Upcoming Events
- **February 15** - Leader Bites “Publicizing Your Events”, Noon, Leadership Room
- **February 15** - Taste of American South, 2 p.m., outside Brown Dining
- **February 15** - WOW Dating Game, Bede Ballroom, 8 p.m.
- **February 17** - Basketball vs Minnesota State University, Moorhead, Women - 6 p.m., Men - 8 p.m.
- **February 17** - Night Tubing, 10 p.m., Place TBA
- **February 18** - Basketball vs Northern State, Women - 6 p.m., Men - 8 p.m.
- **February 19** - Crookston Artist Series featuring Claremont Trio, 7:30 p.m., Crookston High School (10 FREE tickets available at Student Center Info Desk).
- **February 19** - Fitness Fever, FREE Open Skating, 1 - 3 p.m., Crookston Arena
- **February 19** - Big Ball Soccer, 2 - 4 p.m., UMC Mall
- **February 20** - All University of Minnesota Job and Internship Fair, 2 p.m., Minneapolis Convention Center
- **February 20 thru 25** - Snow Daze
- **February 20** - Bingo, 8 p.m., Bede Ballroom
- **February 21** - Pie Your RA, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., SCC Entrance
- **February 21** - Internet Safety, 6:30 - 8 p.m., Kiehle Auditorium
- **February 22** - Convocation, 10 a.m., Kiehle Auditorium
- **February 22** - Novelties, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**The Dating Game February 15**

The Dating Game
**Wednesday, February 15**
8 p.m.
Bede Ballroom

If you are interested in dating one of these fine young people contact Stacey Grunewald or Lisa Sameulson

**Claremont Trio to perform February 19**

The Claremont Trio is one of the most exciting young groups performing today. The trio features twin sisters Emily Bruskin on violin, Julia Bruskin on cello, and pianist Donna Kwong. This “Hot” young chamber ensemble will feature superb playing, good classical programming, and excellent audience rapport. See them Sunday, February 19 2006 at 7:30 p.m., at the Crookston High School Auditorium. this performance is presented as part of the Crookston Artist Series. Ten FREE tickets are available at the Student Center Info Desk for UMC Students who would like to attend.

**A Special Valentine for Your Special Valentine**

The Student Center Information Desk is offering a Valentine’s Day Special. For only $5 you can purchase a mylar Valentine’s Balloon, a stuffed animal, candy and a Fun Dip Card for someone special in your life. Advanced orders can be made beginning Wednesday, February 8. Choose from a variety of balloons and stuffed animals.

**Question of the Week**

“What would be your perfect Valentines Day?”

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**Question of the Week**

“What would be your perfect Valentine’s Day?”

**Danielle Hannon**
“Trail ride and then have him cook me dinner around a fire.”

**Kallie Kazar**
“Go to a private lodge for some skiing and dinner.”

**Emily Otterino & Rose Arehart**
“Rose says, ‘A trail ride, picnic in a loft and then roll in the hay!’”

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**15-Passenger Van Training – February 22**

The University of Minnesota requires that all employees or students who drive a 15-passenger van must complete a classroom safety certification course. **This 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 and operated by uncertified 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 work study 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.) (If you’ve watched a video training session since September 2005, you only had temporary permission to drive. You must attend this live presentation to receive full certification.) 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:

**Wednesday, February 22, 2:30-4:30pm, Dowell Hall 116. This will be the only time the training is provided during the 2006 Spring Semester!!** Pre-registration is suggested. For questions and registration, please contact Tom Feiro, Environmental Health & Safety at -8300 or via email at tfeiro or, Michelle Ramstad, Facilities & Operations -8483 or at umir005.

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**UMC Committee on Access for Persons with Disabilities to Meet**

The UMC Committee on Access for Persons with Disabilities will meet on Friday, February 17 at 11 a.m., in the Minnesota Room. Students, staff or faculty with accessibility concerns of any kind that you want to have considered by this committee may attend the meeting or can submit an agenda item for review at the meeting. Please contact Laurie Wilson in Owen 270 or by email at lwilson2@umn.edu with questions, comments, concerns or agenda items.

