


Campus E-Update

April 4, 2017
Faculty/Staff

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your **announcement** by 8:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday to be included in that day's Campus e-Update. Example: events, FYIs, and campus notices

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your **great news** Example: remarkable or noteworthy accomplishments, achievements, or special recognitions

[Announcements page](#) is updated daily. The Campus E-Update is emailed on Tuesday and Thursday.

Policy/Updates

Spring 2018 Registration

Spring 2018 Registration will be open **March 20 through April 13**, by pre-assigned date and time.

Please check "Registration Time Inquiry" in Webadvisor to find your appointed time to register. Check "Restrictions" now to identify and resolve any registration holds before you are scheduled to register.

Students with less than 60 completed credit hours are required to meet with their faculty advisor before having access to registration. Check the e-mail sent to your student e-mail account for more instructions and reference materials.

Be sure to register at your assigned time to maximize your chances of getting into the classes that you want!

Questions can be directed to the Registrar's Office, WH 103 (Johanna.Best@BHSU.edu), your faculty advisor, or, your College Retention and Recruitment Specialist.

--Submitted by Johanna Best on 2017-03-16

Announcements

Good Friday Admin Leave

Great news! Governor Daugaard has granted **8 hours of administrative leave** to executive branch agencies for **Good Friday, April 14, 2017**. Dr. Rush has extended the administrative

leave to Board of Regents employees as well.
--Submitted by Kasey Salazar on 2017-04-04

Memorial Candlelight Vigil is Tonight

It is truly with a heavy heart that we at BHSU and the Spearfish community mourn the loss of the children in Saturday's house fire. One of the children is the 6-year son, Clinton Johnson, of our student, Julia Gibson.

Julia is surrounded by family and friends. Julia did not live in the house affected by the fire.

One of the hallmarks of our community is our commitment to assist those in need. The Red Cross handled the immediate needs.

In the coming days, specific needs will be identified. In the meantime, donations can be delivered to the Spearfish Fire Station - downtown. Visa gift cards of any monetary donation are needed by all those affected. Donations can be made at all local Pioneer Bank & Trust establishments (Belle Fourche, Sturgis, Rapid City, Buffalo, and Spearfish). If you have questions call the bank at 642-2725.

A memorial candlelight vigil for the fire victims will be held tonight (Tuesday) starting at 7 pm at the intersection of Ames and Oliver. Parking will be available in our St. Joe gravel lot and the Young Center lot if needed.

Since Julia was active in several campus organizations, students are gathering together with advisors and staff for support. Any student needing assistance should contact our Counseling Center staff who are available for individual and group counseling.

Please let me know who needs attention and send any questions to me.

Lois Flagstad, PhD
Vice President for Enrollment and Student Affairs
--Submitted by Lois Flagstad on 2017-04-03

Sustainability Survey Winners

Congrats to Eric Hanson, Phillip Mize, and Jim Hess for winning the random drawing for completing the Sustainability Master Plan survey! Your gift card is available for pick-up at BHSU Facilities Services.

Thanks to everyone who filled out the survey! Don't forget to come by Club Buzz on Wednesday (April 5) between 10-11am for our Open Forum with the sustainability master planners!

--Submitted by Katie Greer on 2017-04-04

Community Art Project "LINKING FENCES"

The Matthews Opera House & Arts Center and ArtCentral are excited to announce our second community project, "Connecting Our Community Through LINKING FENCES." Through this

project, we are inviting the community to join us in creating community art projects on the chain link fences throughout Spearfish. We encourage the community to partner with neighbors, friends, organizations, and strangers alike to take part in LINKING FENCES.

The goal of LINKING FENCES is to engage the community in a creative project that not only adds visual interest to our town, but also uses the chain link fences that typically divide us to forge new connections. LINKING FENCES offers an opportunity for everyone to express their creativity and make new connections.

Through this CALL FOR COMMUNITY ARTISTS, ArtCentral is seeking to identify up to three (3) artists to win a cash prize of \$250 for each artist/team for the selected designs to be installed in prominent locations in our community. Themes of the proposed projects will address our ArtCentral themes of belonging and inclusion, rural connectedness, cultivating creativity, and arts as a catalyst for social impact in Spearfish. Submitted proposals will be displayed in the Matthews Art Gallery in May or June for public viewing.

