TWEED MUSEUM

EVENTS
Story Time at the Tweed is held every Thursday at 10 am for children ages three to five.
Family Art Hour will be held from 10 am-noon on Apr. 8 for children of all ages and their families.

EXHIBITS
The exhibition, “The Atomic Edge: Design in Print Imagery, 1940s to 1960s” illustrates the development of printmaking as a fine art and how the atomic age affected American designers. The exhibit consists mostly of works from the Kiser Print Collection donated by former UMD professor Jesse Dorrance Kiser. It will be on display through Mar. 14.

“Andy Warhol: Pop and Polaroid,” a select set of Warhol Polaroids and black and white prints, will be on display through May 16.

“Art for Hire: Prints from the Minnesota WPA,” lithographs by Minnesota artists employed by Works Progress Administration, 1933-1943, will be on display through May 16.

The exhibition, “A Flow of Ideas: Selections from the Permanent Collection,” includes 70 artworks. They demonstrate how related works of art, when viewed together, may best reveal common themes. It will be on display through July 11.

"Form and Surface: Selections from the Glenn C. Nelson Collection" will be on display through Nov. 7.

Senior student shows will be featured throughout the year, including: Nick Lundgren and Emilee Keil, from Feb. 23-28; Kimberly Halverson from Mar. 2-7; Jenna Childs from Mar. 9-14; Mike Bregel and Alex Harwood from Mar. 23-28; and Kyle Benson from Mar. 30-Apr. 4. For Tweed Museum information go to http://www.d.umn.edu/tma, contact tma@d.umn.edu or call 726-8222.

music EVENTS
All events will be held in Weber Music Hall unless otherwise noted.

"Verismo: The Truth About Opera" with Regina Zona, director, and Jean R. Perrault, conductor, will be performed at 7:30 pm on Feb. 25, Feb. 26, and Feb. 27 at the Marshall Performing Arts Center. Two of Verismo’s most popular operas, Suor Angelica by Puccini and Pagliacci by Leoncavallo, represent the complexities that make opera irresistible.

For more information about music events, call 726-8561, or see http://www.d.umn.edu/music

theatre/dance EVENTS
The Factory Girls, directed by Tom Isbell, will be performed in the UMD Dudley Experimental Theatre on Mar. 11, 12, 13, 23 and 27 at 7:30 pm, and on Mar. 28 at 2 pm.

For info, call the UMD Box Office at 726-8561 or see http://www.d.umn.edu/theatre.
athletic EVENTS

MEN'S BASKETBALL
The UMD Men’s Basketball team will play Bemidji State at 8 pm on Feb. 24. The games will be held in Romano Gym.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
The UMD Women’s Basketball team will play Bemidji State at 6 pm on Feb. 24. The games will be held in Romano Gym.

MEN'S HOCKEY
The UMD Men’s Hockey team will play Minnesota at 7:07 pm on Feb. 26 and 7:37 pm on Feb. 27. All games will be held at the DECC.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY
The UMD Women’s Hockey team won the 2010 WCHA title and will begin playoffs this weekend. The women will play North Dakota on Fri. Mar. 26 and Sat., Mar. 27 at the Heritage Center at 7:07 pm, with a third game, if needed, slated for 4:07 pm on Sun., Mar. 28.
For more information, contact the UMD Athletic Office at 726-7518 or see http://www.umdbulldogs.com.

EVENTS, lectures, workshops

PLANETARIUM
The Marshall W. Alworth Planetarium holds free public shows at the planetarium every Wednesday and has added Friday evening shows at 7 pm.
"Mythbusters: Astronomy!" will be presented on Feb. 24 and 26. Presenters adapt the popular Discovery Channel show to debunk some myths regarding astronomy including: the moon landing, the dark side of the moon, and why Polaris will not always be the North Star.
Stargazing Tonight will be presented on Mar. 3 and 5.
The local Arrowhead Astronomical Society presents a show on Mar. 10.
Private shows are available by appointment for groups of 10 or more. See list of shows at http://www.d.umn.edu/planet/programs.

