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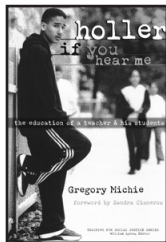
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**At 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. Tuesday....
CHICAGO TEACHER, AUTHOR
TALKS ABOUT EDUCATION
IN THE URBAN CLASSROOM**

Gregory Michie, author of "Holler If you Hear Me" and "See You When We Get There," both award-winning books about teaching in the urban classroom, will talk about his books and his experience as a teacher at 8:30 a.m. and again at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 6 in the student union ballroom.



Free and open to the public, it's a visiting scholar lecture sponsored by the university's College of Education and Human Services.

Michie is an assistant professor of education at Illinois State University where he works with student teachers in Chicago public schools. He taught for nine years in Chicago and received that city's annual Golden Apple Award for Excellence in Teaching. For the past six years he's worked as a teacher educator, preparing undergraduates and career-changers for work in urban classrooms.

Both his books have received critical praise. His latest, "City Kids, City Teachers for the 21st Century," a collaborative effort, will be published later this year.

**GHOST HUNTER TALKS ABOUT
HAUNTED MINNESOTA WEDNESDAY**



Chad Lewis, author of "The Road Guide To Haunted Locations" book series, will give a talk about his experiences as a ghost hunter and paranormal researcher at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 7 in MSUM's Weld Hall Glasrud Auditorium. The free event is sponsored by the university's Campus Activities Board.

Lewis, a University of Wisconsin-Stout psychology graduate, started his paranormal adventures by exploring UFOs and crop circles. He has hunted vampires in Transylvania and searched for Chupacabras in Puerto Rico.

His talk will cover haunted locations in Minnesota, from wandering ghosts in the North Woods to the haunted bed and breakfast in Wabasha. He'll also touch on a couple local hauntings: in MSUM's Weld Hall and the Moorhead High School auditorium.

**'NEW MINNESOTANS' AUTHOR
TO SPEAK HERE THURSDAY**

Gregg Aamot, author of "The New Minnesotans," will speak on people from across the globe who are now living in Minnesota at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 8 in the Comstock Memorial Union room 203. It's free and open to the public.



Aamot is an award-winning Associated Press reporter who has written about immigration and other issues for Minnesota newspapers for nearly 15 years.

In 2005, the number of immigrants and refugees in Minnesota was surpassed only by that of California. The newcomers are mostly Hmong, Somali, Ethiopians and Latin Americans, along with smaller groups from Burma, Togo, Iraq and Liberia. Aamot says they are mostly political refugees who eventually want to return to their homelands.

**'MADNESS: A LIFE' AUTHOR
MARYA HORNBAKER READS
FOR MCGRATH SERIES THURSDAY**

Marya Hornbacher, author of the classic "Wasted: A Memoir of Anorexia and Bulimia," the critically acclaimed novel "The Center of Winter" and the forthcoming memoir "Madness: A Life," will read from her work at 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 8 in MSUM's Comstock Memorial Union 101. She'll also talk on the writer's craft at 4 p.m. that day in the same room.



"Wasted" was released when she was just 23 years old and became a classic, published in 14 languages and is taught in universities and writing programs across the world. "Madness: A Life," about the difficulties and promise of living with mental illness, is already being called "the most visceral, important book on mental illness to be published in years." It's scheduled for release in 2008.

A Pulitzer Prize nominee, she lives in Minneapolis with her husband, Jeff.

DEAN'S LECTURE NOV. 13 ON DISPOSITIONS ASSESSMENT (NOTE TIME CHANGE)

Lynn Mahlum's, School of Teaching and Learning, lecture entitled, "It's Just Who I AM: Teacher Candidates Speak Out About Dispositions Assessment," is Tuesday, Nov. 13 at 11 a.m. in CMU 203. **The time has been rescheduled from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.** Refreshments will be served.

