

MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY MOORHEAD NEWSLETTER

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28 MSUM FACULTY PROMOTED; 18 TENURED

Twenty-eight MSUM faculty members have been awarded promotions, 10 to the rank of professor and 18 to associate professor. Eighteen were also granted tenure.

Promoted to professor status: **Anna Arnar**, Art & Design; **Timothy Borchers**, Communication Studies, Film Studies and Theatre Arts; **Wes Erwin**, Counseling, Educational Leadership, Foundations & Field Experiences; **Jan Fiola**, Sociology; **Glenn Ginn**, Music; **Elizabeth Nawrot**, Psychology; **Joseph Provost**, Biology; **Rodney Rothlisberger**, Music; **Sue Severson**, Special Education, and **SuEllen Shaw**, English.

Promoted to associate professor: **Joni Baldwin**, Special Education; **Jane Bergland**, Nursing; **Steven Bolduc**, Economics; **Elizabeth Evenson**, Counseling Center; **Yahya Frederickson**, New Center; **Charles Howell**, Counseling, Educational Leadership, Foundations & Field Experiences; **Michelle Malott**, Biology; **Phyllis May-Machunda**, American Multicultural Studies; **Michael McCord**, English; **Takanori Mita**, Languages & Cultures; **Kristine Montis**, Mathematics; **Amy Phillips**, Social Work; **Joann Segovia**, Accounting; **Ananda Shastri**, Physics and Astronomy; **Benjamin Smith**, Languages & Cultures; **Tom Strait**, Music; **Pam Werre**, Library; and **Camilla Wilson**, Mass Communications.

Receiving tenure: **Joni Baldwin**, Special Education; **Steven Bolduc**, Economics; **Jenny Dufault**, Music; **Elizabeth Evenson**, Counseling Center; **Charles Howell**, CELFFE; **Michelle Malott**, Biology; **Michael McCord**, English; **Kristine Montis**, Mathematics; **Jimmie Park**, Art & Design; **Amy Phillips**, Social Work; **Regene Radniecki**, Mass Communications; **Sharon Scapple**, English; **Joann Segovia**, Accounting; **Ananda Shastri**, Physics & Astronomy; **Benjamin Smith**, Languages & Cultures; **Tom Strait**, Music; **Gregory Stutes**, Economics; and **Camilla Wilson**, Mass Communications.

PARSONS NAMED NEW DEAN OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES

Michael D. Parsons, chair of the Educational Leadership and Policy Studies department at Florida International University in Miami, has been named dean of Education and Human Services.

As one of four academic deans at MSUM, Parsons will supervise the university's teacher education unit, divided into separate academic departments: Elementary and Early Childhood Education; Counseling, Education Leadership, Foundations and Field Experiences; and Special Education.



He'll also oversee the departments of Nursing, Social Work and Health and Physical Education along with the MSUM Center for Early Childhood Education.

He's replacing Dorothy Suomala, who retired this spring.

A native of South Charleston, West Virginia, Parsons earned his undergraduate degree in Industrial Relations and Labor Studies from West Virginia Institute of Technology and a master's in Industrial Relations from West Virginia University.

He later completed his doctorate in Higher Education from Indiana University, where he taught education and labor studies for 22 years at both the Bloomington and Indianapolis campuses.

He then moved to Florida International University, first as a higher education professor, and for the next three years as chair of the Educational Leadership and Policy Studies department.

A specialist in higher education and public policy, he was a Fulbright Lecturer at Karaganda State University in Kazakhstan in 1999, and later acquired a \$200,000 USIA grant to form a

partnership with Indiana and Taraz State University in Kazakhstan.

He and his wife Alla have two daughters, April, who recently completed her doctorate at Rutgers University, and Maria, who may enroll in MSUM this fall as a PSEO student.

For Arts & Humanities and Natural & Social Sciences BORCHERS NAMED ASSOCIATE DEAN

Deans Ronald Jeppson and Kathleen Enz Finken announced last week the appointment of Timothy Borchers to the position of associate dean of the Colleges of Social and Natural Sciences, and Arts and Humanities effective July 1.

In his new role, Borchers will oversee and coordinate the assessment efforts of departments in the two colleges in preparation for the NCA



accreditation visit, and develop public relations efforts. The position is a two-year appointment with administrative rank.

Borchers joined MSUM in 1996, and has recently been promoted to professor in the department of Communication Studies, Film Studies, and Theatre Arts. He served as chair of that department this past

academic year, during which time he led the faculty and staff in a major strategic planning effort, and wrote the *Biennial Report*. He has been involved in departmental and campus assessment of student learning, and is currently serving on the Liberal Studies Task Force, the Institutional Assessment and Effectiveness Committee, and the Steering Committee for MSUM's application for re-accreditation to the North Central Association of Colleges of Arts and Sciences.

Borchers received his undergraduate degree in Speech Communication at the University of Nebraska, and his M.A. and Ph.D. in Speech Communication with an emphasis in Rhetorical Theory at Wayne State University. He is the author of two textbooks—*Rhetorical Theory, An Introduction* (Wadsworth Thomson, 2005), and *Persuasion in the Media Age* (McGraw-Hill, 2002, now in its second addition)—a book on public speaking used as a companion to all MSUM Speech Communication 100 classes, and numerous articles and book chapters.

He has served on APAC, the Master Plan for Technology Ad Hoc Task Force, the Instructional Technology Advisory Committee, and chaired the College of Arts and Humanities Public Relations Committee.

MSUM THROWS ITS 33rd ANNUAL 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION MONDAY

MSUM will hold its 33rd annual 4th of July celebration at 1 p.m. on the campus mall, beginning a Monday afternoon of family entertainment followed by fireworks at dusk over Nemzek Field.

