Upcoming Events
♦ March 24 - International Seminar Series - Brown Dining 6 p.m. “Nepal”
♦ March 24 - Alpha Lamda Delta Installation 7 p.m. Kiehle Auditorium
♦ March 26 - Spring Convocation 10 a.m. Kiehle Auditorium
♦ March 26 - “Land, Liquor and the Women of Hatton, ND” Noon Brown A & B
♦ March 27 - Women’s History Month Tea 2 p.m. Epicurean Room
♦ April 2-6 MACT Fest Kiehle Auditorium
♦ April 4 - Community Dialogue 8 a.m. - 10 a.m. Trinity Lutheran Church
♦ April 4 - Major Fair 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Brown Dining Room
♦ April 4 - “Penguin Blues” Crookston Play featuring UMC’s very own Andrew Svec 10 p.m. Kiehle Auditorium
♦ April 5 - Res Life “Breakfast in Bed” 9 a.m.
♦ April 7 - Johnny Holm 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Crookston Armory

Campus Showdown: Faculty/Staff vs. Students

Wednesday, March 26 from 8 p.m. -10 p.m. in Kiehle Auditorium.
The first annual Campus Showdown of the Faculty/Staff versus the Students will be a fun-filled event for everyone. This will be an audience interactive competition with many events where the students will be competing against the faculty, in events such as Whose Line is it Anyway, Pictionary, Hollywood Squares, and Battle of the Bands. These events will require audience participation and enthusiasm and selected students. You are guaranteed a wonderful time.
Faculty/Staff Participants in the Battle of the Bands include: Bill Heimer (UMC faculty alumni), Jim Schaar, David Seyfried, Dan Neumann, Dave LeGare, Melinda McCluskey, Jerry Knutson, Rae French and George French. Student participants include: Nate Dahl, Mark Gangler, Jeff Tapper, Luke Shields, Paul Robinson and Trent Olslund (a member of Those Guys). This event is sponsored by the Crookston Student Association (CSA) and S.P.A.C.E. as a way to have the faculty interact with the students more - a goal of CSA.
Please join us Wednesday evening for an exciting night.

Spring Convocation Set for March 26

UMC will hold its Spring Semester Convocation on Wednesday, March 26, at 10 a.m. in the auditorium of the newly-renovated Kiehle Building. Jean Korkowski, Crookston Student Association President, will serve as mistress of ceremonies. All interested students, faculty, staff, and community members are invited to attend. A special surprise guest speaker is planned.
As part of the program, the UMC Choir will perform a set of musical selections under the direction of George French, Associate Professor of Music. UMC Chancellor Don Sargeant will recognize members of the Chancellor’s 4.0 Club from Fall Semester 2002. Members of UMC’s inaugural group inducted into Alpha Lambda Delta, a national honor society for first-year students, will also be recognized. Varsity athletics team captains will recognize their respective teams and provide updates on their accomplishments this season.

Next W.O.W. Event
MACT Fest Kiehle Auditorium- Tickets available at Dowell Info Desk

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Minnesota theatre patrons will have a chance to see the best of Minnesota community theatre April 2-6, when UMC will serve as the host site for MACT*FEST 2003, “Stars of the North,” the 16th biennial play festival of the Minnesota Association of Community Theatres.

MACT*FEST offers audiences a rare opportunity to experience a broad spectrum of plays and the talent and artistry of some of the top community theaters from across the state. Productions by 18 Minnesota community theatre companies will be presented beginning Wednesday evening, April 2, and continuing throughout the weekend. The performances will be held in the newly renovated Kiehle Auditorium on the UMC campus. The event is open to the public and theatre-goers from across the state are invited to attend.

Each company will present a one-act play or a cutting of a full length play or musical, the total length of which cannot exceed 60 minutes. They have 10 minutes to set up and 10 minutes to strike their sets. Immediately after their performance, adjudicators give feedback to the cast, crew, and audience.

Tickets are $10 per session (each session includes two or three plays); $8 for students and seniors. The first 100 session passes will be sold to UMC students for only $3 (limit 2 passes per student) through a generous grant from UMC Concerts and Lectures Committee. A play-only festival package is also available that includes all plays for only $35. For more information visit <www.MACT.net>. Advance tickets will also be available at the Dowell Info Desk, 117 Dowell Hall, and at Montague’s Flower Shop in Crookston.

Community Events

Wednesday, April 2 through Sunday, April 6 - Northwest MN Art Exhibition - 2nd floor Kiehle Library.

Daylight Savings Time Begins April 6. Set your clocks AHEAD one hour.
LSS/Respite Care needs volunteers to visit chronically ill, frail elderly or disabled individuals older than age 60 while the caregiver is away running errands or going to appointments. Hours are flexible. Visit www.volunteam.org, or contact Jan Aamoth at 281-5975.

The Teen Parent Childcare Program needs volunteers to serve as “extra hands” by walking, rocking and feeding babies and toddlers. Hours are flexible. Visit www.volunteam.org, or contact Karen Olson at 281-2854.

