

## University Senate supports dependent tuition proposal

The University Senate has approved a statement supporting tuition benefits for the dependents of faculty and staff in the North Dakota Higher Education System. The request, which was approved Feb. 12, goes to the State Board of Higher Education.

The request says, "Full-time faculty and staff members and all probationary, non-tenure track and tenured part-time faculty members shall be entitled to enrollment, on a space available basis, in courses at any university in the system without payment of tuition or fees, except laboratory and special course fees. Such enrollment shall not exceed 24 credits for a fiscal year. The faculty member's spouse or dependent children may share this right within the limit established above, with waiver of tuition only. Proof of financial dependency shall not be required."

Proponents of the statement said the plan would encourage children of faculty and staff to stay in the state for their higher education and encourage retention of faculty and staff in the system.

Other dependent tuition proposals were previously endorsed by the University of North Dakota, the Council of College Faculties and the NDSU Staff Senate.

## Web site developed to promote NDSU employment

A new Web site recently was launched to showcase the job market at NDSU. The site, at [www.ndsu.edu/jobs](http://www.ndsu.edu/jobs), lists open positions, explains the benefits of working at NDSU and includes pictures of many current employees and their comments about why they like working for NDSU. The project was cooperative effort of ITS Web Development Team, Human Resources and Equal Opportunity staffs.

"Its aim is to make information about positions at NDSU easier to access and to communicate to potential applicants reasons why NDSU is a good place to work, especially since we're in a very competitive market," said Teri Thorsen, director of human resources. "The pictures and comments come from employees in a wide variety of jobs and across many on-campus departments as well as NDSU employees throughout the state."

In addition to the position openings themselves, the site includes links to other NDSU employment-related information, such as fringe benefits and information about how to request reasonable accommodation for potential applicants with disabilities.

### Next Issue

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## Web policies and guidelines approved by University Senate

The University Senate approved the "Web Advisory Board Policies and Guidelines" during its Feb. 12 meeting. The far-ranging materials provide requirements and suggestions for administrative, college, department, affiliated, professional and individual Web sites related to NDSU.

Drafted in December, the policies are the product of the Web Advisory Board, which has been working on the issue since it was organized in June 1997.

The policy statement's preface, in outlining the goals for a coordinated and consistent visual identity system, says a successful NDSU Web site "attracts prospective students; markets the university and its resident expertise; and strives to swiftly guide users to all resources." It states that a coordinated system helps create and reinforce the image of NDSU, and users will appreciate and recognize the NDSU Web site because "its graphic imagery and navigational tools are consistent."

William Slanger, board chair and director of institutional analysis, said written proposals for an advisory board and policies for a unified and professional Web presentation began in the spring of 1996.

"A 34-member, campuswide committee endorsed in 1997 the establishment of the Web Advisory Board and specific Web goals for the campus," he said. "Input from two campus open forums, individuals and committees helped the board shape the working document into excellent policy for organizing and leading NDSU's evolving efforts to take advantage of the Web to accomplish its university mission and the missions of individual units, faculty, staff and students."

According to James Ross, board member and associate director of Information Technology Services, "A Web site that falls short of our expectations creates just as serious a problem in the information age as the inability to hire more people, move to a larger facility or attract additional students. We need to work together on the Web if we want to attract prospective students and partners, while reaching intended clients."

Ross said he expects the board to now focus its efforts on helping the campus reduce the complexity of finding up-to-date material on the NDSU Web site and remove barriers to creating accessible Web sites. "Such a role for the board will help the campus invite users, prospective students, information providers, partners and Webmasters to work quickly and effectively together on the Web," he said.

The full policies and guidelines, along with information explaining style elements that are required, suggested or not allowed can be accessed at [www.ndsu.nodak.edu/wab/wab\\_policies.shtml](http://www.ndsu.nodak.edu/wab/wab_policies.shtml).

## Tax info at the Library, on the Web

The tax season is here and again the NDSU Libraries offers free copies of basic federal and North Dakota income tax forms. The Library also has several tax guidebooks on reference and available for circulation.

Federal and state tax forms and information also are available on the Web; for a list see the NDSU Libraries home page at [www.lib.ndsu.nodak.edu/reference/faq.html](http://www.lib.ndsu.nodak.edu/reference/faq.html). For more information, call the Reference Desk at 1-8886.

## Technology Fee Advisory Committee seeks proposals

The Technology Fee Advisory Committee is seeking proposals for technology action plans that directly benefit and improve the quality of education via technology and benefit campus life of the students. Faculty, staff and students are encouraged to propose projects.

Permanent application deadlines have been set March 15 and Sept. 15 annually. The committee solicits and reviews proposals, then recommends the allocation of funds to R. Craig Schnell, vice president for academic affairs.

Access the solicitation, descriptions, instructions and forms at the committee's permanent Web site at [www.ndsu.nodak.edu/TFAC/actionplans/](http://www.ndsu.nodak.edu/TFAC/actionplans/). Proposals should be sent to the Technology Fee Advisory Committee, c/o NDSU Vice President for Academic Affairs, Old Main 103.

For more information contact committee members, or Richard Chenoweth, special assistant to the vice president for academic affairs, at 1-7106 or by e-mail at [Richard\\_Chenoweth@ndsu.nodak.edu](mailto:Richard_Chenoweth@ndsu.nodak.edu).

## Physical Plant puts forms online

Physical Plant has made some forms commonly used by campus customers available online. The forms can be initially accessed through the Physical Plant homepage at [www.ndsu.nodak.edu/physical\\_plant/](http://www.ndsu.nodak.edu/physical_plant/).

