



U of M Crookston Campus E-Update

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Editor's Note

Chancellor Wood is out of the office. He will have a column in the next edition of E-Update. Also, with this edition, E-Update now moves to its bi-weekly publication schedule through the academic year.

Featured Events & Activities

UMC Night at the F-M RedHawks in Fargo, Wednesday, August 6 – 7 p.m., Newman Outdoor Field, 1515 15th Ave., Fargo, N.D.

Experience UMC Day for Prospective Students, Friday, August 8 – 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., check in at Sargeant Student Center

UMC Hosts the Ox Cart Days Ice Cream Social Featuring Music by the WoodPicks, Wednesday, August 13 – 4 to 6:30 p.m., Peterson Gazebo, UMC Campus Mall

New Faculty and Staff Orientation with Campus Tour, Monday, August 18 – 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., meet in Kiehle 116

Welcome Back Luncheon for Faculty and Staff, Monday, August 18 – 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Bede Ballroom, Sargeant Student Center

Moodle Technology Training, Monday, August 18 – 2 p.m. "Moodle 101" for new users, 2:45 p.m. "What's New in Moodle" for advanced users, 207 Dowell Hall

Faculty and Staff Academic and Non-Academic Departmental Lunch and Meetings, Tuesday, August 19 – Noon to 3 p.m., various locations across campus

Annual Faculty and Staff Golf Scramble, Thursday, August 21 – 3 to 6 p.m., Minakwa Golf Course, Crookston, green fees \$13 per player and carts \$11 per cart for nine holes, open to all faculty and staff

New Student Orientation, Friday, August 22 – 8 a.m. to noon, check-in, Kiehle Rotunda

Orientation Convocation, Friday, August 22 – 3:15 to 4:30 p.m., Kiehle Auditorium

Fall Semester 2014 Classes Begin, Tuesday, August 26

For details on these and a comprehensive listing of other events or to discover what's happening this week, visit UMC Today at www.umcrookston.edu/today or review our news page at <http://blog.lib.umn.edu/umcweb/news> .

Learn more about events across the entire University of Minnesota system via *Brief*: www.umn.edu/twincities/faculty-staff/brief.

Around Campus

Administrative Affairs –

All UMC employees are invited to attend the Welcome Back Luncheon on Monday, August 18, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Bede Ballroom, Sargeant Student Center. New faculty and staff will be introduced, and Chancellor Wood will offer remarks as the campus prepares for the new academic year.

Faculty and staff academic and non-academic departmental lunch meetings will be held Tuesday, August 19, from Noon to 3 p.m. in the following locations:

- Agriculture & Natural Resources Department, UTOC 120
- Business Department, Alseth Business Boardroom (Dowell 116)
- Liberal Arts & Education Department, Kiehle 116
- Math, Science & Technology Department, Dowell 208
- Non-academic department meetings will be held in their respective office areas across campus.

Academic Affairs –

Shilo Morlang has been hired as an online and on-campus student advisor for the Liberal Arts & Education Department. His responsibilities include advising students in the communication and applied studies online programs as well as undeclared online and on-campus students. Morlang received his Master of Fine Arts in creative writing from Eastern Washington University, and his Bachelor of Arts in English and psychology from the University of North Dakota. He began his responsibilities on July 7.

Student Affairs & Enrollment Management –

Admissions will host another Experience UMC Day for prospective students on Friday, August 8, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. with check-in at the Sargeant Student Center. The event is meant to help future students explore the many assets and opportunities UMC offers while they meet UMC faculty as well as other prospective students and their families.

A special workshop for faculty and staff about the student hiring process will be held Tuesday, August 19, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Dowell 200. The workshop will include a discussion and demonstration of the process for hiring student workers. All departments that hire student workers are encouraged to send someone to attend this workshop. Presenters will be Mary Feller of the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships and Sandy Herkenhoff of the Office of Human Resources.

Technology Support Services –

UMC received shipment of 1,150 new notebook computers last week. These standard model computers will be distributed to faculty and staff during the week of August 18, and to students beginning on Monday, August 25. The new machines are the **HP EliteBook 840 G1 Notebook PC (Ultrabook)**. Specifications of this model include:

- Intel i5-4200U (1.6GHz w/turbo, 3MB cache) processor
- 180 GB solid-state hard drive
- 8 GB 1600 MHz DDR3 SDRAM memory
- 14.0 inch LED HD+ SVA anti-glare flat touch display (1600x900)
- Intel 4400 HD graphics
- Integrated HD webcam
- Back-lit DualPoint keyboard
- Intel 802.11 a/b/g/n/ac wireless
- Bluetooth 4.0
- USB 3.0
- Integrated fingerprint reader
- 3-cell 50Whr battery
- Windows 8.1 64-bit operating system
- 3-year standard warranty
- 3-year accidental damage warranty
- 3-year defective media retention warranty
- 3-year battery warranty

Two technology training sessions on Moodle, the Internet-based learning platform used by the U of M system, will be offered for faculty and staff on Monday, August 18, in 207 Dowell Hall. At 2 p.m., “Moodle 101” will provide a demonstration of the basic tools of Moodle, including assignments, forums, and quizzes as well as how to link to files, websites, and labeling. At 2:45 p.m. a second session will delve into new features and advanced applications in Moodle. These training sessions will be presented by Steve Hannah and Debi Race of UMC’s Center for Teaching, Learning, and Technology.

