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This month at ICC

March 31-April 4

• ICC Global Education Week. *Special events and guest speakers on campus throughout the week.*

Apr 2

• Registration opens for ICC Summer Session classes

Apr 4

• QuickBooks Setup, 6-9 p.m., Continued Learning Ctr-Central Square Mall.*

• Fox Trot & Tango, 7-9:45 p.m. Mullins Gymnasium.*

Apr 5

• Home game, women's softball vs Rainy River, 12 noon, ICC Softball Field.

Apr 6

• Home game, women's softball vs Vermilion, 12 noon, ICC Softball Field.

Apr 7-11

• "The Color Red: Where Art Meets Science," presentations and programs by ICC faculty.

Apr 7

• Learning Word 2007, (Apr 7 & 14), 1-4 p.m., Continued Learning Ctr-Central Square Mall.*

Apr 8

• Home game, women's softball vs Mesabi, 3 p.m., ICC Softball Field.

Apr 9

• Learning Excel 2, (Apr 9 & 16), 1-4 p.m., Continued Learning Ctr-Central Square Mall.*

Apr 12

• ICC Annual Powwow, Grand Entry: 1 p.m. and 7 p.m., Mullins Gymnasium. *Open to the public at no charge. For more information, call Dan Curry at 218-327-4268.*

Apr 13

• Home game, men's baseball vs Hibbing, 1 p.m., Legion Field.

• Home game, women's softball vs Central Lakes, 3 p.m., ICC Softball Field.

Apr 15

• Home game, men's baseball vs Mesabi, 1 p.m., Legion Field.

• Using QuickBooks, (Apr 15 & 22), 6-9 p.m., Continued Learning Ctr-Central Square Mall.*

Apr 16

• Living with Grief Teleconference: Children and Adolescents, 12:30-3 p.m., Backes Student Center.*

Apr 17

• No credit classes

• Home game, men's baseball vs Vermilion, 1 p.m., Legion Field.

• Using a Garmin GPS, 5-8 p.m., Backes Student Center.*

Apr 18

• No credit classes

Apr 21

• Learning Excel 2007, (Apr 21 & 28), 1-4 p.m., Continued Learning Ctr-Central Square Mall.*

Apr 23

• Home game, men's baseball vs Northland, 1 p.m., Legion Field.

Apr 25

• Home game, women's softball vs Hibbing, 3 p.m., ICC Softball Field.

Apr 26

• Home game, women's softball vs Fond du Lac, 12 noon, ICC Softball Field.

Apr 28

• Home game, women's softball vs Northland, 12 noon, ICC Softball Field.

Apr 29

• QuickBooks Advanced, 6-9 p.m., Continued Learning Ctr-Central Square Mall.*

*Pre-registration is requested.

"The Color Red: Where Art Meets Science"

As part of ongoing collaborative learning experiences for its students, Itasca Community College faculty are participating in an across-the-curriculum project called "The Color Red."

The culmination of the academic-year project will take place during the week of April 7-11, when ICC faculty will present programs based on their studies, reflections and experiences regarding the color red. Programs are free of charge and the public is welcome to attend.

"The project is an attempt to 'de-departmentalize' education and show common threads that exist among the disciplines," explained ICC instructor Susan Hawkinson, who is coordinating this year's project. "We wanted instructors to examine how the color red applies to what they teach."

"The results of those discoveries will be the subject of their presentations," she said.

"The Color Red" programs will be held on campus in the Continued Learning Conference Center in the Backes Student Center building.

April 7

• 11-11:40 a.m., Marilyn Clark-History: "The Red Scare"

• 1:10-1:35 p.m., Brian Vroman-Humanities: "Does Red Exist?"

• 2:10-2:40 p.m., Gordy Savela-Chemistry: "Red Chemistry"

April 8

• 11 a.m.-12 noon, Marty Christensen-Wildland Firefighting: "Fire!"

