

## State Board of Higher Education elects officers

The State Board of Higher Education elected Chuck Stroup, Hazen, as president and Craig Caspers, Wahpeton, as vice president at a recent board meeting in Wahpeton.

Stroup and Caspers will serve as board officers from July 1 to June 30, 2002. Stroup will replace current board president William Isaacson, Stanley. Caspers will serve a second term as vice president.

According to Stroup, new legislation related to higher education will make the upcoming year a challenging time to be SBHE president. "The monumental legislation passed this session provides the university system with an extraordinary opportunity and challenge," he said. "It demands vision, leadership and a sincere willingness to take responsible risks and make changes. Expectations have never been higher; I believe we must do our utmost to succeed."

Stroup was appointed to a four-year term on the SBHE in 2000. He is president and chairman of the board of Union State Bank of Hazen. He served as director of the Department of Economic Development and Finance from 1993-97, was president of the North Dakota Industrial Development Association from 1991-95 and is president-elect of the North Dakota Dollars for Scholars Association. He received a bachelor's degree in business economics from NDSU.

Caspers was appointed to a four-year term on the SBHE in 1997 and reappointed to a second term in 2001. He is president of Vertin-Munson Inc. and has managed Vertin-Munson Funeral Home, Wahpeton, since 1987. He received an associate's degree from North Dakota State College of Science; a bachelor's degree in business management from Northern State, Aberdeen, S.D.; and a bachelor's degree in mortuary science from the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis.

Isaacson was appointed to a four-year term on the SBHE in 1998 and became board president July 1, 2000. In 1998, he established Isaacson and Associates Inc., a consulting firm specializing in business development, evaluation, negotiations and planning for new product and new business opportunities. Isaacson retired from 3M in St. Paul, Minn., in 1996 after more than 30 years with the company.

## Diversity Council begins work

NDSU's new Diversity Council has begun its work, holding its organizational meeting May 15. The 21-member group will advise President Joseph A. Chapman on matters of diversity and equity, as well as prepare a strategic plan for increasing diversity on campus.

"Diversity is integral to whom we are as a major university," Chapman said in giving a charge to the group which represents a variety of perspectives of faculty, staff and students. "This work is about institutionalizing a commitment to make NDSU a place that honors all types of people. The climate of the institution must be welcoming and respectful to people of every point of view."

The council plans to review research findings about campus diversity, prepare a report for the campus on the benefits of diversity and to conduct a survey during the next academic year to determine attitudes and issues regarding diversity at NDSU. A draft strategic plan is anticipated to be presented to Chapman in May 2002.

### Library hours

All NDSU Libraries (main, architecture, chemistry, health and the Institute for Regional Studies) will be closed Wednesday, July 4, in observance of the Independence Day holiday. Regular summer session hours resume Thursday, July 5. For a current listing of hours consult the Libraries' Web page at [www.lib.ndsu.nodak.edu](http://www.lib.ndsu.nodak.edu), use the HRS command on the online catalog or call the information tape at 1-9456.

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"I'm delighted this campuswide body has been formed to focus on enhancing all kinds of diversity at NDSU. I'm pleased the president has made a commitment to the group," said Sandra Holbrook, equal opportunity director and council co-chair.

Co-chair Craig Schnell, vice president for academic affairs, said the council's efforts will be ongoing and the group will welcome campus participation. "We hope to include as many people as possible in the council's work," he said. "We'd like to tap into the interest and expertise of individuals across campus to assist in projects and help tackle issues about diversity."

According to Holbrook, the council's efforts are important because NDSU has changed significantly in recent years, and will be more diverse in the future. "An analogy that I like to use is that we say technology skills are critical for success in today's world. In the same way, we ought to feel that our students are not prepared to live and work in the 21st century if they don't have skills for working with and appreciating people who come from all backgrounds," she said.

## NDSU team wins information technology grant

NDSU has been awarded a \$6,000 Faculty/Librarian Instructional Partnership grant to support innovative uses of information and electronic resources in teaching and learning. William Berzonsky, assistant professor of plant sciences, and Katherine Richardson, agricultural sciences librarian, received the grant for the program, "Teaching Undergraduates How to Effectively Locate, Validate and Utilize Online Scientific Literature."

The grant, funded jointly by the Bush Foundation of St. Paul and the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation of New York, is awarded through Project JSTOR, a three-year grant initiative aimed at strengthening the use of digital resources, including the scholarly JSTOR electronic journal collection in research, teaching and learning. Project JSTOR is administered through the Minnesota Private College Research Foundation, a consortium representing 16 Minnesota private colleges and universities.

"The partnership grants will strengthen courses, academic programs and ultimately student research-based learning, critical thinking and information literacy skills," said David B. Laird Jr., MPCRF president. "We believe these projects will become strong models for colleagues at home and within the region."

Grants also were awarded to Augustana College, Sioux Falls, S.D.; Carlton College, Northfield, Minn.; Macalester College, St. Paul, Minn.; South Dakota State University, Brookings; Southwest State University, Marshall, Minn.; and the University of South Dakota, Vermillion. Recipients will share their knowledge in presentations to their colleagues at the October 19 Project JSTOR workshop in Minneapolis.

For more information about Project JSTOR and the FLIP grants, contact Berzonsky at 1-8156 or [bill\\_berzonsky@ndsu.nodak.edu](mailto:bill_berzonsky@ndsu.nodak.edu), Richardson at 1-8879 or [kathie\\_richardson@ndsu.nodak.edu](mailto:kathie_richardson@ndsu.nodak.edu), or Sandra Mueller, Project JSTOR grant director, at (651) 293-6826 or [smueller@mnprivco.org](mailto:smueller@mnprivco.org).

## NDSU/tribal colleges summer camp held for second year



Camp student presenters included: Seated (left-right) Nicole Nadeaw, Amber Finley, Shirley Morin Standing (left-right) Leigh Nestell, Lovella Clark, Ryan LaFountain and Shaun Poitra. Not pictured: Marshall Delford

Opening ceremonies for the second NDSU/North Dakota tribal colleges summer camp were held June 4 in the Alumni Center. The ceremony included comments from Carol Davis, vice president of Turtle Mountain Community College; Laurel Vermillion, vice president of Sitting Bull Community College; G. Padmanabhan, co-principal investigator for the project and chair of civil engineering and construction; and Sharon Cobb director of the Group Decision Center.

Funded by a grant from the Office of Naval Research, the project is a collaborative effort between NDSU and North Dakota's five tribal community colleges.

The two-week camp is aimed at creating excitement, involvement and participation in the fields of mathematics, science and engineering for American Indian community college students. It also is designed to enhance and enrich tribal college curriculum and establish research opportunities with local industries.

"This is an excellent opportunity for the tribal colleges and NDSU to come together and collaborate and see Native American students participating in math, science and engineering programs," said Padmanabhan. "This occasion marks the beginning of this year's summer camp for the North Dakota tribal community college students aspiring to go to four-year institutions, such as NDSU. It is a fine example of collaboration among NDSU and tribal colleges of the state that NDSU President Chapman is trying to foster."