MSUM'S FUEGO TROPICAL IN CONCERT SATURDAY

MSU Moorhead's Fuego Tropical steel drum and salsa ensemble will perform Saturday, Nov. 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Comstock Memorial Union ballroom. Dedicated to performing the hot Latin music of Puerto Rico



and Cuba as well as the cool tropical sounds of the Trinidadian steel drums, Fuego Tropical begins the evening at 6:30 p.m. with a salsa dance lesson by native Columbian salsa dance instructors Leo and Janet of Gasper's School of Dance.

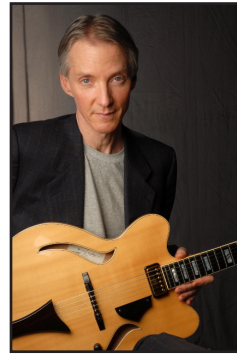
The ensemble presents its concert at 7:30 and will be joined by special guest artist Darren Dyke, a jazz steel drum artist and craftsman from Austin, Texas, who has recorded and performed with many of the greatest names in the steel band world.

In 1995, Dyke apprenticed with master steel drum pioneer Ellie Mannette. In 2000, he performed with the Solo Pan Knights and the Invaders Steel Orchestra at Panorama in Trinidad.

Admission to the performance is \$5 for adults, \$3 for 18 and under, and free to MSUM students, faculty, and staff.

JAZZ GUITARIST PERFORMS NOV. 12

Jazz guitarist John Stowell will perform Monday, Nov. 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the Roland Dille Center for the Arts Gaede stage.



Joining him in this free, public concert will be MSUM faculty members Dan Phillips, guitar, Alex Pershounin, bass, and Allen Carter, drums.

"He plays his amplified guitar as if he were surrounded by fine crystal...the type of slow burning, sustained energy that you hear in players that practice all the time," wrote

Downbeat Magazine of Stowell's musical talents.

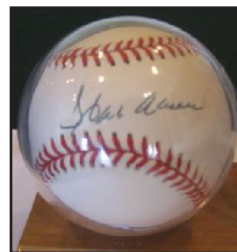
Stowell's career includes trips to Europe, Australia and the Soviet Union. His 1983 Soviet Union tour was the first invitation extended to an American jazz group in 40 years. Stowell's discography includes work with Paul Horn, Lionel Hampton, Milt Jackson and many others.

He was an assistant director and performer in Oregon Public Broadcasting's PDX Jazz Summit, and since 1995 has been a contributing columnist for a number of musical publications.

For more information, contact Dan Phillips, 218.477.4092 or phillipd@mnstate.edu.

DRAGON FIRE ONLINE AUCTION IS NOW LIVE!

The second annual Dragon Fire Online Auction is now live. Don't miss your chance to bid on many great items. Log onto www.dragonfireauction.com to see the auction catalog and bid on your favorites. The online auction will support MSUM athletics.



Hank Aaron autographed ball

Auction items range from restaurant gift certificates to golf packages to electronics to sports memorabilia.

Specific Items include:

- Travel Packages to California, Florida, Chicago
- Sports Memorabilia such as Hank Aaron autographed ball, Matt Cullen autographed hockey stick, Dott Richardson autographed softball.
- Dinner with some of MSUMs' finest, Day of Beauty in Boston, Pheasant Hunt, getaways to the lakes.

•And many, many more!

Bidding will continue through 10 p.m. Nov. 30. For questions, contact Kim Bair at bairki@mnstate.edu or 477-2423.

MSUM OFFERS FIRST DOCTORAL DEGREE PROGRAM IN NURSING

The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association has extended MSUM's accreditation status to include the new Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree program.



Offered through a consortium of four Minnesota Universities—MSU Moorhead, MSU Mankato, Winona State University, and Metropolitan State University—the online doctoral program will be available to master's degree prepared nurses who are place-bound but eager to advance their clinical, organizational, economic, and leadership competencies.

"This program is especially important for nursing education because, as noted in a recent Forum article, there's a real, and worsening, nursing faculty shortage," said Jane Giedt, chair of the graduate nursing program. "The DNP program will help address this shortage by preparing more nurse educators who meet the academic qualifications in many of our colleges and universities."

