The CSA Blog [http://blog.lib.umn.edu/umccsa/csablog/] is now up and running! I invite you all to check it out, and subscribe for future updates on items the CSA (Crookston Student Association) is working on. The blog will be primarily used to increase communication between the CSA and students, with plans for expansion. CHECK IT OUT! Questions/Comments can be directed to Thomas Haarstick (haars011@umn.edu)

**2010 Recycle Mania Tournament at U of M**

The Crookston Students for Sustainable Development (CSSD) and the UMC Sustainability Committee are proud to announce that UMC has entered a nation-wide recycling competition called RecycleMania (http://www.recyclemania.org/). Over 500 colleges and universities will be participating in the 2010 RecycleMania competition that begins on January 17 and runs through March 27. The goal of this competition is to increase awareness of campus recycling. All participating schools are required to report measurements (pounds of recycled materials divided by campus population) on a weekly basis. The school that collects the most recyclables in a variety of categories per capita wins! Weekly updates on UMC’s RecycleMania results will be placed on the University’s Sustainability webpage (http://www3.crk.umn.edu/committees/sustainability/).

Let’s set a goal of placing 100% of our beverage containers and paper products in the appropriate recycling bins throughout campus. Cardboard should be flattened and placed behind the recycling bins. Student Organizations will collect the recyclables and place them in outside containers for pick-up and weighing.

Please get involved and help make a difference!
For more information please contact Greg Summers (summe053@umn.edu), Lisa Gentele (Grego098@umn.edu) or Peter Phaiah (phaiah@umn.edu).
Volunteer Opportunities

* **Home Delivered Meals:** Three times a year we are asked to assist a very worthwhile program, Home Delivered Meals. Our next week to deliver meals is January 18 - January 22. Meals need to be picked up at the Employee Entrance on the west end 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!

The Home Delivered Meals program allows the elderly more independence by allowing them to stay in their homes longer. This program can’t run without volunteers like you! The recipients are extremely grateful for this service. If you are able to help out, contact Lisa Loegering at loege005@umn.edu for ext. 8526 and let her know what day(s) work best for you and to sign up! Thanks very much!

* **Humane Society:** The Humane Society is run by volunteers. There is a huge need for volunteers to help clean cages from 9:30 – 10:30 or 11 a.m. every day. Additionally, dogs love to be walked! Get some exercise and share a walk with a very appreciative friend! The Polk County Humane Society is located at 720 East Robert Street. Please contact Mary Solberg or Tracy Janisch at 281-7225 to schedule a time to volunteer.

* **Crookston Storefronts:** The Beautification Committee, part of the Crookston Chamber of Commerce, is hoping to clean up storefronts in Crookston and has offered us a great deal! If you have a club or organization that you would like to “advertise” in a local storefront and are willing to help clean up the window display area, they will work with you to make it happen. For more information, please contact Lori Wagner or Sandy Kegler at the CVB, 281-4320.

* **Teaching Assistants:** Crookston Head Start provides high quality, comprehensive services to high-risk children and their families. Community volunteers are invited to assist in the preschool classrooms. Kids and teachers love the extra help and attention with the curriculums, which include everything from reading, helping with projects, physical activities, working in small groups, singing, tying shoes...etc. It’s lots of fun and never a dull moment! Classrooms run Monday-Thursday from 8 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. For more information, please contact Angie Lockwood at 281-0547.

* **Youth mentors/family partners** are needed for youth or families with children who have mental health disabilities. Mentors serve as a friend, listener, tutor, coach, and confidant. For more information, please contact Norma Campos at 701-335-4191 or norma@tvoc.org.

* **North Country Food Bank** is looking for assistance with their backpack and food distributions programs. Each month they fill 1700 boxes and 500 backpacks. Please contact Lori Tate or Suzie Novak at 281-7356 for more information.

* **Share your talents at the Care and Share!** Our local homeless shelter is at full capacity. Volunteers are needed to assist with a variety of tasks including covering an evening or overnight shift, assisting with office work, or teaching an activity or hobby. Volunteers in the past have taught art lessons to kids, organized volleyball tournaments, assisted with résumé writing and computer skills, cooked and served dinner, planted flowers and lots of other things! For more information, please contact Carol Gregg or Rachel Trontvet at 281-2644.

* **Library Assistant:** Volunteers are needed to assist in the Cathedral Library. Books need stickers placed on spines and to be reshelved. Some data entry work is also needed. For more information, please email Ardith Pelton at ardithpelton@yahoo.com.

The Sargeant Student Center Information Desk is open for business. We are currently experiencing mechanical difficulties with the gate at the Information Desk. Please use the half door located by the coffee shop for picking up packages, papers from the printer and any other Information Desk Services. We are working on a more permanent solution to this issue. We apologize for any inconvenience this situation may cause and hope to have the situation fixed in the very near future.

