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NDSU gives legislative presentation

NDSU representatives struck an upbeat tone as they began biennial budget discussions with a presentation Jan. 4 at a Senate Appropriations Committee hearing chaired by Sen. David Nething.

During his testimony, President Joseph A. Chapman presented the themes "It's About People," "Students are Paramount," "Leveraging Support," "Programs" and "Status and Recognition."

He also told the lawmakers there is a need to increase the state's graduate and research programs. "One of the things I'm quite concerned about—we're very heavily invested in two- and four-year programs," Chapman said, noting that some students leave the state for their graduate studies. He said NDSU is offering doctoral scholarships through private funding to address the issue.

Barry Batcheller, president of Phoenix International Corp., Fargo, discussed private/public partnerships, such as the new NDSU Research and Technology Park. The manufacturer of electronic controls and sensors is the cornerstone company for the project.

Student perspectives were presented by Tadd Tobkin, student body president. He talked about the importance of students having access to state-of-the-art technology and hands-on training in research and instruction. Tobkin also addressed the need for more on-campus housing.

Jerry Doan, chair of the State Board of Agricultural Research and Education, presented "Agriculture - A Growing Discipline in a Growing University." He said a stronger university community equates to a stronger agriculture community.

Fargo Mayor Bruce Furness told the committee about NDSU's impact in a growing community. "Synergistic relationships breed success for all," Furness said.

The NDSU presentation also included materials about the planned Robinson Hall project, Sudro Hall renovation and the proposed College of Business Administration building.

The funding request for the Robinson Hall project is \$550,820. The project includes classroom and laboratory renovation, ventilation, air-conditioning, room surfacing materials, animal feed and waste handling systems and cleaning systems.

The Sudro Hall renovation includes the construction of a Concept Pharmacy instructional laboratory, two new classrooms, faculty office space, expansion of the hall's animal care facility, laboratories upgrading, window replacement and air-conditioning installation. The request increases the \$1.75 million renovation authority previously approved by \$1.2 million to a total of \$2.95 million.

The proposed College of Business Administration building would include class-rooms to meet the needs of 1,500 to 2,000 students, two computer teaching clusters, one general purpose computer cluster, five team project rooms and offices for up to 50 faculty members, five administrators and six to eight specialists or technicians.

Projects also included in the report, but not included in current funding proposals, are phase one of the Minard Hall renovation, phase two of the Ceres Hall renovation and a new residence hall.

Business Office to be closed Jan. 23 The Business Office will be closed Tuesday, Jan. 23, for financial aid disbursement. Departments are asked to hold their deposits until Wednesday, Jan. 24.

Varsity Mart plans scrapbook event An event to create holiday 2000 scrapbook pages is planned from 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 25, at the Varsity Mart. Punches, templates, scissors and other supplies will be provided, and participants also will receive 30 percent off any scrapbook supply purchase. The fee is \$3. To reserve a spot, call Patty at 1-8015.

Kostecki to administer staff listserv Allyn Kostecki, director of TRIO programs, is the new president of Staff Senate and will be the administrator of the NDSU staff listserv for the coming year. To submit an e-mail to the listserv, send it to allyn_kostecki@ndsu.nodak.edu.

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Legislative proceedings available live on the Internet

For the first time ever, citizens from across North Dakota are able to watch live proceedings of the North Dakota Legislative Assembly. Audio and video from Senate and House floor proceedings are available on the Internet at http://ndivn.nodak.edu/news&info.htm.

Legislative broadcasting was scheduled to begin Jan. 9, for Gov. John Hoeven's State of the State address. Other events to be carried the first week of the session include the State of the Judiciary address by Chief Justice Gerald W. VandeWalle, at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 10, and a tribal/state relationship address at 12:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 11.

The North Dakota Interactive Video Network and the state's Information Technology Department teamed with Bismarck-Mandan Community Access Television to make the broadcast available. Community Access Television had been broadcasting legislative proceedings on its local access channel for several sessions. Expanding the service to the Internet provides North Dakotans a chance to view their citizen legislature firsthand.

For more information contact Jerry Rostad at 1-7486 or Jerry_rostad@mail.und.nodak.edu.

Sudro Hall addition to have Walgreens name

A planned new addition to Sudro Hall will bear the name "Walgreens Wing." The State Board of Higher Education approved the designation at its December meeting.

The title is intended to acknowledge support from the company and its officers during the College of Pharmacy's "Building Excellence" campaign. Gifts totaling \$600,000 were received from the Walgreens company, Charles Walgreen Jr. and David Bernauer, company president and chief operating officer.

"The generous gifts from Walgreens and its employees show their strong commitment to the future of the pharmacy profession. I am delighted the State Board of Higher Education granted our request to honor the company in this way," said NDSU President Joseph A. Chapman. "NDSU pharmacy graduates are highly regarded, and the gifts will help allow the college to continue to educate quality students for years to come. The Walgreens gift truly does build excellence."