Giedt added: "This degree prepares nurses at the highest level of clinical expertise, in contrast to Ph.D. programs that prepare nurse researchers. All 26 DNP students already admitted to the program, and halfway through their first semester of courses, say they've been waiting for this opportunity for much of their professional lives. They are committed to the highest level of nursing practice at the bedside or in the community and that is exactly the ingredient needed for the best education of future nurses."

For more information about MSUM's DNP program, contact Giedt at 477.4699 or email giedt@mnstate.edu or visit www.mnstate.edu/nursing

MUSIC PROFS PERFORM IN SCANDINAVIA, INITIATE EXCHANGE PROGRAM DIALOGUE

Music professors Terrie Manno and Laurie Blunsom recently completed a performance tour in Iceland and Norway, presenting "The Dance of Music: Imagining, Inviting, Engaging the Choreography of Sound," a collaborative arts event featuring solo piano repertoire, spoken text,

video and images. They gave performances at the Iceland Academy of the Arts in Reykjavik, Iceland, and at the Kristiansand Conservatory of Music of Agder University in Kristiansand, Norway. Blunsom's essay on "The Music of Dance: (Re)interpreting Movement in Music" and Manno's essay on "Dancing with My Piano: The Allure of Conjuring Sound," were also presented.

During their stay in Iceland, Manno and Blunsom also met with members of the Academy faculty including pianists Peter Maté and Nina Grimsdottir, and Suzuki education specialist Gyda Halldorsdottir. In Bergen, Norway, they visited the Grieg Academy and met with music students and with Frode Thorson, department chair and early music specialist.

They spent a week at the Kristiansand Conservatory of Norway at the invitation of pianist Trygve Traedel and vocal scholar Poul Erik Hansen, who were guest artists at MSUM in November 2006. Their residency at the conservatory included the Dance of Music



Blunsom and Manno

performance as well as numerous other activities. Manno conducted piano master classes over a two-day period and Blunsom presented a lecture on American Music: Historical Traditions and Contemporary Issues. In addition, the two met with conservatory faculty and students as well as the Dean of Fine Arts at Agder University, Gunnar Horn, teachers at the Kristiansand Culture School and administrators of the Kristiansand Symphony Orchestra. They also had the opportunity to attend a performance of the Kristiansand Symphony Orchestra Wind Ensemble.

Manno and Blunsom performed "The Dance of Music" at MSUM this fall. Later this year, they will present the performance in Honolulu, Shawnee, Oklahoma and St. Paul.

Following the tour of their current program, Manno and Blunsom will embark on a new cooperative performance project and international exchange with Trygve Traedel and Poul Erik Hansen.

MSUM PRESENTS SEMINAR FOR PEOPLE INTERESTED IN WORKING OVERSEAS

Jean-Marc Hachey, a leading authority on international careers, will present an International Career Seminar Sunday, Nov. 11 from 5-7 p.m. and again from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 12 at MSUM's Center for Business 109. It's free and open to anyone interested in working overseas. The Monday session will be divided into 50-minute blocks so students who can't make it for two hours can either come at 9:30 or 10:30 a.m. The second hour will include a brief summary of the first hour session.

The seminar will feature strategies for finding international work, elements of international resumes and interviews, targeting the job search, and selling international skills. Free handouts will be provided. Attendees may also purchase the "The BIG Guide to Living and Working Overseas" at a \$20 discount for \$30.

Hachey is a best-selling author, who has shared his international employment strategies with thousands as author of "The BIG Guide to Living and Working Overseas" and as the international careers editor and columnist for Transitions Abroad magazine. He has worked overseas for the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, World University Service of Canada, Canadian Crossroads International, and the German Volunteer Service.

Seating is limited for the Sunday session. Registration is recommended by contacting MSUM's International Programs Office, 218.477.4389 or holsenj@mnstate.edu.

In addition, a breakfast seminar will be held at 7:30 a.m. Monday for career professionals from the Tri-College and faculty who routinely advise students on post-graduation opportunities. The breakfast is free but registration is required by contacting Jill Holsen at 218.477.4389 or holsenj@mnstate.edu.