The forms available are the Work Request Form, which can be accessed by clicking on "Maintenance and Construction" and then "Work Request Form;" the Motor Pool Vehicle Reservation Form, which can be accessed by clicking on "Transportation Services" and then "Motor Pool Reservation Form;" and the Card/Key Request Form, which can be accessed by clicking on "ID Card/Key Access and Building Security" and then "Card/Key Request Form."

The forms can be completed online, but will need to be printed, signed and returned to Physical Plant at Thorson Maintenance Center via campus mail or faxed to 1-8008. Customers are asked to keep a copy of the completed form for their records.

For more information, contact Bruce Frantz, Physical Plant director, at 1-7307 or [Bruce\\_Frantz@ndsu.nodak.edu](mailto:Bruce_Frantz@ndsu.nodak.edu).

## Nominations sought for Tapestry of Diverse Talents

The Tapestry of Diverse Talents is seeking nominees for its spring induction ceremony scheduled for Friday, May 4, in the Alumni Lounge of the Memorial Union.

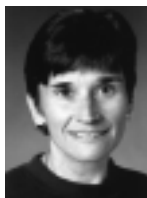
A program of the Memorial Union, the Tapestry of Diverse Talents is a pictorial mosaic that recognizes students, faculty, staff and alumni for the diversity and contributions they bring to North Dakota State University.

To nominate a person, submit two letters of nomination; at least one must be from a student or students. Address how the candidate has promoted multiculturalism at NDSU, locally, regionally, nationally or internationally and provide specific reasons for the individual's qualifications for induction.

Nomination materials should be delivered to Kara Stack, assistant director for campus programs, 360 Memorial Union. She may be contacted at 1-8566 or [Kara\\_Stack@ndsu.nodak.edu](mailto:Kara_Stack@ndsu.nodak.edu). The deadline for nominations is 5 p.m. Friday, March 2.

## People

### O'Regan, Stambough to be published



O'Regan

Valerie R. O'Regan and Stephen J. Stambough, assistant professors of political science, recently were notified that their research about the 2000 North Dakota gubernatorial election was accepted for publication. Their work will appear as a chapter in an edited book entitled "Campaigns and Elections," to be published by Lynne Rienner Publishers. The editor is Robert Watson of the University of Hawaii.



Stambough

The chapter is the first stage of a research project concerning U.S. gubernatorial campaigns involving a female candidate running against a male candidate. It examines the 2000 North Dakota gubernatorial election for differences in voter behavior to the two candidates based upon voter age, gender and place of residence.

According to Stambough, "Previous research exists concerning this topic for races from very large and urban states, but this research agenda breaks new ground. We extend this research to smaller states, make comparisons with findings from larger state studies, and better isolate the true effect of candidate sex separate from state demographic and institutional variables."

O'Regan and Stambough also are scheduled to present portions of their study at the 2001 Western Political Science Conference and the 2001 South Dakota Political Science and Public Affairs Conference.

## Alumni Association announces 2001 Masters Week honorees

The eighth annual NDSU Masters Week is scheduled for March 5-8. Masters Week, sponsored by the Alumni Association in cooperation with individual colleges, is an opportunity to educate students by introducing them to successful alumni and also a chance to recognize and honor outstanding alumni. The masters will share career-related experiences and knowledge while visiting campus. Each master will make presentations to students, faculty and the NDSU community.

Watch future issues of "It's Happening at State" for a Masters Week schedule of events. For more information, contact Liz Christianson at the Alumni Association at 1-6811.

The following alumni will serve as the 2001 Masters Week honorees:

### Monday, March 5

James Wallace

Master of the College of Engineering and Architecture  
Owner/president, Cranel Inc., Columbus, Ohio  
1963 BS—Electrical and Electronic Engineering

John Hoganson

Master of the College of Science and Mathematics  
Paleontologist, North Dakota Geological Survey, Bismarck  
1970 BA—Earth Science

### Tuesday, March 6

Tama Duffy

Master of the College of Human Development and Education  
Principal, Perkins and Will, New York  
1980 BS—Interior Design

Ronald Strand

Master of the College of Business Administration  
Vice chairman, Community First Bankshares Inc., Fargo  
1968 BS—Business Administration

John Friend

Master of the College of Pharmacy  
Vice President, Regulatory Affairs and Quality Systems,  
Worldwide  
Advanced Sterilization Products (A Johnson & Johnson  
Company), Irvine, Calif.  
1968 BS—Pharmacy

\*Friend also will be on campus on Wednesday, March 7

### Wednesday, March 7

Mike Gustafson

Master of the College of Agriculture  
General manager, Cass County Electric, Kindred, N.D.  
1970 BS—Agriculture Mechanization  
1972 MS—Agriculture Mechanization

### Thursday, March 8

Leo Kim

Master of the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences  
Owner, Leo Kim Photography, Minneapolis  
1975 BU—University Studies

## NDSU researchers to study blood vessel formation



**Reynolds**

Lawrence P. Reynolds and Dale A. Redmer, professors of animal and range sciences, have received a \$589,000 grant from the National Institutes of Health for a four-year program to study major factors in angiogenesis, the formation of new blood vessels, in pregnant sheep.

The research will focus on the genes regulating the development of placental blood vessels in pregnancies in which fetal and placental growth are reduced due to the sheep's breed, maternal nutrition and maternal age.



**Redmer**

Throughout pregnancy, the placenta is the organ through which water, nutrients, respiratory gases and waste products are exchanged between the fetal and the maternal systems. The placenta is densely packed with blood vessels.