Two students and two faculty members from Cankdeska Cikana Community College, one student each from Fort Berthold, Turtle Mountain and Sitting Bull Community Colleges, and one high school instructor from Four Winds High School, Fort Totten, N.D., are attending this year's camp.

Another camp for Sunday Academy high school students also is scheduled this summer.

## Memorial Union Gallery awarded state arts grant

The Memorial Union Gallery has been awarded a \$3,820 Institutional Support grant by the North Dakota Council on the Arts for the fiscal years 2001-02 and 2002-03. The grant will provide funds to help the gallery increase the quality of overall exhibits and assist communities in rural North Dakota in accessing some of the exhibits.

"This is the first time the visual arts and gallery program has received NDCA funding for exhibits," says Peg Furshong, visual arts and gallery coordinator. "The only other time grant monies were available to the program was in 1969-70 when the Memorial Union received a \$10,000 matching grant from the National Endowment for the Arts to acquisition works for the start of a permanent art collection."

The Memorial Union Gallery was among 68 applicants for Institutional Support funding. More than \$370,000 was awarded through the two-year program which is designed to benefit artists, arts organizations and the general public by providing general support for local arts councils and other arts organizations, as well as support for performances, exhibitions, publications, classes, workshops and special events in all arts disciplines. Funding is provided through a grant to the NDCA from the National Endowment for the Arts.

The North Dakota Council on the Arts is the state agency responsible for the support and development of the arts and artists throughout North Dakota. The Council receives funding from the National Endowment for the Arts and the State Legislature.

The fall 2001 exhibit season is scheduled to begin August 6 and will feature NDSU visual arts faculty.

For more information, contact Furshong at 1-8239 or [Peg\\_Furshong@ndsu.nodak.edu](mailto:Peg_Furshong@ndsu.nodak.edu).

## Promotions, tenure approved

The 2001 list for NDSU faculty promotions and tenure has been finalized. Tenure was granted by the State Board of Higher Education at its meeting April 27. Promotions were approved by President Joseph A. Chapman.

### Promotion to full professor

- Leonard Francl, plant pathology
- Kevin Thompson, sociology
- Dan Ewert, electrical engineering
- Jagdish Singh, pharmaceutical science
- Robert Nielson, School of Education
- Ronald Stammen, School of Education
- Dogan Comez, mathematics
- Paul Rokke, psychology
- D.K. Srivastava, biochemistry
- Yuesheng Xu, mathematics

### Promotion to professor and tenure

- Brian Slator, computer science

### Promotion to associate professor and tenure

- Kevin Sedivec, animal and range sciences
- Alan Kallmeyer, mechanical engineering
- James Stone, mechanical engineering
- Joseph Michael Jones, business
- William Martin, mathematics
- Mark Nawrot, psychology
- David Franzen, soil science
- Jeff Brand, communication
- Robert Jones, music
- Jim Norris, history

### Promotion to associate professor

- Kimble Bromley, art

## Changes to health insurance plan effective July 1

NDPERS and Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota recently announced changes to the NDPERS health insurance plan. Effective July 1, coverage will be:

### Coinsurance:

Basic Plan-80/20; PPO-85/15; EPO 90/10

### Deductible for non-physician services:

Single Basic Plan-\$250; PPO-\$250; EPO-\$100

Family Basic Plan-\$750; PPO-\$750; EPO-\$300

### Co-payment amounts:

Office visits: Basic Plan-\$25; PPO-\$20; EPO-\$15

Emergency room: Basic Plan-\$50; PPO-\$50; EPO-\$50

Diagnostic services: Basic Plan-\$20; PPO-\$10; EPO-\$5 (per service)

### Diagnostic co-payment maximums:

Single (individual) Basic Plan-\$200; PPO-\$100; EPO-\$50

Family Basic Plan-\$400; PPO-\$200; EPO-\$100

### Coinsurance maximums:

Single Basic Plan-\$1,250; PPO-\$750; EPO-\$500

Family Basic Plan-\$2,500; PPO \$1,500; EPO-\$1,000

### Total out-of-pocket (per benefit period)\*

Single Basic Plan-\$1,700; PPO-\$1,100; EPO-\$650

Family Basic Plan-\$3,650; PPO-\$2,450; EPO-\$1,400

\*Includes the diagnostic co-payment maximum, deductible and coinsurance maximums. Excludes office visit and emergency room visit co-payments, prescription medication cost-sharing amounts, high charges and other non-covered charges specified in the contract.

### Prescription drugs:

Generic: \$5 co-payment and 15 percent coinsurance

Brand: \$15 co-payment and 25 percent coinsurance

Non-formulary: \$25 co-payment and 25 percent coinsurance

Employees interested in enrolling in the Exclusive Provider Organization (EPO) plan must complete forms in the Office of Human Resources, Old Main 203, by May 31. Coverage will be effective July 1.

For specific questions on the plans and coverage, call the NDPERS unit at Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota at 282-1400 in the Fargo area, or 800-223-1704 outside the Fargo area. Enrollment questions may be directed to Lyn Pletta at 1-8965 or [lyn\\_pletta@ndsu.nodak.edu](mailto:lyn_pletta@ndsu.nodak.edu).

## Sunsetters qualify for challenge race

NDSU's solar car race team, the Sunsetters, has qualified for the American Solar Challenge Race later this summer. The 25-member group's solar car, Prairie Fire, was the fourth vehicle to finish a 125-mile slalom course at the race's qualifying trials May 9 in Topeka, Kan.

The American Solar Challenge Race, a 2,300-mile cross-country race from Chicago to Palm Springs, Calif., is planned for July 15-25.

## Water transfer research results published

A new book on water transfer issues by Jay A. Leitch, dean of business administration, and Thomas Riley, director of the Institute for Regional Studies, has been published.

“Science and Policy: Interbasin Water Transfer of Aquatic Biota” is the result of the Interbasin Water Transfer Study Program (IWTSP) which began in 1987 involving researchers from NDSU; University of North Dakota, Grand Forks; University of Manitoba, Winnipeg; and the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, The Freshwater Institute, Winnipeg.

The multidisciplinary study, directed by Leitch, was conducted in response to Canadian concerns and issues regarding the inadvertent transfer of nuisance aquatic biota from the Missouri River to the Red River as a result of Garrison Diversion Unit projects. The North Dakota Water Resources Research Institute served as project manager and a technical advisory team kept the project focused on science.

“I am pleased to see the research efforts on inter-basin transfer of water focused in one publication,” said former N.D. Gov. William L. Guy. “Much of the country’s future depends on the wise use of an assumed water supply. In eastern North Dakota, water just might have to come from the Missouri River.”

The book offers a history of the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District and the role of science, in what was largely a politically based problem. While the project resolved some issues, it also raised additional ones and, since 1996, research has concentrated on the prevention of biota transfer.

For more information contact Roxann Williams, assistant to the dean of business administration, at 1-8235 or [Roxann\\_Williams@ndsu.nodak.edu](mailto:Roxann_Williams@ndsu.nodak.edu).