Bernauer, BS '67, said the contributors are proud that a wing of Sudro Hall will carry the Walgreens name. "NDSU, my own alma mater, has taken breakthrough steps to better prepare pharmacy students for the realities of the workplace," he said. "We're more than pleased to support the unique 'concept pharmacy' lab program, which blends the skills needed to meet the demands of 21st century pharmacy practice and will provide an advantage for both NDSU graduates and their future patients."

The Sudro Hall addition will feature two flexible seating classrooms wired for computers and current instructional technology. The fund-raising campaign is expected to be completed in 12 to 18 months, with construction anticipated to begin by mid-summer 2002. The project should be completed by early 2003.

School of education receives continuing accreditation

The School of Education at NDSU recently received continuing accreditation from the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education.

Virginia Clark, dean of human development and education, said, "The accreditation provides national recognition for the quality of the education programs offered at NDSU. The faculty and staff are commended for their hard work and commitment."

Jim Wigtil, chair of the School of Education, said, "The continuing accreditation of the education programs, coupled with the recent program approval by the North Dakota Education Standards and Practices Board, shows that faculty and staff are committed to offering the citizens of North Dakota, students and alumni quality undergraduate and graduate programs that lead to the licensure of teachers, administrators and counselors."

Based on standards set by the profession and members of the public, the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education accredits 516 institutions in the country. The standards emphasize teacher performance, the use of technology in instruction, and ensure priority is placed on subject matter content and how it is taught. Preparation to teach students of diverse backgrounds also is required. In addition, the school of education must design a conceptual framework for each program based on current and established research and best practice.

University Senate approves response to roundtable report

The University Senate on Dec. 11 endorsed a response to the Interim Committee on Higher Education's "Report of the Roundtable—A North Dakota University System for the 21st Century."

The University Senate's statement said, "The NDSU faculty and staff acknowledge the roundtable report as a part of the ongoing process of legislative review of higher education in North Dakota. The report challenges both the North Dakota University System and the North Dakota business community to work cooperatively in innovative ways to enhance North Dakota's economic, educational and cultural environment. To this end, the faculty and staff of North Dakota State University wish to join in the spirit of the roundtable report as a working document. The NDSU faculty and staff would like to maintain active participation in the interpretation, development and implementation of report recommendations in a manner consistent with their available resources and their educational mission."

The roundtable report was advanced through the work of 21 legislators and 40 state leaders from the private sector, government and education. It identifies six cornerstones on which to build a university system for the future—an economic development connection; education excellence; a flexible and responsive system; an accessible system; funding and rewards; and sustaining the vision.

The response was forwarded to the Council of College Faculties.

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NDSU to receive United Way award

NDSU contributors to United Way of Cass-Clay will be recognized during the organization's 2000 campaign awards night presentation Jan. 11. As of Jan. 4, NDSU personnel had contributed a total of \$60,042 to the campaign, an 11 percent increase from last year.

"NDSU faculty and staff again gave generously to United Way," said Barb Pederson, administrative assistant in the President's Office and United Way campus coordinator. "Through numerous fund-raising activities, payroll deductions and cash contributions, the people of NDSU did a terrific job supporting the United Way and its member agencies."

The United Way of Cass-Clay reached its \$2.75 million 2000 campaign goal. The organization raises funds to support 56 human service programs through 34 member agencies.

Survey: continued high demand for NDSU graduates

A new survey shows nearly 96 percent of recent NDSU graduates are either employed or continuing their education. The 2000 Annual Employment Report, conducted by the NDSU Career Center, included undergraduate students who received degrees in December 1999, May 2000 and August 2000.

According to the 1,221 respondents, 955 (78.2 percent) are "Employed," 216 (17.7 percent) reported "Continuing Their Education" and only 50 (4.1 percent) said they are still "Active in Job Search." Of the people employed, almost 93 percent said they are employed in their major or minor or in an area related to their major or minor.

"Companies expressed continued confidence in the economy by sustaining a feverish hiring climate for NDSU's college graduates," said Jill Wilkey, Career Center director.

Wilkey notes that employers in the strong labor market expect core competencies from graduates, adding that computer ability is now perceived by employers as a given core skill, on a par with reading, writing and mathematics. "Emerging as a key personal trait is an individual's ability to provide quality customer service," she said. "Honed presentation skills, leadership, teamwork and critical thinking/problem solving abilities continue to be attributes employers demand."

Other survey results include:

- The average salary of respondents was \$32,288 and the highest reported salary was \$68,000.
- Of the 501 employed respondents who reported their original home state as North Dakota, 304 accepted employment in the state, a 60.7 percent retention rate.
- Graduates reported accepting employment in 38 states and two foreign countries. Of those surveyed, 423 accepted employment in North Dakota and 321 took jobs in Minnesota.
- Of the graduates from the College of Agriculture, 13.4 percent have chosen to farm or ranch.

