

WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL ABOUT PRIVACY?

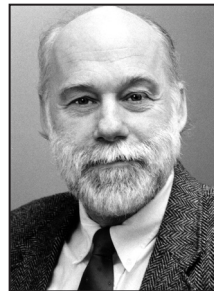
Stacy Voeller from the MSUM Instructional Resources department will present a Deans' Lecture on **"What's the Big Deal? Confidentiality and its Implications for Libraries and the University Community"** at 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9 in Livingston Lord Library 103. The lecture will address issues ranging from the U.S. Patriot Act and confidentiality to academic freedom and how these issues impact libraries.



Voeller

MNSCU RECOGNIZES RICE, HOLLAAR FOR FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AWARDS

Mark Rice, MSUM's comptroller/business manager, and Jean Hollaar, the university's budget officer, were recognized with an Excellence in Financial Management 2005 Award last week presented by the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system.



Rice

Awards recognizing leadership and team effort for excellence in financial and facilities management of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities were presented last week at the Chief Financial and Facilities Officers meeting in Minneapolis. The awards program publicly recognizes the significant contributions and outstanding efforts of the system's colleges, universities and employees.



Hollaar

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"These award winners have clearly demonstrated some of the terrific work done at colleges and universities across Minnesota. Their excellent leadership has improved services to students and staff at a time of increasing financial pressures," said Laura M. King, vice chancellor and chief financial officer for the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities.

Excellence in Financial Management 2005 awards are given for significant contributions to increased efficiency and effectiveness of finances and administrative services throughout the institution.

MNSCU gave financial management awards to business managers at 13 of its 32 institutions across Minnesota.

The system serves about 240,000 students per year in credit-based courses and an additional 130,000 students in non-credit courses.



'THE ART GUYS' IN RESIDENCE AT MSUM FEB. 15-18; PERFORMANCE FEB. 17

One of the country's most interesting art duos will be at MSUM Feb.15-18 for a residency that includes working with art students. The Art Guys, named 2005 Texas Artist of the Year by the Art League Houston, will also present a public performance at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 17 in the Roland Dille Center for the Arts Hansen Theatre. The performance is free, however, audience members are asked to bring canned or dried goods to help stock the Fargo-Moorhead Food Pantry.

The Art Guys (a.k.a. Aart Guise or Art Gize—"any phonetic spelling is acceptable," they say) are Michael Galbreth and Jack Massing who began

working together at the University of Houston in 1983. They have carefully crafted a presence and wacky notoriety that has captured the attention of a national audience.

Art League Houston President Billie Chasen says, "The Art Guys are doing more to engage and broaden the art audience than any other artists in the country."

Driven by an insatiable curiosity, they use a variety of media to explore their ideas including drawing, painting, sculpture, installation, performance and video. The Art Guys create diverse works designed to engage, amuse and challenge viewers by seducing them with a playful sense of humor.

Described in the New York Times as "a cross between Dada, David Letterman, John Cage and the Smothers Brothers," The Art Guys present a blend of performance, conceptual and visual art that explores the absurdities of contemporary life and pokes fun at the art world.

The Art Guys' *Travel Light* exhibit, which is installed in the baggage claim area of the International Arrivals Building at George Bush Intercontinental Airport in Houston, was among 21 works selected by Art in America magazine as being among the country's best 2004 public art projects. *Travel Light* consists of approximately 360 cast fiberglass suitcases that glow and pulsate utilizing a computer-controlled LED light system. They also recently received a commission for Sky Harbor International Airport in Phoenix.

The Art Guys document everyday objects, exploring the intersection of money, art, and everyday behavior, and poking fun at the commercialization of art. Some of their thought-provoking projects include *The Suitcase Wheel*, a 16-foot high sculpture of suitcases from the 1950s bolted together into a giant ring; *Cheese Grid* is a minimalist piece constructed of American cheese slices; and *Corona Tower*, which stands as tall as the viewer, is made from Corona beer bottles.

"There is a lot of humor to be found in contemporary life and contemporary art," said Galbreth. "We have always looked for ways to isolate the funny and create camaraderie through our work."

The residency and performance are sponsored in part by grants from the Lake Agassiz Arts Council, on behalf of the cities of Fargo and Moorhead, and the Comstock Foundation.

MSUM BLACK HISTORY MONTH EVENTS

Monday, Feb. 6

Mixed Blood Theater of Minneapolis presents: "Dr. King's Dream" at 7 p.m. in the student union ballroom.

