Date Auction and Battle of the Sexes March 3

The Date Auction and Battle of the Sexes will be held Wednesday, March 3 at 8 p.m. in Kiehle Auditorium. It is not too late to get money for the date auction (it’s like monopoly money). The night of the Event you... a. receive $500 when you walk in the door; b. buy $250 for every individual $1 (money will be donated to the Crookston Humane Society); c. receive $100 for every non-perishable food item brought in (donated to the Care and Share). The event will promptly start at 8 p.m. with the Battle of the Sexes portion first. The doors will open at 7:30 p.m. and people can start to purchase regular money. The sale of money and $500 walk in will stop when the Battle of the Sexes starts. Prizes and auction items will be gift certificates to Crookston businesses.

International Dinner Series Begins March 1 with Focus on Ghana

“Ghana: The Land of Gold” presented by UMC student John K. Oketch will launch the 2004 UMC International Seminar Series on Monday, March 1. Each evening in the series will begin at 6 p.m. with an ethnic dinner, followed at 7 p.m. by a program focusing on the culture and traditions of the respective country. The dinner is served in Brown Dining Room and is by reservation only. Cost is $8.50 per person. Please make reservations for the seminar series by calling Angelika Huglen at 218-281-8540 or Brent Melsa 218-281-8538. Subsequent evenings will feature the following seminars:

- **Monday, March 8** - “Yugoslavia: Serbia and Montenegro - at the crossroads of Europe and Cultures,” presented by UMC student Nikola Zecevic
- **Monday, March 22** - “Vietnam: My Native Country,” presented by UMC students Hung Tien Vo & Anh Chu

March 1 Magnificent Mondays Presentation: Dress for Success Seminar

A “Magnificent Mondays” series event, the Dress for Success Seminar, is scheduled for Monday, March 1, starting at 12 noon, in Brown Dining Room. Sponsored by UMC Career Services and UMC Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE), the seminar will focus on proper interview and career attire as presented by Robin Silverman, author and co-owner of Silverman’s of Grand Forks along with Genn Berntsen, Casual Corner Group, Inc. of Grand Forks. The seminar is open to all UMC students, faculty and staff.

Open House for Jessica Rongen

An open house will be held for UMC Student Jessica Rongen on Sunday, March 7 from 2-5 p.m. at the Northland Inn in Crookston. Jessica is being deployed to Iraq with the 134th B Company Signal Battalion. Stay safe, Jessica!

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If you were going to nominate someone for the date auction on Wednesday, March 3, who would you nominate?

Doug Moen
“I would nominate Drew Barrymore.”

Cole Bertlls
“I would nominate Kyle Erickson.”

Anthony Wagner
“I would nominate Tess Wortel for the Date Auction.”

Extol: A Night of Praise and Worship
Come and worship with other UMC students! The Journey Worship Band (you may remember them from the Talent Show last semester) will be leading us, and local Brian Boll will be our guest speaker. The event will take place Monday, March 1 at 8 p.m. in Kiehle Auditorium. This event is co-sponsored by Cooperative Campus Ministry, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and Campus Crusade for Christ. Contact S. Andrew Sheppard (shep0132) for more information.

For the Health of It
Water is the best beverage around. It has no calories, yet it fills you up, tastes great, and does your body good. Water improves your skin, circulation, and digestion, and fuels your muscles so fatigue doesn’t zap your energy. Drink at least 6-8 cups a day, and even more when you’re out in hot weather or exercising. To play it smart, carry a bottle of water with you everywhere.