Proposal requirements and full details can be found in the complete Call for Community Artists which can be downloaded at [The Matthews website](#).

Proposals are due before 4 p.m. on May 2, 2017

The Matthews Opera House & Arts Center was selected in 2016 as a recipient of a \$200,000 Bush Foundation Community Innovation grant for ArtCentral, a community collaboration to centralize the arts as an integrated asset for inclusivity, economic development, and sustained outreach in the Spearfish community. Community Innovation grants support organizations, working in collaboration with others, to use problem-solving processes that lead to more effective, equitable and sustainable solutions for challenges that face their communities.

ArtCentral is a community collaboration to centralize the arts as an integrated asset for inclusivity, economic development, and outreach in Spearfish. ArtCentral was made possible through a 2016 Community Innovation Grant from the Bush Foundation.

--Submitted by Michael Baum on 2017-04-03

Dining Services Spring Survey

Please take a moment to let us know how we are doing. You will also be entered for a chance to win a tablet for participating. We need and appreciate your feedback.

[2017 Survey](#)

--Submitted by Ron Showman on 2017-04-03

Get your Geek On: Join the Honors Faculty and Geek Speak

Are you ready to teach your dream course? The University Honors Program is currently accepting colloquia proposals for 2018/2019 academic year. Designed as intensive seminars, these themed courses emphasize critical thinking and scholarly research and writing. For current colloquia offerings and ideas, visit the Honors page.

Additionally, we are now accepting proposals for 2017-2018 Geek Speaks! These lectures are held every Thursday at 4:00 p.m. in Jonas 110 and can be traditionally structured (60 minutes of lecture and 30 minutes of discussion) or formatted as panel or open discussions on any topic.

The deadline for all proposals is April 15.

Please send a 250-400 word colloquia proposal and/or a tentative title and brief Geek Speak summary to Courtney.HuseWika@BHSU.edu by April 15.

--Submitted by Dr. Courtney Huse-Wika on 2017-04-02

Who Are Your High-Achieving Students?

The University Honors Program is currently accepting recommendations for 2017-2018 Research Scholars. Open to high-achieving students by invitation, this track requires completion of two Honors colloquia (6 cr. total), a year of capstone research/creative activity (3 cr.), and a traditional capstone defense. Students are transcribed as Research Scholars upon completion of the program. The track requires a minimum of three semesters. **Please send recommendations by April 15** to Courtney.HuseWika@BHSU.edu, or contact her at #6918 or Meier Hall 311.

--Submitted by Dr. Courtney Huse-Wika on 2017-04-02

BHSU Student Pantry

Please encourage any students in need to visit our BHSU Student Pantry. Located at the ROTC entrance to Humbert Hall, the pantry stocks food and personal care/household items. It is open M-F, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., excluding holidays. We currently have one winter coat, a few pairs of gloves, and a couple hats as well as limited funds for winter gear for students in need. Please contact Courtney.HuseWika@BHSU.edu for more information. Pantry donations can be dropped off at Janette Hettick's office in Jonas 108.

--Submitted by Dr. Courtney Huse-Wika on 2017-04-02

Events

National Library Week

National Library Week April 9th - 15th 2017: Libraries Transform!

Join us for the One Book South Dakota book discussion on April 13th at 5:30 pm in the library. Students can fill out a quick survey and enter a chance to win one of two \$25.00 gift cards to the university bookstore.

Check out our free books display at the front of the library!

--Submitted by Scott Ahola on 2017-04-04

Welcome BHSU alum Kory Menken

You are invited to stop by the Spearfish Economic Development and Chamber office Thursday, April 6 from 8-9 a.m. to meet the new SEDC Executive Director Kory Menken, a BHSU alum. Coffee and a light breakfast will be served.

Submitted by Corinne Hansen

SDRS Supplemental Retirement Plan Presentation

Are you wondering what the DEF CMP deduction is on your paystub? Or are you gearing up for retirement and are over the age of 55? If so, you should know about the 457 and Special Pay Plans. SDRS Supplemental will be presenting valuable information on 4/5/17 at 10:15 AM in the Trump Room of the Student Union. Please note prize drawings will be held for attendees!
--Submitted by Kasey Salazar on 2017-04-04

Aflac Representatives on Campus - Correction to Date

Greetings! In anticipation of the benefits enrollment for FY18, Susan Soehren-AFLAC associate will be on campus and available for individual appointments from 1 pm - 3 pm on **Thursday, April 13th** in conference room 206 on the top floor of the Student Union to assist you in making changes or electing AFLAC benefits. If you are considering electing Aflac benefits this year or are interested in additional information on the supplemental benefits Aflac offers we recommend meeting with Susan.

