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A prepares to finalize college realignment

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MSUM will begin a once-ina-generation realignment in July, which will send 31 university departments to new homes within five renamed and reorganized colleges.

Following more than a year of discussion and revision, President Edna Szymanski sent her tentative decisions to faculty and staff last Monday. She took feedback until Friday afternoon and is expected to release her final decision by the end of the month.

Among many changes, the tentative plan divides the sciences, which are now all housed within the College of Social and Natural Sciences, into two colleges, a new College of Science, Health and the Environment and a new College of Critical Thinking and Integrative Studies. It also breaks up the longstanding placement of mass communications within the present-day College of Business and Industry, sending the department to the new College of Arts, Media and Communication.

Denise Gorsline, associate vice president for academic planning, said besides hiring a new dean, realignment will not affect university employment; nor will it physically change where departments are

She added that although the university is interested in reversing declining enrollment, the plan isn't marketing driven, but rather driven by students' needs and workforce demands.

"We're trying to really make the connection that your knowledge and abilities in liberal arts are a big part of what determines your long-term career," she said. "(We're) trying to put to bed the question of 'why do I have to take these classes anyway.""

In a February interview, Szymanksi also stressed career

"If you're going to get a job it will be far better to go to a college where students and faculty interact across disciplines in ways that are meaningful ...," she said. "(Realignment) is actually very exciting."

A deliberative process

Formed in February 2012, the Task Force on Academic Realignment – made up of Provost Anne Blackhurst, two deans and nine faculty members - met every few weeks for nearly a year, looking

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Studies College of Arts, Media and Communication Women's and Cinema Arts and Digital Gender Studies Technology Theatre Arts Philosophy Mass

Last Monday, MSUM President Edna Szymanski emailed faculty and staff her tentative decision for the university's academic realignment. To see the current structure, go to www.mnstate.edu/academics/collegesdepartments.aspx.

at other universities' structures and discussing many different models. Its meetings were not public, but it did solicit feedback through the provost's office, the faculty senate

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and at town hall meetings.

The task force members said they worked to create the most appropriate alignment for each department and also tried to ensure properly distributed workload among deans.

Sociology and

Members wrapped up their work at the end of last semester, and then the Academic Affairs Council,

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MSUM gives ethical lessons

BY APRIL KNUTSON knutsonap@mnstate.edu

Students and faculty members crowded into the Center for Businesson Thursday to celebrate MSUM's Ethics Day. Seventeen professionals from various fields in the Fargo-Moorhead area discussed ethics and how they relate to the workplace. The panel touched on several workplace ethics issues, including the relationship between morals and ethics, dealing with relationships in the workplace and companies' responsibility to its employees.

Editor of The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead, Matthew Von Pinnon, opened the session by reminding students of this fact:

"People don't see most of what you do in business. It's those times when you're not being scrutinized that ethics matter the most."

Senior manager at Eide Bailly, Amber Ferrie, echoed this

"Ethics is not a class you take

in college. You're only as good as the last decision you made," Ferrie

Several others in panel discussed the actual definition of ethics.

Paul Richard, senior vice president of compliance, legal and public policy for Sanford Health, remarked that ethics in the workplace is really about corporate responsibility and accountability. He reminded students that business decisions can be technically legal but still unethical.

"Ethics remains a duty to that which is unenforceable." Richard said.

From the discussion, it is clear that in any career field a student chooses, he or she will be using their ethical code on a daily basis.

Curt Hibl, development manager with Evolution1, a consumer driven health company, uses a rigid ethical code as he deals with personnel information everyday.

"Ethics is a critical part of our business as we have access to personnel information that is

Students voice concerns about MTI

BY MEREDITH WATHNE

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Two MSUM education majors are making noise at the Minnesota state capitol, testifying to both the House of Representatives and Senate to voice their concerns with the current Minnesota Teachers Licensure Exam basic skills test.

Elementary inclusive education junior Kayla Vandenheuvel and early childhood education junior Kristen Fildes visited the capitol March 7 and 8 for the Minnesota Association of Colleges for Teacher Education's Day on The Hill. Several other education students from various colleges involved with MACTE were also in St. Paul voicing their concerns alongside Vandenheuvel and Fildes.

Some of the biggest issues the two have with the test are: there is not enough time to finish the test, there is no feedback about test results, there are no study materials, it's not testing on what it's supposed to, the raised standards for passing and it's expensive.

"People are passing the pedagogy content test, which is the harder of the two tests, but are unable to graduate because they are unable to pass the basic skills," Vandenheuvel

After spending the day talking with various senators and representatives, Vandenheuvel and Fildes found out they potentially had the opportunity to testify at a House hearing the following day while they were discussing bill

Both women took the floor during the hearing on March 8 to share their stories and problems with the test.

"We really want to emphasize student voice," Fildes said. "A lot of these people are making decisions for us and don't know how it could be affecting our lives and future teachers."

Vandenheuvel and Fildes shared concerns about the MTLE with multiple educators throughout the state, which lit the fire in Rep. Barbara Yarusso, author of H.F. 171. The bill addresses concerns with the test and has proposed changes in scoring, what is actually tested on and the amount of time given to pass the test. The bill passed in the House.



Kayla Vandenheuvel and Kristen Fildes testified to the House of Representatives about the MTLE test on March 8. MTLE, BACK PAGE

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3.26 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. North Dakota Economics Challenge, CMU ballroom

> **2 - 4 p.m.** Dragon Ambassadors interviews, CMU 208

3.27 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Internship and summer job fair, CMU 227

12 - 1 p.m. Suicide prevention event, LO 105

3.28 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Diversity inclusion and social justice: free lunch/free conversations, CMU 216

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7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Yosakoi dance, NZ 208



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"When I'm sloppy and laying on the floor, that's when I look my best."