This description of the life and career of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., features Warren C. Bowels in a stirring solo performance. It begins at the Lorraine Motel in Memphis on April 4, 1968, as King answers a young colleague's question with an anecdote from the Montgomery bus boycott. (free)

Wednesday, Feb. 8

Soul Food, Union City Café, student union, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Menu: Fried chicken, green beans with potatoes, coleslaw, sour cream biscuit and a 20 oz. fountain drink for \$4.99.

Tuesday, Feb. 14

Soul Food, Kise Commons. 4:30 p.m.

Sodexo will be offering a selection as an evening meal.

Menu: Barbeque ribs, fried chicken, macaroni and cheese, black-eyed peas and rice, collard greens, potato salad, corn bread muffins and sweet potato pie for \$6.85.

Wednesday, Feb. 15

Soul Food, Union City Café, student union, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.:

Menu: Breaded catfish, Louisiana red beans and rice, fried okra, dinner rolls and a 20oz. fountain drink for \$4.99.

Friday through Saturday, Feb. 17-19

Hip Hop Congress Minnesota Summit,

Concordia College, Knutson Center

The summit will encourage participants to educate themselves on world and domestic issues, organize action, and recognize how hip hop culture can be used to create positive change. It will bring together a diverse group of people who comprise this youth-driven, youth-based, and youth-inspiring community. The goal of this year's summit is to connect those interested in hip hop with education, social consciousness and community action. For more information and registration, contact: Amer Ahmad at Concordia College 299-3872.

Tuesday, Feb. 21

Black Baseball in Minnesota, CMU 203

noon to 1 p.m.

Steven Hoffbeck, an MSUM history professor, will discuss, "Swinging for the Fences," edited by Hoffbeck and written by a team of nine historians, sports journalists and baseball experts. "If you could beat a white player, or a white team, it

proved your equality and, for some, opened the pathway into the mainstream of America.”

Monday, Feb. 27

Portraits of Courage, Gaede Theater 7:30 p.m.
Los Angeles- based acting ensemble **Will and Company will perform “Portraits of Courage: African Americans You Wish You Had Known.”**

The performance piece is an examination of notable African Americans and their contributions to American history. Playwright Colin Cox wrote “Portraits” to enlighten, encourage and educate a multigenerational and multicultural audience on some of the unsung heroes of African-American history.

Note: The Hip Hop Summit at Concordia College may require a small registration fee. For more information or questions, contact the Multicultural Affairs office at 477-2176

Sponsorships: MSUM, Black Student Alliance MSUM, Cultural Diversity Events MSUM, Multicultural Affairs Office MSUM, SABC MSUM, Office of the president.

WHAT ARE YOUR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS AS AN EMPLOYEE?

A brown bag seminar on “Lurking In The Shadows: Constitutional Issues in Human Resources” meets at noon Thursday, Feb. 16 in the MSUM Library Porch featuring a presentation by Edward L. Choate, the university’s director of Human Resources.

In addition to his current position as the Chief Human Resources Officer at MSUM, Choate has worked as a private attorney and served as the labor and employment attorney at Southern California State University. He is currently licensed to practice law in the state courts of Connecticut and Illinois and the Federal Court System, including the Supreme Court of the United States.

APAC MEETS TUESDAY

The Academic Policy Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, February 7 at 3:00 p.m. in the Comstock Room, CMU 101.

Agenda

1. Approval of the 1/24/06 APAC Minutes*
2. New Course Proposal - Computer Science and Information Systems Department*
CSIS 316: Ethics in the Information Age (3 cr)

3. Minor Changes:

- a. Paralegal Department
Change in Course Level:
PARA 370: Government Benefits (3 crs) to
PARA 470: Government Benefits (3 crs)
- b. Communication Studies, Film Studies, and Theatre Arts Department*
Change in Course Level:
CMST 211: Argumentation and Debate (3 crs) to
CMST 111: Argumentation and Debate (3 crs)
- c. Economics Department*
Change in Course Level and Title:
Econ 497: Individual Study in Economics (1-3 crs) to
Econ 492: Undergraduate Research in Economics (1-3 crs)

- d. Temporary Liberal Studies Designation for Existing Courses
(The Liberal Studies Committee has approved the following courses in the indicated competency areas)
 - Competency #1b: Written Communication English Department*
Engl 101: English Composition I (3 crs)
 - Competency #4: Natural Sciences Chemistry Department*
Chem 102: Survey of Basic Principles of Chemistry (3 crs)

- Physics and Astronomy Department*
Ast 102: Solar System Astronomy (3 crs)
Ast 104: Stellar Astronomy (3 crs)

- Competency #5: History and the Social Sciences
Political Science Department*
Pol 105: Making Sense of Politics (3 crs)
Pol 120: American National Government and Politics (3 crs)

4. Liberal Studies Critical and Multicultural Thinking Course Proposals

- a. Communication Studies, Film Studies, and Theatre Arts Department*
CMST 111: Argumentation and Debate (3 crs) (Item 3.b.)