"NIH is interested in this work because low birth weight, resulting from poor fetal growth and development, is a major socio-economic problem in human medicine," said Reynolds, noting low birth weight also is a problem for livestock producers. "If we can determine how placental blood vessels grow and develop, we may be able to alleviate poor fetal growth, at least in some cases, in both humans and livestock."

The maternal age studies will center on ewes bred as yearlings, two-year-olds or three-year-olds. "This is a good model for teenage pregnancy in humans," said Reynolds. "In addition, livestock are typically bred as yearlings and yet this may not be the best production system. Thus, the studies conducted in this grant will be of benefit to livestock producers as well as in human medicine."

Anna Grazul-Bilska, assistant professor of animal and range sciences, and Joel Caton, professor of animal and range sciences, will collaborate on the project. Collaborative arrangements also have been made with Colorado State University; the Babraham Institute, Cambridge, UK; and the Rowett Research Institute, Aberdeen, Scotland.

## Extension agents to visit Costa Rica

Scott Knoke, Benson County extension agent, and Tim Becker, Eddy County extension agent, will study farming practices in Costa Rica at the end of February. They will join 12 other specialists from the Midwest who are participating in the Exploring Global Resources through Extension Training program (EGRET). The program is an international professional development experience for extension specialists.

"Through our trip to Costa Rica, we will be better able to understand how agriculture producers in other countries overcome marketing barriers in a global economy," said Knoke.

Becker agrees with Knoke's assessment. "Our goal is not to teach, it's to learn," he said. "We will look at their agriculture, but a bigger part is learning about global societies and how we fit into that framework. We need to open our minds about the different global societies that we're trading with. "

Much of their time will be spent at Escuela de Agricultura para la Region Tropical Humeda (EARTH) University. The two will visit a rainforest, a banana plantation and meet with the agriculture attache in San Jose. They also will visit a women's cooperative, a fish farm cooperative, an open-air market and an extension center that is involved in ag-eco tourism. "I'm also looking forward to spending a few days with a host family in a rural setting while in Costa Rica," Knoke said. "It'll give us a better understanding of their culture and farming practices."

Knoke and Becker will leave Feb. 27 and return March 13. This is the fourth such trip sponsored by the EGRET program.

## Speech and debate team wins tournament

The Lincoln Speech and Debate Society won the overall sweepstakes award at the 2001 North and South Dakota Collegiate Speech Championship Tournament held at the University of Mary Feb. 10. NDSU beat the University of Mary, the University of South Dakota, South Dakota State University and others in a close race for the sweepstakes recognition. This is the second year for the combined state tournament and NDSU was the defending champion.

Individual events were won by the following NDSU students:

John Murphy: Individual Sweepstakes, second place;  
Impromptu Speaking, third place; Extemporaneous Speaking, first place; Communication Analysis, first place  
Jennifer Miller: Persuasive Speaking, fifth place  
Kelly Junker: Persuasive Speaking, sixth place  
Rustin Schmaltz: Impromptu Speaking, first place;  
Extemporaneous Speaking, second place  
Nikki Nagel: Impromptu Speaking, second place;  
Informative Speaking, third place  
Jyoti Chowdhury: Impromptu Speaking, sixth place;  
Extemporaneous Speaking, third place; Informative Speaking, fifth place  
Andrea Lange: Communication Analysis, second place  
Eric Daninger: Communication Analysis, third place  
Zack Frohlich: Prose Interpretation, second place; Dramatic Interpretation, third place  
Stephanie Eckel: Prose Interpretation, sixth place;  
Informative Speaking, fourth place  
James Rice: After Dinner Speaking, second place

For more information on the Lincoln Speech and Debate Society, contact Jeffrey Brand, director of forensics, at 1-7636.

## Events

### Women's Week set for Feb. 26-March 4

Women's Week at NDSU is scheduled Feb. 26 through March 4. The theme is "Perspectives."

#### Sunday, Feb. 25

- Tami Petty, mezzo soprano currently completing her doctorate at Eastman School of Music, will perform music of Berlioz and Wagner at 7:30 p.m. in Beckwith Recital Hall. She has performed with the San Francisco Opera, the Eastman Opera Theatre and the Cincinnati Opera.

#### Monday, Feb. 26

- The YMCA of NDSU will sponsor "What's in a Name?" at noon in the Memorial Union Prairie Rose Room. Judy Pearson, associate dean and professor of communication, and Deanna Sellnow, associate professor of communication, will discuss the meaning behind labels of boy, girl, lady and gentleman as they relate to society.

- "From Home to Main Street," at 2 p.m. in the Memorial Union University Chamber, is a seminar of helpful hints on how to start a business. Sponsored by the Small Business Administration, the session will cover many aspects of business, from marketing and record keeping to insurance and legal issues.

- Deanna Sellnow, associate professor of communication, will lead "Barbie Nation," from 4 - 6 p.m. in the Memorial Union Prairie Rose Room. The session will explore how the Barbie Doll has shaped attitudes about sexuality, body image and gender roles. The video "Barbie Nation," featuring the doll's creator, Ruth Handler, will be shown and discussed.

- "Contemporary Quilts of the Prairie and the Plains," will be featured in the Memorial Union Gallery through March 28; a reception is scheduled for 4-6 p.m. Feb. 27.

#### Tuesday, Feb. 27

- Tami Petty is scheduled to present the YMCA of NDSU brown bag seminar, "La Voce Femmina: Divas and Their Golden Throats," from 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. in the Memorial Union Prairie Rose Room.

- "Resolution Solution Program," from 3:30-5 p.m. in the Family Life Center Fitness Studio, will feature fitness experts who will share how managing stress, exercising and eating properly will lead to a healthier lifestyle. Yoga, Tai Chi and other techniques will be featured.