This event is part of MSU Moorhead's International Education Week. It is sponsored by the Tri-College Careers Development Consortium, MSUM Career Services and the Office of International Programs.

This year marks the eighth annual International Education Week, Nov. 12-16. In this celebration of international education and exchange, the

U.S. Department of State joins with the U.S. Department of Education to highlight the critical role of education in our efforts to secure a bright future based on international partnership and understanding.

For more information, visit the web site <http://iew.state.gov/>

LIBRARY LECTURE NOV. 15

Jane Pejsa will be the featured speaker at the 2007 Livingston Lord Library Lecture Thursday, Nov. 15 at 3:30 p.m. in LI 103. Pejsa will talk about the creative writing process. She has written several books, including "Matriarch of Conspiracy: Ruth von Kleist, 1867-1945" for which she received the Minnesota Book Award. Pejsa has also received the Edgar Award. The lecture is free and open to the public.

MSUM OFFERS UK AND FRANCE TOUR MAY 12-27

MSU Moorhead will offer a 16-day "Writing on the Road" study tour to the United Kingdom and France May 12-27, 2008, led by MSUM Professor Alan Davis, English Department, MFA Program, and Senior Editor of New Rivers Press, and Professor Chris Corley, MSU Mankato. An information meeting about the tour will be held at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 14 in Weld Hall Library.

Davis has led several European tours, including trips to Ireland, England, the British Isles, Amsterdam and Iceland. He also led Eurospring tours for two years.

The tour is offered for three credits: English 495 or MFA 677: Urban Spaces: The Geography of Somewhere offered through MSU Moorhead; or History 430 or 530: Urban Spaces in European History offered through MSU Mankato. This unique writing course will allow students to learn about and experience European history, literature and culture through an exploration of urban places, spaces, art, architecture and regional foods.

Approximate cost of the tour is \$3,550 and includes round-trip airfare, ground transportation, accommodations, breakfasts and four group meals, several group tours/lectures, international student ID card and insurance. Cost does not include tuition. Students can apply for financial aid.

Scheduled stops include London, Oxford, Bath, Avebury and Stonehenge, as well as Paris, Versailles, and visits to Montmartre, Sacre Coeur, and Louvre.

For more information, about the academic content

of the tour, contact Alan Davis, 477.4681 or davisa@mnstate.edu; for information on financial aid and other details, contact Jill Holsen, 477.4389 or holsenj@mnstate.edu.

GIANT BOOK SALE OF CLASSIC, NEW BOOKS CONTINUES

The Library-sponsored giant book sale continues in the Circulation Lobby on Friday, Nov. 9 from 1-4 p.m. Books by authors whose names are from P to S will be sold. This includes noteworthy authors such as:

- Gary Paulsen
- Jerry Spinelli
- Mary Stolz
- Todd Strasser

Proceeds from this sale will support the Great Plains Reading Review, the Library's Comstock Reading Aloud Initiative and the Library's general book fund. For further information, contact Carol H. Sibley at sibley@mnstate.edu.

NOVEMBER IS AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE MONTH

MSUM will celebrate American Indian Heritage Month with a variety of events that are free and open to the public. Events scheduled:

Tuesday, Nov. 6

1 p.m. • CMU 227

Traditional Native American Handgames
Jaime Snowden, Turtle Mountain Chippewa, will provide instruction on rules and strategies as well as play games with participants. Handgames require observation, strategy, intuitive skills, team effort, and fun.

6-9 p.m. • CMU 227

Beading Workshop
Dakota Nation Art & Gift Store, located in Sisseton, SD, will have staff members Anpao Bucknanga and Ella Robertson instruct participants in sewing and beading a leather pouch. Anpao and Ella will also discuss the history and origin of beading. Limited to 25 participants. To pre-register, e-mail Jody Steile at steilejo@mnstate.edu.