Tri-College Leadership Development Institute
UMC has received information about a Tri-College Leadership Development Institute for college women scheduled for May 23-27 at Minnesota State University, Moorhead. It will consist of an intensive five-day residential program with an innovative curriculum designed to connect people from diverse backgrounds, cultivate leadership skills, and implement projects that address needs in communities. There is no cost to participate in the program, but participants will have the option of registering for course credit in one of three undergraduate courses offered through Women’s Studies, Social Work or Sociology. Those who choose to register for a course will have to pay registration expenses. For more information, contact Laurie Wilson at 8587 or email lwilson@mail.crk.umn.edu

15-Passenger Van Training March 1
Effective November 1, 2002 the University of Minnesota does not allow employees or students to drive a 15-passenger van unless they have completed a safety certification course. This new policy applies to vans owned by the University and rented from an outside source! There will be no exceptions to this policy! UMC Facilities Management will not allow vans to be checked out unless reserved by certified drivers. If you may be asked to drive a 15-passenger van as part of your position’s responsibilities, for a class, field trip, club activity, community service or athletic event, you must complete this training. Advisors and workstudy supervisors, please contact any students that may need this training to assist you. (If you have previously completed the training, you do not need to attend again.) Training is provided by Mr. Bill Roberts, Director of UM Fleet Services. He has an excellent training program full of important information for all drivers. Please arrange schedules so that those who need the training can attend on: Monday, March 1, 3 to 4:45 p.m., Hill 4. This will be the only time this training is provided during the 2004 Spring Semester!! Pre-registration is suggested. For questions and registration, please contact Tom Feiro, Environmental Health & Safety at 218-281-8300 or via email at tfeiro.
Enjoy playing cards or board games? How about reading a good book? Why not share your interests with someone who would really appreciate it! Crookston has seven group homes for developmentally disabled residents who would love interacting with you! Hours are flexible. Please contact Terrie Wellman at 281-5642 for more information.

Visit www.volunteer.org and click “Volunteer Opportunities” for a complete description of these projects and many more.

CSA News
Commuter Week
March 1-5 will be designated Student Commuter Week. Watch your Outlook for different statistical facts throughout the week. Also there will be different happenings everyday of the week:

Monday—Sign up for different drawings in Dowell Lounge
Tuesday—Check out a digital camera from Dowell Info Desk, and take a picture of your car as there will be prizes for best and worst commuter vehicle.
Wednesday—Krispy Creme breakfast in Dowell Lounge starting at 9:30 until we run out.
Thursday—Drawings for prizes donated by local Crookston merchants
Friday—Winners will be able to pick up prizes

UMC Students Compete at College Bowl

Congratulations to UMC’s College Bowl Team, comprised of Ken Armstrong III, Vanessa Armstrong, Brett Lysne, Craig Myers, and David Ounchith. UMC’s team earned sixth place out of nine teams at the 2004 Regional College Bowl Championship Tournament, held Saturday, February 21, in Minneapolis. This was only the second time ever UMC had sent a team to compete at the regional competition, winning three out of eight rounds and ranking higher than North Dakota State University, St. Cloud State University, and Southwest State University. Learn more at <www.collegebowl.com>.

Additional Handicapped Parking Sites

Two additional handicapped parking sites have been added to the east side of Owen Hall, next to the building, to create a total of three spots near a power assist door and an elevator. These sites were added to partially recover the sites temporarily lost in Lot A to the construction of the new student center. As the construction proceeds, we will have to adapt to some changed circumstances and will appreciate finding out about accessibility situations that need attention. Please feel free to contact Laurie Wilson or Tom Feiro’s office, and we will make every effort to promptly address your concern. Your suggestions regarding possible solutions also are welcomed and will be considered. Thank you, all, for your continued assistance and attention to these matters.

Student Center Construction Update

Work on the Student Center will resume the week of February 23 with a UM Twin Cities hazardous abatement crew scheduled to remove the windows from Bede Hall. Roers’ Construction also will be on campus to prepare the site for demolition work and the use of the Atrium as the construction office.

Fencing will be erected on the mall side of Bede and the Atrium, running along the existing sidewalk which will remain open for pedestrian use until the end of the school year. Fencing also will be erected along the north side of Bede, the Atrium, and extend approximately half-way into parking Lot A. This area will be used for construction trailers and equipment and materials staging.