• 12:10-12:40 p.m., John Rothstein-Business Management and Bill Sackett-Business Management/Economics: "The

Impact of the Color Red in Business"

• 1-1:50 p.m., Sue Hutchins-Biology: "Blood"

April 9

• 10:10-10:50 a.m., Sally Velzen-Sociology and Brenda Fairchild-Reading: "Red China"

• 11:10-11:40 a.m., Deb Kee-Math and Trika Smith-Computer Science with Chad Haatvedt-Computer Services: "Numeric Representation of Color in Computing/Negative Numbers + More"

• 2-2:50 p.m., Larry Aitken-American Indian Studies: "The Nature of Red in Native Culture"

April 10

• 10:10-10:40 p.m., Drew Davis-Earth Science: "Red Within the Earth"

• 11:10-11:40 a.m., Annie Erickson-English and Susan Hawkinson-English: "Apples and Other Symbols in Literature"

April 11

• 12 noon-12:50 p.m., Leslie Reed-Physical Education: "The Red Food Group: Dietary Guidelines for Food Safety, Exercise, and Healthful Living" (includes food tasting)

• 1-1:50 p.m., Aaron Wenger-Physics: "The Red Shift"

In addition, artist Diane Rutherford will explain the process that uses wax and dye to build a work of art in layers in "Batiking the Color Red." The demonstration will take place each day from 12 noon-2 p.m. in the corridor outside the library entrance.

For more information about "The Color Red" presentations, contact Hawkinson at 218-327-4547.

ICC Celebrates Global Education Week

The community is invited to join Itasca Community College students, faculty and staff for activities during Global Education Week, March 31-April 4.

"Our Changing World: Focusing on Global Education" is sponsored by the ICC Global Education Committee and US Bank, and will feature special presentations in Davies Theatre, information on ICC's global education opportunities, and international cuisine available each

day in the college cafeteria.

Guest speakers include:

• Monday, March 31, 12 noon-1 p.m., "Climbing Mount Kilimanjaro: Thrills, Challenges and Lessons Learned," Dr. Joe Sertich

• Tuesday, April 1, 10 a.m.-12 noon, "Globalization: Impact on the Northeast Minnesota Economy," panel discussion

• Wednesday, April 2, 10-11 a.m., "Opportunities for Global Engagement through the Peace Corps," Willow

Loney

• Wednesday, April 2, 1-2 p.m., "The Wonders of Egypt," Dr. Barbara McDonald

• Thursday, April 3, 10:30 a.m.-12 noon, "Life in Iraq: Reflections Five Years Later," Sami Rasouli

There is no charge to attend the presentations.

"It's part of our college mission statement to present our students with opportunities for global engagement," said Dr. McDonald. "Involv-

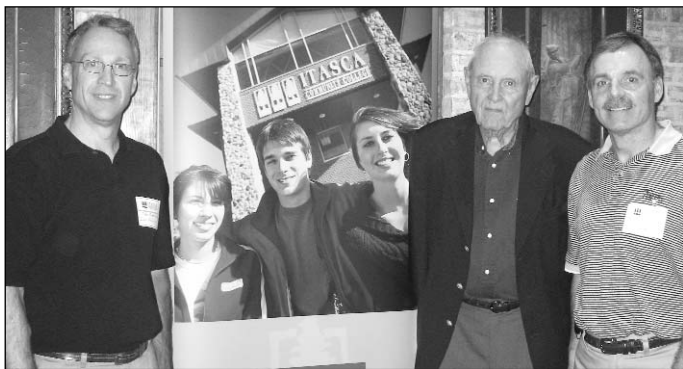
ing them in Global Education Week activities is a great way to introduce them to that."

The college also participates in an ongoing educational and cultural exchange with Denmark and each spring offers study/travel abroad opportunities for credit.

To learn more about Global Education Week activities, call the ICC Information Center at 218-327-4460 or 800-996-6422.

Alumni Profile:

Joe Solien, Class of 1946



Joe Solien, Class of 1946, with ICC business instructor John Rothstein (l) and Provost Mike Johnson at the Itasca Florida Mini-Reunion in January.

Growing up in Bovey and graduating from Greenway High School, Joe Solien found it a natural fit to go "upstairs" to Itasca, then located on the third floor of the high school. "Classes such as math, economics and English were very small, some with only five students, because it was at the end of the war and many veterans had not yet returned from the service. In fact, that was the first year Itasca had a Veteran's Club," he recalled. There were very few men in school and he remembered his friends Peggy Doran and Ardis Tindal from Grand Rapids were in his class.

Joe was active in Student Council, Bachelor's Club and Iota Beta Gama while at Itasca. He also worked weekends and summers at King Lumber Company in Bovey, where his father was the manager.

He went on to the University of Minnesota, earning a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in 1948. In the years he attended the University, he worked at the Canisteo Mine in Bovey during the summer.

Joe began a long career with the National Labor Relations Board right out of college, most of which was spent in St. Louis. He

worked for two years in Washington, D.C., then transferred to St. Louis in 1950 as a Labor Management Examiner in the regional office. In this position he processed unfair labor practices and oversaw elections in workplaces that were requesting union representation.