- "Reflective Perspective," Karla Thonnes, associate director of residence life, will share her interest in journaling at 5 p.m. in the Memorial Union University Chamber. She will discuss reflection through writing and how journaling may be helpful to find a new perspective to a difficult situation.

#### Wednesday, Feb. 28

- The YMCA of NDSU is sponsoring "Mind, Body and Spirit: Living Healthy Seven Days a Week," at noon in the Memorial Union Prairie Rose Room. NDSU female faculty members will share experiences of balancing academic careers with a healthy lifestyle. They will focus on tools for healthy living, including using music, poetry, exercise and meditation and the ways in which these tools help them to create balance in their lives.

- Campus Attractions presents "Jane Eyre," at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Union Century Theater. The film features Orson Welles, Joan Fontaine and Elizabeth Taylor.

#### Thursday, March 1

- "Readings and Remarks from 'Wannabe,'" a YMCA of NDSU brown bag seminar, is scheduled for 12:30 p.m. in the Memorial Union Prairie Rose Room. The seminar will feature Kathy Coudle King, author and senior lecturer of English and Women's Studies at UND, discussing her book "Wannabe." The book explores rites of passages of women and how shared experiences can have different impacts on individuals.

- At 2 p.m. in the Memorial Union University Chamber, a discussion of the film "Jane Eyre" is scheduled. Robyne Williams, assistant professor of apparel, textile and interior design, and Cindy Nichols, lecturer of English, will facilitate the discussion.

- Theresa Kaminski, associate professor of history at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens point, will present the Women's Studies symposium "Prisoners in Paradise: American Women in the Wartime South Pacific," at 3:30 p.m. in Loftsgard 380.

- "Financing for Women-Owned Businesses," is planned for 7-10 p.m. at the Business Information Center, 51 Broadway, Suite 505, Fargo. Sponsored by the Small Business Administration, the session will cover a variety of topics, including sources of capital, facts and myths of grants and first steps in the application process.

#### Friday, March 2

- The YMCA of NDSU will sponsor the brown bag seminar "Political Women: Insiders or Outsiders?" at noon in the Memorial Union Prairie Rose Room. A panel, moderated by Valerie O'Regan, assistant professor of political science, will discuss women in the political world.

- "Mindful Meditation," is scheduled for 2-3:30 p.m. in the Memorial Union University Chamber. Session leader Mary Struck, a massage therapist, will guide participants through the process of meditation.

- Campus Attractions presents "Jane Eyre," at 7 p.m. in Century Theater.

For additional related events, or for a complete schedule of Women's Week, visit: [www.ndsu.edu/equal\\_opportunity/brochure.html](http://www.ndsu.edu/equal_opportunity/brochure.html). For more information, contact Sandy Holbrook at 1-7703 or Laura Oster-Aaland at 1-7750.

## American Indian flute player to perform March 2

A performance by American Indian flute player and storyteller Keith "Northern Lights" Bear will highlight the 2001 American Indian Expo at NDSU. The concert is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 2, in the Memorial Union Gallery. Admission is free and the public is invited.

Bear is a Mandan-Hidsata from New Town, N.D., who tours throughout the country. The concert will be a blend of traditional stories and musical performances that employ hand-made wooden flutes. His stories will relate American Indian legends as well as tales about the American frontier. His recordings, on CD and audio cassette, will be available for sale at the performance.

The concert is co-sponsored by Campus Attractions, Memorial Union Gallery and Multicultural Student Services. For more information, contact Becca Kilzer, event and publicity assistant, Memorial Union Gallery, at 1-8239 or the Office of Multicultural Student Services at 1-1029.

## Trenchless technology symposium planned May 17-18

The NDSU construction management and engineering department and the Midwest Society for Trenchless Technology have planned a symposium for May 17-18 titled, "Pipeline Installations and Renewals." It will be held in the Memorial Union Dakota Ballroom.

Public officials, engineers, utility company personnel, designers and contractors involved with constructing, rehabilitating and managing utilities are invited to attend the conference.

The registration fee of \$125 (\$100 for government employees and academics) includes all program materials, breakfasts, lunches, reception and refreshments. Students may attend all sessions at no charge (does not include meals). For more information or to register, call Beth Ambrosio at 1-5376.

Limited exhibit space is available for \$350. If interested, contact Mo Najafi, at [najafi@mWSC.edu](mailto:najafi@mWSC.edu) or (816) 271-5821. For questions about program content, contact Ossama Salem at 1-7246 or [o\\_salem@ndsU.nodak.edu](mailto:o_salem@ndsU.nodak.edu).

The symposium planning committee members are Ossama Salem, chair of civil engineering and construction; Dennis "Jake" Jacobson, Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute; Bob Welton, City of Fargo; and Mohammad Najafi, Missouri Western State College.

The conference qualifies for 10 Professional Development Hours (PDH) of continuing education credit. A PDH certificate will be awarded Friday, March 23. Check the box on the registration form to receive your certificate.

The Midwest Society for Trenchless Technology is a not-for-profit organization established in 1998. Member states include Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio and Wisconsin. For more information about the society, visit [www.mstt.org](http://www.mstt.org).

## NDSU participates in National Engineering Week

As part of National Engineering Week, Feb. 18-24, NDSU engineering faculty and students are offering to visit high school classes, and on-campus visits for students and parents are scheduled for the week.

A thermo-boat competition is scheduled for 3-6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25, at the NDSU pool in the Bison Sports Arena. The public also is invited to tour NDSU's engineering demonstrations and architecture studios from 12:30-3 p.m. Friday, April 20. Tours require no arrangements, are free and take about 90 minutes.