## Governor’s School underway

Sixty top academic high school students from across North Dakota are gathered on the NDSU campus for the 12th annual Governor’s School to study business, science and mathematics. The six-week residential program, formally known as the North Dakota Governor’s Schools in Business/Entrepreneurship, Sciences and Mathematics, began June 3 and runs until July 21.

It includes classroom study, practical work experience, team building activities and weekend field trips. Twenty students are chosen to participate in each discipline. The competitive application process is based on recommendations from their school faculty, class standing, scores on national standardized tests and written communication skills.

“It’s an opportunity for them to compete against each other and get a head start as far as college is concerned,” said Lonnie Hass, senior lecturer in mathematics and director of Governor’s School. “We are giving them a college experience.”

Governor’s School is sponsored by the State of North Dakota as part of the public instruction budget.

## Business administration hosts honors banquet

Sixty-eight business administration students received more than \$68,000 in scholarship money for the 2001-02 academic year from the College of Business Administration at its April honors banquet at the Fargo Holiday Inn.

North Dakota Tax Commissioner Rick Clayburgh spoke on career and entrepreneurial opportunities in North Dakota. He encouraged students and graduates to become involved in the formation and development of new technology in the state.

The scholarships were presented by scholarship committee chair Matthew Walker, associate professor of business administration. John Westerberg, a senior majoring in business administration, was master of ceremonies.

The dean’s Student Advisory Council hosted the event, which included a reception for parents and guests. The event was sponsored by Microsoft Great Plains Business Solutions.

## NDSU program gets John Deere tractor

The NDSU Department of Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering has taken delivery of a new John Deere tractor valued at \$50,000. The Model 6410 tractor is an educational resource supplied by the company as part of its collaborative agreement with the university.

Last October, John Deere Co. and NDSU formally announced a partnership to provide educational and career opportunities for majors in agricultural systems management and agribusiness and applied economics through a specialization in dealer management. The company agreed to provide state-of-the-art equipment, training components and \$5,000 annually for scholarships.

“The tractor is a great addition to our educational program,” said Leslie Backer, associate professor of agricultural and biosystems engineering, who is the dealer management specialization coordinator. “It brings us up to the modern technology used by farmers in the area.”

The 90-horsepower tractor equipped with front-wheel assist will be used extensively in at least three agricultural systems management classes, as well as several agricultural and biosystems engineering courses. Backer notes that the company also provided the program with a power train transmission in February.

“Things are going well with the partnership,” Backer said. “The program is growing, with great interest from prospective students. We’re getting students from as far away as Wisconsin, so it is enhancing our agricultural systems management program and our agribusiness and applied economics program.”

The program currently includes five agricultural systems management students and three agribusiness and applied economics students. In addition, several incoming freshmen in both programs have expressed interest in specializing in dealer management.

John Deere is the world’s leading producer of agricultural equipment, and a major manufacturer of industrial equipment. Founded in 1837 by blacksmith John Deere in Grand Detour, Ill., there are now more than 1,700 John Deere dealer locations across North America. A perennial Fortune 500 member, John Deere has been called the industry’s “most admired” company in the category of “Industrial and Farm Equipment” by Fortune magazine.

## People

### Amlund receives award

Curtis Amlund, professor emeritus of political science, will receive the Liberty Bell Award from the North Dakota State Bar Association during its 102nd annual conference June 13-15 in Fargo. The award recognizes non-lawyers who have promoted understanding of U. S. constitutional government and have fostered respect for law and the legal process.

"Dr. Amlund truly embodies the award's criterion of stimulating an awareness of the responsibilities as well as the rights that citizens share," said Christine Hogan, the association's executive director. "Both his former and current students can attest to his interest in and dedication to public service, along with his ability to inspire in those whom he teaches and advises a desire to pursue a career in public service."

Amlund, who received the 2000 Robert Odney Award for Excellence in Teaching, has been a mainstay in the NDSU political science department for nearly 40 years. He earned his bachelor's degree and doctorate at the University of Minnesota. Before coming to NDSU in the fall of 1961, he taught at the University of Oregon and the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Amlund's other honors include the Mortar Board's 1990 Outstanding Academic Adviser for the College of Humanities, 1992 Blue Key Distinguished Educator and twice being named a Mortar Board "Preferred Professor."

Past winners of the Liberty Bell Award include Gov. Arthur Link, Harold Schafer and Lt. Gov. Lloyd Omdahl. The award was first presented in 1972.

The association represents more than 1,850 attorneys licensed to practice law in North Dakota. It provides services and support staff for several committees that work on issues affecting the practice of law.

### Matchie publishes article in journal

Tom Matchie, professor of English, published an article, "Fighting the Windigo: Winona LaDuke's Peculiar Postcolonial Posture in Last Standing Woman," in the recent issue of *Femspec*, an interdisciplinary feminist journal published by Cleveland State University.

Matchie examines the first novel by LaDuke, a Chippewa activist from White Earth, Minn., who ran as the vice presidential candidate on Ralph Nader's Green Party ticket. The novel includes major events in her people's history, telling biographies of recognizable individuals and providing mythological portraits that underpin American Indian ways of thinking.

In the article, Matchie shows how LaDuke is able to "collapse time in such a way that she is able to recapitulate history while telegraphing the future and the part each of us has in it." According to Matchie, LaDuke involves her readers in rethinking their relationship to the land on which everyone lives. For LaDuke, everyone is part of what happened to American Indians historically, and her White Earth is a microcosm of the way things happen in this country.

Ironically, the novel's heroine, Ishkwegabawiiikwe, need not be the last standing woman, writes Matchie, if we would listen to her story, see the Chippewa point of view and become personally involved in the ongoing saga.

### NDSU collaboration project names fellows

Several NDSU graduate and undergraduate students have been selected as Graduate Student-University-School Collaborative for Science, Mathematics, Engineering and Technology (GraSUS) Fellows.

GraSUS is a three-year project funded by the National Science Foundation in which graduate and advanced undergraduate students will work with science and mathematics teachers in grades 6-12. The project uses problem or inquiry-based learning in which solutions of real-life problems promote students' learning, problem-solving skills, creative thinking and teamwork. Challenging problems will be selected to reflect existing school curriculum in the context of research and applications from core science, mathematics, engineering and technology disciplines at the university.

The high school courses involved include mathematics, general science, environmental science, chemistry, physics and biology. Expected results include enhanced communication and teaching skills for the fellows, enriched learning by K-12 students, professional development opportunities for K-12 teachers and stronger partnerships between NDSU and local school districts.

The graduate fellows are Daniel Beiswenger, biological sciences, Moorhead, Minn.; Michael Booth, mathematics, Dent, Minn.; David Cavalier, cellular and molecular biology, Fargo; Natalie Gackle, biological sciences, Minot, N.D.; Erin Hodgson, entomology, Dickinson, N.D.; Jack Maney, mathematics, Fargo; Christina Rebel, industrial engineering and management, Fargo; Anthony Stoner, industrial engineering and management, West Fargo, N.D.; and Paul Tinerella, entomology, Fargo.