We be Clubbin’ -

Alpha Lambda Delta Chapter Installation March 24
The UMC Chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta, a national society that honors academic excellence during a student’s first year at college, will be officially installed at ceremonies scheduled for Monday, March 24, at 7 p.m. in Kiehle Auditorium. Twenty-eight UMC students will be inducted, as will five honorary members: Kami Mattson, administrative advisor; James Thomasson, faculty advisor; Doug Knowlton, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs; Bob Nelson, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs; and Chancellor Don Sargeant. Founded in 1924 at the University of Illinois, Alpha Lambda Delta has over 230 chapters across the United States and has initiated over 650,000 students. Students invited to join have accomplished something that over 85% of college freshmen have not: outstanding academic achievement during their first year of college. Learn more at <www.mercer.edu/ald/>.

March is Women’s History Month

“Land, Liquor and the Women of Hatton, North Dakota”
March 26, noon, Youngquist Auditorium, Barbara Handy-Marchello, Associate Professor of History at the University of North Dakota, offers a look back at the often overlooked history of the Red River Valley farm women in a lecture. Coffee and juice will be available in the Seminar Room following the presentation.

“Taking Time for Tea”
March 27, 2:00 Epicurean Room, hosted by Rebekah Stortroen and Claudia Barton with recommendations for great Women’s History Month readings presented by Rachel Sundbom, UMC grad and employee of Lake Agassiz Regional Library. Enjoy a selection of fine teas, delicate desserts and mind-expanding literary works! Call 281-8379 or 281-8552 for reservations.

March 24 International Seminar Spotlights Nepal
The third dinner in the annual UMC International Seminar Series will focus on “Nepal: Close to Heaven.” UMC student Shashanka Acharya will provide perspectives on his Nepalese culture. The evening begins at 6 p.m. with an ethnic dinner, followed at 7 p.m. by a program focusing on the culture and traditions of Nepal. The dinner will be served in Brown Dining Room of UMC’s Sahlstrom Conference Center and is by reservation only. Cost is $8 per person. Please make reservations for the seminar series by calling Brent Melsa at 218-281-8540 or 218-281-8538.

Preserving Community
With military action in Iraq appearing more imminent each day, I want to provide you with my thoughts on preserving the University of Minnesota’s sense of community during what may be a difficult time.

The University has a long tradition of open dialogue and engagement in the civic life of this country. It is likely that members of our community will have differing points of view about this issue and will, consistent with our tradition, express those views publicly and vigorously. While the institution will take no position on the issue of conflict in Iraq, the freedom to engage in passionate dialogue about important questions is among our most deeply held values and we will continue to honor that value.

We are committed to ensuring that the University is a place where many different viewpoints can coexist and can be heard. This is a safe place—both physically and intellectually—for all members of our community and it will remain so. We should also not forget that some members of the University community are directly affected by this pending war. More than 100 of our faculty, staff and students have been called into military service and more are likely to be called as time passes. We hope and pray for their safe return so they may take up their roles as our students, teachers, colleagues and friends.

Sincerely,
—Robert H. Bruininks, President, University of Minnesota
Companies on Campus

March 26 - Soy Gentic
Sign up for interviews with Meloni
Rasmussen in Owen 270

Brain Teasers

This week’s winner is Ryan Owens. He knew the puzzle below meant “Hiking in the Woods.” Ryan can pick up his free movie pass in Dowell 119. Can you guess this week’s puzzle? If you think you know the answer send an e-mail to melonir. A winner will be chosen from the correct answers. The winner will receive a free ticket to the Grand Theatre in Crookston. Email your answer to Meloni prior to noon on Thursday, March 27. The winner’s name will appear in the March 31 Eagle’s Eye.

Brown Dining Room Expands Hours, Network Connectivity

Brown Dining Room is now open all day from 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday-Friday for extra lounge space until the new student center is completed. Wireless LAN connections are now in place for your convenience. Beverages, ice cream, and other snacks will be made available for purchase throughout the day. Students, staff, and faculty are encouraged to use this extra lounge space for it will provide a good, quiet studying environment.

Computer Corner

Students you need to add the new printer queue in order to utilize the new “Dowell Info Desk” print queue. Here’s a simple way to add a new print queue:
1. Open My Computer
2. Type `\sw` or `\dfish` in the Address bar (if you use forward slashes (`//`), it will tell you the page is under construction).
3. Double click on the print queue you wish to add, in this case: Dowell Info Desk.
4. The printer will automatically add itself to your available printers.

Now that Bede is closed you may delete the Bede Info Desk printer icon from your printers menu. Simply highlight it and click “delete.” You may also remove the former “Help Desk” print queue.

If you have any questions, contact the Help Desk at x8000.

Classifieds

GMAT Preparation Materials for sale. Contact 281-8832

FOR Sale: 02 Arctic Cat Z Sno Pro, C&A Pro Skis, Studs, 900 mi, Exc Cond, $3650, udtp001@umn.edu or 281-4772 Prefer email.

If you would like to include an ad in the classified section of the Eagle’s Eye email your request to melonir or drop your ad off in Dowell Hall 119. Ads will be included in the Eagle’s Eye FREE of Charge. Ads will be included on a first come first served basis. Ads will run for two weeks if space allows. We reserve the right to reject any ads.