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**Blood Drive Results**

A very sincere thank you to all those who were able to donate blood at the SAAC blood drive on February 6! We collected a total of 59 units of blood, which is absolutely fantastic!!! Seventeen people donated for the very first time. We are extremely pleased with the turnout and are very grateful to each and every one of you who made this blood drive such a success. On behalf of SAAC, thank you!

**Only 2 Days left-Specialty Scholarships!!**

DO YOU DESERVE A PIECE OF THE (scholarship) PIE?? THEN YOU NEED TO APPLY!!!!

Only 9 more days left to apply for our UMC Specialty Scholarships. Deadline February 15th!

Please apply now at http://onestop.umcrookston.edu/financial_aid/index.htm. All supporting documentation, if required, is due in my office by 4 p.m. on February 15th. Advisors/Professors can certainly email me their letters of recommendation for you, if they choose.

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**A Little History**

From the Northwest Monthly July 1926: **Horse Hitch Demonstration was well attended.** A crowd of over 125 interested farmers and businessmen attended the Horse Hitch demonstration at the Northwest School and Station on June fifteenth. These demonstrations were not only timely, but of real significance to the farmers of the Red River Valley. Their immediate importance rests in the fact that through these equalized hitches, farmers are able to get greater efficiency out of the horses now in use, reduce man labor and thus lower operating costs.

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Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program

UROP application material for projects from July 1, 2006 through June 15, 2007 is now available in the Academic Affairs Office. The maximum award is $1,700 – stipend up to $1,400 (hourly rate is $11.50) and expense allowance up to $300. Completed applications are due in the Academic Affairs Office by 4:30 p.m. on March 6, 2006. Deadline is firm; late applications will not be accepted. The Undergraduate Research Opportunities program offers financial awards to full-time undergraduate students for research, scholarly, or creative projects undertaken in partnership with a faculty member. UROP offers undergraduates the unique educational experience of collaborating with a faculty member on the design and implementation of a project. At the same time, faculty members have the opportunity to work closely with students and receive valuable assistance with their own research or professional activity. UROP encourages students to conduct research and pursue academic interests outside of their regular courses by employing them to work on special projects. Projects are expected to contribute to the student’s academic development. UROP applications are judged on the: quality of the proposed project, strength of collaboration with faculty sponsor, educational benefit to the student.

Pizza for Sale!

The Hospitality Association has started Pizza Sales!!! Every Thursday throughout the semester from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. Enjoy a super cheesy, hand tossed, convection roasted pizza made especially for you by one of your peers and students of the Hospitality Association every Thursday from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. Prices: Medium (9”) one topping, $6.75, Extra Toppings $.50 Large (14”) one topping, $8.50, Extra Toppings $.50 Medium Supreme (9”) 2 meats, 3 toppings $8.25 Large Supreme (14”) 2 meats, 3 toppings $10.75 Toppings include: Pepperoni, sausage, Canadian bacon, mushroom, onion, black olives, green pepper, pineapple, and extra cheese. Order on-line through e-mail that will be sent out every Thursday or call 281-8199.

Snow Daze Office Decorating Contest to be Held

Does an Ice Cream Social for your Office Sound GREAT????
Here’s your chance to win one!! It’s once again time for the second annual Sno Daze office decorating competition! This year’s theme FROZEN IN TIME......use you creativity to run WILD with this. Please e-mail Julie Koehl at koeh0123@umn.edu to sign up your office! Judging will be on Thursday February 23rd at 2:00 pm The Grand Prize is an office Ice Cream Social

“Bats in My Belfry

UMC Natural Resources Club &
The Student Chapter of the Wildlife Society
Presents...

