


Campus E-Update

March 28, 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

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Policy/Updates

Summer 2017 Financial Aid

The summer aid application is available in the Student Financial Services office in Woodburn 114, at BHSU-RC, and on-line at www.BHSU.edu/FinancialAid. You must complete the 2017-18 FAFSA and the summer aid application to be considered for summer financial aid (this includes summer federal work-study). Please contact Kim.Nida@BHSU.edu or (605)642-6113 if you have any questions.

--Submitted by Kim Nida on 2017-03-21

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

BOR meets on campus; Open forum set

The South Dakota Board of Regents meetings are being held on the BHSU campus this week. The campus community is invited to an Open Forum Wednesday, March 29 at 5 p.m. at the Jacket Legacy Room of the David B. Miller Yellow Jacket Student Union.

The BOR meeting convenes Wednesday, March 29 at 1 p.m. in the Jacket Legacy room of the Student Union. Dr. Tom Jackson, Jr., BHSU president, will give a welcome and several student groups will be presented with awards. On Thursday, March 30 the BOR meeting begins at 9 a.m.

[Watch a live stream](#) of the meeting.

[See the agenda](#).

--Submitted by Corinne Hansen on 2017-03-28

Coffee and Conversation on Friday

There will be a Coffee and Conversation Friday, March 31 at 8:15 a.m. in Club Buzz of the Student Union. Please join us to hear updates from the Board of Regents meeting.

--Submitted by Judy Bauer on 2017-03-28

Presentation to Regent Johnson

BHSU will make a special presentation to Regent Kathryn Johnson, who is retiring from the South Dakota Board of Regents, on Thursday, March 30 at the conclusion of the BOR meeting (between 11:15 a.m.-12:15) in the President's Conference Room of the Student Union.

Dr. Johnson earned her undergraduate degree in chemistry from BHSU. Please join us as we honor our alum Regent Johnson who has served as a member of Board of Regents since 2005.

--Submitted by Corinne Hansen on 2017-03-28

Good Friday Admin Leave

Greetings Colleagues! I am pleased to announce that Dr. Rush has extended **8 hours of administrative leave** to all Regental system employees for Good Friday, April 14, 2017.

--Submitted by Kasey Salazar on 2017-03-28

Mail Service Notice (Unit Numbers)

A proper 'Unit Number' address is important with people you correspond with so we can minimize the chance of your mail getting lost. Several years ago BHSU did a major Departmental and Office restructure. As a result many Faculty & Staff unit numbers changed. This also applies to students who change dorm or apartment rooms. Please insure that your University based correspondents know the correct 'Unit Number' you want the mail to go to. Thank you for your support in this matter.

--Submitted by Raymond Evans on 2017-03-28

To protect your account from hackers: What makes an effective password?

An effective password makes little or no sense to another person. Recommendations are to avoid using actual words, avoid using seasons and years, increase your password length, combine and replace letters with numbers and symbols. As an example, instead of using something like "BlackHills2017" change it to "[Welov3theBl@ckHills!:.\)](#)." Alternatively, take a favorite statement such as "for every choice you make there is a consequence" and use the first letter of each word, and consider swapping some letters for numbers and special characters. Therefore, your password could be "43cym,tiac:(." Be creative and make it more difficult for your account to be hacked. A password using a six-character word can be hacked in fractions of a second. If you go with 10 characters and add in numbers and special characters, the time to break a password is increased by years. Lastly, avoid using the same password on more than one site.

--Submitted by Fred Nelson on 2017-03-24

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 2017-03-27

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 2017-03-27

Review the BHSU Strategic Plan

The BHSU Strategic Plan is now available for review at www.bhsu.edu/strategicplan. The BHSU Strategic Plan, which identifies goals and strategic initiatives, is the framework that will guide BHSU through 2022. Please take a moment to review the Strategic Plan and supporting documents.

Kudos to Dr. Jane Klug and Dr. Amy Fuqua for their leadership and to everyone who has been involved in the BHSU strategic planning process. Your input was critical to the development of the plan. Your work is very much appreciated and will have a lasting impact on BHSU.

If you have questions or feedback, please contact Dr. Jane Klug or Dr. Amy Fuqua.