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Pope Francis kicks off Holy Week

Pope Francis ushered in Holy Week on Sunday with a mass in St. Peter's Square, joined by 250,000 pilgrims, urging Catholics to be humble and young at heart—and he even shared a story from his own Argentine childhood.

The first Jesuit pope—and the first from South America—Francis has already made commitment to the poor a priority since being elected on March 13.

The beginning of Holy Week, Palm Sunday mass honors Jesus's return to Jerusalem before being betrayed by Judas, and Francis urged Catholics to remember the hope Jesus's arrival had instilled in the poor and downtrodden. He also spontaneously told a story urging a humble lifestyle from his own childhood, saying his grandmother used to say "children, burial shrouds don't have pockets."

March Madness features bracket upsets

At least this evens out everyone's bracket after the Georgetown loss.

Top seed Gonzaga lost to Wichita State 76-70 on Saturday in the second round of the NCAA championship, making Gonzaga the first top seed to fall this year. Gonzaga went on a 12-0 run at the beginning of the second half, giving them a 49-40 lead, but the Shockers refused to give in, outscoring Gonzaga 35-21 afterward. The Shockers will face the winner of Sunday's game between La Salle and University of Mississippi. Meanwhile, Harvard's fairy-tale story ended Saturday when their team succumbed to No. 6 seed Arizona with a 74-51 loss. Third seed Marquette came from behind Saturday to win 74-72 against sixth-seed Butler in the best game of the tournament so far.

Late night switch-up

File this under "maybe," "possibly" and "in our dreams"—and also "still fun to think about."

Page Six reports that Saturday Night Live head writer Seth Meyers could replace Jimmy Fallon, should Jimmy Fallon in fact replace Jay Leno on The Tonight Show—as has been widely speculated.

Though the deal has yet to be cemented, several "senior television executives" said that the switch is expected to take place by the fall of 2014, at the latest. NBC has quietly begun constructing a new studio for the Tonight Show at its headquarters at 30 Rockefeller Plaza.

Meyers is supposedly Lorne Michaels's first pick to succeed Fallon, and it's not a choice completely out of left field. Nothing is confirmed, but it's an intriguing possibility.



MSUM anthropology students attend Nobel Prize forum



Submitted photo

Undergraduate anthropology majors Andrea Kochensparger and Diana Oster attended the 2013 Nobel Peace Prize Forum in Minneapolis March 8 to 10, along with their adviser Bruce Roberts of the anthropology and earth science department.

The theme of the 25th anniversary forum was "The Power of Ideas: People and Peace." Laureate and keynote speakers included several Nobel peace prize winners and revolutionaries in the anthropological and human rights fields

Kochensparger and Oster will present a poster on their experience at this year's MSUM Student Academic Conference.

F-M prepares for flood

On March 21, the National Weather Service projected a 50 percent chance that the Red River will reach 38.1 feet. The MSUM campus is on high ground and would not need extensive protection efforts unless the river reaches 42 feet.

On-campus planning efforts have been initiated including reviewing flood response plans, infrastructure protection needs, previous volunteer organizational efforts and ensuring the ability of the faculty and students to complete the term using alternate means.

MSUM has strong presence at Fargo Film Festival

Cinema arts and digital technology professor Tom Brandau received the Margie Bailly Volunteer Spirit Award at the 2013 Fargo Film Festival. The award is named for former Fargo Theatre Executive Director Margie Bailly.

Brandau has been a member of the Fargo Film Festival committee since 2004 and a festival co-chair since 2011.

At the Fargo Film Festival, CADT and the college of arts and humanities co-sponsored an equipment expo. Twins Cities cinematographer and MSUM alum Greg Winter and lighting, grip and electric supplier, Mike Bullock, ran the workshop, demonstrating several pieces of lighting and grip equipment and showcasing some of the latest digital video cameras on the market.

More than 50 people, half of whom were CADT students, attended the expo. Tom Brandau and former co-chair, Tony Tilton, organized the event.

Security Update

Director of Public Safety

Greg Lemke

3.17

Blue light emergency phone activation on north side of Dahl; false call.

3.18

Burglar alarm in MacLean, unsecured door found. Moorhead Police Department responded and key holder was contacted.

Marijuana odor complaint in South Snarr, one referred to campus judicial.

3.19

Theft reported in the CMU.

3.20

Car alarm going off in parking lot G-7. Owner contacted and alarm silenced.

3 21

Odor complaint in West Snarr. cause was burnt food in lounge, area ventilated by housing staff.

Safety Tip of the Week

Identity Theft

Most of us have either known someone, heard about someone, or have seen the commercials on television urging us to not become a victim of identity theft. Listed below are a few things you can do to lessen your chances of becoming a victim. For starters, do not give out personally identifiable information over the phone or internet, such as bank account numbers and social security numbers. Secondly, only shop with companies you know and always use a secure browser. Lastly, limit personal information on necessary public distribution items such as checks and business cards.

To report a problem contact Public Safety at 218.477.2449

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Well-known photographer to visit campus tonight

MSUM photography students will be able to meet famous photographer Daniel Mirer to talk about his work at a free public lecture at 7 p.m. tonight in King Hall 110.

Mirer has exhibited internationally and his work is represented in many key collections. He received his BFA from Pratt Institute and his MFA from the California Institute of the Arts. He is a professor of photography and media arts at Webster University, Leiden, The Netherlands.

Go to www.danielmirer.com for more information about his work. For more information about Mirer's MSUM visit, contact Shirlee Holland at 218.477.2317 or shirlee. holland@mnstate.edu.

Wellness Center Easter hours Due to the break, the Wellness

Center Easter weekend hours are as follows:

- March 28 6 a.m. 10 p.m.
- March 29 March 31 closed
- April 1 10 a.m. 12 p.m.

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'The 20/20 Experience' Timberlake delivers a visionary comeback

BY BRIAN ASHBURN ashburnbr@mnstate.edu

JT is back and better than ever.