According to Jackie Cox, college relations coordinator, the goal of National Engineering Week is to encourage high school students to take advanced math and science courses and to enter engineering colleges.

"There is a shortage of engineers nationwide, which means there are a couple positions for most of about 400 engineers who graduate each year from NDSU," Cox said. "These graduates earn outstanding salaries averaging \$41,000."

Information on National Engineering Week, as well as teaching lessons and national competition, are available at [www.eweek.org/index.shtml](http://www.eweek.org/index.shtml).

## Volleyball camps announced

The schedule for the 2001 NDSU volleyball summer camps has been announced.

Bison Youth Camp, scheduled for 8 a.m.-noon June 12-15, is for students ages 6-12 seeking basic skill instruction. Cost is \$60.

Bison Skills/Defense Camp, planned for July 5-8, is for grades 6-12. Cost is \$230 for resident, \$190 for day camper and \$160 is the instructional rate.

Bison Setter/Hitter Camp, scheduled for July 8-12, is for grades 9-12. Cost is \$240 for resident, \$200 for day camper and \$170 is the instructional rate.

Bison High Performance Camp, planned for July 12-15, is for advanced high school players who are recommended by high school coaches. Cost is \$250 for resident, \$21 for day camper and \$180 is the instructional rate.

Three Bison team camps are planned, which are for high school teams as a group. The cost for the "Training Only" camp, planned for July 15-17, is \$125 for resident, \$95 for day camper and \$80 is the instructional rate. The cost for the "Competition Only" camp, scheduled for July 17-19, is \$110 for resident, \$85 for day camper and \$75 is the instructional rate. The "Training and Competition" camp, planned for July 15-19, has a cost of \$210 for resident, \$160 for day camper and \$130 is the instructional rate.

For more information, contact Zaundra Bina, head coach, at 1-8859; Jim Boos, assistant coach, at 1-8770; or Glenda Klein, camp administrative assistant, at 1-7197.

## NDSU Libraries schedules Germans from Russia events in Arizona

The Germans from Russia Heritage Collection at the NDSU Libraries has scheduled upcoming events in Arizona.

LaVern "Vern" Freeh, author of the book, "Couldn't Be Better: The Russian Farm Community Project," will be the speaker at a program from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday, March 3, at the Scottsdale Civic Center Library Theater. Also at the program, a new videotape will feature the plans and work of the Germans from Russia Cultural Preservation Foundation.

The Libraries also will sponsor an information display table at the North Dakota Picnic, held in Mesa's Pioneer Park from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, March 4.

All events are free and open to the general public. For more information regarding the Scottsdale event contact Leo Sitter, Scottsdale, at (602) 945-4250, or Michael M. Miller, NDSU Libraries, at 1-8416 or [Michael\\_Miller@ndsu.nodak.edu](mailto:Michael_Miller@ndsu.nodak.edu).

### Legislative Bill Status Report

Office of the NDSU General Counsel

The Legislature's Web site is located at [www.state.nd.us/lr](http://www.state.nd.us/lr). Descriptions in bold are new additions since the last report. This report is of Feb. 12.

#### Senate bills

**SB 2003:** NDUS appropriations. Appropriates to NDSU \$65,262,441 general fund dollars. Moves all university salary money to the NDUS Office. Removes tuition from appropriated estimated income. Passed Senate as amended 49-0.

**SB 2021:** Agriculture appropriation. Appropriates \$51,924,395 general fund dollars.

**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. Passed House 35-14.

**SB 2037:** Amends 15-10-12 to provide for the continuing appropriation of special revenue funds, including tuition. **Failed Senate 1-47. Was amended into SB 2003.**

**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. **Failed Senate 1-47. Was amended to SB 2003.**

**SB 2039:** Amends 15-10-12.1 to authorize SBHE to approve construction of gift/grant financed improvements if not more than **\$250,000**. Passed Senate 48-1.

**SB 2040:** Removes NDUS from reports by OMB on state employee bonuses and temporary salary adjustments. **Passed Senate 42-7.**

**SB 2041:** Adds new sections to chapter 15-10 to implement Higher Education Roundtable strategic planning recommendations. Passed Senate 48-1.

**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. **Passed Senate 49-0.**

**SB 2110:** Continues Project Safe Send regarding the pesticide disposal program. The NDAES has a role in this program. Passed Senate 48-0.

**SB 2117:** Amends open record provisions, including 44-04-17.1, to include as a "public entity" any task force created by order of a president of a university if a majority of members are not employees. Passed Senate 49-0.

**SB 2122:** Creates the Trees for North Dakota Program. **Passed Senate 45-0.**

**SB 2136:** Amends 15-10-19.1 defining a "resident student" for tuition purposes. **Passed Senate 49-0.**

**SB 2137:** Appropriates \$2,310,000 to replace F Court and \$560,000 to renovate Robinson Hall. Passed Senate 49-0. Passed House 97-0. Governor signed.

**SB 2151:** Raises the fixed asset reporting exemption to \$5,000. **Passed Senate 49-0.**

**SB 2188:** Mandates a 5 percent preference to be awarded to resident North Dakota bidders for supplies, building or professional services. **Failed Senate 10-39.**

**SB 2203:** Provides for license plates bearing university logos.

**SB 2241:** Amends 43-12.1-02 to lower the educational requirements for LPNs and RNs. Failed Senate 17-32.

**SB 2263:** Provides for mandatory collective bargaining for state employees.

**SB 2280:** Sets damage limits for destruction of crops, including test plots. Passed Senate as amended 49-0.

**SB 2291:** Mandates NDUS institutions accepting credit transfers in arts, humanities, natural and applied sciences from other NDUS institutions if student had at least a **2.0 grade point average**. **Passed Senate as amended 49-0.**

**SB 2292:** Creates a note repayment program for veterinary optometry and dentistry students who return to North Dakota to work. Passed Senate as amended 49-0.