AFLAC Products currently offered through payroll deduction -- Accident, Sickness, Hospital Indemnity, Cancer, Dental, Intensive Care, Specified Health (covers heart attack, strokes), and Vision.

Aflac products are also portable - you can continue them through bank draft if you leave BHSU.

--Submitted by Kasey Salazar on 2017-04-04

Long Term Care Presentation at the Benefits Expo

Did you know the State has a Long Term Care plan? Do you know what it is or what it covers? If you answered no to either of these questions and want to know more please join us on 4/5/17 at 11:30 A.M. in the Trump room of the Student Union. Prize drawings will also be held for attendees!

--Submitted by Kasey Salazar on 2017-04-04

Video Conferences for FY18 Health Plan Changes

Greetings Colleagues! The South Dakota State Employee Benefits Program will be hosting two video conferencing sessions via the Digital Dakota Network to help employees prepare for FY18 Annual Enrollment. These sessions will be held during the following times:

1 p.m., Wednesday, April 5 in BHSU LIB009 (GEC)

10 a.m., Tuesday, April 25 in BHSU LIB011 (DDN)

--Submitted by Kasey Salazar on 2017-04-04

SDRS Presentations at the Benefits Expo

Do you contribute to the SDRS? Not sure? Have questions? If you can answer yes to any of

these, the 9 am presentation in the Trump Room (Student Union) on Wednesday April 5th is for you!

Please join SDRS for a general overview of the South Dakota Retirement System. Here you can learn the ins and outs of your current plan. Prize drawings will also be held for attendees!

--Submitted by Kasey Salazar on 2017-04-04

10th Annual Benefits Expo - Tomorrow!!!!

Tomorrow, Wednesday, April 5, 2016, a variety of investment/insurance companies will be on campus and available from 9 am - 3 pm in the Student Union's Jacket Legacy Room to meet with you about investing opportunities and/or your employee benefits. Also, speakers are scheduled to present as shown below:

9:00–10:00: SDRS - A general overview of the SD Retirement System and what this means for you!

10:15–11:15: SDRS Supplemental - A summary of the 457 and Special Pay Plans.

11:30–12:30: Kathi Skoglund - Long Term Care; what is it and what does it cover?

12:45–2:15: SDRS - Early to Mid- Career Workshop; what you should be doing right now for your future.

Open to all BHSU employees, students and spouses with prize drawings for those who attend! This is a great opportunity to learn about investing as well as ask questions about your employee benefits!

--Submitted by Kasey Salazar on 2017-04-04

Senior Art Exhibition

We invite you to join us in celebration of the 2017 Art Seniors at their opening reception this Friday, April 7th from 5:00PM to 7:00PM, at the Spearfish Arts Center of the Matthews Opera House on Main Street! Works from graduates in studio art, photography, and graphic design will be featured! Most works will be for sale, and refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited to attend! The exhibition will be on display at the Opera House until April 25th.

--Submitted by Desy Schoenewies on 2017-04-03

Take Ten Meditation

Ten minute guided meditation now through the end of finals week. Come every day, come any day. 8:30 am in the room at the back of Club Buzz. Everyone is welcome. So many amazing benefits of mediation!! Come see for yourself.

[76 Scientific Benefits of Meditation](#)

Or just get ten minutes of calm and peace in your morning.

--Submitted by Tracy Hunt on 2017-04-03

Geek Speak: From Blake to the Beatles and Beyond: The Legacy of Romanticism

Dr. Martin Fashbaugh Presents:

European Romantic Poetry from 1885-1850—1) the historical forces that helped shape the movement; 2) the poetry’s common themes and aesthetic characteristics; 3) and, most importantly, its legacy—particularly how traces of Romantic-era ideas can be uncovered in 20th and 21st-century pop culture.

All lectures are held in Jonas 110 at 4:00 p.m. on Thursdays and are free and open to the public.

