UMC linked across the state through ITV

Chad Field
Staff Writer

ITV, or Interactive Television, is thriving here at UMC and in the surrounding communities. Why is ITV taking off as rapidly as it is? Does the use of ITV benefit students and faculty?

There are a number of ITV networks currently operating in northwestern Minnesota as well as other areas in the state. The University of Minnesota, Crookston is a member of the NWEL or the Northwest Educational Link. Other schools in this network include: East Grand Forks Technical College, Lincoln High School, Thief River Falls Airport, and Thief River Falls Technical College.

The growth that the network has recently seen includes the connection between the Minnesota Moose Country network which includes the Northland Community College in Thief River Falls and five other K-12 sites north of Crookston. In a matter of months, the connection will be complete with the schools in the North Star link.

Also nearing completion is a link connecting all the U of M campuses. And there are plans to connect with Moorhead State and Bemidji State Universities and several other technical colleges.

"ITV is having an impact on us [UMC] in that it makes us more efficient," said Jeff Sinks, UMC Media Resources and NWEL coordinator. "We better use instructional dollars, provide access for more people, and increase the amount of cooperation among other educational institutions."

Currently UMC has one active ITV classroom in Dowell Hall seating 40-plus students. Thirty to forty class hours are being run out of that room a week. There is another classroom located in Kiehle building, just weeks away from completion that will seat at least another 40 students. This will bring the number of classroom hours offered on ITV to up around 70 per week.

Sinks said he feels that the ITV network has been and will continue to be very successful.

Plan II promotes healthy environment for women on UMC's campus

Jean Antelman
Staff Writer

Looking for a way to make a difference on this campus? Then volunteer to serve on the UMC Minnesota Plan II committee to begin the fall of 1992.

What is Minnesota Plan II?

MN Plan II began on the University of Minnesota’s Twin Cities campus in 1989 to assess the situation of women on campus and to develop a University-wide plan to improve and enhance the environment for women.

How does it affect students?

Students have become a very important arm of Plan II. This year a Student Initiative Project will involve interested women and men on all the University campuses. They will develop a suitable project for their campus, enhancing the atmosphere for female (and consequently male) students on campus.

What project is UMC proposing?

The Student Initiative team, consisting of Chae Yliniemi and Andrea Weldele (both are UMC freshmen) along with some UMC staff and faculty, is proposing to start a "Mentoring Network" on our campus.

The "Network" would consist of a directory of women and men working in non-traditional careers all over Minnesota (and beyond). Students will have the chance to "soak" these people for all the information they can give about their career, how they got there, their educational background, etc.

Contact with these "mentors" may be by phone or may involve a job shadowing experience. Job shadowing is the chance for students to "follow" a person on-the-job for one day - learning the ins and outs of that career.

How can I get involved?

Any UMC student (men, women, adult learners, multicultural) may and are encouraged to apply.

Submit your name and campus address to:

Dr. Sargeant
Selvig Hall
Minn. Plan II

Dr. Sargeant will then interview candidates to serve on the Minnesota Plan II committee.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE.
GET INVOLVED!!
The law will take effect on July 1, 1992.

A change in Minnesota state law will require students to take 15, instead of 12 credits per quarter to qualify as a "full-time" student. The law will take effect on July 1, 1992.

The change in the law will have a dramatic impact on who receives state aid and how much. Under the new law it is estimated that:

- 9,800 students taking fewer than 15 credits no longer would be eligible for the state grants they now receive. Most would lose $200 to $400 a year.
- About 23,000 students - also taking fewer than 15 credits - would continue to receive state financial aid, but they'll get $100 to $1,200 less than they now receive.
- The remaining 32,000 students who qualify for state aid already are taking 15 credits and would see an increase in aid.

When the change goes into effect, a student who is now taking 12 credits and decides not to increase the load automatically will become a four-fifths time student and will lose 20 percent of his or her state grant.

More money cuts proposed for the U

Minnesota Governor Arne Carlson’s budget proposal called for a $25 million cut for the University of Minnesota system. President Nils Hasselmo said at a news briefing, March 9, that the U will aggressively make its case to the Legislature. "We have a very powerful argument even in purely economic terms," Hasselmo said.