**SB 2297:** Increases lodging expense reimbursement from \$42 to \$47.

**SB 2322:** Authorizes a university president to mitigate damages if construction is stopped on a building financed by a gift.

**SB 2333:** Provides for student loans for education majors at 0 percent interest and for waiver of principal repayment if the student is teaching in North Dakota. Failed Senate 14-34.

**SB 2336:** Provides for a corporate income tax reduction for research conducted at nonprofit research facilities.

**SB 2343:** Waives undergraduate tuition charges for NDUS employees, their spouses and children. Failed Senate 17-32.

**SB 2368:** Creates a peace officer bill of rights act.

**SB 2374:** Provides for a state income tax credit for charitable contributions to a North Dakota higher education institution or its supporting 501(c)(3) foundation.

**SB 2413:** Adds a new section to chapter 4-24 requiring mediation or arbitration provisions in all contracts for production or sales of agriculture commodities.

**SB 2429:** Would make provisions in contracts applying the Uniform Computer Information Transactions Act voidable.

**SCR 4011:** Directs the Legislative Council to study statewide delivery of library services. **Adopted as amended in Senate.**

#### 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. **Passed House as amended 96-0.**

**HB 1043:** Appropriates \$2 million to Bank of North Dakota to make student loan payments for resident students in target industries.

**HB 1046:** Moves the faculty oath requirements into the higher education chapter, 15-10.

**HB 1099:** Extends certain health benefits to PERS members who choose the alternate defined contribution plan. Passed House as amended 98-0.

**HB 1106:** Adopts the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, including legality of electronic signatures. **Passed House 95-3.**

**HB 1118:** Amends 18-08-12 to allow for fire inspections of state buildings (except residential buildings) every three years vs. annually. **Passed House as amended 96-0.**

**HB 1147:** Amends 24-02-03.3 to allow agencies to authorize use of personal vehicles vs. state fleet vehicles. **Passed House 90-7.**

**HB 1156:** Amends 44-08-04.5 to authorize prepayment of lodging expenses if the agency can show reduced lodging costs. Passed House as amended 97-0.

**HB 1157:** Creates a quality schools commission to assess quality of elementary and secondary schools. The Chancellor is on the commission.

**HB 1181:** Amends SBARE statutes regarding budget requests and payment of administrative expenses. **Passed House as amended 81-14.**

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

**HB 1197:** Increases to 31 cents per mile (from 25 cents) the state motor vehicle travel reimbursement rate. **Increases the out-of-state travel definition from in excess of 150 miles to 300 miles (one way) beyond the state border. Passed House 94-1.**

**HB 1200:** Appropriates \$320,000 in general funds to the North Central Research Extension Center to purchase land.

**HB 1216:** Extends the Oct. 1, 2001, time period for employees on PERS to transfer to the defined contribution plan under chapter 54-52.6. Passed House as amended 97-0.

**HB 1217:** Extends to Sept. 30, 2002, the time period for employees on PERS to transfer to the defined contribution plan under chapter 54-52.6.

**HB 1283:** Creates a student loan interest rate buydown program for employees in technology occupations.

**HB 1299:** Would restrict state agencies from acquiring land. Failed House 6-90.

**HB 1310:** Appropriates \$120,000 to the SBHE for scholarships for retraining elementary and secondary teachers.

**HB 1317:** Would create a Division of Immigration in the SBHE Office if SB 2032 (creating a Department of Commerce) doesn't pass. Failed House 27-69.

**HB 1338:** Imposes, until Aug. 1, 2003, a moratorium on genetically modified wheat seed.

**HB 1360:** Creates a N.D. Center for Nursing to address supply and demand for nurses. **Passed House as amended 96-0.**

**HB 1392:** Removes the sales tax exemption for educational activities held in a public facility if gross receipts from an event exceeds \$5,000. Passed Senate 96-0.

**HB 1418:** Appropriates \$2 million to the Bank of North Dakota for a student loan reduction payment program for licensed teachers employed in an elementary or secondary school.

**HB 1442:** Restricts access to land by owners of genetically modified seed patents to determine patent infringement. Requires county extension agents to be involved for seed verification purposes.

**HB 1444:** Appropriates \$250,000 to the Bank of North Dakota for a student loan reduction program for high school teachers.

## Shorts and Reminders

### Cargill helps Libraries purchase magazines

For the past five years, Cargill has supported the purchase of several magazines for the NDSU Libraries. Because of this support, students have access to Information Week, Computer World and CIO.

### Quantity foods meal

The Food Production Management class is planning to serve a meal at noon Tuesday, Feb. 27, in the lower level of West Dining Center. The menu will include pizza, breadsticks, salad, ice cream and beverages.

An Oriental meal also is scheduled for noon March 1, in the same location. The menu will include won ton soup, pork fried rice, egg rolls with sweet-and-sour sauce, cinnamon ice cream and fortune cookies.

The cost of each meal is \$5.40, or free to those on a meal plan. For reservations call 1-7023.