--Submitted by Dr. Courtney Huse-Wika on 2017-04-02

Special Topics Radio Explores and Era of Precedents and History Making

Two one-hour panel-discussions on “An Era of History Making” will air on The Buzz FM 89.1 and online at bhsumentia.com at 8-9 a.m. Monday and Tuesday (Part One on Monday and Part Two on Tuesday) on April 10-11. Guests include BHSU faculty Adam Blackler, Jason Daniels, Kelly Kirk with host Mary Caton-Rosser. Campus TV will also feature audio-visual sessions of the panel on the KBHU YouTube channel.

--Submitted by Mary Caton-Rosser on 2017-04-02

Reception for the Senior Art and Photo Show

Sixteen graduating seniors will have their art and photos on display in downtown Spearfish at the Matthews Art Gallery. The show will be up from April 6 until April 27.

The Opening Reception will be held Friday, April 7 from 5:00 to 7:00pm with a cash bar and catering by the Bayleaf.

--Submitted by Ann Porter on 2017-03-31

Tenzi Dice Tourney

BHSU Jacket Zone is hosting a Tenzi Dice Tourney on Tuesday, April 4th at 5:30 - 7 pm. If you love to play dice games, please contact us to register 605 717-5801. We will play several versions of this simple, fast-paced dice game that all ages will enjoy. Free admission; prizes & refreshments. Donations to the Spearfish Food Pantry welcomed.

--Submitted by Donnelle Culver on 2017-03-31

Kudos

Jace DeCory, assistant professor of history and American Indian studies, was part of a panel discussion on the Dakota Access Pipeline held at Harvard University in Cambridge, Mass. The panel was sponsored by the Charles Warren Center for Studies in American History and the Harvard University Native American Program.

Dr. Andrey Reznikov, professor of linguistics and English, presented a paper at the conference of the Society for Academic Study of Social Imagery (SASSI) at the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley, Colo. in March. The topic of his presentation was 1984 [George Orwell’s novel] *Reborn: Russian Media Create an Alternative Reality in the Minds of Russian People*.

Katie Nelson, financial aid counselor in BHSU Student Financial Services Office, won the Douglas Steckler Award at the 2017 South Dakota Association of Student Financial Administrator's (SDASFAA) Spring Conference for her dedication to the students as well as her volunteering to assist with the state and regional financial aid associations. She currently is the SDASFAA treasurer and is in the RMAFSA Leadership Pipeline; she has volunteered for the regional association, RMAFSA, with Summer Institute which trains financial aid personnel. Katie received a plaque and \$100 voucher for professional development.

BHSU Campus Visit & Communications Coordinator, **Lorin Naasz**, in her first-ever powerlifting event, placed first in her division and class. The 2017 South Dakota State Powerlifting Championships (sanctioned by the American Powerlifting Federation) was held in Chamberlain, SD, on February 4th.

Press Releases

[BHSU honors retiring Regent and BHSU alum Dr. Kathryn Johnson](#)

As the Board of Regents meeting concluded at Black Hills State University last week, BHSU honored the retirement of one of the University's distinguished alumni and a strong supporter of education in the State of South Dakota, Regent Dr. Kathryn Johnson.

[BHSU Geek Speak to explore European romantic poetry during National Poetry Month](#)

Dr. Martin Fashbaugh, Black Hills State University assistant professor of English, will examine how the French Revolution of 1789 served as inspiration for English poets like William Blake, William Wordsworth, and Samuel Taylor Coleridge for the first April Geek Speak lecture at BHSU to start off National Poetry Month.

[Five BHSU student musicians join Intercollegiate Band in Sioux Falls](#)

Student musicians at Black Hills State University were chosen to participate in the 2017 South Dakota Intercollegiate Band which performed recently at O'Gorman High School in Sioux Falls.

[BHSU to offer certificate in social media](#)

Black Hills State University is offering a new certificate in social media following South Dakota Board of Regents approval this week.

[BHSU photography professor Steve Babbitt reflects on career after receiving Art Education Award](#)

As a student's first photograph rises from the developer, Steve Babbitt once again gets to witness the student's face light up with excitement. Steve says that expression of wonder is still one of his greatest rewards after teaching 25 years.

[Black Hills State University earns Tree Campus USA® recognition](#)

Black Hills State University was honored recently with 2016 Tree Campus USA® recognition by the Arbor Day Foundation for the University's commitment to planting and maintaining trees across campus.

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