

## Winter commencement set for Dec. 21

NDSU President Joseph A. Chapman is encouraging the campus community to attend winter commencement at 4 p.m. Friday, Dec. 21, in the Bison Sports Arena.

"Commencement is one of the most significant events in the annual cycle of an intellectual community. It is a very positive symbol of individual student success, family and community pride, and faculty and staff support," Chapman said. "I have always felt that individuals who do not attend commencement exercises and college receptions miss one of the most exciting days on our campus and forfeit a full perspective on the wonders of the collegiate experience."

Faculty and staff with academic degrees who wish to participate in the academic procession and the graduating class will wear caps and gowns. People needing cap and gown should contact Sharon Swanson at 1-9478 by Dec. 3. Thomas Barnhart, professor of health, nutrition and exercise sciences, will serve as faculty marshal.

## University Senate approves criminal record disclosure policy

The University Senate has approved a proposed policy that requires new employees to disclose if they have a criminal record. The 40 -18 vote in favor of the policy came at the body's Nov. 19 meeting.

According to materials supplied to the University Senate by NDSU general counsel Rick Johnson, Policy 112 requires that prior to any hire on campus, the offeree must self-disclose felonies within the past 10 years or misdemeanors within the past five years if the latter involve violence or theft.

The policy does not require criminal background checks on all new employees, but such a check would be done if a criminal record was disclosed.

According to Johnson, the reasons for the policy include the safety of students, co-workers and property of the University; full disclosure prior to employment avoids problems later; and it shows the university showed reasonable care to avoid negligent hiring lawsuits.

Student body president Jonas Peterson spoke in favor of the policy. "This is not about taking away rights of faculty or staff," he said. "This is about the right of students to a safe environment."

However, some faculty members spoke against the proposal, saying it could potentially limit the talent pool in job searches. They also called the disclosure form "insulting and condescending" and an invasion of privacy.

In other policy matters, the University Senate overwhelmingly approved "Section: 161 Fitness for duty" which lists responsibilities and outlines procedures and outcomes for situations where employees appear to pose a safety risk to themselves or others. The Senate also passed language changes to the university's policy on patents that include adjunct faculty and that the university may require up to 30 percent of any net income.

### **Flex benefits enrollment reminder**

Faculty and staff wishing to enroll in the flexible benefits plan for the 2002 plan year are reminded to complete the enrollment form and return to the Office of Human Resources, Old Main 205, no later than Friday, Nov. 30. For more information, contact Lyn Pletta at 1-8965 or [lyn.pletta@ndsu.nodak.edu](mailto:lyn.pletta@ndsu.nodak.edu).

### **'It's Happening at State' holiday schedule reminder**

"It's Happening at State" will be published only on Dec. 5 and Dec. 12. Regular deadlines apply. There will be no issues Dec. 19, Dec. 26 or Jan. 2. The regular schedule resumes Jan. 9. Due to the Martin Luther King holiday Jan. 21, the deadline for the Jan. 23 issue is Wednesday, Jan. 16.

### **New employee orientation scheduled for Dec. 5**

New employees are invited to attend an orientation session from 8:15-11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 5, in the Memorial Union Prairie Rose Room. The session is organized by the Office of Human Resources. Employees who have not attended a new staff orientation also are welcome to attend. Requests for accommodations related to disability and reservations must be made to Brittnee Steckler at 1-8961.

### **Science Citation Index poll**

Individuals interested in providing an opinion regarding canceling the NDSU Libraries subscription to Science Citation Index (SCI) are asked to complete a short survey at [www.lib.ndsu.nodak.edu/collmgmnt/sci\\_cit/](http://www.lib.ndsu.nodak.edu/collmgmnt/sci_cit/) by Thursday, Dec. 20. The Library is considering canceling SCI and the print version of Chemical Abstracts (CA) to subscribe to the Chemical Abstract Service's SciFinder Scholar.