The annual report was the result of a mail survey, follow-up telephone calls and inquiries to academic departments. The results are based on an 88.4 percent response rate from the people receiving 1,381 undergraduate degrees at NDSU during the survey period.

Architecture students present plans for downtown Fargo

Five groups of fifth-year architecture students presented their designs for a link between downtown Fargo and Moorhead. The project stemmed from a revival of the plans designed by architect Michael Graves, who in the 1970s envisioned a cultural bridge linking the downtown areas of Fargo and Moorhead.

Presented in December, the proposals for the space included a light rail system that would extend into Fargo and Moorhead; an arts building that would be shared by the cities' three colleges; a restaurant bridge; and an "S" shaped pedestrian bridge linking the two cities. The designs were judged, and the top three groups received cash prizes.

Paul Gleye, chair and professor of architecture and landscape architecture, said the students appreciated the opportunity to work directly with the community on a project with such timeliness in public discussion. "Our students made an outstanding contribution to the discussions of downtown Fargo and Moorhead and the future of the downtowns. I'm really proud of what they accomplished."

The student presentations drew interested persons including the mayors of Fargo and Moorhead, two Fargo planning staff members, the Moorhead planning director, Fargo Historic Preservation Commission representatives and the director of the Downtown Community Partnership.

Students raise funds for Toys for Tots

NDSU students raised an estimated \$800 for the Toys for Tots program during the annual "Penny Wars" fund drive Dec. 3-10. The competitive campaign among NDSU's 10 residence halls is sponsored by the NDSU resident assistants. Burgum Hall was named the winning residence hall in this year's competition.

In Penny Wars, each donated penny counts as one positive point, while other coins and bills are listed as negative points. Students try to give other residence halls negative points, while contributing pennies to their own hall's collection jar.

With the donated funds, NDSU students purchased about 75 toys and delivered them to representatives of the Marine Corps Reserve, the organizer of the Toys for Tots program.

Toys for Tots was established in 1947 with the support of members of the Los Angeles Marine Crops Reserve Unit. Expanded to include the entire nation in 1948, the program collects and distributes an average of 8 million toys each holiday season.

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Architecture alumnus makes second major gift in 2000

In December, John Reynolds Klai II, a 1978 NDSU architecture graduate, made a second major gift during 2000 to the Department of Architecture and Landscape Architecture. The gift, totaling \$24,925, will fund high-resolution graphics workstations for the department's Research Center for Design Computing.

Earlier in the year, Klai contributed \$25,000 to fund a "graphics teaching station" to enhance design graphics instruction in the department. In accepting the latest gift, Paul Gleye, chair of architecture and landscape architecture, said, "Through John Klai's generosity, the department can continue its tradition of excellence in education for design communications and presentation. We are highly proud of John Klai as a graduate of our program."

New book published on Black Sea Germans

The Germans from Russia Heritage Collection at the NDSU Libraries has published "The Germans by the Black Sea Between the Bug and Dniester Rivers," a new book by John Philipps, Fallbrook, Calif.

The book contains a historical overview, geographical information and climatic conditions about the mother colonies of the Beresan, Glueckstal, Kutschurgan and Liebental districts of South Russia. Many of the German-Russian immigrant families homesteaded in the Dakotas and the western Canadian prairie provinces.

"I wanted to raise the awareness in the descendants that their fathers and forefathers were not unskilled sod busters, but rather diligent, reverent, well-to-do farmers and that they have reason to be proud of their ancestors," Philipps said,

The book also contains drawings, maps and photos from the WWII era and more recent times. The writer describes agricultural, political and historical developments since the era of expropriation until the escape to the West and the islands of the archipelago gulag. A list of German executed colonists concludes the book.

The collection also published earlier works by Philipps in the German language, including "Speyer im Beresaner Tal der Suedukraine" (1994), "Die deutschen Bauern am Schwarzen Meer" (1996) and "Die Deutschen am Schwarzen Meer zwischer Bug und Dnjestr" (1999).

The book is \$35 plus \$3 postage, payable to the NDSU Libraries. To order, call 1-8416 or visit www.lib.ndsu.nodak.edu/newsite/Collections/grhc/order/general/philipps3.html.

Papers sought for conference

The International Conference on Intelligent Multimedia and Distance Education (ICIMADE) is calling for the submission of papers by Jan. 16. The conference is scheduled for June 1-3 in Fargo.

The conference will explore technical opportunities, advances and solutions in intelligent multimedia and the practical application of these developments in interactive education strategies. Participants will include educators in business, academia, and public primary and secondary education.

Details and proposal submission forms are available at http://venus.ece.ndsu.nodak.edu/ece/research/conferences/ icimade01. For questions on accessing the Web site, call 1-5376.

People

Physical Plant names new associate director of operations

Ray Boyer recently was named associate director of operations for the Physical Plant. Boyer's duties will include dealing with custodial and grounds operations and human resources issues.