Administration is exploring options, both short-term and long-term, for dealing with the cut, he said. "We do not have a secret list of units that are in special jeopardy."

Organ and tissue donations still needed

The week of April 19-25, 1992 has been declared as National Organ and Tissue Donor Awareness Week by President George Bush. The week has been set aside to create awareness and educate the public about the desperate shortage of organs and tissues for transplantation.

About 24, 500 Americans are waiting for organ transplants; over 700 of them live in Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota. Thousands of others are waiting for life-enhancing transplants of bone, skin, heart valves, corneas and other tissues.

In the tri-state region there are three organizations involved in organ and tissue donation. LifeSource manages all organ donations, the American Red Cross is responsible for tissue donation and the Lions Eye Banks manage eye donation.

In 1991, 224 families in this region chose to donate organs and tissues and over 1,000 families chose to donate eyes.

For more information about organ and tissue donation, call (612) 623-4757 or toll free 1-800-24-SHARE (1-800-247-4273).

UMC International Dinner

Singing, dancing and food from all over the world will be featured at UMC's Annual International Dinner, Saturday, April 11, at 6:00 p.m. in Brown Dining Room. Ticket prices are $5 for students with and i.d., $7 for adults and $4 for children under 12. You can reserve a place by calling extension #367. There will be few or NO tickets sold at the door.

Transfer Hotline for students

The Minnesota Transfer Hotline, a pilot project which began in August of 1991, will be in operation through June of 1992. The hotline is a collaborative project of Minnesota's four public higher education systems, and is located in Suite 130, Capitol Square Building, St. Paul.

Calls are answered from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m., Monday through Friday; an answering machine records student's messages at other times. The metro area hotline number is 297-1051; from greater Minnesota the number is toll-free: 1-800-374-5000.

General information about transfer is available through the Hotline, but referrals are made to campus transfer specialists when callers have a specific question or problem. Hotline staff will also "call back" to see if a caller's question was answered.

New Bookstore Hours

The UMC Bookstore has new hours for spring quarter and will remain open over the lunch hour. Hours are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 8:45 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Thursday: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

International pen pals

International Pen Friends is a non-profit non-sectarian organization founded in Dublin, Ireland in 1967 to promote international goodwill and friendship through letter writing.

With 300,000 members in 188 countries it provides penfriends in English, French, German or Spanish. Members are matched by age and interest. Stamp collectors have their own stamp exchange division. For information write:

International Pen Friends
PO Box 74
Golden Valley, Mn 55427

Children's Center nationally accredited

UMC's Children's Center was among the first early childhood education and child care programs in the U.S. to be accredited by the National Academy of Early Childhood Programs. The Center serves 53 children from ages 14 months to 5 years.

Information was compiled from "Brief", a publication of the University of Minnesota, edited by Maureen Smith; St. Paul Pioneer Press article (January 29, 1992) by Patrick Sweeney; various news releases; and UMC sources.
Japanese students find bowling boring

Lyle Lee
Staff Writer

Katsunori “Chuck” Nomura and Yuko Nagae, if you haven’t noticed already, are the two students from Japan on UMC’s campus.

Japan is more than flash photography, sushi bars and sumo wrestling, as the presence of Chuck and Yuko will attest. They are both very humble individuals and are fine representatives of their homeland.

Yuko, whose cheerful personality is as enchanting as the cherry blossoms flourishing throughout her native land, can always be seen with a gleam in her eye and a smile on her face.

Chuck, who is as proud as Japan’s Mount Fuji is high, also possesses a thoughtful and friendly disposition.

Chuck and Yuko are both glad to have been given the opportunity to study in the United States. They admit, however, that the study habits of American college students are quite different from those of Japanese students.

In an effort to gain acceptance into one of a number of prestigious universities, Japanese high school students submerge themselves in school work involving long days and long weeks of year-round studying. But once accepted to a university, the days of college life become filled with partying and not much studying.

Japan, a nation the size of California and with a population of 124 million, is a nation of people as diverse in personalities as any country. Although they are very independent, the nation’s people combine their efforts to maintain an economically competitive Japan.

Chuck, 22, worked as a salesman of fine knit/woven fabrics in his father’s manufacturing business in the city of Kiryu near Tokyo (prior to coming to Crookston).