--Submitted by Corinne Hansen on 2017-03-28

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 2017-03-27

Events

Alternative Spring Break Presentation

Join the Alternative Spring Break group on March 30th at 5pm in Club Buzz to hear about their service trip to Colorado this past month. There will be a short presentation over the three service projects we completed including working with our partner elementary class in Pueblo, working at the zoo in Colorado Springs, and working at the Rocky Mountain Food Bank in Denver. We had a great time and would love to share our experiences with all of our generous donors and the BH community!

--Submitted by Karley LaFountain on 2017-03-23

Geek Speak: Bad Bureaucrats? The Future of Whistleblowing in a Post-Snowden World by Cody Drolc

The world fundamentally changed following Edward Snowden's expose of government surveillance in 2013. Since then, critics, scholars, and citizens have weighed in on Snowden's revelations and the new relationship the American people have with their government. Many debate the legitimacy of government surveillance and ask how future whistleblowers will be

protected, but they are missing the real issue. Will high-profile whistleblowers cease to exist? Has the United States government patched the leak? These are questions that have serious implications for the future of transparency and democratic accountability.

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 2017-03-27

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 2017-03-28

Aflac Representatives on Campus

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 Tuesday, April 18th 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. [View flyer](#)

--Submitted by Kasey Salazar on 2017-03-28

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 2017-03-28

SDRS Individual Appointments

Greetings! South Dakota Retirement System representatives will be on campus and available for individual appointments from 9 am - 3 pm during the Financial Planning Fair on Wednesday, April 5th on top floor of the Student Union. If you are considering retiring within the next 5 years or just have questions regarding your retirement benefits we recommend scheduling a time to meet with SDRS. The individual appointments are being scheduled through the Human Resources Office. Please call ext. 6549 to schedule an appointment today!

Hope to hear from you soon.

--Submitted by Kasey Salazar on 2017-03-28

10th Annual Benefits Expo is right around the corner!

On 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 2017-03-28

Ed+ Advising Workshop TOMORROW!

All faculty advisors working with secondary education majors (think Ed, History Ed, Music Ed, Business Ed, Science Ed, etc.) are encouraged to attend the Ed+ Faculty Advising workshop tomorrow - Wednesday, March 29 at 12 noon in Jonas 204. We will attempt to demystify the combination of education and discipline classes. Lunch will be provided.

--Submitted by Janette Hettick on 2017-03-28

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 2017-03-28

Just Tri It - triathlon event

The BHSU Women's Triathlon team will host a mini triathlon event on Sunday April 30th in and around the Young Center. If you have ever wanted to try a Triathlon - now is your chance. This is an untimed event and open to individuals and/or teams. Swim 300-meters in the Young Center pool, bike 6 miles, then run 1.5 miles. All abilities are welcome. So grab

your gear and/or a couple friends and give this new sport a TRI!

--Submitted by Colleen Mischke on 2017-03-24

Cody Drolc on SDPB Radio

Tune in to 91.9 FM South Dakota Public Broadcasting at 10 a.m. Wednesday, March 29 to hear recent BHSU alum Cody Drolc talk about his upcoming Geek Speak lecture. Listen online at listen.sdpb.org

--Submitted by Kimberly Talcott on 2017-03-27

Press Releases

BHSU students spend Spring Break volunteering in Colorado

A group of 12 Black Hills State University students recently spent their Spring Break volunteering in Colorado at an elementary school, a zoo, and a food bank.

Black Hills State University to celebrate American Indian Awareness Week

Black Hills State University will celebrate American Indian Awareness Week April 3-8 with an engaging line-up of speakers discussing the origins of Lakota song and dance, the Dakota Access Pipeline, and the “Dignity” statue recently installed near Chamberlain.

Recent graduate will present upcoming BHSU Geek Speak about whistleblowing

Cody Drolc, a Black Hills State University alum who graduated as a University Honors Scholar, will examine how the world changed following Edward Snowden’s exposure of government surveillance in the next Geek Speak lecture at BHSU.

BHSU will host a Media Blitz day March 28 for students of all ages

Area middle and high school students will learn about the latest developments in media literacy and entrepreneurship during the Black Hills State University Media Blitz on campus in Spearfish March 28.

BHSU students mentor local middle school students during BHSU Underground Robotics Competition at Sanford Lab

Students at Black Hills State University recently went nearly a mile underground at Sanford Underground Research Facility in Lead with robots in hand made by middle school students

CAMPUS CALENDAR

Check out upcoming events on the [Campus Calendar](#)

YELLOW JACKET NEWS



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