Boyer was chief facilities officer at Valley City and Mayville State Universities. Prior to that, he worked at NDSU for nine years, including holding the position of facilities operations director.

Bruce Frantz, director of the Physical Plant said, "Ray will fill a vital position in Physical Plant and will bring skills that will make service delivery to the campus better."

Boyer's phone number is 1-6539.

Gallery hosts Kapplinger exhibit

The Memorial Union Gallery is hosting an exhibit by Kent Kapplinger, assistant professor of art, titled "Eclectic Vision: Collaborative Prints and Drawings" through Jan. 26. The NDSU Student Art Society plans to host a reception for the show 4-6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 11.

"In Kapplinger's imagery, the land and its creatures serve as both source and metaphor for human existence," said Peg Furshong, Gallery coordinator. "His artwork defines a personal search for balance, order and regeneration through the medium of printmaking and drawing. The works reveal layered aspects of the artist's personal life and society at large, each layer resonating time, place and memory through intertwining imagery and text."

Kapplinger, director of the Printmaking Education and Research Studio program at NDSU, received his bachelor's degree in art from Augustana College and his master's degree in printmaking from the University of Iowa. He teaches workshops in printmaking and has received fellowships from the Woodstock School of Art in New York and Vinalhaven Press in Maine.

Gallery hours are 9:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday; and by arrangement. For more information call 1-8239 or send e-mail to *Peg_Furshong@ndsu.nodak.edu*.

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Schroeder receives award from milk producers

J.W. Schroeder, extension dairy specialist, was honored in October by the North Dakota Milk Producers Association. Schroeder received the Merit Award, which recognizes individuals who make significant contributions to the state's dairy industry.

Schroeder has been involved in many research projects at NDSU. He has taken a lead role in the North Dakota Dairy Summit and the North Dakota Dairy Diagnostic Team in an effort to revitalize and strengthen the dairy industry. His career includes a position as Pembina County's assistant county agent, where he was responsible for 4-H Club programming. He also served as county agent of Oliver County and held extension positions in Ward and Bottineau Counties.

Bromley presents workshop at Fargo North High School

Kimble Bromley, assistant professor of art, presented a demonstration of his creativity enhancement workshop to two psychology classes at Fargo North High School in December. Bromley's demonstration involved hypnotizing a number of students and having them draw. Results were then discussed with the entire class.

Bromley received his hypnotherapist certification in 1999. Since then, he has developed his creativity enhancement workshop to assist students with their creativity using hypnosis. He has presented the workshop at several universities and art galleries.

Zimmerman receives volleyball honor

Darthy Zimmerman, a senior defensive specialist from Oakdale, Minn., was selected to the inaugural 15-member 2000 Daktronics Inc. All-North Central Region Volleyball Team as selected by members of the College Sports Information Directors of America.

Zimmerman was the North Central Conference "Defensive Specialist of the Year" as NDSU advanced to the NCAA tournament for the sixth straight season. She averaged 2.79 digs per game and added 24 service aces for the Bison.

Events

Sellnow to present Women's Studies symposium



Deanna Sellnow, associate professor of communication, is scheduled to present the Women's Studies Symposium "It's Just a Song, or Is It? The Persuasive Potential of Music" at 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 25, in Loftsgard 380.

Sellnow

Sellnow will explain the "illusion of life" rhetorical perspective and how music works to

communicate and persuade. Discussing the relationship between lyrics and music, she will attempt to explain how they work together in offering messages comprised of conceptual and emotional content. Sellnow will use musical examples throughout her discussion and encourages listeners to bring musical examples of their own.

Sellnow's interest in the persuasive potential of music began in her years as an undergraduate student. In 1983 she earned the American Forensic Association's national championship for a communication analysis speech, entitled "The Influence of Richard Wagner's 'Ring Cycle' of Operas on Hitler and Nazi Germany." Since then, Sellnow has conducted workshops and presented many conference papers, as well as published several articles on music and communication. Her most recent rhetorical model will be included in the Winter 2001 issue of Critical Studies in Media Communication and will be the main focus of her talk.

Sellnow received her bachelor's degree NDSU and her master's of music from Wayne State University, Detroit. In 1991 she received her doctorate in teaching and learning theory with content cognates in music and communication at University of North Dakota. Since 1992, she has been associate professor of communication and director of public speaking fundamentals at NDSU. Her primary teaching responsibilities include overseeing and teaching Public Speaking Fundamentals, Introduction to College Teaching in the Humanities and Social Sciences and Popular Culture and Mass Media. Sellnow also has taught courses in music as communication, rhetorical criticism, contemporary rhetoric, interpersonal communication, oral interpretation, and voice and articulation.

The symposium is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Sellnow at 1-8221 or *Deanna_Sellnow@ndsu.nodak.edu*. Anyone needing special assistance at the event should contact Kathleen Slobin, director of Women's Studies, at 1-8939 prior to the symposium.