Similarly, Yuko, 20, was busy working various jobs in Osaka before she came to the U.S. Her jobs included waitressing and souvenir sales, as well as a position as a visual technician for a video production agency.

Yuko, whose father owns his own furniture designing business, has had the opportunity to travel with her family to various countries in Europe and many islands in the Pacific Basin.

Chuck, on the other hand, is not much for traveling. When asked if he would ever consider a trip someday to Norway, he responded, “No(r)-way!”

Chuck is also a big baseball fan and player from a country where the sport is almost as popular as it is in the U.S. He also enjoys playing volleyball, which is also very popular in Japan.

Although bowling is a favorite leisure activity in most Japanese metropolitan areas, both Chuck and Yuko think “bowling is boring.”

Possessing no less a competitive nature than Chuck, Yuko also derives a great deal of exercise from the sport of fast-paced shopping at Hugo’s and the Columbia Mall. And even though neither Yuko nor Chuck is a fan of the other one’s sport, both agree, when it comes to UMC hockey, that “hockey is okay!”

Chuck will continue his education over the next year and a half at UMC, eventually returning to Japan to dabble in import/export trading while, at the same time, attempting to maintain a lifestyle filled with multi-national girlfriends.

Note: After having spent a year in America, Yuko left the country at the end of March and returned to Japan. The past year for her has been filled with many experiences from Redlands, California, to the U of M, Crookston. She will continue her education for the next year and afterwards settle down to set up house with her fiancée, Tom Cruise.

Humble Nobel prize winner challenges students

Andrew M. Svec
Staff Writer

Dr. Norman Borlaug, a recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1970 for his work in developing high-yielding varieties of wheat, visited the UMC campus on Wednesday, March 25, and spoke at the Chancellor’s Convocation.

Borlaug, an alumnus of the University of Minnesota, where he earned a B.S. in Forestry, an M.S. in Plant Pathology, and a Ph. D. in Plant Pathology, addressed students, faculty, and staff in Kiehle Auditorium.

Borlaug spoke about his achievements in agronomy, most famous of which were varieties of wheat which produced eight to nine times the yield of their forerunners. Because of his breakthroughs in production, thousands of people world-wide were able to be fed, which earned him the Nobel Peace Prize. Borlaug noted that he received the Nobel Prize for Peace because there exists no Nobel Prize for Agronomy.

Citing himself as an example that anyone from a rural background can achieve revolutionary changes in the world, Borlaug challenged the students present at the convocation to “read about everything” and to place a high priority on education as a means to solve world problems.

He also extolled the virtues of working with others to achieve those same goals.

In closing, Borlaug offered hope that solutions to current and impending world problems lie with the students of today, especially if they go “that extra mile.” And as he stepped off the stage, the 78-year-old scientist was offered a standing ovation—a tribute to one of the University of Minnesota’s most famous alumni.
Date rape victims need support

Editor's Note:
The following letter is fictional. The subject is not.

Dear Fourth Estate:
I just found out my younger sister, who is still in high school, recently was a victim of date rape. To put it bluntly, I think it really sucks that this happened to her--she is so young.

As an older sibling I want to do everything I can to help her out. The rape itself was bad enough, but the aftermath of it is even worse. Now my sister has such an unpleasant view of sex and doesn't realize how beautiful sex can be.

Date rape is an issue that is so often overlooked because it's such an ugly topic, but I feel it should be addressed. I'm sure there are others on this campus who are in the same or in a similar situation, so please print this letter in the paper and take the time to address this traumatic issue that affects so many.

Signed,
Upset and Concerned

Dear Upset and Concerned,
Thank you for bringing this "ugly topic" to the attention of THE FOURTH ESTATE. Rape is a very serious and offensive crime and should be addressed. It continues to be a heavy burden on our society.

In order to give you, our readers, a broader view, two staff writers (both a male and a female) chose to address the date rape issue from their standpoint.

First of all, we'd like to respond to your particular situation.

Your sister is probably feeling ashamed about the rape itself. She may also be very scared because of the many unpleasant events that occur after the rape, such as: testing for pregnancy, deciding whether or not to prosecute the rapist, dealing with family and friends, etc.

As an older protective sibling, you may wish you could take all this away from her. But that's simply not possible.

