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“Come to the Party!”

Chancellor Jacqueline Johnson

LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Jacquie says it all above – Come to the anniversary celebration and join in the fun and excitement! Our new Welcome Center is both beautiful and efficient. Take tours of our 'green' campus and remember old times at the HFA Art Gallery. The documentary is a treasure – thanks to all of you who contributed. See old friends, reminisce, and don't miss the Retirees Luncheon on Saturday – with special old-time music. In the History Panel, former chancellors and deans will look at the past and the future of UMM. And finish your day with a dance around the mall. If you would like to keep those UMM memories from the documentary and to help UMM students create more memories, you can contribute to the new Celebration Scholarship. A copy of the documentary, beautifully packaged, is given for all donations of \$30 or more. Homecoming this year will be extra special, including the renaming of the Proscenium Theater for the late Ray Lammers.

Other events: See our Fall Business Meeting below, come to the Waters Edge in November, and we are all looking forward to our annual Holiday Party in December. For those of you too far away to come more often, let us know what you are up to – we really enjoy hearing about your latest news.

Dian Lopez, President and celebration co-chair

UMMRA FALL LUNCHEON BUSINESS MEETING

When: Thursday, October 21, 11:45 a.m.

Where: Gazebo Room, Prairie Inn.

Speaker: Author Mike Heikes, brain injury survivor, will discuss "Helmets for Kids". Reports will be given by the recipients of three UMMRA mini-grants.

Other quarterly meetings will be on Feb 17 and April 21.

JULY WCSA AND WCROC EVENTS

The WCROC new addition and renovation was dedicated on July 29 as part of Hort Night. Though the building doubled in size, energy use is expected to remain about the same due to energy efficient design and technologies. The WCSA 100th anniversary celebration was held on July 17-18. A full slide show photo album of WCSA alumni and staff who attended the 100th anniversary celebration can be found at <http://www.morris.umn.edu/alumni/WCSA/>. Click on “WCSA,” then on “summer reunion.”

2010-2011 DATES TO SAVE

Anniversary Celebration Calendar

August 25: Opening of Celebration Exhibit, HFA Gallery. The story of the Morris campus through artifacts, photographs, and personal memorabilia. Closes October 18.

September 23: Morris Campus Documentary Premier, Edson Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

September 24: President's Club and Invited Guests, 2010 Celebratory Evening. Reception, Dinner, & Documentary Screening.

September 25: UMM Retirees' Luncheon, Welcome Center, 11 a.m.; Campus History Panel, Imholte Hall 109, noon; Live Music/ Street Dance begins, 1:30 p.m.

September 26: Founders Day: Green Campus Tours 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; Welcome Center Dedication 1 p.m.; Founders Day Program and Reception, Edson Auditorium, 2 p.m.

UMMRA and other UMM Events

September 2: Opening UMMRA potluck, Pomme de Terre Park Pavilion, 11:45 a.m.

September 25: 50th anniversary celebration retirees' luncheon, Welcome Center, 11 a.m. See events above.

October 8-10: UMM Homecoming.

October 9: **Raymond J. Lammers** Proscenium Theatre Renaming & Dedication, HFA, 10:30 a.m. Football game against Martin Luther College, 1 pm. Distinguished Alumni Awards and Cougar Hall of Fame Banquet, Student Center, 7 p.m.

October 21: Quarterly business meeting. See box at left.

November 4: UMMRA First Thursday luncheon. Water's Edge Bar and Restaurant, Starbuck, 11:45 a.m.

December 2: Holiday Party, Prairie Inn Gazebo Room, 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6 p.m. White elephant gift exchange.

For rides or information, please contact Dian Lopez on her cell phone at 287-1517 (local in Morris). An email will be sent out before events.

Learning Unlimited Fall Program

September 15: “Minnesota Goes to War: The Home Front During World War II.” David Kenney, author. Library Community Room, 1 p.m.

October 13: Multicultural Student Panel with Asian students. Library Community Room, 1 p.m.

November 10: National Issues Forum on an aspect of government. Morris Senior Center, 1 p.m.

December 8: Laird Barber will discuss a Biblical topic. Morris Senior Community Center, 1 p.m.

UMM made the Best Colleges list in the fall 2010 rankings of both *U.S. News and World Report* and *Forbes*.

SAD NEWS

Lorraine Tate, the mother of **Judy Riley**, died in Minneapolis on May 22 at the age of 90.

Kevin Horton DuBois, son of **Russ and the late Lynn DuBois**, died on January 4 in Tucson, AZ of an enlarged left ventricle. A memorial gathering to celebrate his life was held in Crosslake, MN on August 21. Russ, longtime librarian, lives in Tucson.

Our sympathy to their families

BITS AND PIECES

□ **James Anderson** retired from Plant Services on August 31. He began working at UMM in August 1989.

□ **Doris Benson** received radiation treatments at the UM Masonic Cancer Center this summer for a cancerous tumor on her leg.

□ Endowed lectures will again memorialize former faculty. The **Truman Driggs** Lecture will be held on September 21; the **Barber** Lecture on October 11. Both will be held in the HFA Recital Hall at 7:30 p.m.