DNR Wildlife Supervisor
Earl Johnson

“Bats in My Belfry”

Earl will speak about Minnesota’s seven bat species, briefly discuss bats of the world, and explain the making, erecting, and maintenance of artificial bat structures in MN. Earl Johnson was raised in Fertile, MN. He has a B.S. in Wildlife Management from the University of Minnesota, St Paul, and has worked with the MN Department of Natural Resources since January of 1971. He is currently the DNR Area Wildlife Supervisor in Detroit Lakes, MN, where he has been since 1981.
Higher Learning Commission Seeks Comments
The University of Minnesota, Crookston, is seeking comment from the public about the University in preparation for its periodic evaluation by its regional accrediting agency. The University will undergo a comprehensive evaluation visit April 24-26, 2006, by a team representing the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. The University of Minnesota, Crookston, has been accredited by the Commission since 1964. The team will review the institutions ongoing ability to meet the Commission's Criteria for Accreditation.
The public is invited to submit comments regarding the University:

Public Comment on University of Minnesota, Crookston
Commission on Institutions of Higher Education
North Central Association of Colleges and Schools
30 North LaSalle Street, Suite 2400
Chicago, IL 60602

Comments must address substantive matters related to the quality of the institution or its academic programs. Comments must be in writing and signed; comments cannot be treated as confidential.

All comments must be received by March 23, 2006

University of Minnesota-All campuses-Job Fair

held at the Minneapolis Convention Center

Monday, February 20, 2006

Welcome to the University of Minnesota Job and Internship Fair website

Sponsored by:

*University of Minnesota Crookston  * University of Minnesota Duluth
*University of Minnesota Morris
*University of Minnesota Twin Cities  * University of Minnesota Rochester.

For Employers

For *Students/Alumni

Bus Transportation will be provided to the University of Minnesota, Crookston Students FREE if 40 or more students sign up to attend the Job Fair. You can sign-up in the Student Center Office 236 with Meloni Rasmussen. Do it today as the Fair is quickly approaching and we will need to schedule a Bus for this date if we have enough interested students.

* Only students/alumni from the University of Minnesota campuses will be allowed to attend the job fair.
CSA News

Monday
- Higher Learning Commission Steering Committee Meeting 3 p.m., Selvig 308

Tuesday
- Valentine’s Day
- Valentine’s Day party 4-6 p.m., Bede Ballroom

Wednesday
- Special Speaker arriving by helicopter UMC Mall
- “Taste of American Southern Food” 11a.m.-1 p.m., Brown Dining
- Dr. Kanten on campus 1-2:30 p.m., Student Center 145F
- W.O.W. hosts Dating Game Event 8 p.m., Bede Ballroom

Thursday
- Overnight Visit Date for Prospective Students
- Gateway on Campus discussing notebook computers

Friday
- Wear Maroon & Gold
- Residential Life Weekend 17-18
- Retirement party for Larry Leake 5:30 p.m., Northland Inn
- UMC Men’s & Women’s Basketball vs. Moorhead 6 p.m., Lysaker Gym

Computer Corner

Question: What is P2P software?

Answer: According to Wikipedia, “A peer-to-peer (or P2P) computer network is a network that relies on the computing power and bandwidth of the participants in the network rather than concentrating it in a relatively low number of servers. P2P networks are typically used for connecting nodes via largely ad hoc connections. Such networks are useful for many purposes. Sharing content files (see file sharing) containing audio, video, data or anything in digital format is very common, and realtime data, such as telephony traffic, is also passed using P2P technology.”

UMC has a few policies that make it unlawful to use P2P:

Why: The University of Minnesota, Crookston samples bandwidth usage on our campus network in order to provide quality of service for all users. Excessive bandwidth use interferes with UMC’s educational mission.


a) No computers in the dorms may be “servers”, that is they may not run web services or other file sharing programs. Exemptions are available where needed for courses requiring this, and will be issued on a per-course basis, applying only for the period that the student is in that course, and only for course material. Caution: most software which allows you to download music or other media from the internet also uses your computer to share your files with others, in this mode this software is prohibited, but may be used if the only use is downloading and not file-sharing. Programs such as Limewire, Kazaa, Morpheus, WinMX, Xolox, and Bearshare utilize P2P to share music (mp3 files) and videos WITHOUT people paying for them.