GEOLOGY LECTURES
Nathan Johnson, assistant professor, Department of Civil Engineering, UMD, will present "Biogeochemical contaminant transformations in aquatic sediments" on Thurs., Feb. 25 at 3:30 pm in LSCI 175.
Jeff Vervoort, associate professor, Department of Geology, Washington State University, will present "Unraveling the early history of the Earth with radiogenic isotopes" on Thurs., Mar. 4 at 3:30 pm in LSCI 175.
On Thurs., Mar. 11, Rick Colwell, professor, College of Oceanic and Atmospheric Sciences, Oregon State University, will present "Biogeochemical exhalations: Microbial methane in marine sediments" at 3:30 pm in LSCI 175.
For more information on these events contact the Department of Geological Sciences at 726-8385.

MULTICULTURAL EVENTS

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Book discussions for Firoozeh Dumas’s Laughing without an Accent will take place in KSC 268 on Feb. 24 and 25 at 4 pm.
UMD Women’s Studies Open House and Women’s History Month Kickoff Celebration will take place Tues., Mar. 2 from 11 am-2 pm in Hum 494.
The Poetic Assassins will perform on Fri., Mar. 5 at 7 pm in the Kirby Lounge. Coming from the Hip Hop tradition of community and consciousness mixed with complex rhymes and thought provoking lyrics, the Poetic Assassins have put together one of the most dynamic sets around.
An International Women’s Day event will be held on Mon., Mar. 8 from 11 am-1 pm in the Kirby Lounge.
"Writing Women Back into History,” a reading of recent works by local authors: Linda LeGarde Grover and Ellie Schoenfeld will be presented on Thurs., Mar. 25 at 7 pm in the Library Rotunda.

FILMS
A Black Comedy and Family Marathon event, which includes miscellaneous film viewings, will take place at 4 pm in the Kirby Lounge on Feb. 26.
A viewing and discussion of Blossoms of Fire, directed by Maureen Gosling and Elle Osborne, will take place on Mon., Mar. 22 from noon-2 pm in KSC 273B.

LECTURES
Marilyn Simerson-Wallfred will present "ASL" on Wed., Feb. 24 from 3:30-5 pm in KSC 264.
"Think You've Got Equality? Think Again! Getting an Equal Rights Amendment in Minnesota" will be presented by Barbra Peterson, Coalition for a Minnesota Constitutional Amendment for Equality, on Wed., Mar. 3 at noon in KSC 268.
A Redefinition of Identity Lecture with Magdalen Hsu-Li will be presented on Thurs., Mar. 4 at 7 pm in Boh. 90.
Jane La Tour, a Women’s History Month keynote speaker,
will present "Writing Tradeswomen Back Into History" on Tues., Mar. 9 at 7:30 pm in Montague 80.

"A Closer Look: Tourette’s Syndrome" will be presented on Wed., Mar. 10 from 3:30-5 pm in KSC 264.

"Women and Finances," a presentation by Deb Almirall and Patty Francisco, local banking and investment experts, will be presented on Thurs., Mar. 11 at 7 pm in Humanities 490.

EXHIBITS

The Arrowhead Associations of Artists with Disabilities (AAAWD) Artwork "Bloom Under the Snow" will be on display through Mar. 12 in the Multicultural Center on second floor of Kirby.

For questions or more information on these events email msc@d.umn.edu or call 726-6522.

V-DAY EVENTS

The film Until the Violence Stops will be featured on Fri., Mar. 5 at 4:30 pm in the Kirby Lounge.

"A Memory, a Monologue, a Rant, and a Prayer" will be presented on Fri., Mar. 26 at 7 pm in the Kirby Rafters. Bring $2 or a non-perishable food item for admission.

The Vagina Monologues will be presented on Apr. 16 and 17 at 7 pm in Boh. 90.

For more information see http://www.duluth.umn.edu/ws/cal/events.php.

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT EVENTS

The Civic Engagement Book Group is open to any interested UMD faculty, staff, students, and Duluth community members. This spring they will be reading Civic Engagement in Higher Education: Concepts and Practices by Barbara Jacoby and associates. Sessions will be Tues., Mar. 2 and Tues., Apr. 6 at noon in Boh. 351. For information, email Brian Bluhm at bluh0020@d.umn.edu or call 726-6623.