The undergraduate fellows are Cherish Bauer, physics, West Fargo, N.D.; Heather Davidson, plant sciences, Tioga, N.D.; Jennifer Docktor, physics, Jamestown, N.D.; Derrick Eichele, biological sciences, Bismarck, N.D.; Monica Harty, biological sciences, Jamestown, N.D.; Adam Isaackson, mechanical engineering, Cottonwood, Minn.; Paul Kolesar, chemistry, Green River, Wyo.; Tyler Mangin, industrial engineering and management, Lisbon, N.D.; and Brian Michels, plant sciences, Mohall, N.D.

The project will have 10 teams that will plan, organize, conduct and assess enrichment activities in middle and secondary school classrooms. Each team will consist of two fellows; four teachers in whose classrooms the fellows will work during the year; two mentors from science, mathematics, engineering and technology disciplines; and at least one faculty member with expertise in education.

For more information, contact Dogan Comez, project director and associate professor of mathematics, at 1-7490, or Donald P. Schwert, director of the Center for Science and Mathematics Education and professor of geology, at 1-7496, or visit the project Web page at [www.ndsu.nodak.edu/grasus/](http://www.ndsu.nodak.edu/grasus/).

## Pharmacy faculty recognized

Four faculty in the College of Pharmacy received recognition awards at the college's annual graduation hooding ceremony May 11 at Bentson Bunker Field House. More than 500 people attended the event.

Stephen O'Rourke, associate professor of pharmaceutical science, was named the 2001 Teacher of the Year. The award is presented to a faculty member chosen by students in the professional program for outstanding performance and commitment to teaching. O'Rourke received his bachelor's degree in pharmacy and his master's and doctorate degrees in pharmacology from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. He has been an NDSU faculty member since 1990, and currently teaches and conducts research in cardiovascular pharmacology.



**Biberdorf**

Robert Biberdorf, clinical assistant professor of pharmacy practice, received the Preceptor of the Year award. The honor is given to a faculty member who represents outstanding performance and commitment to clinical instruction of pharmacy students, and is voted on by fourth-year students in the professional program. Biberdorf received his bachelor's degree in pharmacy and master's degree in hospital pharmacy from NDSU, and completed a hospital pharmacy residency at the Veterans Administration Medical Center, Fargo. He is clinical manager of pharmacy services at MeritCare Hospital, Fargo. He teaches parenteral/enteral therapy and home care and precepts pharmacy students on clinical rotations at the hospital.



**Singh**

Jagdish Singh associate professor of pharmaceutical science, was named Researcher of the Year. The recipient is selected by an outside peer review panel and recognizes a faculty member who demonstrates outstanding achievements in research including excellence and innovation in their scholarly work. Singh received his bachelor's and master's degrees in pharmacy and doctorate degree in pharmaceuticals from Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, India. Singh has been an NDSU faculty member since 1994 and currently teaches and conducts research in pharmaceuticals, specifically concentrating on novel drug delivery systems and devices.



**Strommen**

Gordon Strommen, associate professor of pharmacy practice, received an Exemplary Service Award. Strommen teaches undergraduate pharmacy students pharmacotherapy of endocrine disorders and also practices as a pharmacotherapy specialist at the Veterans Administration Medical Center, Fargo, where he precepts pharmacy students on clinical rotations. He received his bachelor's degree in pharmacy and master's degree in pharmacology from NDSU, and received his doctorate degree in pharmacy from the University of Nebraska. Strommen will retire from his faculty position June 30 after 36 years of service.

## Emeritus appointments approved

NDSU President Joseph A. Chapman has approved emeritus professor appointments for 12 retiring faculty, effective July 1.

The group includes Richard Bovard, professor of English; Bill Brunton, associate professor of sociology/anthropology; Edna Holm, professor and coordinator of research, Research Administration; Roman Horejsi, assistant professor of health, physical education and recreation; Elvin Isgrig, senior lecturer of industrial and manufacturing engineering; Art Lamey, professor of plant pathology; George LaPalm, associate professor of civil engineering; Shivcharan S. Maan, professor of plant sciences; Ronald Mathsen, professor of mathematics; Donald Smith, professor/associate dean/interim chair of electrical and computer engineering; Gordon Strommen, associate professor of pharmaceutical practice; and Wayne Tollefson, associate professor of art.

"The people granted professor emeritus status have all provided dedicated, quality service to the university and North Dakota for a long period of time," said Craig Schnell, vice president for academic affairs. "Their commitment to excellence is a legacy that the entire campus should try to emulate."

Bovard joined NDSU in 1972, and chaired the English department from 1981-1991. He also served as interim director of the NDSU Libraries from 1997-2000, interim dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences (1995-96), interim director of the Division of Fine Arts (1994-95) and assistant dean of the College of University Studies (1978-81). Bovard earned his bachelor's degree at Kalamazoo College, Kalamazoo, Mich.; his master's degree at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor; and his doctorate at the University of Denver, Colo.

On the NDSU faculty since 1969, Brunton's teaching responsibilities included cultural anthropology, linguistics, magic and religion. Appointed to the international faculty of the Foundation for Shamanic Studies in 1988, Brunton was appointed as the foundation's director of field associates in 1993. The editor of the journal *Shamanism*, Brunton was the co-leader of expeditions to central Asia (1993) and northern China and Inner Mongolia (1995) to investigate and document shamanism. He earned his bachelor's degree, master's degree and doctorate at Washington State University, Pullman.

Holm, who will retire June 30, began her career at NDSU as a graduate assistant in the bacteriology department in 1957. A longtime faculty member in the food and nutrition department, she chaired the department from 1992-95. In 1999, she was named coordinator of research for the NDSU Research Administration. Among her honors are being elected to Sigma Xi in 1988 and receiving the first outstanding teaching award presented by the Student Dietetics Association in 1996. Holm earned her bachelor's degree and master's degree at NDSU and her doctorate in food science from the University of Minnesota, St. Paul.

An NDSU faculty member since 1991, Horejsi earned his bachelor's degree at Mayville State University and his master's degree and doctorate from the University of North Dakota. He taught undergraduate and graduate courses in curriculum and instruction, and his research interests include teaching methods and aquatics. Horejsi was honored as the 1999 Volunteer of the Year by the Minn-Kota chapter of the Red Cross, J.C. Penney Volunteer in 1992 and the 1991 Volunteer of the Year by the St. Cloud, Minn., area Red Cross.

After 21 years of service to NDSU, Isgrig retired May 15. His work was in mechanical, aeronautical, industrial and systems engineering and project management. Prior to coming to NDSU, he concluded a 27-year career with the Air Force as dean of the Defense Systems Management College. He was affiliated with the Project Management Institute, Upper Darby, Penn.; Institute of Industrial Engineers, Norcross, Ga.; International Council of Systems Engineering, San Jose, Calif.; Society of Logistics Engineering; and National Council of Systems Engineering. Isgrig earned bachelor's and master's degrees from NDSU and a master's degree from the Air Force Institute of Technology.