LEGAL music sites which we promote: Rhapsody, iTunes, Ruckus, but they charge up to $.99 cents/song, or have a subscription rate to belong. The problem with the P2P programs is that some users do not really try to understand the settings and they do not turn off the sharing component. These programs are written with the intention for users to download and then automatically share their files. It’s in the agreement that most people click “accept” without reading. Some of the programs automatically turn back to sharing after they trick you into an update. When these programs are “serving up files”, it causes spikes in the network, reducing bandwidth for other users. Also, your computer turns into a “server”, which is also against UMC network policy. The TC & Duluth campuses give you one shot at ignoring their policies, and they you’re cut off indefinitely. For more information visit: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Peer-to-peer
Brain Teasers

Clare Neenan is last week’s winner. Clare knew that the puzzle below on the left meant “Son of a Gun.” Clare can pick up her free movie pass from Meloni in 236 Student Center. Can you guess this week’s puzzle (below on the right)? 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. E-mail your answer to Meloni prior to noon on Thursday, February 16, 2006. The winner’s name will appear in the February 20 Eagle’s Eye.

Volunteer Opportunities

*Tutors* needed to assist 4th-7th graders at Crookston Public Library. Session runs Monday through Thursday, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. You may volunteer one or more days a week. For more information, please contact Jan DeLage at 281-8685.

*Dr. Seuss Birthday Party at Washington Elementary School, Thursday, March 2:* The Office of Service Learning is sponsoring an event encouraging parents to read to their children. We are looking for a LOT OF HELP for this fun project! We need clubs to help set up and clean up, sponsor craft booths, read to children, and help with activities as needed. Please contact Lisa if you are interested in helping or sign up in her office.

*National Youth Services Day:* National Youth Service Day (NYS) is the largest service event in the world, mobilizing millions of young Americans to identify and address the needs of their communities through service. Please join youth groups in the community to combine efforts to complete several beautification projects in Crookston! We will meet Saturday, April 22, at 9:30 a.m. at the Crookston High School commons and plan to finish by noon. To participate, please email Lisa Loegering, or sign up in her office.

*Three times a year we are asked to assist a very worthwhile program, Meals on Wheels.* Our next week to deliver meals is February 20-24. Meals need to be picked up at the Education Entrance of RiverView Hospital at 11:30 a.m. The deliveries usually take about 30 minutes. You can expect to be back at UMC by 12:15 p.m. If you aren’t all that familiar with Crookston, don’t worry! You are provided with a map and very specific directions. Grab a friend to help navigate!

*Volunteers are needed to help with the “Boxes and Walls” interactive museum.* We need help with constructing props and role playing. For more information, please contact Lisa Loegering.

*Volunteers are needed to help in the infan room at the Crookston Community Family Service Center to help rock babies. They can use help anytime between 7:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. For more information, please contact Francine Olson at 281-1343.

*The Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE) program is looking for a volunteer to help in the classroom on Tuesdays from 9:30 – 11:00 a.m. with children ages birth to five years. For more information, please contact Denice Oliver at 281-2762.*

*Help is still needed on the Habitat for Humanity House.* If you club or organization would like to volunteer or you are an individual looking to volunteer please contact Lisa Loegering.

*Volunteers are requested to meet with residents of Good Sheppard Hall at Villa St. Vincent to play cards, discuss current news events, do crafts, or just visit. Seventeen nuns from Mount St. Benedict live in Good Sheppard Hall, an assisted living facility. For more information, please contact Lisa Loegering.*

Classified Ads

**For Sale** Haier mini fridge, 1.8 cubic feet. Asking $45 obo. email me at estl0009@umn.edu

**Help Wanted** - Crookston Dairy Queen is looking for employees. Call Cindy at 218-281-4432 if interested.

**For sale:** 1992 Buick Park Avenue, 3800 V6, 132K, front end damage, $600 o.b.o. Call (218) 849-1009.

**Something Special for Valentine’s Day** - Are you looking for something special for that “special” someone for Valentine’s Day? I have a variety of products such as lotions, perfumes and so much more. Contact Jennifer @ 218-686-2627 or nova0145@mail.crw.umn.edu You can also visit the website @ www.marykay.com


If you would like to include an ad in the classified section of the Eagle’s Eye, e-mail your request to melonir or drop your ad off in 236 Student Center. 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.

Public Information

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