BODY IMAGE AWARENESS

The National Safety Council's Defensive Driving Course (DDC) 4 will be held on Wed., Mar. 17 in DAdB 25. This Defensive Driving Course 4 classes is offered for free to UMD faculty, staff and their spouses and partners.
The Health Improvement Program (HIP): "Learning About Diabetes, Prevention and Treatment" will be presented on Tues., Mar. 23 at noon in KSC 323. Learn more about diabetes, how it is diagnosed, prevented and treated. To register or for more information see www.d.umn.edu/umdhr.

ALWORTH INSTITUTE EVENTS

The Alworth Institute is sponsoring the WorldQuest Trivia competition on Thurs., Feb. 25 in the Kirby Ballroom. WorldQuest is an international quiz game that is played in teams of eight. Teams compete against one another on subjects with an international flavor: flags and capitals; geographical features and international borders; people and events in the news. Teams have a chance to win prizes, including a donation to a charity or non-profit organization. The cost is $5 for students, $10 for others and includes a buffet dinner. To register a team contact Cindy Christian in 109 Cina, email alworth@d.umn.edu, or call (218) 726-7493.

William D. Hartung, Director of the Arms and Security Initiative of the New America Foundation will speak on "The Obama Administration: A New Start for Nuclear Arms Control" on Wed., Mar. 10 at 7 pm in the Library Fourth Floor Rotunda.

BROWN BAG LUNCHES

"Travels in Africa: A Journey in Two Parts" will be presented on Thurs., Mar. 4 at noon in the Library Fourth Floor Rotunda. Deb Shubat, Biology Department, visited South Africa and Botswana in the summer of 2009. She will provide a photo safari of Namibia and Botswana.

"Travels in Africa Part II" will be presented by Helen Mongan-Rallis, Department of Education, and Trisha O'Keefe, program coordinator for UMD's International Student Services on Thurs., Mar. 11 at noon in the Library 4th Floor Rotunda. They will talk about their trip to private and national wildlife parks in South Africa as well as their camping trip in mokoros (dugout canoes) in Botswana.

For questions email alworth@d.umn.edu.

BOULDER LAKE EVENTS

"Moonlight Ski and Snowshoe" will be held Feb. 26 from 6-9 pm.
"Wilderness First Aid" will be held Mar. 6 and 7 from 9 am-5:30 pm.
A Family Event: "Maple Syrup Demonstration" will be held Mar. 28 from 1-2:30 pm.
For more information see www.boulderlake.org.

CIVIL RIGHTS AND PIZZA

A viewing of Sue Sojourner's Civil Rights exhibit, a reading, and a pizza party will be held from 5-8 pm on Thurs, Feb. 25 at the The Venue at Mohaupt Block, 2024 W Superior St, in Duluth. During the evening Sue Sojourner will read, accompanied by alumna Rachael Kilgour on the violin. Enjoy free pizza and soft drinks and see the exhibit: 1960s Holmes County, Mississippi: The Local People and Their Civil Rights Movement. sponsored by the Commission on Women and the Department of Art Education. Transportation is available. Contact Cheryl at 726-8996.

BIOLOGY SEMINARS

Erin Sheets, Department of Pharmacy Practice & Pharmaceutical Sciences, will present "Lipid and protein dynamics in biomembranes" on Fri., Feb. 26 at 3:15 pm in 185 Life Science. For more information email biol@d.umn.edu.

STUDY ABROAD EVENTS

Study Abroad 101 will be held every Thursdays during spring semester at 3 pm in Kirby 333. Integrate a global experience into your studies, have fun, strengthen your resume, and expand your experiences.

An informational meeting, Study in Western Australia at Curtin University, will be held on Wed. Feb. 24 and Mar. 10 at 3 pm in LSBE 165.
An informational meeting, Study in Sweden: six Universities, will be presented on Wed. Feb. 24 and Mar. 10 at 3:30 pm is LSBE 165.
An informational meeting, Study in Finland at the University of Eastern Finland, will be presented Wed., Feb. 24 and Mar. 10 at 4 pm in LSBE 165.
For more information see http://www.d.umn.edu/ieo/.