Wednesday, Nov. 7

6 p.m. • CMU Ballroom Section A&B

American Indian Women's Dance Demonstration
Members of the American Indian Student's Association will demonstrate contemporary dance styles entailing the history and origin of each style and dress. Featuring Women's Traditional, Women's Jingle, and Women's Fancy Shawl.

Thursday, Nov. 8

10 a.m.-2 p.m. • CMU Main Lounge

American Indian Art Demonstrations
Traditional and contemporary American Indian artists will demonstrate various art forms including birch baskets, quill work, and paintings. Items will also be for sale at this event.

11 a.m.-1 p.m. • CMU Main Lounge

Traditional Flute Music
Bryan Akipa will play traditional Native American music on flutes which he has handcrafted. Come, relax and meditate. CDs will be available for purchase.

7 p.m. • CMU 216

Film Festival Night II: Smoke Signals
Introductory lecture and post film discussion by AMCS Professor Wendy Geniusz.
Based on Native author Sherman Alexie's short stories, Smoke Signals tells the story of two men whose lives are linked together through tragedy and circumstance. Filled with satirical commentary and Indian humor, the two men embark on an adventure across the U.S. and each experience life changing lessons. Refreshments will be provided.

Friday, Nov. 9

2 p.m. • CMU 227

Dream Catcher Workshop
Introduction and Discussion by AMCS Professor Wendy Geniusz.
Come join American Indian Student's Association Members in a fun hands-on activity of making dream catchers.

Refreshments will be provided at most events.

Events are sponsored by the MSUM American Indian Student's Association (AISA), American Indian Student Activities, Cultural Diversity, and Multicultural Affairs.

For more information, contact Jody Steile at 218-477-4272, steilejo@mnstate.edu or Sarah Crawford (AISA Co-Chair) at crawfosa@msntate.edu.

STUDENT ART EXHIBIT OPENS NOV. 5

An MSUM student art exhibit will be on display Nov. 5-26 in the Roland Dille Center for the Arts gallery. The exhibit is in partial fulfillment of students' B.S. and B.A. degrees in art education.

A reception for the artists will be held from 4-6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 8 in the gallery.

Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday; 1-3 p.m. Saturday; or by special arrangement by contacting gallery director Jane Gudmundson, 477.2284 or gudmunja@mnstate.edu.

The students are: Aliese Anderson, drawing; Adam Helenske, ceramics; Jenna Iverson, Megan Marsden, Jessica Steussy, Jessica Wehrkamp, Carrie Schwartzenberger and Joe Wollmering, graphic design; Katie Macleod and Kari Olson, art education; and Alexis Monroe, printmaking and painting.

COLLEGE HIRING EXPECTED TO RISE 16 PERCENT

Early indications suggest the college Class of 2008 will enjoy a strong job market, according to a new national report from the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE).

Employers responding to NACE's Job Outlook 2008 Fall Preview survey said they plan to hire 16 percent more new college graduates in 2007-08 than they hired in 2006-07.

"The job market for new college graduates has been gathering strength over the last several years, and this year we're seeing that trend continue," says Marilyn Mackes, NACE executive director.

In fact, this is the fifth straight year in which employers have projected double-digit increases in college hiring. Service-sector employers have the most aggressive hiring plans and expect to increase their college hires by nearly 18 percent over 2006-07. Manufacturers anticipate an increase of nearly 15 percent in college hires.

Overall, nearly 58 percent of the employers responding to NACE's survey reported plans to increase their college hiring; more than one-third (36.5 percent) said they'll maintain their college hiring at 2006-07 levels. Less than 6 percent expect to trim their college hiring.

Fueling the increase: company growth coupled with retirements.

"We also heard from a number of employers that they are looking to hire more new college graduates to feed their 'talent pipeline,'" says Mackes. "Employers are looking at new grads as their future leaders and want to groom them for those roles."

Does this mean you can sit back and let employers come to you? No, say the experts. Employers are

impressed by "go-getters," and a recent national study conducted by NACE found that Class of 2007 grads who used the career services center enjoyed greater job-search success than those who went their own way.