The 4th of July celebration—free and open to the public—features continuous stage entertainment all afternoon, along with children's games, Dragon Express and barrel train rides, stagecoach and covered wagon rides, a climbing wall, bingo, music, and a variety of food booths.

Prior to the festivities, MSUM will host a 10K run starting at 8 a.m. at Nemzek's north gate entrance. Runners should contact Mark Rice at MSUM, 477-2062, for details and registration.

Campus mall events begin right after the 1 p.m. opening ceremony, which will include a flag raising and music by the Lake Agassiz Concert Band. The children's decorated bike parade starts at 1:30 p.m. Kids and parents should assemble at the mall flagpole right after the opening ceremony.

Stage entertainment is scheduled all afternoon on the mall. Cartoons will be shown in Weld Hall auditorium on the hour, and the MSUM Planetarium (located on first floor Bridges Hall) will feature the show "Spacecraft Slugs Comet!"

For more information, contact the Office of Administrative Affairs, phone 477.2156, or go to the Web site at www.mnstate.edu/july4

Events schedule:

- 8 a.m. -10K Race at Nemzek
- 1-5 p.m. - Campus Mall Events
- 1:30 p.m. -Decorated Bike Parade at flagpole
- 7:30 p.m. - Snacks and beverages -- Nemzek and 17th Street South
- 8:30 - 10:30 p.m. - 560th Air Force Band
- 9:30 p.m. -"We the People" Program
- 10:30 p.m. - Fireworks Display at Nemzek Field

Afternoon Stage Entertainment includes:

- 1:00 p.m. - Agassiz Concert Band
- 2:15 p.m. - Penny's Pals
- 3:00 p.m. - Soledad Ybarra
- 3:30 p.m. - Jim Vilandre
- 4:00 p.m. - Collin Peterson with the Shadows

Planetarium Show is entitled: "Spacecraft Slugs Comet!" Times are 1:30, 2:15, 3, 3:45, and 4:30 pm
Cartoons are in Weld at 1:10, 2, 3 and 4 p.m.

TWO CAMPUS CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS START THIS SUMMER

Two construction projects will begin on campus this summer.

The first project is the replacement of water mains that are too small to adequately serve our campus fire protection system. The State of Minnesota and the federal government are providing funding for new 12" water mains. The work will begin after the Fourth of July. The water main construction area will extend east on Sixth Avenue South to 20th Street and along 11th Street South between Sixth and Ninth Avenues. The work will progress in stages to minimize traffic disruptions.

Also this summer, construction will begin on the renovation of Hagen Hall, the academic building on the corner of Sixth Avenue and 11th Street South. The project is expected to take a minimum of 18 months to complete. The University has received permission from the City of Moorhead to close Sixth Avenue South between 11th and 12th Streets to provide access to the work site. This is the same staging area that was recently used for the Science Laboratories Addition.

160 BOXES OF BOOKS FOR AFRICA

Thanks to all who contributed to the MSUM book drive by donating books, packing and loading boxes. This year's drive surpassed our last efforts.

One ties for top score...

COUNSELOR EXAM RESULTS: ALL 9 MSUM STUDENTS OVER NATIONAL MEAN

Nine MSUM students took the Counselor Preparation Comprehensive Examination (CPCE) this year. All of the CNSA students scored above the overall mean of the national comparison group (n= 354). In addition, one CNSA student tied for the top score and a second CNSA student had the second highest score.

Students were tested over eight areas: Human Growth and Development, Social and Cultural Foundations, Helping Relationships, Group Work, Career and Lifestyle Development, Appraisal, Research and Program Evaluation, Professional Orientation and Ethics.

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* **Katherine L. Anderson** and **Kevin Anderson**, Special Education, attended the Charting the Cs

Assistive Technology in Special Education conference on April 25 and 26 in Rochester, Minn.
* **Wally Sizer**, Mathematics, went on a church work trip to Jamaica May 24 to June 5. While there he made mathematical presentations in classes at York Castle and Brown's Town High Schools in Brown's Town and at Aabuthnott Gallimore High School in Alexandria.

* **Jim Kaplan**, Languages and Cultures, has published an article, "The Iphigenia Theme in Diderot's 'Adieux du Vieillard,'" which just appeared in "The King's Crown: Essays on XVIII and XIX Century Literature, Art and History honoring Basil J Guy". Prof. Guy was Kaplan's thesis advisor at the University of California Berkeley. The volume was published by Editions Peeters of Louvain, Belgium.

* **Cody Bendickson** of Bejou, Minn., will start his freshman year at MSUM this fall as one of 500 students in the United States to receive a \$2,000 "Drive Your Future" scholarship from Mercedes-Benz USA. More than 2,000 students nation-wide applied for the one-time scholarships, aimed at first generation-bound college students. The winners were selected based on financial need and exceptional achievement in the areas of academic performance, leadership and school and community activities.

CLASSIFIEDS

* **For Sale** -1997 Jimmy, black with SLT trim, leather interior, 87,000 miles, call Kathy Scott at 477-2174 week days or 209-6825 evenings and week-ends.

Free kittens, several to choose from (black, black & white, gray,tiger), call Kathy at the above number.

VACANCIES

Music Theory Assistant Professor - Amended

<http://www.mnstate.edu/vacancy/0520P-Music%20Theory-Amended.pdf>

Studio Bass Assistant Professor

<http://www.mnstate.edu/vacancy/0536FE-StudioBass.pdf>

Instructor Or Assistant Professor Of Communication Studies

<http://www.mnstate.edu/vacancy/Communication%20Studies-0534FE.pdf>