HUMOR AND HUMANITY

Firoozeh Dumas will present Shared Humanity through Humor at 4 pm on Mar. 2, in Kirby Ballroom. She was born in Abadan, Iran and, in the 1970s, moved to Southern California with her family. Her two memoirs are Funny in Farsi and Laughing without an Accent.
For information, contact pokeefe@d.umn.edu or 726-7531.

EDDY LECTURE

The spring Eddy Lecture will be held on Sat., Apr. 10 from 8:30 am-4 pm in Chemistry Hall 200. This presentation addresses the impact of language disorders in school-age children and adolescents on their acquisition of literacy skills: decoding, reading comprehension and spelling. For more information see http://www.d.umn.edu/csd/eddy.html.
special EVENTS

LEWIS/CLARK & INDIAN COUNTRY

A national traveling exhibition titled, “Lewis and Clark and the Indian Country,” will be on display in the Library’s Fourth Floor Rotunda through Feb. 25. For info contact 218-726-8130 or see http://libguides.d.umn.edu/lewisandclark.

COLD OUT? OUT COLD

UMD’s OUT COLD WEEK will be held Feb. 22-27, and will feature the annual Frozen Yeti Film Contest, Department Decorating Contest, music, comedy, and winter fun by student organizations and groups. For a schedule of events see: http://www.duluth.umn.edu/kirby/outcold/. E-mail questions to Lacey or Christina at kirbyint@d.umn.edu or cgeissle@d.umn.edu.

PHILOSOPHY DEPT COLLOQUIUM

Brendan Ritchie, Harvard University, will present “Socrates’ Conception of Knowledge” on Fri., Feb. 26 at 4:30 pm in ABAH 225. For more information see www.d.umn.edu/phil.

SPRING HEAD OF THE LAKES JOB FAIR

The Spring Head of the Lakes Job Fair will be held on Mar. 10 from 2-6 pm at the University of Wisconsin Superior. Meet employers for networking opportunities, learn about the current market, and find internships, summer, full-time, and part-time positions. For information see http://www.uwsuper.edu/career/students/jobfairs.cfm.

ITSS TECHFEST

ITSS will present Techfest from 9 am-3 pm on Fri., Mar. 26 in the Kirby Ballroom. Faculty, staff and students showcase current trends and latest uses of technology at UMD. Request for proposals are now being taken see http://www.d.umn.edu/itsst/etrg/techfest/. The deadline for requests is Wed., Mar. 10. For additional information or questions contact Sheri Pihlaja at spihlaja@d.umn.edu.

EVENTS, faculty and staff

STUDY ABROAD IN ENGLAND PROGRAM

An information session will be held on Thurs., Feb. 24 from 11:30 am-1:30 pm in the Griggs Center for faculty interested in applying for the director and four semester faculty positions with the 2011-2012 UMD Study in England Programme. Information can be found at http://www.d.umn.edu/ieo/programs/england/siedirector.html and http://www.d.umn.edu/ieo/programs/england/siefacultynew.html.

TECH TALK PLUS

Tech Talk offers a forum for faculty from all disciplines to come together over lunch and discuss uses and abuses of educational technology. All session will run from 12-1 pm in 333 KSC. The sessions will be held on Thursday, Mar. 25; Friday, Apr. 2; and Wednesday, May 12. Contact LeAn Rutherford at lrutherford@d.umn.edu.

BROWN BAG FINANCIAL SERIES

The Brown Bag Financial Series offers seminars designed to provide tools for savvy investing. U of M employees are able to participate by attending the seminars in person at the Twin Cities campus or by participating online through UM Connect.

"Building a Portfolio for any Weather" will be presented on Wed., Feb. 24 from noon-1 pm in Donhowe 210.

For questions or further information call 612-624-9090.