### **Next Issue**

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## Business administration certificate programs move forward

Three proposed certificate programs in the NDSU College of Business Administration are closer to becoming a reality. Programs titled "Human Resource Management," "Marketing" and "Professional Money Management" were approved by the University Senate during its Nov. 19 meeting.

The proposal will next be presented to the State Board of Higher Education. If approved, the programs are expected to be in place next fall.

The certificate programs are 16-credit, focused areas of study aimed at students in other majors who want specific courses in business, working professionals who wish to enhance their formal training and business majors who wish to demonstrate their education a distinct area.

"We're trying to provide educational services across a wide variety of customers," said Jay Leitch, dean of business administration. "More and more people are interested in changing careers and life-long learning, so this is one way to extend ourselves to the business community."

The certificate program in human resource management includes Foundations of Management, Human Resource Management, three other courses and an integrated project.

The marketing certificate includes Foundations of Marketing, Marketing Management, Consumer Behavior, two other courses and an integrated project.

The program for professional money management includes Principles of Finance, Investment Analysis and Management, three other courses and an integrated project.

Leitch said the certificate programs benefit everyone involved. "It is a marketing tool for NDSU and something we can advertise," he said. "At the other end, people appreciate how we can facilitate their career change and professional development."

The programs also are seen as a way the university is responding to needs in the community and fulfilling an important segment of the land-grant mission.

"We've assembled a group of focused courses to help people hone their professional skills in three specific areas," Leitch said. "It's a way for NDSU to reach out and bridge the gap between academia and the business community."

## Staff, faculty tuition waiver for graduate courses no longer taxable

Beginning Jan. 1, faculty and staff who register for graduate level courses and are granted a tuition waiver will no longer be taxed on the waiver's value.

The Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001 permanently extends section 127 of the Internal Revenue Code on employer provided educational assistance. Both undergraduate and graduate level education, up to \$5,250 per year, will be tax-exempt from FICA (Social Security and Medicare) tax, and federal and state income tax.

Graduate level courses taken fall semester for which a faculty/staff tuition waiver was granted may still be taxable. Employees affected will receive information in December.

## Development Foundation accepting grant applications

The NDSU Development Foundation Grants and Awards Committee is accepting applications from faculty and staff for grants from three endowment funds for the 2001-02 academic year. The application deadline is Dec. 21.

The Centennial Endowment Fund can provide maximum awards of \$5,000, with a total of \$21,500 available. It supports professorships, scholarships, biotechnology, faculty development, libraries and cultural arts.

The NDSU Development Foundation Board of Trustees Endowment can provide maximum awards of \$1,000, with a total of \$4,600 available. It supports general programs across campus.

The NDSU Development Foundation Libraries Endowment has \$3,500 available. It supports requests from any academic unit on campus for materials which will enhance the collections and/or operations of university libraries.

Faculty and staff can obtain copies of application forms for all three endowments in the deans' offices of their college, or by e-mail to [jmonson@gwmail.nodak.edu](mailto:jmonson@gwmail.nodak.edu). The NDSU Development Foundation will notify applicants of funding decisions prior to March 22, 2002.

## Team-building classroom environment offered

An instrumented classroom providing a learning environment in which technology promotes student collaboration in problem-solving and decision making is available to all instructors with students using team activities during class.

The Morrill Hall classroom consists of 14 computerized pods, each accommodating up to three people. Specialized software allows students to share and present information to other teams, and instructors are able to use the software to present and send information directly to each computer.

To schedule the Morrill 111 classroom, complete the form at [alice.cc.ndsu.nodak.edu/cgi-bin/equipment/reserve.pl](http://alice.cc.ndsu.nodak.edu/cgi-bin/equipment/reserve.pl).

For more information contact Elizabeth Smith, instructional designer in Information Technology Services, at 1-6283 or [Elizabeth.Smith@ndsu.nodak.edu](mailto:Elizabeth.Smith@ndsu.nodak.edu).