**Union Food Court specials Feb. 21-28**

**The Corner Deli**

Wednesday: Italian combo  
 Thursday: roast beef  
 Friday: chicken  
 Monday: ham  
 Tuesday: roast beef  
 Wednesday: chicken Caesar wrap

**More Than a Burger**

Wednesday: 1/4 pound hamburger  
 Thursday: popcorn chicken  
 Friday: mushroom Swiss burger  
 Monday: breaded chicken  
 Tuesday: 1/4 pound cheeseburger  
 Wednesday: fish sandwich

**A La Carte**

Wednesday: turkey enchilada  
 Thursday: chicken Caesar salad  
 Friday: oriental beef strips  
 Monday: chicken lasagna  
 Tuesday: pork chop suey  
 Wednesday: hot roast beef sandwich

**Pizza Express**

Wednesday: once around the kitchen  
 Thursday: bacon cheeseburger  
 Friday: taco  
 Monday: Dakota  
 Tuesday: southwestern chicken  
 Wednesday: farmhouse

\*Items are subject to change without notice.

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:

Administrative Secretary/#4652  
 (20 hours/week; Monday-Friday; 9 a.m.-1p.m.)  
 Military Science  
 \$9,262/year  
 Feb. 22

Administrative Clerk/#2067  
 Student Academic Affairs  
 \$18,400/year  
 Feb. 20

Pizza Attendant/#4532\_12-Month Position  
 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; (Monday-Friday; some evenings and week-ends)  
 Dining Services - Union Dining Center  
 \$7.25 minimum/hour  
 Feb. 16 (internal); Feb. 27 (external)

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

Custodian/#987  
 (3:30 p.m.-midnight; Monday-Friday- requires periodic weekend overtime)  
 Physical Plant  
 \$15,912 minimum/year  
 March 1

Heating Plant Operator/#990/4215 (Entry Level)  
 Physical Plant  
 \$18,720 minimum/year  
 Feb. 20

Multimedia Instructional Support/#3961  
 (nine month; Monday-Friday, 20 hours/week)  
 Psychology  
 \$9.86 minimum/hour  
 Open until filled

Senior Systems Administrator/#4001  
 Computer Science  
 \$35,000+/year  
 Feb. 26

Hall Director  
 Residence Life  
 \$20,000/year plus furnished apartment, meal plan, fringe benefits, limited tuition waiver  
 12-month contract  
 March 4

Coordinator of Greek Life/#0542  
 Memorial Union  
 \$29,000+/year  
 March 19

It's Happening Assistant Editor/#3760  
 University Relations  
 \$23,000+/year  
 Open until filled

Graphic Designer/#749  
 Publication Services  
 Salary commensurate with experience  
 Open until filled

Plant/Forestry Biotechnologist/#3251  
 Plant Sciences  
 \$25,000+/year  
 Feb. 20

Research Specialist/#1374  
 Animal and Range Science  
 \$26,000+/year  
 Feb. 28

Research Specialist/4499  
 Plant Sciences  
 \$22,000+/year  
 Feb. 20

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.edu/hr/](http://www.ndsu.edu/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 grant opportunities, you may conduct an online funding search via SPIN, available at [www.ndsu.nodak.edu/ndsu/sizer/SPINPlus/SPINPlus.htm](http://www.ndsu.nodak.edu/ndsu/sizer/SPINPlus/SPINPlus.htm).

### National Collegiate Inventors and Innovators Alliance NCIIA Grants for Student Innovators Advanced E-Teams [www.nciia.org](http://www.nciia.org) Deadline: May 15 and Dec. 15

This opportunity targets talented students working on technologically innovative products and ventures. NCIIA grants ranging from \$2,000 to \$50,000 help student teams develop and prototype new products and technologies with commercial potential, research the market and develop a business plan, perform patent searches and purchase equipment and supplies. E-Teams that continue their work beyond the initial course may apply for Advanced E-Team funding. Grants ranging from \$1,000 to \$20,000 will be awarded to advanced E-Teams for further development and steps leading to commercialization of their ideas. Funding can be used for project expenses, legal fees, or student internships. These grants will be renewable for up to three years in declining amounts.

### National Science Foundation Multidisciplinary Studies in Learning Development [www.nsf.gov/pubs/2001/nsf0146/nsf0146.html](http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2001/nsf0146/nsf0146.html) Deadline: July 15 and Jan. 15 annually

The National Science Foundation's Directorate for Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences is inviting applications for studies to increase the understanding of cognitive, linguistic, social, cultural and biological processes related to children's and adolescents' learning in formal and informal settings. Areas include the relationships among biological, cognitive, linguistic, social and emotional aspects of human learning over the course of a life; brain processes in learning; and studies of multiple influences on children's learning.

### Small Business Administration Business to Business Learning: BusinessLINC [www.sba.gov](http://www.sba.gov) - go to "new stuff" Deadline: March 20

The Small Business Administration is seeking applications for cooperative agreements to promote the growth of small businesses by matching larger firms with small concerns, creating business-to-business relationships for learning and mentoring. Coalitions may include public and private organizations. The match is 50 percent.

### Consortium for Plant Biotechnology Research, Inc. (CPBR) Request for Preproposals 2002 [www.cpbr.org](http://www.cpbr.org) and e-mail Dr. Jean Tuech at [cpbr@gate.net](mailto:cpbr@gate.net) Deadline: March 21

The CPBR is soliciting preproposals for research that 1) involves plant biotechnology and 2) address industrial problems and opportunities related to bioenergy and/or the environment. Funding for CPBR research for 2002 may come from the U.S. Department of Energy and/or the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; therefore, proposers should review the missions and goals of DOE and EPA, available in the RFP information.

### National Science Foundation Internships in Public Science Education [www.nsf.gov/pubs/2001/nsf0139/nsf0139.html](http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2001/nsf0139/nsf0139.html) Deadline: April 2

NSF is inviting proposals for partnerships between the mathematical and physical sciences research community and science centers and museums to advance public science education. Examples include Individuals or groups of faculty members at colleges and universities working with a local science center or museum or facilities and institutes with outreach and education programs. Support for undergraduate and graduate students and K-12 teachers to work in conjunction with scientists and professionals is available.