After an almost seven year hiatus from music, Justin Timberlake evaporates into the music scene with flawless magnitude. "The 20/20 Experience" delivers the JT sensation we have been craving.

Released on March 19, the album emphasizes rhythm and flow as we are taken on a digital funk journey through decades and decadence. Timberlake effortlessly seams together pop, electronic and jazz sounds. He once again proves how an avant-garde musical experience can be both progressive and pop.

1. Pusher Love Girl

As the first track, "Pusher Love" foreshadows the mood of the entire album. The song follows a love-drug metaphor (think, a more sophisticated version of Ke\$ha's "Your Love is My Drug") that transpires into a mid-song breakdown heard in several of the other songs. It embodies the trippy succulence of a new relationship and is one of the catchiest songs on the record.

2. Suit and Tie ft. Jay-Z

This is the most radio-friendly song on the album, hence it being his first single. "Suit and Tie" reflects a modern Marvin Gaye jam. Its whimsical cosmopolitan feel is the sensation Timberlake seems to have based the entire album on. Jay-Z and Timberlake co-headline a tour this summer.



3. Dont Hold the Wall

It takes a few listens to dissect the masterpiece of Timbaland's masterpiece, as several layers intricately compliment one another in this tribal tune. Timberlake does a fantastic job of expressing the raw sexuality through an elegant sensuality. Through the rainsticks and tribal chanting, Timberlake relays the primitive intensity of a physical relationship.

4. Strawberry Bubblegum

The fourth track is a simplistic techno R&B song that features a smooth beat. Its peaceful melodies reflect a mellow rendition of something that might be heard on his second solo album, "FutureSex/ LoveSounds." The end of the song transforms into an elevator-music feeling due to the upbeat drum rhythm and airy fickle sound, but combined with the symbolic childish lyrics, it works.

5. Tunnel Vision

At the center of the album, "Tunnel Vision" is the core of the Timberlake/Timbaland collaborative genius. The sound is both reflective of their distinct style as well as a toxic example of the growth and maturity since the 2006 album. The arrangement crumbles and reassembles itself with a darker and more urgent sound, showing the duo's affinity toward juxtaposing simple and complex elements of a song.

6. Spaceship Coupe

Intergalactic love like we've never heard it before. The lyrics are too reliant on the symbolism of outer space lovemaking ("I want to find the alien in you" and "space lover cocoon") and make it hard to get engulfed in the mellow R&B mood. It sounds like a dubious tribute to R. Kelly, and combined with the discomforted heavy breathing and cliche synthesizer melody, falls flat compared to the brilliance of the rest of the album.

7. That Girl

In the spirit of combining old school sound with futuristic style, "That Girl" brings us to a modern speakeasy with "JT & the Tennessee Kids" performing a transcendental jazz rhythm that showcases Timberlake's rich voice. The song is simple, from the lyrics down to the brass line, but has a blase feel that comforts the listener like a cool breeze on a hot summer night.

8. Let the Groove Get it

Such as with "Don't Hold the Wall," the eighth track has a tribal chanting that transports us to a sexy Brazilian block party. The exhilarating percussion beat and bellowing horns leave the listener with little choice but to toe tap through the seven minutes of pop-Americana greatness. The polished execution proves Timberlake and Timbaland's musical prowess as they combine unorthodox style with mainstream beats.

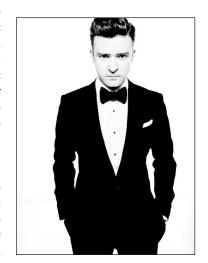
9. Mirrors

The song emulates an unspeakable desperation to prove unwavering love for another person, which makes sense considering Timberlake's recent marriage to longtime girlfriend Jessica Biel. He brilliantly metaphors a mirror reflection that soul mates have within each other in lyrics like "I don't want to lose you now/I'm looking right at the other half of me."

10. Blue Ocean Floor

A gutsy conclusion to the album, "Blue Ocean Floor" is a culmination of all the style and substance of "The 20/20 Experience" into a somber and

seducing tone. The song is dripping with captivating layers of piano dissonance and elongated electronic melodies. Of the ten songs on the album, "Blue Ocean" shows an unprecedented mature depth to Timberlake. We are submerged into a tranquil symphony of harmony and expression, endlessly floating through peaceful melodies that are nothing short of perfection. He saved the best for last.





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CADT department hosts alumni-student event

BY CONOR HOLT holtco@mnstate.edu

Getting to know alumni from your department isn't the easiest thing to do. For a film or graphic communications student, however, alumni can be a great resource for information and a contact for possible work in the

On Saturday, the cinema arts and digital technologies department held an alumni workshop, bringing in both film and GCOM alumni to speak to current students about their postundergraduate careers.

"I'd been thinking for a while that we need to hook up our current students with our alumni," film professor Tom Brandau said.

He brought this idea to the cinema arts and digital technologies department, and it quickly gained support. Brandau set up a subcommittee with professors Millie Hanson and Raymond Rea, who began contacting and scheduling alumni to attend. The resulting panel included nine alumni: three from the Fargo-Moorhead area, three from the Twin Cities and three from Los Angeles, who used video conferencing technology.

"The alumni were behind it 100



CONOR HOLT • holtco@mnstate.edu MSUM alumni offer advice to current students.

really immediately jumped on the idea." Some even mentioned they wish an event like this had been available when they were

Amber Johnson moved to the Twin Cities after graduating from MSUM in 2009. Johnson, along with several friends from the MSUM film program, started the Film Collective, a non-profit film and video company that continues to grow every year. Johnson said she was happy to come back to MSUM for this alumni event.

"I feel that a lot of time in school, you're focusing too much on school," Johnson said. "Any way we can help save students from what we had to go through."

Johnson strongly recommends making and keeping connections, and getting any experience

percent," Brandau said. "They possible, through internships or production assistant work - say 'yes' to everything.