□ **Gladys Henricks** took a cruise to lower Alaska and visited family in Seattle.

□ The **Bert and Janet Ahern** American Indian Studies Enhancement Fund has been established “to enhance the experience of Morris students who participate in the American Indian studies program.” **Bert** delivered a paper at the Native American, Indigenous Studies Association, meeting in Tucson, AZ in May.

□ **Dave Dylla** and his wife have a small gardening business on the Coromandel Peninsula of New Zealand. They visited family and friends in Morris this spring.

□ **Cheryl Estenson** recently vacationed in Arizona and attended a family reunion in Montana. She volunteers at the Food Shelf and Salvation Army and is a driver for Rainbow Rider.

□ **George Fosgate** appeared in the August 1 episode of the TNT television series “Leverage.” George and **Pat** plan to attend the anniversary celebration.

□ **Sue and Van Gooch** are building a geothermal retirement lake home near Farwell, MN.

□ **David Johnson** again led a course at Holden Village, a retreat center in Washington's high Cascades.

□ **Andy and Dian Lopez** are co-chairs of the 2010 UMM celebrations. In addition to their work as web master and President of UMMRA, both are officers and members of several health and lake organizations and boards. Andy is chair of the REA Advisory Board and is an AARP driving safety instructor

□ **Roger McCannon**, one of two victors in the District 5 primary, will contend in the November election to represent the district as county commissioner.

□ **Bill and Ida Stewart** presented at the Equal Social Justice in Education Conference in New Jersey.

□ **Judith Underwood** and her son, Mark, were delayed in returning from Spain in April due to the Icelandic ash cloud and eventually flew home via Mexico City.

□ **Marvel Wagner** was featured in the August 14 “Sunspots” article in the *Morris Sun Tribune*. The author **Judy Riley**, has written several “Sunspots” features.

□ **Lila Watson** spent the winter in Orlando FL near family.

□ As reported in *Profile*, the **WCSA Alumni Association** has placed bronze plaques in 13 historic district buildings indicating their names during the WCSA era.

PROPOSED CHANGES IN UMMRA BY-LAWS

UMMRA membership is open to all retirees from University of Minnesota units in this area as well as to their partners. In order to make that clear, the UMMRA Board proposes the following changes in the UMMRA by-laws. They will be discussed and potentially amended in October and presented to the membership for action in winter.

Proposed changes in the UMMRA By-Laws:

Article II—Purpose:

The University of Minnesota units in the Morris area include WCROC, Continuing Education, Minnesota Extension and UMM. The purpose of this Association shall be to promote, protect, and support the interests, rights, needs, and welfare of persons who retire from these units of the University of Minnesota and to foster their continued association with the University.

Article III—Membership:

Section A: A person who is a retiree from ~~the~~ one of these University units of Minnesota Morris, his or her spouse or domestic partner, or the spouse or domestic partner of a deceased retired person may become a member of the Association upon payment of annual dues. Exceptions may be made by the Association membership.

Section B. Employees of ~~the~~ these University of Minnesota units who are nearing retirement may become Associate Members upon payment of annual dues.

WEB RESOURCES

The digital collection of photographs of the campus historic district, a heritage collection dating back 119 years, and a collection of photos of UMM today can be found at <http://contentdm.morris.umn.edu/>. It is a collaborative effort of [Admissions](#), [Briggs Library](#), [Computing Services](#), [Media Services](#), and [University Relations](#). Check it out!

QUOTE FROM 100 YEARS AGO

The June 12 *Morris Sun Tribune* included this passage in the “Looking Back” column: “The arrangements for opening the Agricultural School and Experiment Station here are progressing ‘hand over fist’...Prof. Higbie of Canby has been appointed superintendent.... The date set for opening...is Oct.5..., and it is the intention to have a general celebration...on that day. **The opening of the agricultural school ... is perhaps the most important event that has ever occurred here.**” [bold added]

Federal Indian School, West Central School of Agriculture, and UMM Buildings

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#24 Aerial view of WCSA/UMM in 1960

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#36 Aerial view of the campus in 1975, shows Science 1 and 2, Briggs Library, HFA, etc

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#78 Boys Dormitory (Spooner), 1913 after construction. Twin of Camden Hall

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#84 Aerial view of the buildings used by the Indian School and by WCSA shortly after the Indian School closed in 1910.

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#103 Cattle barn on fire, 1950. Now it is the Saddle Club

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#181 Garden and Pool behind the Engineering (Community Service/Welcome Center) building. Pool was buried in 1960, it has now been reconstructed and re-dedicated.

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#192 Girls' Dormitory (Camden Hall)

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#229 Gymnasium built in 1930

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#233 First Heating Plant built in 1935, razed for PE Center in 1970

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#275 Indian School Boys' dormitory shown in 1915 when it was the Agronomy building. Now the Multi-Ethnic Center.

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#386 Ag Hall (Social Science/Imholte), Dining Hall (Bemhler), Senior Hall (Blakely)

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