Minnesota state economist, to Regents Finance and Operations Committee. Deficit, which is \$2.910 billion more than estimates at the 2002 end-of-session, includes a \$356 million budget shortfall for 2002-03. Stinson said about 70% of the 2002-03 deficit can be traced to income tax, which makes up nearly half the state's revenue. Since February 2001, Minnesota has lost 35,000 jobs, exceeding the national average.

**U has a balance sheet of assets and liabilities that is strong**, reported VP Pfutzenreuter to Regents Finance and Operations Committee. U assets total approximately \$3.4 billion; liabilities \$1.2 billion. In fiscal year 2002, the U's largest revenue contributions came from state appropriations (31%), grants and contracts (24%), and student tuition and fees (14%); the biggest expenses were instruction (31%), research (17%), and academic support (12%).

**U students have less credit card debt compared to the national average**, said Ed Ehlinger, Boynton Health Services director, to Regents Faculty, Staff, and Student Affairs Committee Dec. 12. He said 51% of first-year and 61.7% 2nd-year U students have at least one credit card, compared to the national average of 54% and 92%. "Of our 18- to 24-year-old students with credit cards, 7.7% had a balance greater than \$3,000," he said. According to a Boynton Student Health Survey, excessive credit card debt is a problem for students. In 2001, 5.5% first-year students, 20.1% 4th-year, and 24.1% 5th-year students agreed with the statement that "a credit card is a significant stressor on my life."

Ehlinger said the issue is not about credit cards "but about the choices the students make." Many are choosing a high-expense lifestyle (for example, cellphones, private room, and eating out) or don't understand the long-term consequences of interest rates on high credit card debt. Although percentage of TC campus students with at least one credit card has dropped from 88% in 1995 to 73.5% in 2001, Ehlinger said, U must continue to educate students about the implications of high debt and making sound financial choices.

**U may study electronic transfer option as means to pay tuition**, said VP and executive vice provost Jones to regents Dec. 12, because of increasing demand from parents and students across the nation. U is among several universities, including Michigan State, Iowa, and U of California-Berkeley, that do not allow use of a credit card to pay tuition; 60% of public universities offer this option, he said.

**Minnesota Landscape Arboretum has received 2 multi-million-dollar gifts toward construction of its new visitor center.** An anonymous donor gave \$3.5 million and Al and Mary Agnes McQuinn gave \$1.4 million, bringing total funds raised for the facility to \$19.5 million. Site preparation is near completion; construction will begin in late 2003.

**U and American Society of Interior Designers (ASID) have launched a Web site** that its creators say will change the way design and architecture are practiced. Site, [www.informedesign.umn.edu](http://www.informedesign.umn.edu), includes a searchable database of about 50 journals, glossary of terms, calendar of events, discussion forums, and list of collaborative research opportunities. The \$1.18 million ASID-funded project is the brainchild of U's design, housing, and apparel department director Caren Martin and coordinator Denise Guerin.

**Beginning spring 2003, U campuses will enter final grades via the Web.** For more information, see UMC, [www.crk.umn.edu/people/services/registrar/GradeReporting.htm](http://www.crk.umn.edu/people/services/registrar/GradeReporting.htm); UMD, [www.d.umn.edu/faculty/grading](http://www.d.umn.edu/faculty/grading); and UMTC, [onestop.umn.edu/registrar/Grades/gradereporting/](http://onestop.umn.edu/registrar/Grades/gradereporting/). Questions, e-mail Dave Krueger at [krueg055@umn.edu](mailto:krueg055@umn.edu).

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**Phase II of "Make the U a Capitol Priority" campaign will run through Jan. 7**, the day state legislature convenes to discuss biennial budget. Participate in campaign by sending your newly elected officials a letter of congratulations, attend town hall meetings, or call a meeting of your own. For more information about the campaign or the U's Legislative Network, e-mail Nicole Bennett at [benne069@umn.edu](mailto:benne069@umn.edu).

**Council of Academic Professionals and Administrators will meet Dec. 20**, 9 a.m., 210 Donhowe, TC campus. Agenda includes proposed P&A emeritus title and postretirement health care savings account.

**CROOKSTON**—Rose Koch is the new vice chancellor for finance. She was formerly deputy general manager for finance and corporate planning at US West Inc. and co-owned and operated a regional financial planning business in Crookston.

UMC and Polaris Industries, Roseau, will offer a Bachelor of Manufacturing Management (B.M.M.) degree to Polaris employees. Evening classes for 4-year programs held at Polaris or Roseau high school is modeled after UMC's B.M.M. program at Marvin Windows and Doors in Warroad.

Kristi Puppe, applications programmer for UMC Media Services and the Northwest Educational Technology System, was named Employee of the Semester (fall 2002) by UMC's United Staff Association. She has been employed at UMC since 1997.

**DULUTH**—UMD Recreational Sports and Outdoor Program will hold its annual "Let's Have A Ball" New Year's Eve Party Dec. 31, 4-8 p.m., Sports and Health Center. Open to all; activities include skating, swimming, rollerblading, rock climbing, volleyball, face painting, obstacle course, and family films. Cost is \$6 per person (those under 16 must be accompanied by an adult). Call 218-726-7128.

Pam Griffin, Access Center general disability services counselor and instructor, will be one of 20 participants in a 3-year nationwide project, "Do-It Admin," a U of Washington project based on activities of the "Do-It Prof" program, to make educational programs accessible to students with disabilities. For more information, see [www.d.umn.edu/access](http://www.d.umn.edu/access) or [www.washington.edu/doi/Faculty](http://www.washington.edu/doi/Faculty).

**MORRIS**—Chancellor Schuman was a recent guest on "Open Line," KXRA radio, Alexandria. UMM's history, academic excellence, and athletics were among topics of discussion.

Materials related to reviews and book presentations of Spanish professor Vicente Cabrera's 3rd novel, *Lasombra del Espia* (The Shadow of the Spy) are featured in the HFA building display window. Book, published March 2002 in Ecuador, has garnered international acclaim. His 4th work of fiction is scheduled for release summer 2003.

**TWIN CITIES**—Parking and Transportation Services is working with U's Community Relations office to create a safer intercampus bus route along Cleveland Avenue in St. Paul following the U's acquisition of 4 new 54-seat Campus Connectors. "With the longer buses and heavy auto and pedestrian traffic, Cleveland Avenue is a very tight squeeze, especially at the Buford Avenue intersection," said Community Relations director Jan Morlock, who will meet with campus neighbors and city and county representatives to agree on a solution. Options include widening the street or reducing street parking.

David Tilman, ecology, evolution, and behavior professor in CBS, is once again the most cited ecologist and environmental scientist in the world in the last decade, according to Institute for Scientific Information (ISI), which publishes the *Scientific Citation Index*. Peter Reich, forest resources professor in CNR, was also ranked in the top 15. Rankings are based on the number of times peers have cited the scientists' work; ISI tallied the citations of nearly 2,000 scientists.

Another bronze bull has joined the 2 already resting on the lawns in front of Haecker Hall. Connecticut artist Peter Woytuk was selected by members of the U's Public Art on Campus program to create the sculptures in conjunction with renovation of the hall.

Annual Safety and Security on Campus report is available at [www.umn.edu/umpolice/campsec1.htm](http://www.umn.edu/umpolice/campsec1.htm); for printed copy, call 612-625-3454.

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