Lamey retired May 31 after a career in the NDSU plant pathology department that began in 1977. Noted for developing and implementing extension-related programs, Lamey worked extensively on Sclerotinia disease (white mold) of row crops that became an epidemic during the 1990s because of wet conditions across the Upper Great Plains. His honors included the NDSU Extension Service Communicator of the Year Award, Minnesota and North Dakota Sugarbeet Distinguished Service Award and Minnesota Canola Council Outstanding Service Award. Prior to joining NDSU, Lamey worked as a consultant and plant pathologist in El Salvador, Korea, Thailand and Cuba. He received his bachelor's degree from Ohio Wesleyan University and his doctorate from the University of Wisconsin.

LaPalm, who retired May 15, was a member of the civil engineering and construction department for 25 years. Teaching courses in structural engineering, he was affiliated with the American Society of Civil Engineers, American Society for Engineering Education, American Concrete Institute and F-M Engineers Club. LaPalm received his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Detroit, Mich., and his doctorate from Purdue University. Before joining NDSU, he was a faculty member at Michigan State University, a National Science Foundation Fellow at Purdue University and on the faculty of the University of Detroit.

Maan retired Feb. 28, following a career at NDSU that began in 1964. His major contributions to agriculture and wheat research were through increased knowledge of nuclear-cytoplasmic relationships in wheat and its relatives. In 1977, Maan was the first person to receive the Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Professorship at NDSU. The recipient of the Crop Science Award for excellence in research from the Crop Science Society of America, he also was a Fellow of the Indian Society of Genetics and Plant Breeding, American Society of Agronomy and Crop Science Society of America. He earned his bachelor's degree at Punjab University; his Associate IARI from the Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi; and master's degree and doctorate at Kansas State University, Manhattan.

Mathsen retired May 15 after 32 years at NDSU. The chair of the mathematics department from 1991-96, Mathsen also served as the chair of the Mathematical Sciences Division (mathematics, computer science and statistics) from 1985-88. Prior to joining NDSU in 1969, he was on the faculty of the University of Alberta and Concordia College, Moorhead. In 1973-74, he was a Fulbright lecturer at the University of Liberia, Monrovia, West Africa. Mathsen received his bachelor's degree at Concordia College and his master's degree and doctorate from the University of Nebraska, Lincoln.

Smith retired from the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering following a 27-year career at NDSU. The interim department chair in 1990, 1995-97 and 2000-present,

he also was associate dean of the College of Engineering and Architecture in 1991-94 and 1997. Smith taught courses in electronics, circuits and electromagnetics and graduate electronics courses. Prior to joining NDSU in 1974, he was on the research staff of General Electric Co. From 1964-68, he was a project engineer in the Communication-Automatic Data Processing Laboratory of the U.S. Army Electronics Command, where he investigated the use of lasers for digital communication applications. He received his bachelor's degree, master's degree and doctorate at the University of Minnesota.

Strommen retired May 15 after a 36-year career with the NDSU College of Pharmacy. He joined NDSU in 1965, and provided didactic instruction in hematology and endocrine disorders, as well as precepting students on clinical rotations at the Veterans Administration Medical Center, Fargo. Strommen was co-editor of the North Dakota Pharmacist journal from 1988-96, and served as chief of the division of clinical pharmacology in the department of medicine at the University of North Dakota School of Medicine from 1987-98. He received his bachelor's and master's degrees from NDSU and his doctor of pharmacy degree at the University of Nebraska.

Tollefson has been a member of the NDSU faculty since 1968. His paintings and drawings have been exhibited in such venues as the World's Fair in Seattle, Drawings USA, University of Ohio, University of Illinois, Ball State University, Duluth Art Institute, Kresge Art Gallery, Basil's Art Gallery and Lantern Art Gallery. He has shared exhibitions with noted artists such as Robert Motherwell, Jack Levine and Theodore Roszak. Tollefson's work was described in an article in the *La Revue Modern Des Arts et de la Vie* magazine published in Paris. He received his bachelor's degree at Bethany College and his master's degree at Michigan State University. He previously taught at Western Illinois University.

Retiring faculty who received emeritus appointments in January included Robert Carlson, professor of entomology; Barbara North, associate professor of food and nutrition; LeRoy Spilde, associate professor of plant sciences; and Dean Whited, professor of plant sciences.

## Godfrey and Larson named Coaches of the Year

NDSU's Ryun Godfrey and Don Larson were named the North Central Conference Outdoor Track and Field Coaches of the Year.

Godfrey also was named the United States Track Coaches Association's Division II North Central Region Women's Outdoor Track and Field Coach of the Year. He led the Bison to a pair of NCC indoor and outdoor track and field championships in 2000 and 2001, and the 1999 NCC cross country title. He also was the 2001 USTCA North Central Region Women's Indoor, the 2000 North Central Conference Women's Outdoor and the 1999 NCC Women's Cross Country Coach of the Year.

Larson also was named the USTCA Division II Regional Men's Outdoor Track and Field co-Coach of the Year, sharing the honor with Jim Krob of Fort Hays State University. The Bison men won the NCC outdoor track and field championship for the 14th time in the last 15 years and the 18th time under the 22-year tutelage of Larson. In 1998 and 2000, he was named national Coach of the Year.

## Harter, Hanson named Walton Fellows

Charles Harter, associate professor and chair of accounting, and Joel Hanson, program coordinator in the Career Center, have been named Sam M. Walton Free Enterprise Fellows for Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE). They serve as advisers for the NDSU SIFE team.

Each year, more than 400 Walton Fellows train and motivate more than 10,000 SIFE team members nationwide. The fellowship was created in 1990 by the Wal-Mart Foundation and is named for Samuel More Walton, founder and chair of Wal-Mart Stores Inc.

Founded in 1975, SIFE is a non-profit organization that works in partnership with business and higher education to provide college students opportunities to develop leadership, teamwork and communication skills through learning, practicing and teaching the principles of free enterprise.

"Being named as a fellow is a recognition for advising and inspiring the students," explained Harter, who also was named as a Walton Fellow in 1999 and 2000. "I really enjoy working with motivated, energetic students who want to do well and are willing to do that little bit extra. It seems students who gravitate toward SIFE are exactly that type of person. They want to be one step above other students."

Hanson, who was a SIFE adviser for the first time during the 2000-01 academic year, said, "I enjoy working with the SIFE students. They are very dedicated. It's really all about helping the students get more involved on campus and in the community, helping them to build on their classroom activities by gaining some real world experience."

During the regional SIFE event in April in Minneapolis, the NDSU SIFE team received trophies as second runner-up in the competition and for a special competition sponsored by VISA in which students educate people on the better use of credit.

Harter, who joined the NDSU faculty in 1997, earned his bachelor's degree at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, his master's degree at the University of Wyoming and his doctorate in accounting at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. He previously was on the faculty of the University of Alaska, Fairbanks.

Hanson joined the NDSU Career Center in 1996. He earned his bachelor's degree at the University of Idaho, Moscow.

