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Faculty/Staff

your **announcement** by 8:30 a.m. Tuesday

to be included in that day's Campus e-Update.

Example: events, FYIs, and campus notices your **great news**

Example: remarkable or noteworthy accomplishments,

achievements, or special recognitions

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Announcements

International Service Learning trip to the Philippines!

Learn about the International Service Learning trip to the Philippines! BHSU Students traveled to Sudlon National High School in the Philippines in November and had a cultural exchange with the students there. Come hear about their experience and learn how you can participate in future International Service Learning trips. Monday, January 22 at 4:00 pm in the Student Union Club Buzz.

--Submitted by Jane Klug on 2018-01-16

Bob H. Miller Exhibition Reception

The Fine Art Department at Black Hills State University is pleased to announce the opening of artist Bob H. Miller's work. The exhibition entitled, 'Sum of All Color' features the two-dimensional "reflecto collage" work of the Rapid City based artist. These are collages tediously made of hand-cut pieces of "Scotchlite" reflective sheeting applied to panels. Scotchlite was designed to reflect light from automobile headlights and is commercially used for street signs and on emergency vehicles for night visibility and safety. Miller has repurposed this industrial product to create a unique visual and aesthetic viewing experience. Please join us in celebration of Miller's work for a reception on Thursday, January 18th, from 5-7PM at the Ruddell Gallery, with an informal artist talk held in the gallery at 6PM. The exhibition will be on display at the Ruddell Gallery until Friday, February 9.

--Submitted by Michael Baum on 2018-01-16

Be a part of TEDxRapidCity

TEDxRapidCity is now accepting applications for speaker an event scheduled this summer. The TEDxRapidCity will select speakers that provide a wide variety of insights, opinions and thought provoking ideas. Applications are due Feb. 16. See [details](#).

--Submitted by Corinne Hansen on 2018-01-16

Nominate Your Amazing Co-Worker for an Employee Recognition Award!

Do you know a BHSU employee or group who stands out in their service to students, the University, or the community? If you have been admiring from afar, now is the time to take action and show your fellow coworkers that their work is noticed and appreciated! Nominate our stellar employees for an award to be given out at the employee recognition event in March. Visit <http://www.bhsu.edu/Faculty-Staff/Human-Resources/Award-Program> for nomination forms and descriptions of the awards. Deadline for nominations is Thursday, January 25th. Call Cassie Maser at 605.642.6545 or email Cassie.Maser@BHSU.edu with any questions or for more information.

--Submitted by Cassie Maser on 2018-01-16

Call for submission of Abstracts for 20th Black Hills Research Symposium 2018 [BHRS 2018]

Kindly submit your abstracts for the 20th Black Hills Research Symposium 2018 using the following URL:

<http://www.bhsu.edu/Research/BH-Research-Symposium/Apply>

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE: February 23, 2018 by 5:00 pm

Abstract submission guidelines:

1. Name of presenter
2. Name of Faculty Research Mentor
3. 200-450 word max. abstract that includes:
 - a. Title
 - b. Complete list of presenters and authors
 - c. Email address of presenters and authors(s)

- d. Discipline
- e. For empirical data-driven or theoretical research: A brief description of the research to be presented including:
 - i. Background
 - ii. Methods
 - iii. Results
 - iv. Conclusion For research in an area of creative activity: A brief description of the body of work including:
 - v. Media
 - vi. Technique and process
 - vii. Purpose of the work: narrative, influence, and/or design qualities
 - viii. All creative works must be presented through oral presentation. Fine art must provide visual representations.
- f. Indication of preference for **poster or oral presentation**
- g. Indication of IRB approval and IRB approval number where appropriate. Please refer to BHSU research policies and/or contact Cynthia.Anderson@BHSU.edu for details or clarifications
- h. Indication of undergraduate or graduate status
- i. Acceptance or Applied to NCUR (Yes or No) Participants will be notified of acceptance by email by **March 2nd, 2018**.

--Submitted by Parthasarathi Nag on 2018-01-14

Events

Nerd Night

The Health Sciences Student Organization is excited to announce that the first Nerd Night of 2018 will be on Monday, January 22nd at Crow Peak Brewery! Drinks and snacks start at 6:45 and trivia starts at 7pm! Free to play, teams of up to four people, snacks will be provided, and bring money for drinks. Prizes awarded for round and overall winners! All ages welcome!