The panel advised students to be flexible and try different aspects of film, whether it's directing, editing or shooting. They also warned students that most jobs will be freelance, but that freelance isn't necessarily

"I've found that I love freelancing. I just need to get myself out there," Johnson said.

Sophomore Caleb Stumpfl was one of many students at the event, eager to hear advice and tips on what to do during college and post-college to achieve a

"I wanted to hear about alumni and hear about tips for life after college, especially in the field," Stumpfl said. "It's also cool to hear stories about how they got into the jobs they have today."

Features

How to prepare a home cooked meal in a dorm

BY SARAH TYRE tyresa@mnstate.edu

Skipping a trip to Kise doesn't have to mean leftover pizza or takeout Chinese food. We all know that cooking in the dorms is less than ideal but fine cuisine isn't impossible in tight quarters. There are some tricks to keep in mind when trying to prepare homemade cuisine in a dormitory kitchen.

"You have to learn to work with what you have, and to do it quickly," said Kelsey Slattery, a freshman pre-law student and Nelson resident.

Use the right tools

Stoves are sometimes unreliable. Having microwave safe plates and dishes are a must. A good way to test if a dish is safe is by filling it with

For a list of microwave recipes go to:

www.food.com/recipes/microwave

water and microwaving it for 30 to 45 seconds. If the water is hot and the dish is still cool, it is safe.

Utensils can take up a lot of space. Having a few universal tools will save preparation room. A spatula and an oversized mixing spoon will go a long way. The same goes for pans. A frying pan, baking tin and spaghetti pot cover all the basics. English education freshman Courtney Edmand uses a small pot and frying pan to do all of her cooking in Nelson.

"I think it works just fine since I'm only cooking for one person," Edmand said.

Aluminum foil, paper towels,

plastic wrap and dish soap are also necessary. If a fridge is available, plastic bags and Tupperware are good to have around for leftovers.

Don't go Costco on ingredients

Fridge space is limited, so don't over-purchase. Make sure to have a plan when grocery shopping. Buy perishables such as milk and eggs as needed. It's also important to be aware of serving size. Cramped refrigerators mean less room for leftovers.

Counter space is another problem. The less chopping the better. Frozen vegetables often come sliced and most grocery stores carry fresh sliced veggies, ready to throw in a pot.

Share the kitchen

Remember that there are usually 20 people sharing one kitchen. Quick meals are easier on everyone during dinner time rush. Edmand recommends dishes that can be fried or boiled to save on time. If someone else is in the kitchen, give them space and wait until they finish.

"People are always on top of each other. It's common courtesy to wait until others are done," Edmand said.

Get creative

Not all floors have a stove or oven and when they do, ovens are not always reliable. Learn to cook in a microwave, it's good for more than ramen noodles. Baked potatoes, chocolate fondue, and even scrambled eggs can be nuked.



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Stovetops like this one in Nelson, can quickly become crowded.

MSUM honors women leaders

BY JASMINE MAKI makija@mnstate.edu

Take a walk around campus. Plaques and photographs of women hang in almost every building, honoring the women leaders that have contributed to our school's history.

"Since the early days women have played major leadership roles on campus," President Edna Szymanski said.

The stories of those women are held within the walls of campus, as more than a half dozen campus buildings bear the names of previous women faculty and staff.

King Hall was named after Genevieve King, who joined Moorhead State College in 1947 as a professor in botany and biology.

"She was evidently a very powerful woman to be reckoned with," Szymanski said. "In the '50s, King decided she wanted to hire an excellent professor in biology, a guy by the name of Ken Skjegstad."

Skjegstad had graduated from the college and was a tenured faculty member at the University of Minnesota. King knew he was an excellent teacher and decided she wanted to hire him, so she and a few others visited him in the Twin Cities.

"(Skjegstad) tells me they took him out to lunch and offered him the position," Szymanski said. "She knew what she wanted and that was in the '50s."

Another woman who knew what she wanted was Jane Owens, who served as the college's registrar for 29 years before retiring in 1952.

Owens reconstructed the student and employee records after the 1930 fire destroyed the original college building. She is also remembered for securing financial aid for hundreds of Moorhead State Teachers College students during the Great Depression.

She was honored in 1972 when the campus administration building was dedicated and named Owens Hall.

Virginia Grantham was also honored after spending several decades at the college. She joined the faculty in 1929, teaching

French and Spanish. During her 35 years at Moorhead State Teachers College, Grantham played an instrumental role in establishing the Honors Convocation, which recognizes high student achievement.

She was honored several years after her retirement when the Grantham Hall was completed and dedicated.

Other women honored with building names on campus include: Millie Dahl, resident nurse and superintendent of the college's dormitories until 1912; Georgina Lommen, director of the campus school from 1923 to 1943; Delsie Holmquist, one of the longest tenured faculty members; and Flora Frick, professor of women's athletics and German.

Many other women also played important leadership roles throughout the history of MSUM. As the first female president of the university, Szymanski looks up to many of those women.

Szymanski said Shelda Warren and Marvel Froemming, both retired math professors, have given her advice over the years.

"They're folks that I have a huge respect for," she said.

For Szymanski, Yvonne Condell is another inspiring woman. "Her and her husband were among the first African American faculty to come here," she said. "She was an African American woman who was a part of the ground breaking tradition of women on the campus."

Although Szymanski has experienced gender discrimination at other schools, she said it has never been an issue at MSUM.

"(MSUM) has a long tradition of respect for women in the faculty," she said. "The women on the faculty here are very strong women."

Szymanski said she believes that tradition will continue and encourages young women to work hard to achieve their dreams but also recognize the challenging social dynamic.



President Edna Szymanski

ETHICS, FROM FRONT

critical like credit card numbers," Hibl said.

A recent graduate of MSUM Ryan Courneya now acts as the district executive of the Boy Scouts of America.

"We find leaders and their application goes through several points of review. It is important that their values and belief system align to the mission of the Boy Scouts," Courneya said.