- b. English Department*
Engl 163: Who is a Hero? (3 crs)

5. New Course Proposal
Elementary and Early Childhood Education Department
EECE 548: Reading Study Skills in the Content Areas (3 crs)

6. Program Change
Health and Physical Education Department
Proposal for a Minor in Health Services
Administration

7. Liberal Studies*

- Competency #8 – Global Perspective
- Writing-Intensive Course Definition and Guidelines

**indicates item can be viewed electronically at:
<http://www.mnstate.edu/acadaff/APAC/2005-2006APAC/APACAgendasMinutes.htm>*



PHOTO GUILD HOSTS ENGLISH GARDEN EXHIBIT IN MSUM LIBRARY

An exhibition called "In the Garden" featuring the work of Minneapolis photographer Beth Dow is on display through Feb. 17 on the first floor of MSUM's Livingston Lord Library. Each of the 12 large photographs in the exhibit depicts scenes from a variety of English gardens taken when Dow lived in London during the 1980s. The exhibit is sponsored by the Photography Guild, a student organization dedicated to advancing photography at MSUM and the Fargo-Moorhead community. Besides hosting regular shows in the library gallery, the Guild also plans to sponsor an annual juried photo exhibition open to regional university photography students along with a yearly showing of members' work.

DRAGON BASEBALL SPAGHETTI DINNER, AUCTION FEB. 8 & 9

The annual Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction to support Dragon Baseball will be held from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 8 & 9, at the Knights of Columbus, 915 Main Ave., Moorhead. Tickets, \$7 each, will be available at the door.

GO BIG RED' T-SHIRTS FOR ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Dragon Fire, the official athletic scholarship fundraising arm of the MSUM Alumni Foundation, is selling T-shirts emblazoned with the cheer "Go Big Red" at all home athletic events. The shirts cost \$10, and all proceeds are dedicated to athletic scholarships.



Comprised of MSUM alumni, fans and parents of student athletes, Dragon Fire helps the university recruit the region's most gifted athletes.

MSUM POLY SCI STUDENTS INVITED TO CANADIAN CONFERENCE

Eight MSUM students attended the Political Studies Students' Conference at the University of Manitoba in Winnipeg on Feb. 1-3. Entitled "The State of the State: New Challenges in the 21st Century," the conference focused on global challenges to state authority. In its 22nd year, the conference draws attendees from Canada, the United States, and Europe.

The MSUM students were invited to the conference following a meeting between officials from MSUM and the University of Manitoba in November to discuss future interaction between the universities. University of Manitoba students are scheduled to attend the MSUM Student Academic Conference in April.

"Our cooperation in these events is the beginning of cooperation on a larger scale which, we hope, will culminate in the formation of a Canadian Studies emphasis under International Studies major at MSUM and joint exchange opportunities with the University of Manitoba," said Paul Sando, Geosciences, a member of the International Studies committee. Future plans may allow MSUM students to attend courses at the University of Manitoba while the Canadian students attend courses at MSUM.

The Canadian Consulate in Minneapolis is funding the trip for MSUM students. Sando explained that the consulate is "very interested in encouraging Canadian Studies at our institution."

The conference focused specifically on

the threats posed to state sovereignty by globalization, the reassertion of ethnic identity, and the phenomenon of state failure.

Sando and Andrew Conteh, Political Science, accompanied the MSUM students to the conference.

LOCAL SOROPTIMISTS COLLECT USED CELL PHONES TO DONATE TO RAPE AND ABUSE CRISIS CENTER

Members of Soroptimist International of Moorhead are conducting a used cell phone collection drive during February. Cell phones collected will be donated to the Rape and Abuse Crisis Center for 911 use by their clients.