You can help, however, by talking with her and then sharing each other's views. More than likely, your sister's impression of sex is unpleasant and possibly violent.

You might explain to her that sex can be a good thing—two people expressing their deepest love for one another through very intimate actions. Help your sister to understand that sex is a wonderful experience if it is with the right person and in the desired conditions for both parties involved.

Secondly, we'd like to point out some of our opinions concerning the date rape issue.

Rape is the most under-rated and under-prosecuted crime in the world today. It is the ultimate invasion of a woman's privacy and personal space and in many ways even more traumatic than murder.

The percentage of women who prosecute their rapists is extremely low. Why? Many women are afraid and ashamed to go through the painful court process.

Others may feel the rape was their fault and therefore, have no right to prosecute. This is not true, however, as rape is violation of a woman's rights and there is no "blame" involved.

Unfortunately, of the women who do prosecute, the conviction rate in today's court system is also very low. Something in the system must be very wrong for allowing such a heinous crime to be taken so lightly.

We'd like your concerns and/or opinions concerning the date rape issue. Please send them to:
THE FOURTH ESTATE
Box 999.
Written by Heidi Runyon, Editor and Chad Field, Staff Writer.

Save your life: Buckle down and buckle up

Chae Yllnleml
Staff Writer

I can plan my education, my weekends, and my activities, but there is no
planning for an accident. It comes without warning - maybe a missed red light - which comes to a crashing conclusion, often at your bumper.

No one can predict an accident, but odds are each of us will be involved in a traffic accident sometime in our lives. That's why we should take advantage of the personal insurance policy in our car. It's called a safety belt. You should become aware of the operation and laws related to safety belts.

The importance of using safety belts cannot be overstated. People are four times more likely to be killed if they are thrown from their vehicles. Safety belts will keep people from being thrown out of their vehicles.

Belts will also reduce fatal and serious injuries by 40 to 55 percent. An estimated 20,000 lives have been saved by safety belts from 1983 through 1989.

Proper operation of safety belts is important. A safety belt is standard equipment in vehicles, easy to operate, and one size fits all. Safety belts should fit comfortably but snugly, with shoulder harness over the shoulder, never under the arm. If your safety belt is uncomfortable, try moving your seat or shifting to the left or right.

Most states have safety belt laws. Safety-belt-use legislation has been passed in 35 states and the District of Columbia covering more than 216 million people.

Among states with safety-belt-use laws, 51 percent of motorists observed in 1988 wore their safety belts compared to only 36 percent in states without laws.

Since there is so much evidence that safety belts can save lives, I believe every person should think seriously about buckling up.

Many people going on short trips in their neighborhood feel that buckling up is not necessary. According to studies, three out of every five traffic accidents happen within 25 miles of home. Therefore, it is necessary to buckle up every time you enter a car.

It is never too early - but it could be too late.
Point/Counterpoint: Nudity in Advertising

Michelle Runyon  
Staff Writer

The human form: beautiful, mystical, artistic, and denied for centuries. Most of us today can look at the famous masterpiece of the 1400's, Michelangelo's statue of "David," and see only the elegance and grace in this human figure. But, in that day, Michelangelo's work of art was criticized and something to be ashamed of.

Nudity as an art form can be found in advertisement today. Just because bodies are naked, it does not mean it is sleazy and distasteful. Nudity can bring on a feeling of passion, simplicity and/or respect.

Our world is ever changing, but artists have been astounded with the lines and contours of the human forms for centuries. What was once considered shocking is now accepted. What is considered shocking today will one day become accepted.

So, what is an accepted art form and how far is too far? We do not have to like the fact that nudity exists as an art form. But, we can appreciate and respect it.

There is a point reached when an art form becomes exploitation. This line between art and pornography is completely subjective and has been an issue since at least the 13th century.

Find a picture of the statue "David" and ask yourself, "Is this art or pornography?" Only you can decide.

Dirk Kurpiers  
Staff Writer

Picture this, you open the latest issue of Vogue and there on the inside cover you see an advertisement for Calvin Klein's cologne Obsession. Right away you're thinking, why are these people walking around naked? And how about all those women lying on top of expensive Italian sport cars wearing two pieces of fabric held together by microscopic threads?