## Mechanical engineering receives NASA funding

Wayne Reitz, assistant professor of mechanical engineering, received funding from North Dakota NASA EPSCoR for travel to a NASA site. Reitz and student Chad Schlemmer recently toured the NASA Glenn research facility, Cleveland, and observed various testing procedures.

NASA Glenn is a 350-acre research facility that opened in 1941, primarily to conduct research on aircraft engines. More than half of the 3,600 people currently employed at the facility are scientists and engineers who plan, conduct and report on various NASA research projects.

Reitz also received funding to do preliminary research in the areas of cryoquenched copper alloys and laser surface melting for enhanced high temperature corrosion resistance.

## Graduate student receives second Astronaut Scholarship

Graduate student Kirk D. Hartel has been awarded the prestigious Astronaut Scholarship for the second time. One of 17 scholarship recipients nationwide, he will receive an \$8,500 award from the Astronaut Scholarship Foundation for the 2001-02 academic year. Four students are receiving funds for a second year.

"It was a great surprise to receive the scholarship again this year. It is quite an honor," said Hartel, who is studying biotechnology. "It's definitely helpful in supporting my graduate work."

Working in the laboratory of William Berzonsky, assistant professor of plant sciences, Hartel is researching resistance to Fusarium head blight in wheat by introducing genes from resistant strains of wild wheat.

As part of last year's scholarship award, Hartel received a four-day trip in May to the sixth annual Astronaut-Scholar Meeting in Orlando, Fla. "We had a chance to meet board members, the astronauts and other scholars," he said. "We got a VIP tour of Kennedy Space Center and were allowed to visit some restricted areas, which was very exciting."

Scholarship candidates are nominated by faculty members and reviewed by a scholarship board at 17 cooperating educational institutions. The committee's selections are presented to the foundation's board of directors for final approval.

"The Astronaut Scholarship Foundation strives to strengthen America's future by aiding these students in their pursuit of technological degrees," said Gemini/Apollo astronaut and foundation chair Jim Lovell. "The astronauts from the Mercury, Gemini, Apollo and Shuttle eras aspire, through this foundation, to preserve America as the leading country in science and technology."

The foundation is a non-profit organization established originally as the Mercury Seven Foundation in 1984. It aims to strengthen America's position in science and technology by awarding scholarships to third- and fourth-year undergraduates and post-graduates who demonstrate special characteristics of ability, self-discipline and creative drive in a science or engineering field. So far, nearly \$1.5 million in scholarships has been distributed.

A native of Watford City, N.D., Hartel is the son of LeMoine and Clarice Hartel.

## Rhein, Fromm named to All-America softball team

Two NDSU women's softball players were selected to the 2001 Louisville Slugger/NFCA Division II All-America team. Catcher Shelly Rhein was named to the first team, while pitcher Julie Fromm was a second team selection.

Rhein, a senior from Oakdale, Minn., hit .401 with 13 home runs and 60 RBIs. She was a two-time Louisville Slugger/NFCA Division II Player of the Week this season. A second team All-American pick last year, Rhein is the all-time NCAA Division II leader with 82 doubles.

Fromm, a junior from Kelso, Wash., compiled a 23-2 record with nine shutouts. A Louisville Slugger/NFCA Division II Player of the Week selection this year, she ranks 11th all-time in Division II with 103-16 career record.



## Bison student athletes win All-America honors

Several Bison student athletes won All-America honors at the NCAA Division II Outdoor Track and Field Championships held at Ralph Korte Stadium, Edwardsville, Ill., May 24-26.

In the women's competition, Diandra Bauer, a senior from Hankinson, N.D., won the hammer throw and placed fifth in the discus. She is a five-time All-American.

Andi Noel, a senior from Stephen, Minn., placed fifth in heptathlon. She has won eight All-America designations in her career.

Tamara Brudy, a junior from St. Kitts, West Indies, placed third in the 400-meter dash. Brudy also ran the anchor leg on the eighth place 1,600-meter relay team, which also included senior Kristen Bachmeier, Bismarck, N.D.; freshman Kinsey Coles, Hillsboro, N.D.; and sophomore Cortney Ward, Anchorage, Alaska

Amanda Thieschafer, a freshman from Melrose, Minn., placed third in the triple jump. Also, junior Molly Pepel earned the designation in the shot put and Belinda Eastlack, a sophomore from Buffalo, Minn., placed sixth in the hammer.

In the men's competition, the 400-meter relay team of junior Bryan Unruh, Munich, N.D.; junior Luke Mosey, Dilworth, Minn.; senior Anthony Garnett, Rosemount, Minn.; and junior Pat Irgens, Epping, N.D., placed seventh.

Garnett placed seventh in the 200-meter dash and sophomore Andy Moen, Morris, Minn., placed eighth in the 800 meters. Freshman Nathan Schmidt, Redwood Falls, Minn., took second in the decathlon to win All-America honors, as did senior Brian Antoine, Watertown, S.D., who was fourth in the high jump.

## Student receives honor society scholarship

John Schulz, a senior majoring in management information systems, has received a \$1,000 scholarship from the national Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society for the 2001-02 academic year. Schulz, the immediate past president of the society's NDSU chapter, is one of 116 students across the country to receive the scholarship.

"This is the second national scholarship the local chapter has won during the past three years. That speaks well of NDSU," said Elizabeth Blanks Hindman, chapter faculty adviser and associate professor of communication. "John did a wonderful job as the chapter president for the 2000-01 academic year and I'm delighted he received the scholarship."

Schulz said he was pleased to be honored with the scholarship. "Being recognized with this scholarship is just one of the many ways that Phi Eta Sigma has benefited me throughout my career at NDSU," said the native of New Leipzig, N.D., who is the son of Loretta and Ernest Schulz. "I've had the opportunity to work with some of the brightest, most ambitious and most dedicated scholars on this campus. Phi Eta Sigma is an organization that believes in rewarding students dedicated to learning and leadership."

Phi Eta Sigma, the oldest and largest freshman honor society, recognizes first-year students who maintain a 3.5 or above grade point average. Founded in 1923 at the University of Illinois, the society now has more than 300 chapters across the United States and more than 700,000 members.

## Two student athletes selected for NCAA leadership conference

NDSU football player DeShawn Perkins and women's distance runner Michelle Pilcher were selected to participate in the fifth annual NCAA Foundation Leadership Conference May 28-June 1 at Disney's Wide World of Sports and Coronado Springs Resort, Lake Buena Vista, Fla. Perkins and Pilcher are the fourth and fifth Bison student athletes to participate in the program.

The mission of the conference is to develop a diverse group of student athletes who will become change agents on their campuses and in their communities. It provides NCAA student athletes with the opportunity to discuss and explore critical issues facing their peers; to enhance their leadership skills; and to promote better communication among student athletes, coaches, administrators, faculty and communities.

A total of 300 student athletes were selected from 1,084 nominations received from NCAA institutions that participate in the CHAMPS/Life Skills Program. Participating student athletes represented all NCAA divisions, 22 different sports and 20 different countries.