Lastly, several panelists discussed relationships in the workplace. All agreed that relationships will most likely happen between coworkers although it is important to make it known to the employer if a relationship is occurring.

At the end of the session, panelists gave students a few guidelines they can take into their careers.

First, know the company you are going to work for. It is important that company's values mirror your own moral compass, as the employee needs to be comfortable with the decisions his or her employer makes.

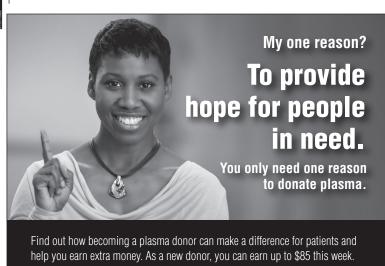
Students were asked to remember "there is always refuge in the right."



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Students gather in the Forum Media Center for an ethics workshop.





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Features

Students crave healthier late-night options

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Although there are off-campus restaurant choices, on-campus students would like midnight meal options on MSUM campus.

"Other colleges offer more options such as restaurants oncampus and longer dining center hours," said sophomore Terae DeMarais, who is spending her second year in the dorms. "I just wish we had more options."

Many students that live oncampus have limited mobility, finding it difficult to travel to offcampus restaurants or grocery stores. In addition, only a few restaurants deliver at such hours.

"I don't own a car on campus so it is hard to go to restaurants at midnight," said sophomore Adve Eats

Advocate staff critiques local resturants

Elizabeth Krueger, who is living on-campus. "The only choice I have is Late Night at Kise Commons but it closes at 11 p.m."

Healthy selections are limited, too. Students are encouraged to eat healthy, although when given only fast food choices it becomes difficult to find alternatives.

"I feel that there is nothing healthy that is offered ... if Subway was open at midnight I would go there," said sophomore Chelsea Cash. "We just don't have much for options in Moorhead."

Students are provided latenight restaurants scattered around the Moorhead area, but

a convenient midnight option on MSUM campus is desired.

As late-night studying becomes more common towards the end of the year, MSUM students are



Open 24 hours a day, Perkins is a favorite for late-night studiers.

demanding more late-night meal

The Moorhead area offers a handful of restaurant choices that provide midnight meal options for MSUM college students.

Midnight restaurants near to or delivering to MSUM campus are McDonalds, Taco Bell, Papa John's, Perkins and Buffalo Wild Wings. There are a variety of options to satisfy students' cravings.

If students are craving burgers and fries, McDonald's is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Although they don't deliver, they provide free Wi-Fi for college students to sit and study. The nearest McDonald's to campus is located at 220 8th Street South.

If students are craving food on the other side of the spectrum, Taco Bell is open Monday through Saturday until 2 a.m. and Sunday until 12 a.m. The closest Taco Bell to MSUM campus is at 321 8th Street S.

One of the most stereotypical

college student cravings is pizza. Papa John's is open Sunday through Thursday until 1 a.m. and Friday and Saturday until 2:30 a.m. The nearest location is at 716 Main Avenue. It also provides a delivery option for onand off-campus students.

Late-night breakfast and home-style cooking at Perkins is a popular craving for midnight studiers. Perkins is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The nearest location is at 3005 Highway 10 E.

Lastly, students craving bar foods, such as chicken wings and appetizers may choose Buffalo Wild Wings as their late-night selection. They are open Monday through Sunday until 2 a.m. at their nearest location, 2201 1st Avenue North.

Oh, my; space lions, space tigers and space bears

Planetarium teams up with Red River Zoo

BY SARAH TYRE tyresa@mnstate.edu

MSUM's newest planetarium children's exhibit, Sky Zoo, opened Wednesday. The planetarium worked with the Red River Zoo to create an exciting learning experience.

Sky Zoo creator and planetarium assistant Scarlet Gray Bernard took the sold out crowd on a journey to bestial constellations including Leo the lion and Hydra the snake. Audience members heard tales of celestial legends as well as Red River Zoo inhabitants. Lucky opening day audience members even got a visit from real life zoo animals.

"We'd like to do more shows with live animals," Bernard said.

While not all shows will include live animal entertainment, all shows feature video tours and stories from zookeepers.

Sky Zoo is the first show written and crafted by planetarium staff. All other shows were purchased from outside sources.

"It allows us to make material more local and relevant to our audience," said Dave Weinrich, planetarium director.

The show is aimed at students from 1st to 3rd grade. Weinrich assures that the show offers something for parents, too.

"There is advanced humor worked in. Many times parents will come up to me after and say that they learned something, too," Weinrich said.

The planetarium staff hopes that shows like Sky Zoo will help get children excited about science. These exhibits provide families with a different type of learning atmosphere. The show runs every Saturday at 11 a.m. through May 20

"A lot of families are looking for enrichment activities. These are ways to accomplish that in a fun and educational way," Weinrich



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MSUM celebrates Ethics Day

Last Thursday, MSUM held its first-ever Ethics Day. Several local professionals came to campus to discuss with students the importance of having staunch ethical guidelines.

In today's culture we have seen several examples of professionals letting their goals supersede ethics, from Lance Armstrong to Bill Clinton. Students need to be prepared to have their values challenged, as everyone will not always make the right decision. To ensure integrity, students should establish their moral compass. Personal or career obligations will push the boundaries of what is right and what is wrong. A person can easily cross the line without a certain guidepost to discern the boundary.

Start building the boundary today, so that when the time comes, the right decision will be clear.

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Appreciate a diverse student body



BY JOHN GOERKE goerkejo@mnstate.edu

I came to ride the bus home by total chance. My usual ride to the cities was gone and all my back-ups were busy. But, as I eavesdropped on my fellow passengers, was how surprising it was that any of them were there either.

The man opposite me was supposed to be driving a truck down 94, but canceled due to weather. The ponytailed man behind me was returning years spent in Oregon. In fact, everyone within earshot spent most of their trip telling of how

they were supposed to be somewhere else and yet just so happened to end up here, on the bus to Minneapolis.