The American public has lost its values. They feel that it's perfectly fine for others to display their bare flesh in public places. How would you feel if your young child was to open one of these magazines to find these people flaunting their bodies?

Many people feel that these naked bodies are "works of art", but in actuality this is just another way to promote SEX!

If these photographs are art, why not call adult bookstores "galleries"? Here is a place where the average Joe can look at "works of art" without the expense of others having to see it.

Everything has its place. Nudity is fine when it's in the privacy of your own home, but when it is put into advertising it is improperly used and can create more harm than good. It encourages the reader to assume that sex is linked to every product, from food to power tools.

U.S. citizens not the only "Americans"

Joseph F. Marichalar  
Guest Editorial Writer

I am writing about the most common word misused by politicians and the word that people from the United States of America claim to be theirs: "American."

People from the U.S. should realize that "American" is the proper word for EVERYONE from the top of North America (Canada) through the United States and Central America (including Los Estados Unidos Mexicanos, which most people only know as Mexico), and all the way down to South America.

Throughout the western hemisphere there are many small countries that also have the right to use the word "American," even though they may be Hispanic, Native American, or of other descent. Another basic fact is that the native peoples from South and North America have existed on the American continents longer than anyone who came to the new world from Europe. Therefore, they should have the freedom to call themselves "Americans"—just like anyone from Canada, the United States, or Mexico or anyone who is or was born on this continent.

There are some other facts people should understand: people from Canada are called Canadians; people from Mexico are known as Mexicans; in South America there are Argentinians, Colombians, Brazilians, etc.; the people from the United States are U.S. citizens, which is the proper term they should use.

Take, for example, the Olympics. Every day we heard about them on the news, and I have heard time after time the newscaster referring to the "American" team. The newscaster commented about a member of the U.S. skating team not being able to compete in the event. Then he said, "That takes the American team one step away from getting a medal." The new commentator also spoke about the "American" hockey team going up to a real big challenge. So I ask, which one of the hockey teams was he referring to?

We all have our own opinions, but we have to understand the proper words to use. Even though we may speak different languages—from English to Spanish—of even though we may have different cultures and ways of being, we all are people from America. On a recent occasion I was working on transferring to a different college for the final steps in my education. I was asked where I was born. I answered, "Mexico." The person who was interviewing me suddenly looked at me with curiosity. He asked, "How can you speak English so well?" I thought to myself, well, we DO believe in education in Mexico, where I grew up.

Then, when the same person told me that in order to teach I would have to become an American, I answered clearly, "I have been an American since I was born, but I guess I have to become a U.S. citizen, correct?" There was no comment in return.

Even if I am or would ever be a "minority," just because I am from "Latin America," Central America, South America, or North America does not erase the fact that I am an American, like anyone else born on this continent.
Sports

Trojan highlights: Icemen head to Lake Placid

Jamie Hodgson
Staff Writer

Since our last issue there has been a lot of talk in the world of UMC sports. There were major strides in hockey, women's basketball and a couple disappointments in men's basketball.

The baseball season is also underway and intramural sports are starting to wrap up.

Men's Basketball

On the men's side of the ball court all did not go well. For most of the season, the Trojans were nationally ranked and all seemed to be going great for them.

But, in one moment it seemed to slide out from under them and they were losing games.

In their last home game the team needed to beat Northland Community College (Thief River Falls) to go to the state tournament. But, this was not to be and their aspirations of a title went down the drain.

Even though they didn't make it to the state tournament, they left everlasting images of a great team for all who attended their games. They gave all they could give and we are all proud of this.

Women's Basketball

Switching to women's basketball... the ball seemed to bounce in the right direction for them. As reported in the last issue, the team struggled in early season - a losing record, injuries, and alot of unanswered questions. But, at the right time all things seemed to click and the team was headed to the state tournament.

With a victory over Northland in their final home game, this was all possible. At the State Tournament the women Trojans showed the rest why UMC was there. In the opening round, they played a tough game against number one ranked Anoka-Ramsey Community College team, eventually losing. But they showed a lot of heart.

The Trojans lost their second game to Vermillion 76-66. The experience they gained from this state tournament will help the players that will come back next year.

Even though the season started off rocky, the women Trojans busted through adversity and that's something they can be proud of.