Perkins, a runningback from Aurora, Colo., is majoring in business. Pilcher is a distance runner from Helena, Mont., who is majoring in English. Both will be seniors next academic year.

## Events

### Sales, learning seminars scheduled

NDSU's Division of Continuing Education is scheduled to present two seminars on selling and learning techniques July 24-25 at the Radisson Hotel, Fargo. "Consultative Selling Skills" is scheduled for 9 a.m.-4 p.m. July 24, while "Speed Reading, Memory Skills and Accelerated Learning Techniques" is planned for 9 a.m.-4 p.m. July 25.

The presenter is Michael Monroe Kiefer, a nationally-known management trainer, who has written the best-selling books "The POWERMIND System," "The Miracle Power of Goals," "Millionaire Mindset," "The Secret Power of Personal Journals" and "Programming for Success."

The selling skills seminar is a technique-driven workshop for salespeople in all fields of goods and services. It will include such topics as profiling prospects, relationship building, achieving goals with mental conditioning, psychological strategies to overcome cold call reluctance and developing the mindset to excel.

The learning techniques session provides information on how to learn faster and to stay current. Participants will learn to improve their reading speed, increase comprehension, use music to enhance learning and get themselves in the proper mindset for concentrated learning.

Cost for each seminar is \$129. Registration information is available online at [www.ndsu.edu/conted](http://www.ndsu.edu/conted) or by calling (701) 231-7015 or 1-800-726-1724.

## NDSU to host Strength Through Sharing Conference

"Looking Towards a New Horizon" is the theme of the annual North Dakota Strength Through Sharing Conference, scheduled for Aug. 8-10 at NDSU. Sponsored by the North Dakota Housing Officers, the conference is an opportunity for student affairs staff to network with staff from across the state.

The conference schedule includes a fire safety pre-conference workshop, an alcohol and drug safety panel, a track designed for administrative support staff and general conference sessions. The keynote speaker is Tim McMahon, co-author of "Exploring Leadership: For College Students Who Want to Make a Difference."

The cost of the conference is \$60 and the registration deadline is July 11. For additional information contact Karla Thoennes at 1-7557.

## White Earth powwow trip scheduled

A trip to the 133rd outdoor powwow at the White Earth Indian Reservation, White Earth, Minn., is scheduled for Saturday, June 16. The annual event is the largest traditional powwow in the woodlands region.

Vans will leave at 10:30 a.m. from the south lot of the Memorial Union and will return to NDSU at approximately 8:30 p.m. the same day.

The cost of the trip is \$20 for NDSU students and \$25 for all others, and registration is due by noon Thursday, June 14. All NDSU students and the public are invited.

For more information, contact Paul Boswell, director of Multicultural Student Services, at 1-7314. The event is co-sponsored by Multicultural Student Services and the Memorial Union Gallery.

## Memorial Union Gallery features screenprinting exhibit

Works by artists Aaron Wilson and Tim Dooley are on exhibit through July 13 in the Memorial Union Gallery.

Wilson's "Into the Plains," and Dooley's "Remixed Product," are two installations of screenprinted panels and sculptural objects. Wilson and Dooley, who teach printmaking at the University of Northern Iowa, use the computer to generate imagery that is output as a stencil capable of generating photo-silk screens. Screenprinting allows them the freedom to print on surfaces that can be fashioned into sculpture, breaking from the confines of the two-dimensional picture plane.

The exhibit is in conjunction with the NDSU Printmaking Educational and Research Studio (PEARS) annual summer workshop. Funding was provided by NDSU Student Government and the Memorial Union Summer Programs.

Summer gallery hours are Monday-Friday 10 a.m.-2 p.m. or by appointment. For more information call the Memorial Union Gallery at 1-7900.

## Garden Golf Scramble scheduled

The third annual Botanic Garden Golf Scramble is scheduled for 1 p.m. Monday, July 16, at Edgewood Golf Course, Fargo. The tournament is sponsored by the Northern Plains Botanic Garden Society, an organization dedicated to construct and maintain a botanical garden and year-round conservatory in the Fargo-Moorhead area.

The entry fee is \$65 per person, which includes green fees, cart rental, post-tournament steak dinner and prizes. Players are encouraged to invite their spouse or guest to the 5:30 dinner for an additional \$13. Entry deadline is July 10.

For information, contact tournament coordinator Don Hanson at 232-8424, or Sharon Morgan at 1-7739 or [smorgan@ndsuxt.nodak.edu](mailto:smorgan@ndsuxt.nodak.edu).

## Legislative Bill Status Report

Office of the NDSU General Counsel

This is the final report for the 2001 legislative session. The 57th Legislative Assembly adjourned on April 28. This list only includes the bills we were tracking that passed. The legislature's Web site is located at [www.state.nd.us/lr](http://www.state.nd.us/lr).

### Senate Bills

**SB 2003:** NDUS appropriations. Appropriates to NDSU \$68,668,747 general fund. Tuition removed from appropriated estimated income and treated like local funds (appropriated even if more than estimated). Unexpended appropriations no longer canceled at end of biennium.

**SB 2015:** Provides for lease payments of \$12,730,841 for higher education bond issues.

**SB 2021:** Agriculture appropriation. Appropriates \$51,742,895 general fund dollars. Makes the vice president for agriculture, director of Agriculture Experiment Station and extension director non-voting members of the State Board of Agricultural Research and Education.

**SB 2023:** Appropriates \$296,348 to the Industrial Commission for bonding for NDSU energy improvement projects; \$8 million to the State Board of Higher Education for new NDSU residence hall; \$3 million for Minard Hall renovation.

**SB 2039:** Amends 15-10-12.1 to authorize the SBHE to approve construction of gift and grant financed improvements if not more than \$385,000. Authorizes board to approve sales of land received by gift.

**SB 2041:** Simplifies 15-10-14.2 to require an annual performance and accountability report by the SBHE.

**SB 2042:** Relates to powers of the SBHE. Repeals patent chapter (47-28) and adds intellectual property policy authority to those powers, including power to set the percent return to the inventor (47-28 had set at 30 percent).

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

**SB 2110:** Continues Project Safe Send regarding the pesticide disposal program. The NDSU Extension Service has a role in this program.

**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; to indicate that disclosure doesn't waive copyright; and to provide that more than one violation is a Class A misdemeanor.

**SB 2122:** Creates the Trees for North Dakota Program.

**SB 2136:** Expands 15-10-19.1 defining a "resident student" for tuition purposes which would include, among other things a spouse or dependent of any employee.

**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.

**SB 2280:** Sets damage limits for destruction of crops, including test plots.

**SB 2297:** Increases lodging expense reimbursement from \$42 to \$45 plus taxes.

**SB 2413:** Adds a new section to chapter 4-24 requiring mediation or arbitration in disagreements over grain sales.

**SCR 4011:** Directs the Legislative Council to study statewide delivery of library services.

**SCR 4020:** Directs the Legislative Council to study state employee compensation and benefit levels.

**SCR 4051:** Urges Congress to take all measures necessary to guard against spread of all livestock diseases, including hoof and mouth disease and bovine spongiform encephalopathy, and to encourage efforts in other countries to eradicate the disease with all possible speed.