## French teaching assistantship program announced

The French Ministry of Education has announced its "American Assistants in France 2002/2003" program. The program offers 1,500 teaching assistantships in elementary and secondary schools.

The program, open to graduate or undergraduate American students majoring or minoring in French, is an opportunity to spend seven months in France gaining valuable teaching experience while earning a salary of \$950 per month. The assistantships will be from Oct. 1, 2002, to April 30, 2003.

Application forms, which must be received before Feb. 15, 2002, are available online at [www.frenchculture.org/education/support/assistant/index.html](http://www.frenchculture.org/education/support/assistant/index.html).

## People

### Sorenson named NCI technical director

Brian Sorenson has been named technical director at Northern Crops Institute as of Dec. 1.

Sorenson has served as NDSU's wheat quality specialist in cereal science for the past year. He previously spent 11 years at Purina Mills where he was responsible for coordinating all aspects of new project development for product quality and product development.

"I consider the mission of the NCI to be extremely valuable to the promotion of agriculture in the northern plains states," Sorenson said.

NCI director Pat Berglund said, "Brian is an important addition to NCI's capabilities in educational programs and processing. His familiarity with the quality characteristics of crops grown in this region and his industrial processing experience give him an understanding of the needs of both producers and industry."

Northern Crops Institute supports regional agriculture and value-added processing by conducting educational and technical programs that expand and maintain domestic and international markets for northern-grown crops. More information can be found on the Web at [www.northern-crops.com](http://www.northern-crops.com).

For more information contact Sally Sologuk, public relations specialist, at 1-8267 or [Sally.Sologuk@ndsu.nodak.edu](mailto:Sally.Sologuk@ndsu.nodak.edu).

### Hellevang named 'Communicator of the Year'

Kenneth Hellevang, professor of agricultural and biosystems engineering, will be honored as Communicator of the Year at a luncheon scheduled for 11:45 a.m. Monday, Dec. 3, in the Memorial Union Prairie Rose Room. The award is presented annually by the NDSU Agriculture Communication department and North Dakota Agricultural Communicators in Education.

Hellevang is being recognized for using a variety of communications tools to educate the public about important topics. His work focuses on grain drying, grain, potato and sugar beet storage, and home moisture and mold. He has utilized Web sites, in-person presentations, publications, print and broadcast news stories, lesson plans, videotapes, displays and other tools to share information.

Hellevang also has been honored by the American Society of Agricultural Engineers, the U.S. Department of Agriculture and Epsilon Sigma Phi.

The luncheon speaker will be Doug Friez, director of homeland security and emergency management for North Dakota.

Luncheon tickets are \$7 (payable to ACE) and are available through Nov. 28, in Morrill 5. The menu includes roast beef, mashed potatoes and vegetable. For more information, call 1-7881.

### Expert discusses outlook for women in engineering and science

Suzanne E. Franks, director of the Women in Engineering and Science Program at Kansas State University, Manhattan, says the future for women in the sciences is uncertain.

During a campus visit Nov. 15-16, Franks said, "Over the long-term, there has been progress with the number of women in science and engineering. But, success in the future is not guaranteed."

Franks' concern is that the number of women studying the sciences, which has been rising for the past two decades, may be leveling off.

She notes that in the early 1970s, fewer than 1 percent of engineering students were women, so that has been an area of improvement. Biological science is another field that Franks calls a "success story." But, Franks also said the number of women studying computer science has dropped from 40 percent in the 1970s to 25 percent today.

"There has been a precipitous drop in the percentage of women in computer science during the past 15 years," Franks said. "This is a field that has been growing economically and career-wise, and women are not participating."

Named to her position in 1999, Franks is responsible for KSU's recruitment and retention programs for women in engineering and the sciences from middle school through post-graduate levels. Franks said universities must encourage more participation by women and minorities.