THE WRITE NOW HOUR

To help faculty and staff with their professional publications, UMD offers the Write Now Hour. Feedback is available at any stage of a writing project: to help revise, and provide support. No registration required. Sessions are held in Boh 213 on Mondays from noon-1 pm on Mar. 8, Mar. 22, Apr. 5, Apr. 19, May 5 and May 17. Sessions are also offered on Thursdays from 2-3 pm on Mar. 4, Apr. 1, Apr. 15, Apr. 29, and May 13. For info, contact LeAn Rutherford at lrutherford@d.umn.edu or 726-6207.

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT

The Instructional Development Service Spring 2010 Workshops:

“Outcomes-Based Assessment: Multiple Means of Measuring” will be held from 1-2:30 pm on Feb. 25 in KSC 268.

“Drop-In Film Festival: 20 Minute Mentors” will be held from 1-3:30 pm on Mar. 3 in EduE 142.

“Making Cultural Competence a Part of Our Courses” with Paula Pedersen and IDS will be held from 9-10:30 am on Mar. 9 in KSC 333.

“Hot Topics: Creating a More Civil Classroom” with Deborah Petersen-Perlman & IDS will be held from 9-10:30 am on Mar. 30 in KSC 333.

“Noon Nuggets: Getting the Most from Your Student Evaluations” will be held from noon-1:30 pm on Apr. 7 in KSC 268.

“Civic Engagement: Connecting with Community for Win-Win” will be held from 3-4:30 on Apr. 28 in KSC 268.

Register with Jason Ellis via email jellis2@d.umn.edu or call 726-6355.
GLENSHEEN

GLENSHEEN TOURS
The historic Congdon estate, Glensheen mansion, is open for tours Saturdays and Sundays from 9 am-3:30 pm. For information e-mail glen@d.umn.edu or call 218-726-8910.

CAMPUS NEWS

academic NEWS

UMD CHANCELLOR SEARCH
Nominations and applications for the UMD Chancellor’s position are now being accepted. For a complete description of the position see: http://www.d.umn.edu/vcaa/documents/UMDPositionProfile-FINAL.pdf

administrative NEWS

KUMD
KUMD is broadcasting live from the Olympics in Vancouver presenting reports that highlight the efforts of UMD alumni and area athletes through Feb. 26. Listen weekday mornings at 9 am for reports.

"World Café": Listen weekday afternoons from 3-5 pm for an eclectic mix of contemporary music and live performances and interviews.

Listen to "Green Visions" every Wednesday at 8:15 am during Coffee Break.

For more info contact kumd@kumd.org.

UMD STORES NEWS
UMD GRAD FAIR 2010 is Thurs., Mar. 4 from 10 am-6 pm in Kirby Ballroom. Purchase graduation caps, gowns, hoods, tassels, diploma frames, and generic announcements at a 20% discount, and take care of graduation planning needs and explore graduation-related exhibits.

UMD Stores is hosting a March Food Drive. Drop off non-perishable food items at any UMD Stores location. Food items will be donated to Duluth's Emergency Food Shelf. All donations received in March are proportionally matched by Minnesota Food Share.

Do you really need a bag? Customers who don’t take a plastic bag can contribute to the charities Safe Haven Shelter for Battered Women, UMD Office of Sustainability, and the COMPASS after school program at the YMCA.

Olympic savings! Shop for gold, silver and bronze medal discounts throughout the store going on now through Mar. 2.

Clothing Drive through Mar. 2. For each item of clothing donated, receive a 10% off coupon.

Online textbook buyback: Sell your books anytime at http://www.umdstores.com under "textbooks" and get free shipping. The bookstore has partnered with MBS Textbook Exchange, the nation's largest textbook wholesaler, to offer the best prices for used books.

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faculty/staff NEWS

Evan Brier, assistant professor, Department of English, published his book A Novel Marketplace: Mass Culture, the Book Trade, and Postwar American Fiction which examines the impact of the emergence of television on the making, marketing, and reception of American novels in the 1950s. Analyzing a range of mid-century novels by writers such as Paul Bowles, Ray Bradbury, Sloan Wilson, Grace Metalious, and Norman Mailer, this book reveals the specific strategies used by novelists and publishers to carve out a cultural and economic space for the American novel just as it seemed most under threat.