#### House Bills

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

**HB 1015:** OMB Appropriation. Provides for \$35 per month minimum and 3 percent first year and 2 percent second year merit raise guidelines. Exempts state property from city specials for flood control. Restricts what local funds can be used for the match in construction projects. Puts workers compensation premiums under State Risk Management Fund.

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

**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.

**HB 1100:** Relates to state defined contribution retirement plan.

**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 versus annually.

**HB1122:** Amends 46-02-09 to require printing purchases to be done by OMB unless delegated to higher education.

**HB 1123:** Removes mandatory bidders preference for North Dakota products and services unless out of state bidder's state has such a preference.

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

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

**HB 1181:** Amends State Board of Agricultural Research and Education statutes to authorize \$50,000 in annual administrative expenses and to appropriate the interest earned by the Research Fund.

**HB 1182:** Amends 49-21-01.1 to exempt higher education from Public Service Commission 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 before the lower mileage rate starts.

**HB 1200:** Appropriates \$320,000 to the North Central Research Extension Center to purchase land and \$85,000 to the Williston REC for a land purchase.

**HB 1216:** Extends the October 1, 2001, time period for employees on PERS to transfer to the defined contribution plan under chapter 54-52.6.

**HB 1283:** Creates a student loan repayment program for employees in technology occupations. Maximum payment is \$1,000 per each year worked in state up to a maximum of five years.

**HB 1338:** Provides for a Legislative Council study of issues related to genetic modification.

**HB 1360:** Creates a nursing needs study to address supply and demand for nurses.

**HB 1386:** Provides for use and selection of a construction manager in state building projects.

**HB 1392:** Provides for a sales tax exemption for educational or charitable activities held in a public facility if gross receipts from an event do not exceed \$5,000.

**HB 1442:** Restricts access to land by owners of genetically modified seed patents to determine patent infringement.

**HB 1444:** Earmarks \$250,000 from the SBHE student grant program to fund repayments of loans by teachers who are in teacher shortage areas.

**HCR 3061:** Directs Legislative Council to study how demographic trends will affect delivery of elementary and secondary education over the next 20 years.

## Shorts and Reminders

### Life insurance premiums to change

The NDPERS board has approved changes to the life insurance contract with ReliaStar. Effective July 1, supplemental rates will increase, and monthly premiums will increase effective with the June paycheck. Anyone wishing to review the rate changes may pick up a new rate chart from Human Resources, Old Main 205.

### Riley elected to United Way board of directors

Tom Riley, dean and professor of arts, humanities and social sciences, is one of five people recently elected to the United Way of Cass-Clay's board of trustees. He will serve a three-year term.

### Positions Available

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

Administrative Assistant  
Wellness Center  
\$22,000+/year  
June 20

Office Manager/#1928  
Center for 4-H Youth Development  
\$20,000+/year  
June 14

Food Service Worker/#1055  
6:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Monday-Friday; weekend and summer hours vary (weekends as necessary)  
Dining Services-Residence Dining Center  
\$6.75/hour  
Open until filled

Lead Food Service Worker/#3291  
7:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Monday-Friday; summer hours may vary (weekends as necessary)  
Dining Services-Residence Dining Center  
\$7.25/hour  
Open until filled

Cook/#1188  
12-month Position; 40 hours/week  
11:30 a.m.-8:00 p.m.  
(Monday-Friday, occasional weekends; summer hours vary)  
Dining Services-West Dining Center  
\$8/hour  
June 15

Catering Attendant  
Primarily Monday-Friday; some evening and weekends (12 months; 20 hours/week, hours between 6:30 a.m.-4 p.m.)  
Dining Services-Memorial Union  
\$6.75/hour  
Open until filled

Deli Attendant/#1409 (re-opened)  
12-month position  
7 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Monday-Friday  
(some evenings and rotating weekends)  
Dining Services-Union Dining Center  
\$7.25 minimum/hour  
Open until filled

Catering Cook/#1090  
40 hours/week; hours will vary; must be flexible (weekends as necessary)  
Dining Services-Memorial Union  
\$9 minimum/hour  
Open until filled

4-H Youth Education Assistant (grant funded position)  
Extension Service  
\$18,000+/year  
(position scheduled to end March 30, 2002; possibility of continuation with additional funding)  
June 18

Research Compliance and Training Officer/#0484  
Research Administration  
\$30,000+/year  
June 20

Information Systems Specialist/#3279  
Engineering and Architecture  
\$30,000+/year  
June 20

Coordinator of Child Care Programs  
Wellness Center  
\$18,000+/year  
June 19

MFT Clinic Coordinator  
(half-time position)  
Child Development and Family Science  
\$16,000/year  
(One year temporary position; possibility of continuation with additional funding)  
June 15

Technical Director/#3226  
Northern Crops Institute  
\$50,000+/year  
June 18 or until filled

Information Technology Specialist (Six positions)  
SENDIT Technology Services, ITS  
\$38,000 minimum/year  
June 22 or until filled

Network Specialist (SENDIT)  
Information Technology Services  
\$38,000 minimum/year  
June 22 or until filled

Milling Program Manager/#5184/#5185  
Cereal Science  
Salary commensurate with experience  
June 22 or until filled

Research Specialist-Zoology  
\$24,000 minimum/year  
July 1

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/jobs](http://www.ndsu.edu/jobs)

## Calendar

### June

13 Occupational Safety and Environmental Health—  
Laboratory and Chemical Safety Short Course, 1-3:30 p.m.,  
Memorial Union Peace Garden Room

14 Occupational Safety and Environmental Health—  
Radiation Safety Short Course, "Laboratory Use of  
Radioactive Materials," 8 a.m.-noon, Memorial Union Peace  
Garden Room.

16 Multicultural Student Services/Memorial Union  
Gallery—White Earth outdoor powwow trip, departing at  
10:30 a.m. from Memorial Union south parking lot.

### July

4 Independence Day, university closed

24 Continuing Education—Michael Monroe Kiefer,  
"Consultative Selling Skills,"  
9 a.m.-4 p.m., Radisson Hotel, Fargo

25 Continuing Education—Michael Monroe Kiefer,  
"Speed Reading, Memory Skills and Accelerated Learning  
Techniques," 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Radisson Hotel, Fargo.

### August

3 Last day of summer classes

8 North Dakota Housing Officers—Strength Through  
Sharing Conference, fire safety pre-conference workshop 1-4  
p.m., Memorial Union.

9 North Dakota Housing Officers—Strength Through  
Sharing Conference, Tim McMahon, keynote speaker, 9-11  
a.m.; Alcohol and Drug Safety Panel, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; general  
conference session I 1-2:15 p.m.; general conference session  
II 2:45-4 p.m.; Memorial Union

10 North Dakota Housing Officers—Strength Through  
Sharing Conference, general conference sessions III and IV  
and keynote closing session, Memorial Union.

20 Regular hours resume

28 First day of fall semester classes

### September

3 Labor Day holiday; university closed





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