Sargeant Student Center Information Desk Hours

Monday – Friday: 8 a.m. – 10 p.m.
Saturday: 1 p.m. – 6 p.m.
Upcoming Events

- January 11 - Spring Semester Begins
- January 13 - Flu Shots and H1N1 Vaccines, Noon - 3 p.m., Bede Ballroom
- January 14 - CSA Full Board Meeting, Noon - 2 p.m., Dowell 225
- January 15 - Maroon & Gold Friday
- January 15 - Grand Movie Night, 7, 7:15, 9 & 9:15 p.m. shows, (S.P.A.C.E.)
- January 16 - Broom Ball, 2 p.m., Ice Rink on the Mall, (S.P.A.C.E.)
- January 16 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Observed, No Classes, Offices Closed
- January 20 - Welcome Back Popcorn, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., Northern Lights Lounge, (Student Health)
- January 20 - WOW Event Hypnotist Sailesh, 7 p.m., Kiehle Auditorium (S.P.A.C.E.)
- January 21 - Thursday Commons
- January 22 - Maroon & Gold Friday
- January 22 - Golden Eagle Women’s & Men’s Basketball vs Upper Iowa University, 6 & 8 p.m.
- January 23 - Golden Eagle Women’s & Men’s Basketball vs Winona State, 4 & 6 p.m.
- January 25 - Music on Mondays Jason LeVasseur, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., Northern Lights Lounge (S.P.A.C.E.)
- January 27 - Acupuncture Lecture, Noon - 1 p.m., Bede Ballroom
- January 27 - U of M 2010 Legislative Briefing Live Videocast, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., Kiehle 116
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- January 27 - Dr. King’s Dream, 7 p.m., Kiehle Auditorium
- January 28 - CSA Full Board Meeting, Noon - 2 p.m., Dowell 225
- January 28 through January 30 - Ag-Arama
- January 29 - Maroon & Gold Friday
- February 3 - 8th Annual Winter Job and Internship Fair

U of M 2010 Legislative Briefing Live Videocast

Wednesday, January 27 in Kiehle 116 at 5:30 p.m.

President Bruininks will preview the U of M’s 2010 legislative request and talk about the challenges faced by higher education in these trying economic times at the U of M 2010 Legislative Briefing on the evening of Wednesday, January 27, at the McNamara Center on the Twin Cities Campus. The event will be videocast live to all campuses of the University. On the Crookston campus the event will be viewable in Kiehle 116.

Light hors d’oeuvres and refreshments will be served on site starting at 5:30 p.m. President Bruininks will speak at 6 p.m. Guest speaker Mary Lahammer will share her insights as a U alumna and political journalist. That same evening, a program about Martin Luther King, Jr. will take place in Kiehle Auditorium starting at 7 p.m. I encourage you to consider attending both events if you can.

Those planning to attend the Legislative Briefing are asked to register online by January 20.
To register, please go to:
Sudoku puzzles are provided by www.sudokuoftheday.com - visit them and get a new Sudoku in your email inbox every day!

Water U Doing this Spring Break?

Join Students Today Leaders Forever (S.T.L.F.) for their spring break trip. STLF’s spring break Pay It Forward Tour involves service and fun in many cities across the country, with UMC’s celebration city being Washington, D.C.

Questions? Contact the Bus Core:
Joe Harren – harre050@umn.edu
Jackie Dullinger – Dulli009@umn.edu
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Nik Jiran – jiran006@umn.edu
Kate Bentley – bentl062@umn.edu

Notes From Student Health

Seasonal Flu Shots for Faculty/Staff: Wednesday, January 13, Noon -3:00, Bede Ballroom. Free of charge. Please bring your employee ID.

H1N1 Vaccine: available for anyone wishing to get it – Wednesday, January 13, Noon – 3:00, Bede Ballroom. Free of charge.

Student Health: Welcome new and returning UMC students! Student Health is located at 145F in the new Student Center. It is staffed by a Registered Nurse, Stacey Grunewald, who is on campus Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 4:00 p.m. There is no charge to visit with the nurse and there are various over the counter medication that are available at no charge. You are welcomed to stop by any time during office hours however it is helpful to make an appointment by calling 281-8512. There is also a physician, Dr. Kanten, who is on campus most Wednesdays from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m., free of charge. You must make an appointment to see the doctor by calling Stacey at 8512. Again, welcome and have a safe and healthy semester!

Urgent Care at Crookston: There is an Urgent Care facility located within the RiverView hospital in Crookston that is open from 7:00 am to 8:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 9:00 am to 1:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. The cost is comparable to a regular office visit. There is no need to make an appointment.