Chinese dance troupe to perform Jan. 27

The Festival Concert Series has scheduled a performance by the Chinese American Association of Minnesota (CAAM) Chinese Dance Theater at 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27, in Festival Concert Hall. The family show will be filled with several styles of dance that display different facets of Chinese culture.

The CAAM Chinese Dance Theater is a group is dedicated to preserving and honoring Chinese cultural heritage through dance. It maintains a dance school for youth and community development, and the professional dance theater has been touring since 1998.

Tickets are \$13 for adults; \$10 for NDSU employees and senior citizens; \$7 for students and children; and \$6 for NDSU students. To purchase tickets, stop by the Memorial Union Ticket Office or call 1-8458.

Lab, chemical, radiation short courses to be offered

Steve Charlton, safety officer, is scheduled to teach short courses in January on laboratory and chemical safety and laboratory use of radioactive materials.

The lab and chemical safety short courses are scheduled for 2-4:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 11, and 8:30-11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 19. Both will be held in the Memorial Union Peace Garden Room. Attendance to one of these seminars is required for all new technicians, graduate students and professors when commencing laboratory activities or hazardous chemical usage. Pre-registration is not required.

The short course on laboratory use of radioactive material is planned for 8 a.m.-noon Wednesday, Jan. 17, in the Memorial Union University Chamber. The course is designed for new or potential users of radioactive materials in the laboratory or field application. It also serves as a refresher course for those currently using radioactive materials.

Topics to be covered include basic theory of radioactivity; biological interactions with radiation; radiation protection; minimizing exposure levels; rules and regulations; and safe handling, decontamination and lab procedures.

The course costs \$25 for NDSU employees. To register for the course, call 1-7759 or send e-mail to *Steve_Charlton@ndsu.nodak.edu*.

Shorts and Reminders

Union Food Court specials Jan. 10-17 The Corner Deli

Wednesday: All-American wrap

Thursday: chicken Friday: roast beef Monday: corned beef Tuesday: turkey Wednesday: roast beef

More Than a Burger

Wednesday: mushroom Swiss burger

Thursday: grilled chicken Friday: double cheeseburger Monday: 1/4 pound hamburger Tuesday: bacon cheeseburger Wednesday: breaded chicken

A La Carte

Wednesday: hot roast beef sandwich Thursday: chicken chimichanga

Friday: fish strips

Monday: hand-carved ham Tuesday: chicken parmesan

Wednesday: sweet and sour chicken

Pizza Express

Wednesday: creamy garlic chicken

Thursday: Tuscany

Friday: once around the kitchen

Monday: Hawaiian Tuesday: Farmhouse Wednesday: meatball

Call the Dining Services Lunch Line at 1-9501 to check the daily specials. Questions or comments may be dropped in the suggestion boxes located in each dining center and the Union Food Court or call Kristina at the Union Buffet at 1-8122.

Positions available

Positions open and closing dates through the Office of Human Resources, Room 205, Old Main:

Custodian

(two positions; 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m.; Monday-Friday) Residence Life \$15,912/year Jan. 15

PM Food Service Lead/#1027 Monday through Friday; 11:30 a.m.-8 p.m. Dining Services – RDC \$7.25/hour

Jan. 8 or until filled

Food Service Worker/#1059 Monday through Friday; 6 a.m.-2:30 p.m. (Weekends as necessary; weekend and summer hours vary) Dining Services – RDC \$6.75/hour Open until filled

^{*}Items are subject to change without notice.

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Food Service Worker/#1158 Monday through Friday; 11:30 a.m.-8 p.m. (Weekends as necessary; summer hours vary) Dining Services – WDC \$6.75/hour Open until filled

Food Service Worker/#2166 (Monday-Friday; 11:30 a.m.-8 p.m.) Dining Services – RDC \$6.75/hour Open until filled

Food Service Workers (several openings) (Part-time; non-benefited)
Nine months: 16 hours/week; 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. (holidays, weekends, summers and school breaks off; employee's choice of weekdays up to four days/week) Dining Services – RDC \$6.25/hour
Open until filled

Catering Attendant (Per Diem; some evening and weekends) Dining Services – Memorial Union \$6.75/hour Open until filled

International Programs Assistant (four months; 40 hours/week) International Programs \$9.50/hour Jan. 15

Associate Director of Student Health Services/#4606 Student Health Services \$40,000+/year Jan. 15

Research Specialist/#1645 Carrington R/E Center \$25,000+/year Jan. 31 or until filled

Research Technician/#5111/#5118 Animal and Range Sciences \$26,000+/year commensurate with education and experience Open until filled

Position openings also are available through the NDSU Web site at www.ndsu.nodak.edw/hr/.

Research Opportunities

The Office of Research Administration in Old Main 201K announces the following funding opportunities and deadlines. For more information, refer to the Web site or contact person provided below. For information about other grants opportunities, you may conduct an online funding search via SPIN, available at www.ndsu.nodak.edu/ndsu/sizer/SPINPlus/SPINPlus.htm.