--Submitted by Joseph Rath on 2018-01-16

Geek Speak: Religious Diversity in the West (Part II)

Please join us on Thursday, January 18th and 25th at 4:00 p.m. in Jonas 110 as we continue our three-part discussion on Religious Diversity in the West. Moderated by Carrie Gray-Wood, this panel features Professor Jace DeCory, Dr. Tim Steckline, Dr.

Nicholas Wallerstein, Dr. Parthasarathi Nag, and Ms. Naveen Malik.

This panel will be a series on local faculty/staff/student perspectives about their own religious paths. The panel will be designed to showcase the religious diversity found on the BHSU campus, emphasizing non-Christian minority beliefs and the personal variations in each presenter's perspectives. The overall goals are to allow the audience to become familiar with some of the more common tenets of each organized religion presented, and common linkages between the ethics and belief systems of each, while still emphasizing the idea that each presenter brings their own personal interpretation of their religion. Current possible religions to showcase include Hinduism, Lakota Spirituality, Islam, Buddhism, and/or possibly Judaism, Sikhism, and various Pagan perspectives. Possible speakers have been sounded out, but no definitive speakers have yet been selected. In light of the recent anti-Semite/nationalist fliers found on campus, it is important to promote and celebrate the diversity found in our area.

--Submitted by Courtney Huse Wika on 2018-01-11

Entrepreneurial Boot Camp

Join us for a day long, hands-on learning experience specifically designed for current and aspiring entrepreneurs interested in starting a business or nonprofit. SD CEO, The OWN, and Aspiring Business Consulting are excited to announce our second annual Entrepreneurial Boot Camp on January 19th from 8:30am - 4:00pm at the Rapid City Campus in Room 106.

Gain Knowledge about: preparing a business plan, funding your new business, establishing a For-Profit or Non-Profit Entity, Marketing Your Business, and Successful Networking for Entrepreneurs.

Register at <http://www.bhsu.edu/SDCEO>

--Submitted by Mela Cosme on 2018-01-11

News Releases

[BHSU Selected For National Information Literacy Program](#)

Black Hills State University is one of ten universities in the nation selected to participate in a new civic information literacy program. BHSU will take part in the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) Digital Polarization Initiative: A Project to Promote Online Civic Information Literacy. This initiative helps students develop the knowledge and skills necessary to navigate online information environments.

[BHSU ranked among the Best Online Programs by U.S. News & World Report](#)

U.S. News & World Report recently included Black Hills State University in its listing of Best Online Graduate Education Programs and Best Online Bachelor Degree Programs.

Dr. Chris Crawford, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at BHSU, said the ranking is significant and that BHSU chose to participate in this rigorous review of its programs.

[BHSU-RC students are first to utilize new block schedule with 18-day courses](#)

Biology and speech students at Black Hills State University-Rapid City started the spring 2018 semester with the distinction of being the first to participate in an innovative course option, the new 18-day block schedule.

[BHSU takes second place in business plan competition](#)

Trevor Plett, Black Hills State University MBA alumni, and John Herrera, current BHSU MBA student, placed second in the SD Mines Competitive Entrepreneurial Opportunity Student Business Plan Competition. This annual competition introduces South Dakota college students to entrepreneurship by providing training, mentors, and the opportunity to pitch their ideas for a cash prize.

This year, Plett and Herrera presented a business plan for Rushmore Drones, a company they co-founded in Jan. 2017. Entering the competition allowed this team to recreate and refocus their company's business plan.

[BHSU student gives back to Shriners Hospital after over 15 years of support](#)

After over 15 years of support from the Shriners Hospital, Black Hills State University sophomore Wyatt Bills, communications major from New Underwood, decided to give back to the organization that helped him overcome the limitations of his Cerebral Palsy (CP). His fundraiser seeks to raise \$500 for his Shriners Hospital medical team.

[Faculty and students represent BHSU with research during international conference in Botswana](#)

Black Hills State University faculty and students attended the Botho University International Research Conference, (BUIRC), in the capitol city Gaborone, Botswana in November. The theme of the 2017 conference was "Setting the Gear for Sustainable Development: Innovative Research Towards Diversity and Socio-Economic Independence." According to Botho University, the countries of Sweden, South Africa, Namibia, Lesotho and the U.S. were represented at the conference.

[BHSU panel to showcase and discuss religious diversity at first Geek Speak of 2018](#)

The Black Hills State University Honors Program will kick off the first three weeks of the 2018 Geek Speak lecture series with an ongoing panel discussion about religious diversity. A panel of BHSU faculty, staff, and alumni will represent the various minorities represented in the Spearfish community and will be facilitated by Carrie Gray-Wood, adjunct professor for the School of Math and Social Sciences.

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