It's worth mentioning because the same sort of chance seems to be at play on our own campus. Thanks to an admissions error, 232 students are now on their way to MSUM for the fall semester, to be greeted with dorm keys and academic success plans. They may even spend their first few months on the same topic that occupied my mind on the bus. They'll all note how strange it is that they happened to end up here.

But really, they're not all that different from the rest of us. Having developed a habit of searching out enrollment stories, I have found that most MSUM students did not come here to fulfill a childhood dream of becoming a Dragon. we found the perfect program to form our minds. Rather, it seems chance that the student population is who it is today. Whether chance played out as financial considerations, or geographic concerns, or something entirely different, each and every one of us could have ended up somewhere else.

A year ago, I published a little piece called "It Really is a Great Day to be a Dragon," where I noted the effect of our roll-of-the-dice community on MSUM's academic atmosphere. Some people bothered to tell me I was wrong to be so negative, but they went about it in entirely the wrong way. My detractors attempted to say that I had gotten the facts wrong. They would have been better to applaud that I had the facts right, but like the older brother of the prodigal son, my interpretation was all

"Here, with our student body assembled by almost pure chance, we cannot guarantee home to Wisconsin after three community based on shared interests, thoughts, really values, clothes, sports, or really anything."

> wrong. While it no doubt would be better for our academics if everyone here was a research addict or a bookworm, it is better for our souls to have the random assortment we do.

> We find it easy to love our friends, because we have fun with them. We find it easy to love our clubs because we share interests with them. It's easy to love a team because we win and lose and live and breathe with them. But we are only commanded to love two groups of people: "Love your enemies and love your neighbor." G.K. Chesterton noted in his little book 'Heretics' that the sole virtue of our neighbor, which demands our love, is that he exists.

> There are a lot of people in the world today who get a little teary eyed at the mention of "humanity." More than a

Nor do most of us come here because few of them reside at our neighbor, Concordia College. There, along with similar universities around the country, is found the perfect inversion of the command to love our neighbors. A simple stroll through the student center reveals service trips to every continent, a benefit dance for Africa, the costly effects of your water bottles on seals in the Indian Ocean. All of their charity is a world away. It is love at an arms length.

The only charity we are commanded to give without exception is to whomever we happen to be sitting by. Our neighbor is the representative humanity has sent us to care for. At Concordia, it is easy for the student population to get along, since they mostly dress the same, think the same, act the same and drink the same. Here, with our student body assembled by almost pure chance,

we cannot guarantee community based on shared interests, thoughts, values, clothes, sports, or anything. Our student body the perfect place to practice

the Christian command of "love thy neighbor." All we have is that we're all

This isn't something to be frightened of. Just like the bus, we all came from different places and are going different places. But while we're here, we can try to show as much love for each other as we can. I imagine that is why Jorge Bergoglio rode the bus to work everyday in Argentina. He could practice what he preached by sitting there with whomever chance had put in his way. It seemed to work out for him too. Since the archbishop who rode the bus is now Pope Francis who guides the Roman Catholic Church.

> Why did you enroll at MSUM? Tweet @MSUMadvocate #MSUM #enrollstory

Budgets: a necessary nuisance for students



BY APRIL KNUTSON knutsonap@mnstate.edu

A recent article on The Forum's website caught my attention this week. It is reported that the nation's total student debt nearly tripled since 2004 to \$966 billion by the end of 2012, according to the New York Federal Reserve. Many of my close friends struggle with student debt payments along with their monthly bills. These discouraging anecdotes make current

students like me nervous about a life after graduation. than 10 percent in 2004. It is clear that most of us It's apparent that many students are unaware of the have forgotten the importance of following a budget, financial duties during and after school.

some of my feminine counterparts, I have had to cope with an impossible shoe addiction, among other

frivolous consumer driven impulses. When I started college my parents had me apply for a credit card to

"Everyone has some amount of debt, so right? You don't have what's ten more dollars today?"

have in-case-of emergencies, but we all know those emergencies come more often than our parents could conceive, whether it's a late night necessity for fast food, or that must-have dress for that once-in-alifetime concert coming to town this Friday. Everyone has some amount of debt, so what's ten more dollars today?

This debt-driven society has certainty charged quite a tab. Recently, the Federal Reserve reported that 17 percent of borrowers were past due on their payments by more than 90 days in 2012, up from less

even the United States government. The sum of all Budgeting has never been my strong suit. Like outstanding debt owed by the federal government is now more than \$16 trillion.

But you gotta spend money to make money. And you

have to keep up with the Jones next door, to pay it off today, so hip, hip hooray! This consumer-mad

thinking has perpetuated us into debt, allowing people to be flexible in their financial planning.

All of us need to be more mindful of the financial burdens we accumulate whether it is the purchasing of new shoes or the next tuition payment. Education is an investment into the future but to ensure that the future will be flexible, we need to learn to budget. Don't tie yourself down to a financial crisis tomorrow, if you can learn to be fiscally responsible today.

Why stick to a budget? Tweet @MSUMadvocate #budgetfortomorrow

Sports & Health

Vega finishes first season at NCAA Division II Wrestling Championships

BY BREANN LENZMEIER

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Hard work, determination and early success has Angel Vega completing his first season as a Dragon in a way that is familiar to him.

Vega qualified for the NCAA Championships that were held March 8-9 in Birmingham, Ala. Vega placed fourth in his weight class at 141 pounds. The top four in each weight class qualify for the championships.

Vega finished his first season for the Dragons after wrestling at Sacramento Community College in California. Vega achieved success early in the season when he wrestled at the South Dakota State University open and pushed Division I wrestlers in each of his matches.

"He turned a lot of heads (at the SDSU open), a lot of people asked where he came from," said head coach Kris Nelson.

After the SDSU Open, Vega

and the Dragons wrestled in the Bison Open where he placed third.