Otto Bremer Foundation New Organizational Effectiveness Program www.ottobremer.org Deadline: open for next five years The Otto Bremer Foundation has announced the development of the Bremer Organizational Effectiveness Program, a commitment aimed at strengthening the capacity of nonprofit organizations in Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota and Wisconsin, particularly in rural areas. As one goal within this program, the foundation plans to develop a network of organizational development resources outside the Twin Cities area and solicit proposals from organizations and institutions interested in improving their capacity to provide organizational development support to nonprofits.

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National Endowment for Financial Education (NEFE) Financial Education Request for Proposals www.nefe.org/pages/innovative.html Deadline: unknown

The National Endowment for Financial Education (NEFE), a nonprofit foundation dedicated to financial education, has posted 12 new requests for proposals (RFP's). As an example, one RFP is called "Evaluating Personal Finance Education Projects" and solicits proposals with the intent to produce a how-to guidebook for community educators.

Burroughs Wellcome Fund Career Awards at the Scientific Interface www.bwfund.org Deadline: May 1

The Burroughs Wellcome Fund has announced a new program to identify promising postdoctoral candidates with backgrounds in the physical/computational sciences whose work addresses biological questions and who are dedicated to pursuing a career in academic research. The program provides up to \$538,000 in support over five years to bridge advanced postdoctoral training and the first three years of a faculty appointment. Candidates must hold a doctorate in mathematics, physics, chemistry (physical, theoretical or computational), computer science, statistics or engineering.

U.S. Dept. of Agriculture FY 2001 Higher Education Challenge Grants www.reeusda.gov/serd/hep/hep.htm Deadline: Feb. 5

Proposals are solicited from colleges and universities offering a baccalaureate degree or any higher degree and having a demonstrable capacity for the teaching of food and agricultural sciences. Awards will be made up to a maximum of \$100,000 for a regular project or \$250,000 for a joint project (the applicant plus two or more institutions). Proposals should address one or more of the following targeted need areas: (1) curricula design and instructional materials development; (2) faculty development and preparation for teaching; (3) instruction delivery systems; or (4) student experiential learning.

U.S. Dept. of Education FIPSE Comprehensive Program www.ed.gov/FIPSE Deadline: Jan. 26 for required pre-applications; April 27 for final applications

The Education Department is inviting applications for projects to improve postsecondary education opportunities under the comprehensive program of the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE). Seven priorities are identified, which include, as examples, 1) encouraging of innovative reforms of curricula that improve what and how students learn and 2) improving the campus climate for learning.

Legislative Bill Status Report

Jan. 3 Office of the NDSU General Counsel Pre-filed bills

To conserve space, only a brief description of a bill is given below. Bills may make additional changes. Further, due to space, many bills that may affect NDSU employees, for example, retirement and worker's compensation bills, are not included. If employees want additional bills included in this report, contact the Office of the General Counsel, at 1-6446, to report the bill number. The following report only includes the pre-filed bills. Bills submitted by legislators will be added as they are introduced.

Abbreviations: SB = Senate bills; HB = House bills; SCR, HCR = concurrent resolutions; SBHE = North Dakota State Board of Higher Education; NDUS = North Dakota University System; OMB = Office of Management and Budget.

Senate Bills

SB 2003: NDUS appropriations. Appropriates to NDSU \$65,262,441 (general fund). Moves all university salary money to the NDUS Office. Removes tuition from appropriated estimated income.

SB 2021: Agriculture appropriation. Appropriates \$51,924,395 (general fund).

SB 2022: Information Technology Department appropriation.

SB 2023: Appropriates \$296,348 to the Industrial Commission for bonding for NDSU energy improvement projects.

SB 2026: Amends 54-59-11 to require information technology plans to include plans for telecommuting for select employees.

SB 2036: Amends 15-10-12 to provide for the continuing appropriation of special revenue funds, including tuition.

SB 2038: Amends 54-44.1-04 to require biennial budgets to include block grants for the NDUS for base, initiative and physical plant asset funding.

SB 2039: Amends 15-10-12.1 to authorize SBHE to approve construction of gift/grant financed improvements if not more than \$500,000.

SB 2040: Removes NDUS from reports by OMB on state employee bonuses and temporary salary adjustments.

SB 2041: Adds new sections to 15-10 to implement Higher Education Roundtable strategic planning recommendations.

SB 2042: Relates to powers of SBHE. Repeals patent chapter (47-28) and adds intellectual property policy authority to those powers.

SB 2082: Amends 54-52-17 to increase PERS retirement multiplier to 2 percent from 1.89 percent.

SB 2117: Amends open record provisions, including 44-04-17.1, to include as a "public entity" any entity created by order of a president of a university.

SB 2122: Creates the Trees for North Dakota Program.