### National Institutes of Health / National Institute on Aging Aging Research Pilot Grants <http://grants.nih.gov/grant/guide/pa-files/PA-01-037.html> Deadline: March 20, July 17, Nov. 16

The National Institute on Aging is inviting applications for small grants to encourage new investigators to conduct aging research and established investigators to enter new targeted high priority areas. Applicants may request either \$25,000 or \$50,000 in direct costs for one year under this small grant program.

## Calendar

### February

Through Feb. 22 The Memorial Union Gallery will present an exhibit by Jaune Quick-To-See Smith

Through Feb. 28 Exhibition: "Best of the Best, Prints from Americas 2000," Reineke Visual Arts Gallery

21 Free NDSU staff preview of Little Country Theatre's production of "The Music Man," 7:30 p.m., Festival Concert Hall

21 Campus Attractions presents modern rockers Fade 2 Shade, 8:30 p.m., Memorial Union Ballroom

22 Entomology—Suranjan Panigrahi, "Potential Opportunities for Research and Education through the Bio-Imaging and Sensing Center at NDSU," 1 p.m., Hultz 272

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

23 Plant Sciences—Clare Murphy, Co-operative Research Center for Weed Management Systems, NSW Agriculture, Wagga Wagga, NSW Australia, "Weeds of Broad Acre Cropping in Southern Australia: What are the Issues and What Research is Being Done?" noon, Loftsgard 380; bring your lunch

23 Biological Sciences—Brian Tangen "Macroinvertebrate Index of Biological Integrity for Semi-permanent Wetlands," 3 p.m., Stevens 230

23 Animal and Range Sciences—J. W. Schroeder, "Formulating and Synthesizing [ND<sub>3</sub>\*ATP]," 3 p.m., Hultz 104

23 Plant Sciences—Jeremy Pederson, "Harvest Systems and Post-harvest Measures to Achieve and Maintain Maximum Yield and Quality of Alfalfa," 3:30 p.m., Loftsgard 114

26-March 2 Women's Week, "Perspectives"

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

1-2 NDSU Festival of Bands 2001, Music Education Building and Festival Concert Hall

2-23 Juried high school art exhibition, Reineke Visual Arts Gallery

2 Plant Sciences—Ryan Moeller, "Golf Green Establishment and Management," 3:30 p.m., Loftsgard 114

3 University Chorus and Brass Ensemble Concert, 7:30 p.m., Festival Concert Hall

4 Faculty Recital—Neil Mueller, trumpet, and Michael Olson, organ, 4 p.m., First Lutheran Church, Fargo; free admission

5 Campus Attractions presents comic magician Tim Gabrielson 8 p.m., Memorial Union Century Theater

9 Entomology—Bryan Bishop, Concordia College, "Roles of the Allegheny Mound Ant in Shaping Homopteran Communities in Jack Pine Forests," 2 p.m., Hultz 272

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

19 Plant Sciences—Manju Karthikeyan, "Production Potential of Borage and Camelina in North Dakota," 3:30 p.m., Loftsgard 114

21 Woodwind Chamber Night, 7:30 p.m., Beckwith Recital Hall; free admission

22 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

23 James Hersch concert, 7:30 p.m., Memorial Union Gallery; \$6 admission

23 Plant Sciences—Jerad Liedberg, "Juneberries, a High Value Crop in North Dakota," 3:30 p.m., Loftsgard 114

26 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

27 Tri-College History Lecture—John Helgeland, "Eusebius' Creation of Constantine," 7 p.m., Beckwith Recital Hall; reception to follow

29 Entomology—Stephen Foster, "Sex Pheromones and their Biosyntheses in Moths," 1 p.m., Hultz 272

29 Jazz Combos Concert, 7:30 p.m., Beckwith Recital Hall

30 Plant Sciences—Nathalie Vignaux, "The French Way to Breed Wheat," 3:30 p.m., Loftsgard 114

30-April 6 Visual art senior thesis exhibit, Memorial Union Gallery; reception: 4-6 p.m., April 6

## April

5 Entomology—Jan Knodel, "Entomological Projects of Canola, Sunflower and Small Grains in North Central and Western North Dakota—Nuts and Bolts," 1 p.m., Hultz 272

6 Willson and McKee concert, 7:30 p.m., Memorial Union Gallery; \$6 admission

6 Plant Sciences—Shana Forster, "Natural Plant Products used for Pest Management," 3:30 p.m., Loftsgard 114

April 10 through May 4 Baccalaureate Exhibition—Jenny Jangula, Reineke Visual Arts Gallery; reception 7:30-8:30 p.m., April 21

10-20 Senior comprehensive interior design projects, Memorial Union Gallery; reception: 4-6 p.m., April 10

12 Entomology—Gregory Sword, USDA-ARS, Sidney, Mont., “Phenotypic Plasticity and the Evolution of Warning Coloration: The Demise of an Evolutionary Paradox?” 1 p.m., Hultz 272

13 Easter holiday, university closed

17-29 Baccalaureate exhibition, Reineke Visual Arts Gallery

19 Robert Vennette, University of Minnesota, “Pest Risk Assessment: A Tool for Exotic Diseases and Insects,” 1 p.m., Hultz 272

20 Plant Sciences—Rick Walker, “Niche Crop Alternatives for North Dakota,” 3:30 p.m., Loftsgard 114

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 Entomology—David Branson, USDA-ARS, Sidney, Mont., “Effects of Livestock Grazing on Grasshopper Population Dynamics and Rangeland Vegetation During a Grasshopper Outbreak,” 1 p.m., Hultz 272

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

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