From 1951-55, Joe worked at his job during the day and attended the St. Louis University Law School at night. He was admitted to the Missouri Bar in 1955 and as an attorney for the National Labor Relations Board, tried unfair labor practice cases. In 1967 he was named the regional attorney with responsibilities of overseeing a staff of 70 that included attorneys, investigators and support staff. He retired in 1993 after 45 years of service to the Labor Board.

Joe and Luann, his wife of 55 years, moved to Florida in 2000. They live near their two daughters, both nurses at the local hospital, and their two grandchildren. Another daughter, who was a veterinarian, died in a tragic car accident six years ago.

They are involved in the many activities in their community and with their family. Joe and Luann regularly attend the Itasca Florida Mini-Reunions.

Circle K Receives Awards

The ICC Circle K organization brought home a number of honors from a three-day conference in St. Cloud involving students from Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota, which is the Mn/Dak District of Circle K International.

The following recognition awards were given:

Amber Windt, 1st Place-Outstanding Club President
Sarah Shepherd, 1st Place-Outstanding Club Secretary
Judd Wrucke, 2nd Place-Outstanding Club Treasurer
Sarah Shepherd, 1st Place-ICC's Outstanding Club Member Award
Amber Windt and Sarah Shepherd, Recognition Awards for Member Recruitment

Amber Windt, recipient of one of two \$1,000 Will Backes Mn/Dak District Scholarships

ICC Circle K, 1st Place-Scrapbook Competition and District's Single Service Project (for local food shelf volunteerism) awards; 1st Place Recognition for the number of campus and commu-



ICC Circle K's attending the district conference were, l-r, students Judd Wrucke, Amber Windt, Alicia Klein, Sarah Shepherd and Brandon Burthwick, and advisors Bernie and Will Backes.

nity service hours completed (528 hrs)

ICC Circle K, 2nd Place-District Inter-Club and Outstanding Club Achievement awards

Brian Harling, Outstanding Kiwanis Member Support Award-Grand Rapids Noon Kiwanis Club

"Conference participants nicknamed our group 'the little club that could'

because of the success of our students," said Will Backes, who with his wife Bernie serves as club advisor. "The college, community and sponsoring Grand Rapids Noon Kiwanis Club have every reason to be extremely proud of this small club's accomplishments."

Nursing Program Adds Simulator to Classroom



The Itasca Community College Practical Nursing Program was able to purchase the latest in birthing simulation equipment through funding from the Itasca Community College Foundation mini-grant program and private donors Bob (IJC Class of 1958) and Ardeth Johns, of Gambills, Md.

The birthing "Noelle" simulates a spontaneous delivery and can be programmed to also simulate problem deliveries. Program director Carol Church (r), who is pictured with Greta Crowe, program lab assistant, stated that "Noelle" will benefit the educational journey of the nursing students as they learn to care for the mother experiencing labor and delivery, and care of the newborn.

"Each year ICC faculty and staff apply for mini-grant funds for various special projects, equipment or experiences that meet the college's mission and goals, but which the college would probably not be able to fund by its budget alone," said ICC development director Mary Richie. "More than \$20,000 in grants funds were awarded in 2007-08."

Award-Winning Documentary Scheduled for Showing at Davies Theatre

"for the Bible tells me so," an award-winning documentary film by Daniel Karlslake, will be presented at Davies Theatre on Friday, March 28, at 7 p.m. The event is cosponsored by the ICC Gay Straight Alliance (GSA); the Itasca Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Alliance; the Grand Rapids Human Rights Commission; and OutFront Minnesota. Open to the community at no charge, a free will offering will be taken to cover the costs of the event.

The documentary captures the experiences of five very normal, Christian, American families, including those of former House Majority Leader Richard Gephardt and Episcopal Bishop Gene Robinson, showing how people of faith handle the realization of having a gay child or family member.

According to the *Seattle Times*, "for the Bible tells me so" offers healing, clarity and understanding to anyone caught in the crosshairs of scripture and sexual identity. (It) boldly takes on a loaded topic and examines it both intellectually and emotionally; the result may well leave you blinking away a few tears."

Last year, the 97-minute feature was honored at the Sundance and Full Frame Documentary film festivals. It has also been the recipient of awards including the Kathleen Bryan Edwards Award for Human Rights and the 2007 Audience Award at both the Seattle and Provincetown international film festivals.

For more information about the Davies Theatre presentation, call GSA advisor Kathleen Nuccio at 218-327-4385.