SB 2136: Amends 15-10-19.1 defining a "resident student" for tuition purposes.

SB 2137: Appropriates \$2.31 million to replace F Court and \$560,000 to renovate Robinson Hall.

SB 2151: Raises the fixed asset reporting exemption to \$5,000.

House Bills

HB 1003: Authorizes Attorney General to charge fees for State Fire Marshal services.

HB 1015: OMB appropriation. Provides for 3 percent/first-year—2 percent/second-year raise guidelines.

HB 1026: Deficiency appropriation including \$1,609,200 to NDSU for flood expenditures.

HB 1106: Adopts the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, including legality of electronic signatures.

HB 1118: Amends 18-08-12 to allow for fire inspections of state buildings (except residential buildings) every three years vs. annually.

HB 1147: Amends 24-02-03.3 to allow agencies to authorize use of personal vehicles vs. state fleet vehicles.

HB 1156: Amends 44-08-04.5 to authorize prepayment of lodging expenses if the agency can show reduced lodging costs.

HB 1181: Amends SBARE statutes regarding budget requests and payment of administrative expenses.

HB 1182: Amends 49-21-01.1 to exempt higher education from PSC telecommuting regulation.



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Training sessions scheduled

ITS has organized a full schedule of training sessions for the spring semester, including several new offerings. Some sessions also have been expanded to allow more in-depth coverage of the topic. Informational brochures have been mailed to all faculty and staff members listing the session details.

Adobe Acrobat 4.0 (New)
Adobe Photoshop 5.5 (New)
Corporate Time (Calendaring application)
Email Using Eudora
Getting Started With Windows
Windows File Management
Searching (and Surfing) the Web
Access 2000 for Windows*

Excel 2000 for Windows: Worksheet Basics Excel 2000 for Windows: Charting Your Data

Excel 2000 for Windows: Using Formulas and Functions Excel 2000 for Windows: Templates, Toolbars and Macros

Excel 2000 for Windows: Manipulating Your Data

PowerPoint 2000 for Windows Word 2000 for Windows

Adobe PageMaker 6.5 for Windows
Microsoft Publisher 2000 (Expanded)
Web Boot Camp ("Camp Loopy")
Creating Web Pages Using HTML
Dreamweaver 3.0 (Expanded)
Creating Web Pages Using Netscape Composer
Creating Interactive Web Forms
PageCenter Training

*Note: Beginning this semester, the Access training sessions are open to both faculty and staff.

Training sessions are free to all NDSU faculty and staff members; however, manuals are available for optional purchase by departments for some sessions. If you are using the Office 97 applications (Access, Excel, PowerPoint and Word), you can still benefit from attending the Office 2000 training sessions, since the two versions are quite similar.

To view course descriptions and session schedules and to register, go to www.ndsu.edu/its. Follow the link to Faculty and Staff Services, scroll down to the Training section, then follow the links to the Schedule. Pre-registration is required and class sizes are limited, so register early. For more information contact Lorna Olsen at 1-6328, or Lorna_Olsen@ndsu.nodak.edu.

Cancellations must be made 48 hours prior to the start of the class. Departments will be assessed a \$25 charge for late cancellations or no shows. Contact Olsen at 1-6328 or Cj Johnson at 1-6245 if you must cancel.

Technology Lunchbox Series Continues

The popular Technology Lunchbox Series is scheduled to begin Monday, Jan. 29. These monthly noon-hour sessions consist of technology-related demonstrations and discussions covering a variety of topics. Sessions are held the last Monday of every month from 12:10-12:50 p.m. in the Memorial Union. Sessions are free and open to anyone on the NDSU campus. Registration is not required. Food and beverages are available for purchase from the Memorial Union Food Court or you can bring your own lunch.

Jan. 29	University Chamber	Virus Protection Issues
Feb. 26	Peace Garden Room	Microsoft Visio 2000
		Demonstration
March 26	University Chamber	Electronic Forms Using
		Adobe Acrobat 4.0
April 30	University Chamber	What's with those Zip
_	-	Files?

For information regarding the content of these sessions visit www.ndsu.edu/lunchbox or contact Lorna Olsen at 1-6328, or Lorna Olsen@ndsu.nodak.edu.

CorporateTime calendar available

The ITS Software Licensing Program has licenses available for CorporateTime. CorporateTime is a common calendar that allows you to schedule meetings with other CorporateTime users. It also allows you to check the availability of departmental meeting rooms and equipment that have been set up within the calendar system.

Your calendar can be accessed either via the Web or through a client installed on your desktop. Licenses cost \$10 for Webonly access or \$20 for Web and client access. While the Webonly license is primarily design for remote access, the client version offers greater functionality. Licenses should be purchased through the Software Licensing Program. For more information visit www.ndsu.edw/its or contact Sue at 1-8685, option 4.