Hockey

When the season began, the Trojan Hockey team had three goals in mind - to win the conference title, the state title, and the National Championship.

The team came within one goal of accomplishing all three. It started back in December when the Trojans won the conference title. They then earned the state title this past February. Then it was on to Lake Placid, New York to see if they could go three for three.

The team opened the tournament with two wins: one against number one ranked Canton, New York, 7-5 and the second win over North Country Community College, 8-1.

In their final game they faced NDSU-Bottineau - a team they did well against all year. But NDSU won and put a damper on UMC's chances for a National Championship. Although UMC lost this game there was still a chance they could win the Championship. Three teams tied for first place according to the number of games won. Those in charge of the National Tournament decided the winning team by the number of goals scored and scored against them. UMC ranked third in this analysis, NDSU came in second, and Canton, New York in first.

Even though they didn't win the National Championship, the team gave one hundred percent and that's something we all can be proud of.

Intramurals

The intramural sports season is almost over with the exception of softball and soccer, starting April 10.

In the three sports that took place this winter, there was stiff competition. The Champs in these sports were as follows:

Volleyball
Vanilla Gorillas
Oreo Crew
Hockeyball
Hamms Bears
Basketball
Nortons Raiders

Baseball

Now that spring has sprung and the snow has gone it's time to think of outdoor sports.

The baseball season started and things seemed to be a little gloomy for the team already. The numbers are a little low right now but I think they will be able meet this challenge head-on.

There are only three players from last years team and 9 freshmen that will battle with other teams in the Northern Division.

So come out and enjoy a great season with the Trojan Baseball Team.
Dairy team knows cows

Andrew M. Svec
Staff Writer

Recently a dairy judging team from UMC attended the Midwest Regional Student Conference of the American Dairy Association. The team, comprised of Barry Visser, Tom Visser, Roger Benson, and Kary Peterson, traveled to the campus of the University of Wisconsin at River Falls.

Those four students competed in the Dairy Knowledge Bowl Contest. UMC was the only two-year college competing against four-year college teams.

Benson, Peterson, and the Visser brothers captured second place (of sixteen) in the event, beating the likes of teams from the U of M’s St. Paul campus, South Dakota State University, and the University of Wisconsin, Madison. Only Ohio State bested the UMC representatives.

UMC's team competed well against these other four-year institutions, according to the team advisor, Lyle Westrom. “It is not only a credit to the team, but to the whole curriculum at UMC,” said Westrom.

Production ahead of the pack

Michelle Runyon
Staff Writer

Just as promised in the last issue of the Fourth Estate, on March 26, 27, and 28 the UMC theater department presented a sixties-style musical entitled “The Leader of the Pack” in Kiehle Auditorium.

The play is based on the real story of a young female songwriter who is trying to make it in the music business. And, of course, she does so. Some famous 1960’s pop songs featured in the play were: “Chapel of Love,” and, of course, “Leader of the Pack.”

The ever-important stage technicians included Laureen Brazil, Greg Estrada, Roger Lamm, Amy Reider, Jennifer MacDonald, Marv Mattson, and Curt Wilson.

The talented cast included Christin Colborn, Chad Field, Vonda Hanson, Fulya Karagulle, Dirk Kurpiers, Heidi Runyon, Michelle Runyon, and Bill Thielke. Also featured in the play was the UMC band Bondage, whose members included Jonathan Chaffee, Jason MacDonald, Darin Marcussen, Travis Nelson, and Curt Wilson.

Director George French said that the most amazing thing about this particular production was that it was rehearsed for only three weeks prior to opening night.

So how was it put together so fast? “Late night rehearsals and lots of caffeine,” said an exhausted cast member during an eight o’clock class.

So if you missed this production, you missed the last UMC theater production of the year. But don’t fret! There will much more to look forward to in the ‘92-’93 school year.

Fashion Corner

Angie Kjos
Staff Writer

Many college students will be seeking employment this spring and summer. With many applicants for few positions how can you set yourself apart?

Whether we want to admit it or not, first impressions are very crucial to success in the job interview. The following are some suggested guidelines for how to dress for job success.