MSUM Career Services offers the following services to help students prepare for and conduct an effective job search: resume assistance, interview skill building, career fairs, on-campus interview program, job-search workshops, job search research materials, and a robust web presence (www.mnstate.edu/career) where students can sign up for DragonCareers (an online job search tool) and utilize a plethora of job search related resources.

Classes are welcome to visit the office in CMU114 to acquaint students with its services for acquiring an internship or full-time job. Call 477-2131 to arrange a class orientation or stop by CMU 114 to see for yourself. They're ready to help you assist your students in the sometimes stressful task of nailing down that first job.

About the Job Outlook 2008 survey: The Job Outlook Survey is a forecast of hiring intentions of employers as they relate to new college graduates. Each year, the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE) surveys its employer members about their hiring plans and other employment-related issues.

Among responding employers, 48.8 percent are service-sector employers, 43.3 percent represent manufacturing organizations, and 7.9 percent are from the government/nonprofit sector. By region, 33 percent are from the South, 26.6 percent are from the Midwest, 23.2 percent are from the Northeast, and 17.2 percent are from the West.

(Note: Some totals in the report may not equal 100 due to rounding.)

NACE monitors the job market for new college graduates throughout the academic year via a series of surveys and reports. Check with the MSUM Career Services office for the latest updates.

About NACE: Since 1956, the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE) has been the leading source of information about the employment of college graduates.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO DONATE!

MSUM's Combined Charities Campaign is extended until Nov. 26.

To date, MSUM employees have donated \$38,770 - 65% of this year's \$60,000 goal - to the 2007-2008 State Employee's Combined Charities Campaign. (Last year, \$57,540 was donated by MSUM employees.)

This illustrates the generosity of faculty and staff who are able to look beyond their own needs and comforts to ensure that the needs of others can be met. Because of your generosity, people in our communities who find themselves in need will be helped. Victims of violence will be protected, homeless families will be fed and sheltered, children will be nurtured.



We have the opportunity to reach beyond our job assignments and show our commitment to the communities in which we live and work. Now is the time to reconsider making your pledge to this year's campaign, your pledge can make a difference! It's not too late to donate. Please consider making your PLEDGE TODAY!

NOTE: If you need assistance in making your pledge, contact Human Resources at 2158. If you have made your pledge online, e-mail Deb at (lewisd@mnstate.edu) of your choices so that your name and contributions can be added to the list for prize drawings and also added towards MSUM's goal.

If you have questions, contact Deb Lewis (2158), Karen Mehnert-Meland (2447), Peg Potter (2805), or Cliff Schuette (2835).

MSUM HOSTS SUCCESSFUL 3RD ANNUAL UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH IN THE MOLECULAR SCIENCES MEETING

The undergraduate meeting on research in the molecular sciences held on the MSUM campus Oct. 26-27 was a tremendous success, according to **Mark Wallert**, Biosciences. Wallert is one of three co-organizers of this annual event along with **Joe Provost**, Chemistry, and a Concordia College chemistry professor.

Both MSUM and Concordia were hosts for this event, which highlighted undergraduate research in biochemistry, molecular biology and chemistry.

"This year there were several organizations that made this meeting possible" said Provost. Both universities contributed as well as the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology and the Red River Valley Section of the American Chemical Society. North Dakota's INBRE (excellence in biomedical research network) was also a sponsor of the event.

The meeting was host to 112 students and faculty from Minnesota, South Dakota and North Dakota. Friday night featured a dinner and talks on careers in industry from Sophia de Azevedo, Kelly Scientific, and Holley Long, forensic chemist from the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension. Students presented their work in two oral sessions and a large poster session on Saturday.

The day ended with a talk on biobusiness in Minnesota and North Dakota and an awards ceremony. Six, \$400 travel awards were given away by both the biochemistry and the chemistry society for the best student presentations. "The first year, we were hoping to get at least 25 participants," Provost said. "And now the facilities and energy of the meeting and faculty at MSUM help to draw people from schools as far away as Augsburg, the University of Minnesota and Dickinson State University. Next year's meeting is already planned for Oct. 24 and 25."