"I knew (after the Bison Open) I could achieve what I wanted to do ... I could hang with some of the Division I wrestlers," Vega said.

Vega built after his early season success and worked hard throughout the season both on and off the mat. Nelson credits Vega's work ethic and staying healthy to achieving his success this season.

"He was pretty consistent throughout the whole year," Nelson said.

Vega went into the regional tournament unseeded but ended in fourth after beating both the fourth and fifth seeds in his weight class.

"(The regional tournament) was pretty crazy ... we wrestle in one of the toughest regions in the country," Vega said.

Vega then traveled to Birmingham, Ala., to compete at the NCAA Division II Championships where he finished with a 0-2 record.

In his first match, Vega wrestled Maurice Miller of Notre Dame of Ohio losing by major decision, 12-3.

After losing his first match, Vega fell into the consolation bracket where he wrestled Dave Cawley of the University of Pittsburgh-Johnstown losing by decision 8-0.

"I didn't have the results I wanted but I did gain a lot of experience," Vega said.

"(Qualifying for the national tournament) will make him better for next season," Nelson

Vega achieved one of his goals he set for his season by qualifying for the national tournament, earning something he hadn't accomplished before in his wrestling career.

"I had never qualified for the state tournament in California," Vega said.

Vega is already looking forward to next season as he is planning on wrestling in tournaments in both Las Vegas and Iowa before this summer. Vega said that is important to not take a lot of time off and to stay in shape for his senior

"He (Vega) leads by example and its great for younger wrestlers to see," Nelson said.

Vega credits the coaching staff for pushing him throughout the season and for telling him that he needs to wrestle his match and not his oppenents match.

"(The coaching staff) tell us that we need to wrestle a full seven minutes and that we need to stay on the offensive when we wrestle," Vega said.

Nelson said that by wrestling a full collegiate season Vega now knows what it will take to achieve all of his goals and to become an All-American.

Off the mat, Vega is working on achieving degrees in both physical education and health and his D.A.P.E. license, which is Developmental Adapted Physical Education.

Leading the way for the Dragons with 25 wins, Vega is building on his success and is looking forward to achieving the goals he has set for himself.

"We're looking forward to having him back next season and seeing what he can do," Nelson said.

With a successful first season, Vega will look to build on his experience and hard work to finish his collegiate career strong and as a national champion.

Many events planned for annual Dragon Fire Walk for Athletics

BY MADALYN LASKE laskema@mnstate.edu

MSUM supporters will gather for the largest annual fundraising event for Dragon athletic scholarships on April

The 8th annual Dragon Fire Walk for Athletics will look to surpass last year's successful effort of more than \$80,000.

Saturday has a full agenda planned for alumni, the community, and Dragon fans to get involved to support MSUM athletics beginning at 9 a.m. Kicking off the day, the opening ceremony will be held in Nemzek gymnasium followed by the ceremonial walk around campus at 9:30

After the walk, at 10 a.m., the non-competitive Dragon Splash Dash 5K Fun Run will begin at Nemzek Hall. MSUM students can register for the race for \$20, other runners can register for \$30. Scorch will blow the whistle to launch the Youth Fun Run around the MSUM Track at 11:30 a.m.

Dragon alumni games, a Dragon football scrimmage and food provided by the Dragon Grill will take up the rest of the afternoon beginning at 11:30

The 2011-2012 MSUM male athlete of the year, Corey Ulmer, and the 2011-2012 female student athlete of the year, Anna VanWechel, are the athletes chosen as the Dragon Fire Walk for athletics leaders.

Dragon Fire Walk for Athletics Schedule

9 a.m. Opening ceremonies 9:30 a.m. Ceremonial Walk 10 a.m. Dragon Splash Dash 5K Fun

11:30 a.m. Youth Fun Run 6:30 p.m. Appetizer social followed by River Dueling Pianos

A trip to the national wrestling meet in 2012, never recording a losing record as a Dragon, and notching two All-NSIC honors and All-American honors compose Ulmer's career at MSUM.

VanWechel holds two MSUM track and field records, is a three time All-American. seven-time member of All-NSIC Track and Field, a four-time All-NSIC Cross County member, and an Academic All-American.

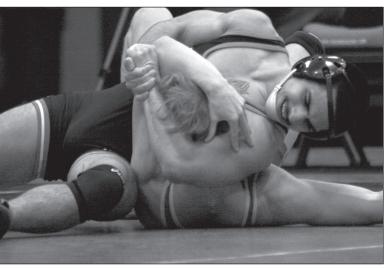
Both Ulmer and VanWechel have received scholarships raised through the Dragon Fire Walk for Athletics.

Picking up at 6:30 p.m. the evening begins with a cash bar and appetizer social in Nemzek Fieldhouse. The social will be

capped with the highly anticipated River Rats Dueling Pianos show. The River Rats are a crowd interactive musical group that have preformed around the country. This 21 and older show is open to the public, ID is required and alcoholic beverages will be served.

Coinciding with the entertainment, a silent auction and raffles will be held for a chance to win prizes.

To register or donate to the Dragon Fire Walk for Athletics, visit www. dragonwalk.com or call the MSUM athletics department for more information.



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REALIGNMENT, FROM FRONT

made up of the provost, the two associate vice presidents and all five deans made revisions, which they released in February.

Whereas the task force had kept most of the sciences together, in a February 11 letter, the council recommended placing most of the social sciences into a College of Global, Cultural and Public Affairs.

It also explained that it added nursing to the name of a "much more focused" College of Science, Health and Nursing to take "strategic advantage of one of the largest and fastest growing occupational sectors in the Twin Cities metro area and the Fargo-Moorhead metro area."

But when Szymanski - who makes the final decision - released her tentative recommendations on Monday, the name reverted to College of Science, Health and the Environment.

She kept all but one of the council's recommended department placements, gave Gorsline's job more responsibilities and, perhaps most controversially, renamed the College of Global, Cultural and Public Affairs in order to reflect "the key role of the College and its programs in our students' development of analytical, problem solving, creativity and critical thinking skills."