Development & Alumni Relations –

The Office of Development & Alumni Relations will host UMC Night at the F-M RedHawks on Wednesday, August 6, at 7 p.m., Newman Outdoor Field, 1515 15th Ave., Fargo, N.D. The RedHawks will face the Wichita Wingnuts. Tickets are \$7 for reserved, \$3 for general admission with the promotional code “UMC” (instead of \$9/\$5), and the online order fees for that code are \$0.50 per ticket instead of \$2. Tickets may be purchased online at www.etix.com/ticket/online/performanceSearch.jsp?performance_id=1770720. **UMC Alum Carl Melbye '77 will throw out the first pitch.** All alumni, students, faculty, and staff are welcome.

University Relations –

University Relations will host the Ox Cart Days Ice Cream Social on Wednesday, August 13, from 4 to 6:30 p.m. at the Peterson Gazebo on the Campus Mall (rain site: Northern Lights Lounge, Sargeant Student Center). Members of the campus and the Crookston community are invited to enjoy free ice

cream courtesy of UMC Dining Services while listening to live music by the WoodPicks, a regional acoustic band that plays gospel, bluegrass, country, and Americana music. At 5 p.m. the first clue for the 2014 Ox Cart Days Medallion Hunt will be announced. The UMC Bookstore will be open until 6:30 p.m. that evening and will have special T-shirts on sale for only \$6.99. Discounted tickets for the Minnesota State Fair will also be available to purchase at the Bookstore.

UMC will have an entry in the Ox Cart Days Parade on Saturday, August 16, at 7 p.m. Chancellor Wood, Golden Eagle student-athletes and coaches, and Regal the Eagle will march in the parade handing out athletics schedules and candy. Any and all faculty, staff, and alumni are welcome to join the group. Contact Andrew Svec (asvec@umn.edu or 218-281-8438) for more information.

Athletics –

Golden Eagle student-athletes will arrive on campus and prepare to begin practice on the following dates: **football reports Monday, August 11; volleyball reports Saturday, August 16; and soccer reports Sunday, August 17.**

Don Stopa has been hired as head women's softball coach for the Golden Eagles. He comes to UMC with a broad background of coaching collegiate softball, most recently at National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) affiliate Louisburg College in Louisburg, North Carolina, for the past three seasons. He also served as the sports information director for Louisburg. Stopa also spent three years at Pima Community College in Tucson, Arizona, working with both the baseball and softball teams, and prior to that he served as the head softball coach at Graceland University, a National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) school in Lamoni, Iowa, where he also was an assistant baseball coach for two seasons. He holds an M.S. in sport management, a B.A. in communication, and an Associate of Arts degree in mass communication.

Bryan Beamish has been hired as an assistant coach for men's basketball. He comes to UMC after one season as a graduate assistant under Jim Larranaga at NCAA Division I University of Miami, Florida. Beamish earned his MBA with an emphasis in sports business from Saint Leo University and his bachelor's degree in interpersonal and organizational communication from University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

Steven Krouse has been hired as an assistant athletic trainer. He comes from the College of Saint Scholastica, where he recently earned a Master of Science in athletic training and worked as a trainer for the University of Minnesota Duluth women's basketball team as well as for the football and track and field teams at St. Scholastica and the football and volleyball teams at Northwestern High School in Maple, Wis. Krouse also holds a Bachelor of Arts in exercise science from Saint Olaf College in Northfield, Minn.

To view all results and upcoming athletic events, visit www.goldeneaglesports.com.

Campus and Community

As part of Crookston's Ox Cart Days, **the 4th Annual Veterans Recognition Ceremony will be held Friday, August 15, at 3 p.m. in Kiehle Auditorium.** During the program, three local veterans will be

honored. There will also be a special WWII presentation, and the American Roots Revue will perform their song "Welcome Home." The event is free and open to the public.

Crookston Community Theatre's Summer Arts Safari production of "Goldilocks and the Three Pigs" will have two performances in UMC's Kiehle Auditorium as part of Crookston's Ox Cart Days. Show times are Friday, August 15, at 5:40 p.m. and Saturday, August 16, at 11 a.m. Tickets for the performances may be purchased at the door, adults \$8 and children \$3.

Learn more about all events taking place as part of Crookston's Ox Cart Days, August 13-17, at www.facebook.com/oxcartdaysfestival.

Accolades

Joseph Shostell, head of the Math, Science & Technology Department, has co-authored an article with Manuel Ruiz-Garcia and Myreya Pinedo-Castro of Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Bogota, Columbia, entitled "How many genera and species of woolly monkeys (Atelidae, Platyrrhine, Primates) are there? The first molecular analysis of *Lagothrix flavicauda*, an endemic Peruvian primate species." The article appears in the recently published journal *Molecular Phylogenetics and Evolution*, Volume 79 (2014).

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