CAMPUS TELEPHONE DIRECTORIES

MSUM's new 2007-08 telephone directories are scheduled to arrive on campus Nov. 12.

MISCELLANEA

* **Kirk Moss**, Music, served as the headline presenter for the Illinois Chapter of the American String Teachers Association Fall Teacher Enrichment Workshop held October 27-28 at VanderCook College in Chicago. His three sessions included a conducting workshop for middle and high school orchestra teachers, a session on string pedagogy, and a new music reading session. Thirty-five teachers attended.

* **Joe Provost**, Chemistry, was one of 14 panelists on the recent molecular biochemistry study panel for the Molecular Cell Biology Division of the National Science Foundation. More than 114 grants submitted from research and teaching institutions throughout the country were considered in this panel. Research ranging from using a novel RNA splicing technique to introduce protein mutations

to using NMR to determine when a protein binds its target were discussed from Oct. 28-31. Each day's work lasted for more than 11 hours with panel members evaluating and rating each proposal. Volunteering on a panel such as this is an opportunity for faculty to help direct where research funding should go and is a chance to learn where biophysical chemistry, biochemistry, and molecular biology research and technology are going. This is Provost's second time on the panel. He regularly reviews research, teaching and instrument grants for the National Institutes of Health and the National Science Foundation. Provost was also the featured speaker at this year's annual graduate school retreat at the UND medical school. He presented a talk on "Thinking Outside the Academic Box: Alternative Careers in College, Sales, Law..." The meeting was attended by more than 50 graduate students and medical school faculty. Following the meeting, Provost worked with the graduate students helping them think about career options.

* **Sandy Pearce**, English, just returned from the annual meeting of Midwest American Conference for Irish Studies in Kansas City Oct. 18-21. Pearce was elected president of the organization and delivered a paper on Irish poet and playwright Anne Hartigan.

* **Konrad Czynski**, Humanities & Philosophy, performed as narrator with the Dallas Symphony Orchestra, Stephen Simon conducting, on Oct. 28 at a Dallas Symphony Family Concert. The concert, called "Halloween Magical Music," included, among other pieces, a suite from John Williams' score for the "Harry Potter" movies and Paul Dukas' "The Sorcerer's Apprentice." Maestro Simon, his wife Bonnie, and Czynski collaborated on writing the narrative for the performance. It was based on the Goethe ballad that inspired Dukas. The concert was recorded for radio broadcast in Dallas on Halloween. The orchestra members, conductor, and narrator all wore motley costumes, as did the young people attending.

* **Wendy Frappier, Merle Johnson, Nancy Christensen** and **Jan Adair**, Health and Physical Education, attended the Minnesota Association for Health, Physical Education and Dance (MAHPERD) Conference in Alexandria, Minn., on Oct. 29. Nancy and Jan both presented sessions at the conference. The following Health and Physical Education students also attended the conference: Jason Olson, Matt March, Rory Seeman, Emily Hartung, Alyssa Weiss, Jake Erickson, Ashley Mekash, Ben Grahn, Kara Sleen, Grant Amorz and Kaila Askelson.

VACANCIES

* **Assistant Professor Of Biosciences**

<http://www.mnstate.edu/vacancy/unclassified/0820P-Biosciences.pdf>

* **Assistant Or Associate Professor of Speech/Language/Hearing Sciences**

<http://www.mnstate.edu/vacancy/0819P-SLHS.pdf>

* **International Student Programming Coordinator**

<http://www.mnstate.edu/vacancy/0816P-InternationalCoordinator.pdf>

* **Assistant/Associate Professor of Educational Leadership**

<http://www.mnstate.edu/vacancy/0818F-Educational%20Leadership.pdf>

INSTRUCTIONAL TECH ADVISORY COMMITTEE SPONSORS THE FOLLOWING SESSION:

Getting Started: Teaching Online

Teaching Online: Lessons Learned. A

Roundtable discussion with MSUM's Nursing Faculty: Jane Giedt, Jane Bergland, and Terry Dobmeier.