Local Clinics: There are two local clinics that are located in Crookston to help serve your medical needs. RiverView Health is located within RiverView Hospital at 323 S. Minnesota Street. You can make an appointment by calling 281-9595. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 4:30 p.m. Altru, Crookston is the other local clinic and is located adjacent to RiverView Hospital at 400 S. Minnesota Street. Altru’s office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 to 5:00, and appointments can be made by calling 281-9100.

Polk County Public Health is located at 721 S. Minnesota Street and is a facility that can assist you with your family planning needs, such as – birth control pills, pregnancy testing, STD screening, pap smears, etc. They charge based on a sliding fee scale which makes it an affordable alternative. You can make an appointment to see a Family Planning nurse by calling 281-3385.
The 2010–2011 UMC Specialty Scholarship Online Application is Now Open

Online Scholarship application begins: Wednesday, January 6, 2010
Closing Deadline: Monday, February 15, 2010

UMC is grateful to the many donors who provide Specialty Scholarships to over 300 UMC students. These scholarships are awarded to students based on academic achievement, extracurricular activities, community involvement, leadership, service and legacy. Recipients are selected by various scholarship committees. Financial need is not a consideration for most specialty scholarships. Students must be fully admitted prior to February 1.

An admitted student must complete an online specialty scholarship application by the February 15 deadline for consideration. The online application is available from January 6, and open until February 15. Scholarships are awarded each academic year and students must apply annually by the February 15 deadline. You must enroll full-time to receive the specialty scholarships. There are numerous scholarships available to both new students and returning students.

Scholarship applications can be found at http://cmyu.umcrookston.edu/Admissions/Scholarships.cfm.

Collegiate Crops Team at UMC Finishes in Top Three in National Contests at Chicago and Kansas City in November

Once again, the Collegiate Crops Judging Team from the University of Minnesota, Crookston was in the top three finishers at the national crops judging contests held in November. At the contests held in Kansas City, Mo., on November 17, and Chicago, Ill., on November 21, the team from the U of M, Crookston finished third overall. Members of the team included: Sophomore Theresa Hamel from Lakota N.D.; Junior Jakob Heggedal from Badger, Minn.; and Junior Mark Riepe from Perham, Minn. The team was coached by Associate Professor Charles “Chuck” Habstritt.

In the photo at left (l to r): Hamel, Riepe, and Heggedal.

The crops contests integrate a student’s knowledge of agronomy into three categories: seed analysis, grain grading and crop and weed identification.

In Kansas City, individual finishes included a second place finish in grain grading by Heggedal, while Riepe was in sixth and Hamel in eighth. Overall, Heggedal finished fifth, Riepe finished seventh, and Hamel finished eleventh. The addition to their third place overall finish, the team finished second overall in grain grading and fourth in both seed analysis and crop and weed identification.

Results from the contest in Chicago included a first place finish for Heggedal in grain grading and a sixth place finish in seed analysis. Heggedal’s individual finish was fifth overall. Other finishes included a sixth place finish by Riepe and eighth place finish by Hamel in grain grading. Riepe finished sixth overall while Hamel was fourteenth. The team once again finished second overall in grain grading and fourth in seed analysis as well as crop and weed identification.

Out of a possible 1200 points in the grain grading portions of the Kansas City and Chicago crops contests, Heggedal missed just 8 points.

Preparation for the contests begins early in the semester and requires intense preparation. Crops teams from the Crookston campus have placed in the top three more than 25 times over their history. For more than 35 years, Habstritt has served as a coach to the highly successful Collegiate Crops Judging Team on the Crookston campus. He was also responsible for compiling the rules and regulations book that has been used for national contests in both Chicago and Kansas City.

The Chicago contest began in 1923 and has been held every year except in 1929 and during World War II (1942–46). The Kansas City Contest was held the first time in 1929 and has been held annually through 1941, with the exception of 1942–46.

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Brain Teasers

Last week’s winner is Jaime Mills. Jaime knew the puzzle on the left meant “Wise Crack.” Jaime can pick up her free movie pass from Meloni in 236 Sargeant Student Center. Can you guess this week’s puzzle (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. Email your answer to Meloni prior to noon on Thursday, January 14, 2010. The winner’s name will appear in the next Eagle’s Eye.

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* Work Study: America Reads tutoring positions available Spring Semester at Washington, Cathedral and Our Saviors Lutheran schools. For more information or to apply, please contact Lisa Loegering at loege005@umn.edu.

* Work Study – Admissions department is hiring student callers for the 2009-10 academic year again. If interested stop by the admissions office(170 Owen Hall) and contact Josh Lunak. (Must be work-study eligible).

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