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- 1) **Ferolyn Angell**, Lecturer in Dance Humanities Division, Morris Campus: The Refugee Experience, Past & Present – A Dance Theater Project,
- 2) **Marilyn DeLong**, Professor Emeritus, College of Design, Minneapolis Campus: Enhancements for Textbook Accessible for Distance Education,
- 3) **Vicky Demos**, Professor Emeritus of Sociology, Division of the Social Sciences, Morris Campus: Travel Funds to Deliver a Paper to the XX International Sociological Association (ISA) World Congress on Church, State, and Women's Rights in Greece from World War II to the End of the Twentieth Century,
- 4) **Barbara Frey**, Director, Human Rights Program, Institute for Global Studies, Minneapolis Campus: Minnesota's Human Rights Stories,
- 5) **Ralph Holzenthal**, Professor, Department of Entomology, College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resources Sciences, St. Paul Campus: Caddisfly Biodiversity of Ecuador: Discovery, Description, and Evolution,
- 6) **Michael Potegal**, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Program in Occupational Therapy, Center for Allied Health Professions, Minneapolis Campus: Severity Hierarchy in the Temper Outbursts of a Large Cohort of Psychiatrically Referred Youth,
- 7) **Wayne Potratz**, Professor Emeritus and Scholar of the Department of Art, College of Liberal Arts, Minneapolis Campus: Sculpture Exhibition and Participation in the National Cast Iron Art Conference at Sloss Furnaces National Historic Landmark, Birmingham, AL; April 5-8, 2023,
- 8) **Riv-Ellen Prell**, Professor Emeritus of American Studies (affiliated with Center for Jewish Studies), College of Liberal Arts, Minneapolis Campus: A New Component for the Website acampusdivided.umn.edu to Serve the Needs of Groups on the Campuses of the University of Minnesota and Minnesota Citizens,
- 9) **Madelon Sprengnether**, Regents Professor Emeritus, Department of English, College of Liberal Arts, Minneapolis Campus: Representing Subjectivity in Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet.

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