Friday Nov. 9, noon – 1p.m.: Library 208

Pre-Recorder Webinars and Discussion

Blended Learning: How to Get the Right Mix

Tuesday, Nov. 13, noon – 1 p.m., Library 208

How to Use Simulations to Bring Your eLearning to Life

Tuesday, Nov. 20, noon – 1 p.m., Library 208

How to Keep Your Online Learners Engaged: Case Studies

Tuesday, Nov. 27, noon – 1 p.m., Library 208

For more information and online registration go to:
<http://www.mnstate.edu/instrtech/calendar/events.htm>

Instructional Technology

November Monday Workshops:

• Podcasting

Monday, Nov. 12, noon – 1 p.m.

LI 114E (limited to 6)

• Wimba

Monday, Nov. 19, noon – 1 p.m.

LI 114E

8TH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK, NOV. 12-16

(A joint initiative of the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education)

In a world where challenges transcend borders,

education is essential for making the world more peaceful and more prosperous. American students can better understand global issues by learning other languages and experiencing other cultures first-hand. Moreover, our country has no more valuable asset internationally than the friendship of the millions of young people, citizens, and leaders around the world who understand the United States because they have studied here. – Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice

Sunday, Nov. 11

5 – 7 p.m. **The International Job Search**, a seminar for alumni, working adults and graduating students. Presenter: Jean-Marc Hachey, author of *The BIG Guide to Living and Working Overseas*, CB 109. This seminar is also open to students from nearby colleges.

Monday, Nov. 12

7:30 – 9 a.m. **Helping Students Understand International Careers**, a breakfast seminar for careers professionals, study abroad advisors and faculty who advise on post-graduation opportunities. Presenter: Jean-Marc Hachey, author of *The BIG Guide to Living and Working Overseas* and contributor to *Transitions Abroad*, a magazine devoted to study, work and living abroad, CMU 101. Registration required.

9:30 – 11:30 a.m. **The International Job Search**, a seminar for students interested in working abroad. Presenter: Jean-Marc Hachey, author of *The BIG Guide to Living and Working Overseas*, CB 109. This is a two-hour session, but students may attend the first hour or the second hour if their schedules do not allow for the full session. This seminar is also open to students from nearby colleges.

Noon – 1 p.m. **Understanding Japan**. Presenters: Students from MSUM's Japan Club, CMU 208.

7 – 8 p.m. **Understanding Russian popular culture**. Presenter: International Visitor Oksana Zolotareva, General Director of ZAO Art Palace Holding, Moscow, Russia. Hosted by the MSUM Slavic Culture Club, and open to anyone interested in learning more about film and television in Russia today. Zolotareva was a former model, singer and actress before becoming a businesswoman. CMU 216.

Tuesday Nov. 13

Noon - 1p.m. **Understanding Armenia**. Presenter: International Student Meri Dallakyan, CMU 208.

3 – 5 p.m. **Challenges Facing Managers in the Post-Soviet Era**. A former fashion model, actress and singer in Moscow, Russia, and now General Director of ZAO Art Palace Holding, Oksana Zolotareva will speak on the challenges facing managers of businesses operating in the Russian Federation, a country that is still in the process of transition between a state-managed and a free-market economy, CB111.

Wednesday Nov. 14

Noon - 1 p.m. **Understanding India**. Presenter: International Student Nivedha Manohar, CMU 227

Friday Nov. 16

Noon - 1 p.m. **Understanding Nepal**. Presenter: Dipesh Karki, CMU 208

6 – 8 p.m. **Japan Night—Traditional/Cultural games from Japan**; Free Food; Iaido Demonstration; Origami; Calligraphy; Shamisen Guitar Demonstration, CA White Hall.

All events are free and open to the public. However, registration is recommended for the careers seminars. For more information, contact the MSUM Office of International Programs, FR 151,477-4389. E-mail: holsenj@mnstate.edu.