1. Make sure clothes are clean and wrinkle free.
2. Make sure the colors you wear are flattering to your own personal color tone.
3. Accessorize your outfit. Small, modest jewelry is best for most interviews.
4. For women, make-up should look natural and not painted up.
5. Men should wear a natural fiber suit.
6. Women should wear a natural fiber skirted suit.
7. The best shoe to wear with your suit is a classic pump for women and a loafer for men.
8. Real leather is your best buy.
9. Most importantly, wear your best SMILE.

DECA students head west

Brenda Ross
Guest Writer

DECA stands for Distributive Education Clubs of America. UMC students participate in the Delta Epsilon Chi division of DECA. Delta-Epsilon Chi is a professional development organization for post-secondary institutions and offers students the opportunity to grow and develop as professional business leaders.

The State Career Development Conference attended by UMC students is a competitive event. The students are judged on their written and oral presentation skills as well as their decision-making abilities. Students compete in the areas of marketing, merchandising, fashion merchandising, and hospitality.

Nineteen UMC students attended the Minnesota DECA Post-Secondary Career Development Conference this past February in Duluth, Minn. These 19 students brought home 35 trophies and plaques; an accomplishment envied by the other schools participating in the event. Six students qualified for national competition and four more qualified as alternates.

Students heading for national competition are currently raising funds for their trip in May to Anaheim, California for the National DECA Career Development Conference.

Alternates include:
Linda Bunde - Fashion
Randy DeMers - Merchandising
Tracy Goering - Fashion
Patrice McCann - Marketing

1992 State DECA Conference Participants

Linda Bunde
Jon Chaffee
Randy DeMers
Debra Dubuque
Lynette Giroux
Tracy Goering
Jamie Hodgson
Angie Kjos
Angie Koop
Amy Koosman
Dirk Kurpier
Carla Larsen
Roger Luettjohann
Patrice McCann
Dennis Qualley
Tanya Sexton
Matt Sinner
Kevin Telles
Cindy Tiedeman
Magnum Bizarro
Staff Astrologer

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
Have confidence and your dreams will come true. Put your faith in experts to discover the truth. Avoid killing. Buy that lottery ticket!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
Good connections in high places are helpful, but don't forget those "friends in low places." Your self-confidence is at an all-time high, but don't become arrogant. Use your lucky numbers.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)
Try to see both sides before making a very important decision. But don't get caught up in it to the extent that you miss your opportunity. Play bingo and win!

CANCER (June 22-July 22)
Now's the time to begin setting long-range goals if you haven't already. Think big and work for small steps forward. Send in that letter to Ed McMahon.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
Romance may bloom in the workplace or in a classroom environment. A new hair style is worth a try. Someone with a small role in your life will play a larger one. Pick six!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
A tax windfall cries to become an investment. Friends and business associates don't mix right now. Play the game, but keep some in reserve.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
True love is worth working for. Don't give up on your significant other just yet. You feel extremely lucky--go with it!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
A change in careers is calling and the chances of a successful transition are high. Start packing. You are dealt a good hand.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Love with a Gemini is a distinct possibility, especially if you lend a hand in his/her personal life. Capitalize on others' willingness to take risks.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Time to take control. Money is flowing into your life. Buy that lottery ticket.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Be spontaneous. Live for the moment and you will discover something very interesting. Start a new fitness program. Play the slots.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
Remember significant past dates and let others know you remember. Take charge of a situation. Friends will be supportive in all aspects of your life this week. Sailing lottery tickets is profitable.

Attention lesbian, gay and bisexual students, faculty and staff:
The University of Minnesota Select Committee for Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Concerns has been given the task of investigating the campus climate for lesbian, gay, and bisexual students, faculty, and staff.

We invite you to send a written statement of your experiences of the University of Minnesota campuses and suggestions for improving the campus climate. The committee is particularly interested in testimonials that reflect the experiences of lesbians, gays, and bisexuals in the classroom, workplace, residence halls, campus organizations (athletics, clubs, etc.), and all other areas of campus life.

This information will be compiled for the Committee's final report to be completed in January, 1993.

In your written statement, please indicate your sexual identity. Submitting your name and mailing address is optional, but this information would help the Committee construct a mailing list for a survey on lesbian, gay, and bisexual concerns. This mailing list will not be distributed for purposes outside the work of the Committee. Alumni/ae are welcome to submit materials.

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