"If you don't take on the task to promote success, then you run the risk of irrelevancy," she said. "This is not just a social justice issue. If we don't recruit women and men of color for engineering and the sciences, universities may find themselves on the margin."

Franks came to campus at the invitation of Kathleen Slobin, director of Women's Studies and associate professor of sociology, who said the visit was intended to focus on the need to recruit more women from North Dakota and Minnesota into science and engineering.

"I hope it has some resonance with our faculty," Slobin said, noting she hopes the visit may spark similar interest at this campus. "This is especially important for NDSU, as we are moving into a research-extensive position. One of our strengths lies in our engineering and technical fields, so making the campus environmentally friendly for women to enter those fields is important to our future as a university."

During her stay on campus, Franks met with faculty, administrators, the student Society of Women Engineers (SWE) group and members of the student and faculty campus Women in Science, Mathematics, Engineering and Technology (WISMET) groups.

Franks earned her bachelor's degree from the Pennsylvania State University, master's degree in nuclear engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a doctorate in biomedical engineering and a certificate in women's studies from Duke University. She also earned a second master's degree in secondary education from Arcadia University.

## Communication department faculty awards, publications

Deanna Sellnow, interim registrar, received a "Top Panel" award for her panel on "Teaching the Basic Public Speaking Course Online," at the November meeting of the National Communication Association.

"The Challenge of Communication," an article by Robert Littlefield, professor of communication, was published in *Principal Leadership*, a publication of the National Association of Secondary School Principals. The article describes the way in which students gain self-confidence and improve academic achievement through using communication skills.

Paul Nelson, professor and chair of communication, was co-editor of the book, "The Changing Conversation in America: Lectures from the Smithsonian." Contributing to the book were communication scholars who have presented papers at the Smithsonian Institution.

## Bromley painting included in 'Remembrance' exhibition

"Sitting Duck," a painting by Kimble Bromley, associate professor of art, is included in the Philadelphia showing of "Remembrance," a traveling exhibition in memory of victims of the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

The exhibition is scheduled to open Friday, Nov. 30, at the Barbara Crawford Art Gallery and run for approximately one month. The Anton Gallery, Washington, D.C., serves as exhibition curator.

## Patnode gives clinic at music educators conference

Matthew Patnode, assistant professor of music, presented a clinic and demonstration at the North Dakota Music Educators Association conference Oct. 18-19 in Fargo.

His clinic, "Empowering Your Jazz and Concert Band Saxophone Sections," introduced new ideas and techniques for working with high school saxophone students. Demonstrations were provided by members of the NDSU Jazz Ensemble saxophone section.

Patnode was featured as baritone saxophone soloist with the Jazz Arts Group Big Band at the convention, and also was the featured guest artist at the Fargo South Jazz Ensemble's fall concert. For this concert, he performed works on soprano, alto and tenor saxophones.

Patnode has been at NDSU since 1999 and teaches applied saxophone, flute, bassoon, chamber music and jazz studies.

## NDSU Alumni Association elects new officers, board members

David Maring, BS '71, has been named board chair of the NDSU Alumni Association. He is president of Maring Williams Law Office PC in Mandan.



**Maring**



**Swiontek**



**Marsden**



**Warner**

Newly elected officers are:

- President—Steve Swiontek, Fargo, BS '78, president and CEO of Gate City Bank;
- Vice president—Richard Marsden, Fargo, BA '71, MeritCare radiologist;
- Secretary/treasurer—Joanne Warner, Hillsboro, BS '70.



**Dick**



**Floden**



**Hanson**

New members elected to the board of directors are:

- Joel Dick, Fargo, BS '68, MS '71 and Ph.D. '76, vice president of manufacturing for Roman Meal Milling Co.;
- Gerald Floden, Fargo, BS '73, president of Ulteig Engineers Inc.;
- John R. Hanson, Bowman, BS '79, owner of the Logging Camp Ranch;



**Jones**



**Larson**



**Schluchter**

- Adam Jones, student government vice president is the student representative;
- Anthony Larson, Hettinger, BS '95, manager of Dacotah Bank;
- Wayne Schluchter, St. Cloud, Minn., BS '82, CEO of Nies Schluchter and Associates.