It's Happening, January 10, 2001

Calendar

January

Through Jan. 26 "Eclectic Vision: Collaborative Prints and Drawings," by Kent Kapplinger, Memorial Union Gallery; reception 4-6 p.m., Jan. 11

Through Jan. 31 "Insights," NDSU and Bemidji State University's Student Art Exchange Exhibition, Reineke Visual Arts Gallery

- 15 Martin Luther King Jr. holiday, university closed
- 20 Reception for "Insights," NDSU and Bemidji State University's Student Art Exchange Exhibition, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Reineke Visual Arts Gallery
- 25 Concert by Bari Koral, female pop/folk/acoustic performer, 7:30 p.m., Memorial Union Alumni Lounge; free admission
- 27 Festival Concert Series presents Chinese Dance Theater, 7 p.m., Festival Concert Hall
- 29-Feb. 22 The Memorial Union Gallery will present an exhibit by Jaune Quick-To-See-Smith. Reception and artist talk: 4-6 p.m. Feb. 1

February

- 2-28 Exhibition: "Best of the Best, prints from Americas 2000," Reineke Visual Arts Gallery
- 3 Jazz Festival, all day, Festival Concert Hall
- 3 Jazz Ensemble concert with guest artists, 7 p.m., Festival Concert Hall
- 9 Peter Mayer concert, 7:30 p.m., Memorial Union Gallery; \$6 admission
- 19 President's Day holiday, university closed
- 21 Free NDSU staff preview of Little Country Theatre's production of "The Music Man," 7:30 p.m., Festival Concert Hall
- 22-25 Little Country Theatre's production of "The Music Man," Thursday–Saturday, 8 p.m.; Sunday 2 p.m., Festival Concert Hall; for tickets, call the Division of Fine Arts Box Office at 1-9442
- 26-March 28 "Contemporary Quilts of the Prairie and Plains," Memorial Union Gallery; reception: 4-6 p.m., Feb. 27
- 27 Varsity Band and Jazz Combos Concert, 7:30 p.m., Festival Concert Hall

March

- 2-23 Juried high school art exhibition, Reineke Visual Arts Gallery
- 3 University Chorus and Brass Ensemble Concert, 7:30 p.m., Festival Concert Hall
- 12-16 Spring break
- 17 Festival concert series presents Aries Brass Quintet, 7 p.m., Festival Concert Hall
- 18 Braschler Music show, Festival Concert Hall
- 20 Gold Star Concert Band Home Concert, 7:30 p.m., Festival Concert Hall
- 23 Concert Choir Home Concert, 7:30 p.m., Festival Concert Hall
- James Hersch concert, 7:30 p.m., Memorial Union Gallery; \$6 admission
- Advising week begins for Fall 2001 registration
- 26-April 11 Baccalaureate exhibition, Reineke Visual Arts Gallery
- 26-March 2 Women's Week
- 26-30 International Week
- 29 Jazz Combos Concert, 7:30 p.m., Beckwith Recital Hall
- 30-April 6 Visual art senior thesis exhibit, Memorial Union Gallery; reception: 4-6 p.m., April 6

April

- 6 Willson and McKee concert, 7:30 p.m., Memorial Union Gallery; \$6 admission
- 10-20 Senior comprehensive interior design projects, Memorial Union Gallery; reception: 4-6 p.m., April 10
- 13 Easter holiday, university closed
- 17-29 Baccalaureate exhibition, Reineke Visual Arts Gallery
- 24 Free NDSU staff preview of Little Country Theatre's production of "Mass Appeal," 7:30 p.m., Walsh Studio Theatre
- 24-25 Architecture and landscape architecture senior thesis preview days, Memorial Union Gallery; reception: 4-6 p.m., April 25

- 25-28 Little Country Theatre's production of "Mass Appeal," 8 p.m., Walsh Studio Theatre; for tickets, call the Division of Fine Arts Box Office at 1-9442
- 25 Jazz Ensembles concert, 7:30 p.m., Festival Concert Hall
- 26-May 12 Architecture and landscape architecture senior thesis finalists; awards reception: 4-6 p.m., May 4
- 27 Festival Concert Series presents Kraig Karges, illusionist, 7 p.m., Festival Concert Hall
- 28 Varsity Band and Brass Ensemble concert, 7:30 p.m., Festival Concert Hall
- 29 Spring Choral Pops concert, 2 p.m., Memorial Union Ballroom

May

- 1 Gold Star concert band concert, 7:30 p.m., Festival Concert Hall
- 1-11 Baccalaureate exhibition, Reineke Visual Arts Gallery
- 4 Last day of classes
- 12 Commencement, 9 a.m., Fargodome
- 15 Summer classes begin
- 15-June 7 "Signs and Symbols in Clothing," selections from the Emily P. Reynolds Costume Collection, Memorial Union Gallery
- 28 Memorial Day holiday, university closed

June

- 9 Division of Independent Study Graduation, 2 p.m., Festival Concert Hall
- 12 Eight-week classes begin

July

4 Independence Day, university closed

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