Phones can be dropped off with Judy Strong in Owens Hall 20506 at MSUM. There will also be a collection table at the Moorhead Center Mall from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 18.

Soroptimist International is a classified women's service club with over 100,000 members in 119 countries. Their programs emphasize the best for women. The group's major project is the Women's Opportunity Award, a cash grant to women seeking further education to enter or return to the work force.

MSUM TEACHING ASSISTANT WINS REGIONAL PLAY COMPETITION

Adam Quesnell, a 2005 MSUM graduate (English) and currently a teaching assistant in the Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing program here, won the Midwest Region V ten-minute play competition for his play "Parachutes."

From the eight regional winners, the national selection committee will select one winner and three runners-up that all advance to the Kennedy Center for staged readings and workshops. Quesnell's play was juried selection as part of the Midwest Kennedy Center College Theatre Festival (Region V) hosted on the MSUM campus last week. Another of Quesnell's plays was a finalist for the one-act play competition and was performed as a directed reading.

Started in 1969 by Roger L. Stevens, the Kennedy Center's founding chairman, the Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival (KCACTF) is a national theater program involving 18,000 students from colleges and universities nation-wide which has served as a catalyst in improving the quality of college

theater in the United States. The KCACTF has grown into a network of more than 600 academic institutions throughout the country, where theater departments and student artists showcase their work and receive outside assessment by KCACTF respondents.

National program for students considering any kind of post-high school education...

MSUM HOSTS COLLEGE GOAL SUNDAY FEB. 12 TO START FINANCIAL AID PROCESS

MSUM will be one of 18 host sites in Minnesota for College Goal Sunday, a national one-day event that provides free information and assistance to families who are filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

FAFSA is the federally required form for students seeking financial aid, such as grants and loans. Completing it is the first step in qualifying for aid.

At MSUM, the event, aimed at students considering any kind of post-high school education, runs from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 12 in the ballroom of Comstock Memorial Union, located at the corner of 14th St. South and 6th Ave. South.

Any student thinking about financial aid for post-high school education should attend the event, says Sara Lamb, an assistant director of Scholarship and Financial Aid at MSUM who's coordinating the local event.

She said students should attend with a parent or guardian if possible. They should bring their parents' completed federal income tax return for 2005, W-2 statements and other 2005 income and benefits information.

If parents are unable to attend, she said, students can still get help filling out the form if they bring their parents' income information. Independent students may bring their own income and asset information.

More than a dozen financial aid specialists will be available that day to help fill out the forms.

For details about the national event, go to the College Goal Sunday web site at: www.mncollegegoalsunday.org

For questions at the event at MSUM, contact Lamb at 477-2083 or e-mail her at: lambsa@mnstate.edu.

FEBRUARY IT WORKSHOPS

Instructional Technology will sponsor the following workshops. They are free for MSUM faculty and staff, and will be held in the LIT Center (Library 222) unless otherwise noted below.

Register online at <http://www.mnstate.edu/instrtech> (click on Calendar of Events) or go directly to the page at <http://www.mnstate.edu/instrtech/CalendarOfEvents/calendar.htm>

Desire to Learn Series: Feb. 6-8, 3-4 p.m.
Monday, Feb/ 6 -- D2L Content: Best Practices
Tuesday, Feb. 7 -- D2L Gradebooks
Wednesday, Feb. 8 -- D2L Groups

Other Workshops Offered

PowerPoint Beginning -- Monday, Feb. 13, 3-4 p.m.

PowerPoint with Narration -- Tuesday, Feb. 14, 3-4 p.m.

Horizon Wimba (new collaboration tool) -- Wednesday, Feb. 15, 3-4p.m.

What's New In Instructional Technologies? -- Thursday, Feb. 16, 3-4 p.m.

If you have questions, contact Rhonda Ficek (477-2339, ficek@mnstate.edu) or Barb Hoppe (477-2596, hoppeba@mnstate.edu).

STUDENT ART EXHIBIT OPENS FEB. 13

An MSUM student art exhibit will be on display Feb. 13 through March 1 in the Roland Dille Center for the Arts gallery featuring a variety of media from photography and illustrations to graphic design and printmaking. The exhibit is in partial fulfillment of students' B.A. and B.S. degrees.

A reception for the artists will be held from 4-6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23 in the gallery. It's free and open to the public.

Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday; 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday; and 1-3 p.m. Saturday.