Channeling many of his colleagues sentiments, former task force member Matthew Craig, an astronomy and physics professor, referred to the College of Critical Thinking and Integrative Studies as the "college of currently trendy academic buzzwords."

Faculty react

The Advocate spoke to a couple dozen professors from a broad range of university departments. Their reactions ranged from excitement and optimism to indifference and skepticism.

Most of the professors didn't feel

comfortable going on the record with their v i e w s

because they said they feared being seen as speaking for their departments while others were willing as long as it was clear they were conveying personal thoughts not others'.

Political science professor Andrew Conteh said he's not seen such a complete reorganization during his nearly 30 years at MSUM.

Just like a river, he said, "academia should be seen as a constantly changing phenomenon" and we need to change with the

"You have to try (realignment) and see," he said. "We should not just shoot it down upon arrival ... Unless you are willing to accept changes, the changes will swallow you."

Downstairs, on MacLean's second floor, mass communications professor Mark Strand didn't criticize the plan on its merits, but noted restructuring is "the favorite indoor sport of academics."

colleague, mass communications department chairman CT Hanson, said most faculty in his department support realignment, some envisioning collaborations of public relations and music industry or communications studies and advertising.

Hanson noted – and his general notion was repeated in several

you" - Andrew Conteh, political science professor

departments across campus - that

although most faculty members

do not mind the change, mass

communications is content where

gender studies Sherry Short said

she doesn't like the name of her

new college, the College of Critical

Thinking and Integrative Studies,

but in general, is pleased with the

for change was scary," Short said.

"But now that change is here, I

think there's a lot less anxiety about

completely revamping the structure

professor, said he supported keeping

the sciences together because

MSUM is one of very few schools

"I don't see what the big payoff

with the new structure is," he said.

"It will cause disruption and I'm

not fully on board with why it has

to have that sort of structure.

Craig, the astronomy and physics

of the university."

"At first I think the potential

Interim director of women's and

to be done at this very moment."

Students apathetic

When it comes down to it, Craig said, most students don't identify by what college they are in anyway.

"Once you're on campus, you ask them what college they go to and they will tell you 'MSUM,"" he said.

Craig's hypothesis seems to have

merit. Most students "Unless you are willing to accept changes, the changes will swallow interviewed didn't know much,

if anything, about academic realignment and those who did, either hadn't formed an opinion or

Accounting senior Rose Wietzema said MSUM is doing very well and doesn't need drastic change.

just didn't care.

"I could see if we had problems, but there are no real problems," she

But Student Senate president Russel Ferguson said he thinks the plan is good because it will "align our colleges more with the business world."

He said administrators considered student leaders' input every step of

"There is a general student influence on it," Ferguson said. "They constantly talked to us about

'Centers' proposed

Gorsline said the 2013-14 academic year will be focused on the logistics of realignment -

recruitment materials and website development, for example - but administrators will also start creating an academic master plan to turn structural changes into longerterm instructional changes (i.e. new courses, new majors and minors).

One such change the task force envisioned is the creation of interdisciplinary "centers" within each college. Under the plan, the "centers" would eventually grant minors and certificates. They would bring together students from a variety of departments and could evolve with changing workforce needs without, as Gorsline put it, "mess(ing) with the permanent organization of the university."

"I think some of the most interesting collaborations are cross-departmental, interdepartmental," she said.

Some examples the task force proposed include a Center for Global Health Care Leadership and a Center for Leadership and Social

Communication studies professor Rebecca Gardner is among several professors who enthusiastically support these ideas.

"The college's intention to create collaborative 'centers' will help us to ensure this is not just a change in name only," she said.

Gorsline stressed the longterm nature of such a thorough reorganization.

"We're really committed to making this work," she said. "Our work's not done. It's just getting started."

MTLE, FROM FRONT

Vandenheuvel returned to the capitol on March 12 to testify during a Senate hearing while they discussed H.F. 171's companion bill, S.F. 1224. The bill failed in the Senate. However, it is being looked at and amended to better fit the issues discussed during the hearings. One big change will be the change of the name from Basic Skills Test to College Level Tests. Once revised, it will be sent back to the House.

"March 12 was a hard day," Vandenheuvel said. "We had such good feed back (in the house), and we were like "this is great, all these good things happened," and then they failed it in the Senate. So that was really hard."

The MLTE is becoming a household issue as Vandenheuvel and the test were featured on Minneapolis news station WCCO. The test scores along with a racial bias are being looked at. According to WCCO news, 79 percent of whites pass the math portion of test with only 27 percent of blacks and 45 percent of Hispanics passing. The numbers appear biased on the reading test results as well with 79 percent of whites passing compared to 37 percent of blacks and 50 percent of Hispanics.

Not only are Vandenheuvel and Fildes making themselves heard to our legislators, but they are also raising awareness on campus by creating a new society called VOICE — Voicing Our Important Concerns In Education.

"We just sat down and spent like 14 hours one day and set it up and launched it," Vandenheuvel

The society is for Minnesota pre-service teachers to help raise awareness about the test and provide support to those that are unable to pass the test. They also have an online petition for the test re-evaluation in hopes of providing pre-service teachers with a fair and equal opportunity to pass the test. So far there are roughly 200 names on the petition.

"It really puts you down and makes you feel unintelligent if you are unable to pass what is called the basic skills," Vandenheuvel said.

The society held an Action Day on March 1 where they raised awareness and made signs for the visit to the capitol. The women hope to have another Action Day soon with more people involved.

"It's everybody, not just education majors," Fildes said. "We are trying to spread the word to everyone."

Vandenveuvel and Fildes also sent out information about the society and the website to multiple schools in Minnesota that are a member of MACTE to try and generate awareness. For more information on VOICE or to sign the petition go online to minnesotavoice.wix.com/pst-

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