## Events

### College savings plan seminar scheduled

"The 529 Plan," a seminar about an investment plan designed to help families save for college, is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 10, in the Memorial Union. The seminar is sponsored by the Office of Continuing Education.

The state-run plan also helps families gain tax benefits while saving for a college education. Plans differ by state. Plan benefits include contributor account control, tax deductions, tax deferrals and estate tax treatment.

The plan allows parents, grandparents, relatives and friends to contribute to a college savings plan. Financial aid eligibility is not affected.

Scheduled presenters are Jaford Burgad and Duane Hanson, both of Mutual of Omaha Insurance Co.

Cost of the seminar is \$35. Registration forms and additional information can be found on the Web at [www.ndsu.edu/conted](http://www.ndsu.edu/conted) or by calling 1-7015.

### Intensive English program scheduled

The Intensive English Language Program (IELP), designed to develop skills for academic study and general English language use, is scheduled for Jan. 9-May 3, 2002.

The IELP is open to any high school graduate interested in studying advanced English. The program helps NDSU international undergraduate and graduate students to meet the English proficiency requirement.

Prospective international teaching assistants who have not obtained a 600 on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) are required to attend the program.

The IELP also is available for foreign scholars and others in the community who wish to improve their English skills.

The IELP is a self-supporting program offered through the Division of Continuing Education. Tuition, which includes health insurance, is \$2,670 for the spring program. Classes meet 12 hours per week with additional time for tutoring and practice in the language laboratory. The IELP also is offered during summer for five weeks and fall semester for 15 weeks.

For more information, contact International Programs at 1-7895, or visit [www.ndsu.edu/International](http://www.ndsu.edu/International).

### Franzen to present Christmas concert

Dave Franzen, associate professor of soil science, is scheduled to present a Christmas piano concert at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, at Friendship United Methodist Church, Fargo. The concert is free of charge.

Franzen has been playing the piano since he was six years old and has been the church's pianist for four years.

Proceeds from Franzen's recordings, "Earthtones" and "Earthtones Christmas," benefit the Friendship United Methodist Church building fund.

### English department seminar scheduled

Amy Watkin, graduate student and teaching assistant in the English department, is scheduled to present "The Value of Virtue: Matriarchal Lineage of the Novel" at 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 29, in Minard 203.

Watkin will discuss how novels by women in the 18th century established a certain literary canon on which female novelists base their work.

Faculty and staff members are welcome to participate. Those who wish to present or have suggestions regarding the English seminar series should contact Bill Cosgrove at 1-7147 or [bill.cosgrove@ndsu.nodak.edu](mailto:bill.cosgrove@ndsu.nodak.edu).

### Safe Zone training set

A Safe Zone training session has been scheduled for noon-2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 30, in the Memorial Union Peace Garden room. A complementary lunch will be served for all participants.

The Safe Zone program is designed to educate students, faculty and staff about the experiences, concerns and issues of gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgendered members of the community. The program encourages open dialogue and sharing information in order to create a supportive environment for diverse members of the NDSU community.

If you are interested in participating in the program, contact Kara Stack, assistant director for campus programs, at 1-8566 or [Kara.Stack@ndsu.nodak.edu](mailto:Kara.Stack@ndsu.nodak.edu) by noon Tuesday, Nov. 27.

## Shorts and Reminders

### Food production management meal

"A Luau for Lunch" Hawaiian style meal is scheduled for noon Tuesday, Nov. 27, in the lower level of West Dining Center. The menu includes pork and vegetable kabobs, wild rice, stir fry vegetables, dinner roll and white cake. Cost of the meal is \$5.60 or free to those on a meal plan. Reservations may be made by calling 1-7023 or at the West Dining Center check stand.