CANDLELIGHT CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING AT MSUM SCIENCE CENTER SATURDAY

MSUM's Regional Science Center and the Buffalo River State Park will host an evening of candlelight cross-country skiing Saturday, Feb. 11 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the Buffalo River Site.

Skiers should bring their own skis. A Minnesota ski pass is required and can be purchased that evening. A daily ski pass is \$5 and a season ski pass is \$15.

The trails are in good skiing condition. A hot

beverage and a fire will await skiers after they are done skiing. For more information on the trails, call 218-498-2124.

Meet at the Regional Science Center's interpretive center or at Buffalo River State Park's warming house located in the park's picnic grounds.

The Science Center and Park are located 15 miles east of Moorhead, just off Highway 81.

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* **Maxine Pianka**, President's Office, is a member of the planning committee that organized and hosted a MnSCU professional development program for the administrative assistants to the presidents of each of the 32 MnSCU institutions and the chancellor and system vice chancellors. The program, called "Purpose and Excellence: Assistant the President in Our Higher Education Communities," took place at the Office of the Chancellor in downtown St. Paul on Feb. 2 and 3.
* **Katherine Anderson**, Special Education, has had an article approved for publication in the international journal "Anthrozoos: A Multidisciplinary Journal of the Interactions of People and Animals". The article, *The Value of a Dog in a Classroom for Children with Severe Emotional Disorders*, will appear in the Spring 2006 journal.

* **Theresa Hest**, Communication Studies, Film Studies, and Theatre Arts, co-authored a chapter in the forthcoming book, "Family Communication: A Reference of Theory and Research". The chapter is titled Cover Stories as Family Communication Practice. This chapter presents research conducted by Hest involving 177 married couples and explores the use of deceptive narrative as an impression management and privacy maintenance practice in families. The book will be released by Sage Publications in March.

* **Deborah White**, Sociology and Criminal Justice, was recently elected to serve a three-year term on the Midwest Sociological Society Board of Directors as the State Director for Minnesota.

* **Shelton Gunaratne**, Mass Communications, will be the guest of the School of Journalism and Communication, University of Queensland, March 1-7. On March 7, he will conduct a seminar for faculty and graduate students on "A Buddhist View of Journalism: Emphasis on Mutual Causality." He will also give two guest lectures: one titled "Globalization, Interdependence, and Anthropocentrism," and the other titled "Journalism, Democracy, and Eastern Philosophy." The arrangements were

made by Professor Jan Servaes, head of the school.

* **Wes Erwin**, Counseling and Student Affairs, and three groups of graduate students presented at the North Dakota Counseling Association conference on Sunday Feb. 5, in Bismarck. Erwin, Sara Holte, AmyHalvorson, Jenny Durham, and Chika Asai presented the program, "Benefiting Multicultural Clients by Considering Acculturation." Jamie Nelson and Jenessa Fillipi presented the program, "Multicultural Counseling (K-12) and the Development Model". Kristy Alverson, Lorraine Joern, Jenny Dragseth, and Tara Marquardt presented the program, "Counselor's Role in Welcoming and Orienting New Students- A Developmental Approach."

VACANCIES

* **Assistant Professor: Digital Media**

Production: Graphic and Mass Communications

<http://www.mnstate.edu/vacancy/unclassified/0620P-DigitalMedia.pdf>

* **Assistant Professor Of Theatre And Dance**

<http://www.mnstate.edu/vacancy/unclassified/0622P-Theatre&Dance.pdf>

CLASSIFIEDS

* Wanted to Rent: A cabin/home on (or close to) the lake for 1-2 months for my newly retired dad. He needs to catch fish. Call Susanne Williams at 236-0667.

WE HAVE YOUR VALENTINE'S GIFT!

Come into the Etcetera Shop Feb. 6 –14 for our Valentine's specials! Take 40% off candles, candle accessories and plush and 25% off Valentine's cards. Also be sure to check out our candy bouquets and flower and balloon specials. Place and order by 1p.m on Feb. 14 and we will deliver to any one. on campus!

The Etcetera Shop is located on the lower level of the Comstock Memorial Union.

ACAPPELLA XPRESS DELIVERING SINGING VALENTINES FEB. 14

The Acappella Xpress Women's Show Chorus (Sweet Adeline's) will deliver Singing Valentine's to your sweetheart Tuesday, Feb. 14—Valentine's Day.

Cost is \$25, which includes two songs, a card, keepsake gift and a photo.

To order your Singing Valentine, contact Deb at 701-318-0969.