A new emergency exit for Hill Hall will be constructed on the northwest end of the building adjacent to the Atrium. Pedestrian access to the Atrium and through Bede will end sometime during the week. Entry-exit to Owen and Hill will be through the existing AURI entrance on the northeast side of Owen Hall.

Demolition of Bede will begin the week of March 1 and should take approximately one month to complete. Excavation on the site for new footings and the foundation is scheduled to begin April 1. The building should be fully enclosed by November 1, 2004, with work occurring throughout the 2004-05 school year and building completion by July 2005.

—Bob Nelson, vice chancellor, Student Affairs, Student Center Planning Committee Chairperson
Brain Teasers

This week’s winner is Lacey Hayenga. Lacey knew the answer to last week’s puzzle. She can pick up her free movie pass at the Dowell Info Desk. Can you decipher the simple old saying listed below? For example: “Neophytes’ serendipity” would translate to “Beginner’s Luck.” “Surveillance should precede saltation” would translate to “Look before you leap.” 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 melonir prior to noon on Thursday, March 5. The winner’s name will appear in the March 8 Eagle’s Eye.

Where there are visible vapors having their province ignited carbonceous material, there is conflagration. Where there is smoke - there is fire.

Male cadavers are incapable of yielding any testimony. Can you translate this sentence?

Hill Lounge Has Gone Wireless

Hill first floor Lounge now has its own wireless working. There are now two wireless units in Hill. The basement and 1st floor should be covered.

Wildlife Biologist Exam Offered at UMC

WYOMING GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT OFFERING WILDLIFE BIOLOGIST EXAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA-CROOKSTON MARCH 6 CHEYENNE, WYO. - The Wyoming Game and Fish Department is offering its wildlife biologist exam at the University of Minnesota--Crookston March 6. Students must register by March 2 by calling (307) 777-4579. Offering the exam at campuses outside Wyoming will eliminate the need for potential biologists to travel to Cheyenne where the exam has been traditionally offered, said Bea Pepper, WGFD Wildlife Division administrative assistant. “This approach should also help the Game and Fish Department expand its potential candidate pool to prepare for increased openings in the future,” she said.

Applicants must have a combination of training and experience equivalent to a bachelor’s degree in wildlife management, range management, biology, zoology or closely related field. When selecting permanent positions, the G&F will give preference to those applicants with a minimum of two years relevant work experience or a master’s degree. Pepper alerts potential candidates that subject material and suggested reading are available at the G&F Web site gf.state.wy.us.
The G&F also is offering the exam at other universities in 2004. Sites are available on the G&F Web site at gf.state.wy.us. For more information contact the G&F at (307) 777-4579.

Test Anxiety

How much do you know about test anxiety? Many people say they “have it” but did you know that it doesn’t have to be a permanent condition? All of us can learn to be better test takers, and even those with long term test anxiety can learn to overcome it. It will take some effort, but the rewards are substantial in terms of improved grades, improved confidence, and a more optimistic outlook overall. If you are interested in learning more about test anxiety, type those two little words into your favorite search engine and be prepared for many great sites to come up. One of my favorite resources is located on a comprehensive site maintained by the University of St. Thomas located at http://www.studygs.net/tstprp.htm. This site offers a wealth of information related to study preparation, developing test taking skills across many disciplines, and strategies for particular kinds of exams. Another site at http://www.couns.uiuc.edu/Brochures/testanx.htm offers a more comprehensive discussion about test anxiety and how to differentiate it from anxiety related to a lack of preparation. Once you have reviewed this information, it might be beneficial for you to discuss it with someone from the Counseling Center, Student Support Services or the Academic Assistance Center. The chances are very good, that by implementing the suggestions these sites have to offer, you can minimize or eliminate test anxiety in your life and have a happier, more productive academic experience.

Classified Ads

FOR SALE: hide-a-bed couch (good condition-3 years old), 2 wood end tables with matching lamps. Good for college student. $30 takes it all. Email ukap003

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 to students, faculty and staff. 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.

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