The National Science Foundation has awarded a grant, RUI: “Measuring local adaptation to test the Geographic Mosaic of Coevolution Theory in a three trophic level interaction: a fly, a galler, and a parasitoid”, to Tim Craig, associate professor, and Joanne Itami, research associate, both from the Department of Biology.

David A. McCarthy, professor, Department of Education, recently attended the National Association of Alternative Teacher Certification Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada. McCarthy presented the workshop entitled "Technology Skills and Concepts for 21st Century Classrooms". He also presented "Incorporating WIKIS into the 21st Century Classroom" and "Incorporating Google Docs into the 21st Century Classroom". McCarthy will also be conducting a workshop for the National Association of Teacher Educators in February at their national meeting in Chicago. In addition, he will be presenting at the ATE National Conference regarding specific 21st century technology tools for PreK-16 classroom instruction.

Ted Pedersen, professor, Department of Computer Science and Kang James, professor, Department of Mathematics and Statistics, had their research, along with two UMD graduate students, presented at the first regional
celebration of Women in Computing in the Upper MidWest (MinneWIC) on February 12, in Minneapolis. Mugdha Choudhari presented a poster entitled "A Measure of Semantic Relatedness Using the Concept of Allowable Paths in the Unified Medical Language System (UMLS)" on her work with Pedersen. Yanbo Xu presented a poster entitled "Random Walks in WordNet to Measure Lexical Semantic Relatedness" on her work with James and Pedersen.

**Paul Treuer**, director, Knowledge Management Center, **Julie Westlund**, director, Career Services, and **Shannon Godsey**, formative assessment coordinator for Communication Sciences and Disorders, presented a poster on “UMD’s Framework for Student Learning Outcomes: An Integrated Academic and Student Life Assessment Model” at the 2010 UM Quality Fair in Minneapolis on Feb. 4, 2010. Their poster, a description of work being done at UMD by various groups, including the campus assessment coordinator, the Student Development Assessment Team, and the Council for the Assessment of Student Learning, received top honors for “best data driven project.”

**NRRI NEWS**

**Subhash Basak** was the U.S. Chair of the Sixth Indo-U.S. Workshop on Mathematical Chemistry, Kolkata, India, January. Basak gave the following presentations at the workshop:

- "Mathematical descriptors of molecules and biomolecules: Development and practical applications."
- "Some thoughts on the formulation of Indo-Colombia Mathematical Chemistry project."
- "Strategies of combining chemodescriptors and biodescriptors for predicting bioactivity and toxicity of chemicals."
- "Mathematical Chemistry: A futuristic view,” at the valedictory session of the workshop.

Basak addressed the inaugural session of the workshop and discussed the history of the Indo-U.S. workshop series beginning from its inception in 1998 with the organization of the first event at Visva Bharati University, Santiniketan, West Bengal, India.

Basak also gave an invited lecture entitled “Mathematical chemistry in the protection of human and environmental health” in January, at the Jagadis Bose National Science Talent Search (JBNSTS) Institute, Kolkata, India.

**MN SEA GRANT NEWS**

The international conference, Ecology of Lake Superior: Integrated Approaches and Challenges in the 21st Century, will be held on May 3-5 in Duluth. Sponsored by the Lake Superior Binational Program and the Great Lakes Research Information Network. The conference is open to the public.

Those interested in presenting sessions at the conference may still apply. To obtain a flier or response form, log on to: http://www.seagrant.umn.edu/news/2009/12/09.

The latest *Seiche* newsletter is available at: http://www.seagrant.umn.edu/newsletter/.

**MEDICAL SCHOOL-DULUTH NEWS**

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**PHARMACY NEWS**

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The schedule for Spring Semester is:

- **Deadline:** Wed., Mar. 3
  - **Print Date:** Tues., Mar. 9
- **Deadline:** Wed., Mar. 31
  - **Print Date:** Tues., Apr. 6
- **Deadline:** Wed., Apr. 14
  - **Print Date:** Tues., Apr. 20
- **Deadline:** Wed., Apr. 28
  - **Print Date:** Tues., May 12

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