### Student art exhibit scheduled

A juried student art exhibit is on display through Wednesday, Dec. 19, in the Memorial Union Gallery. Students from all academic disciplines are featured. Exhibit juror is Jackie McElroy-Edwards, former University of North Dakota visual arts department chair. Gallery hours are 9:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Thursday, and 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday. For more information call 1-7900.

### Union Food Court specials for Nov. 28-Dec. 5

#### Soup of the day

Wednesday: zesty Italian and chicken tortellini  
 Thursday: chicken noodle and cream of broccoli  
 Friday: wonton and beer cheese  
 Monday: chicken noodle and corn chowder  
 Tuesday: Wisconsin cheese and beef noodle  
 Wednesday: meatball and turkey rice

**The Corner Deli**

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

**A La Carte**

Wednesday: sweet and sour chicken  
 Thursday: big Texan salad  
 Friday: hot meatloaf sandwich  
 Monday: fleischkuekle  
 Tuesday: chicken chow mein  
 Wednesday: pasta bar

**Pizza Express**

Wednesday: once around the kitchen  
 Thursday: bacon cheeseburger  
 Friday: taco  
 Monday: barbecue shredded beef  
 Tuesday: Southwestern chicken  
 Wednesday: farmhouse

\*Items are subject to change without notice.

Call the Dining Services Lunch Line at 1-9501 to check out all of our 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 screening dates through the Office of Human Resources, Room 205, Old Main:

Administrative Secretary  
 Child Development and Family Science  
 \$18,000+/year  
 Nov. 28

Administrative Assistant  
 Agribusiness and Applied Economics  
 \$20,000+/year  
 Nov. 29

Administrative Secretary/#1901  
 Center for 4-H Youth Development  
 \$20,000+/year  
 Dec. 4

Administrative Secretary/#5040  
 College of Pharmacy  
 \$20,000+/year  
 Dec. 7

Cashier/#3232  
 12 months; 40 hours/week  
 6 a.m.-2:30 p.m.; M-F  
 Weekends as necessary; summer hours vary  
 Dining Services-West Dining Center  
 \$6.75/hour  
 Open until filled

Food Service Worker/#2166  
 12 months; 40 hours/week  
 11:30 a.m.-8 p.m.; M-F  
 Weekends as necessary; summer hours vary  
 Dining Services-Residence Dining Center  
 \$6.75/hour  
 Open until filled

Lead Dish Room Worker/#1069  
 12 months; 40 hours/week  
 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; M-F  
 Dining Services-Union Dining Center  
 \$7.25/hour  
 Open until filled

Laboratory Cell Culture Technician  
 Pharmacy Science  
 Salary commensurate with experience  
 Nov. 30 or until filled

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

Physical Sciences Librarian/#3683  
 Library  
 \$32,000+/year  
 Dec. 1 (re-opened)

Pharmacist (Per Diem)  
 Student Health Service  
 Salary commensurate with 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****November**

Through Dec. 19 Student Art Society—NDSU Juried Student Exhibition. Reception 4-6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 21, Memorial Union Gallery

Through Dec. 3 Baccalaureate exhibition—Brian Walker, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday, Reineke Visual Arts Gallery

YMCA of NDSU—Brown Bag seminar, "Facing AIDS: Struggles of Women and Their Families," noon-1 p.m., Memorial Union Peace Garden Room

28 Men's basketball vs. University of Minnesota-Duluth, 7 p.m., Bison Sports Arena

30 Animal and Range Sciences—Jake Reed, graduate student, "Feeding Barley to Feedlot Cattle," 3:30 p.m., Hultz 104

30 Plant Pathology—Berlin Nelson, professor plant pathology, "Stachybotrys Chartarum-The Toxic Indoor Mold," 1 p.m., Loftsgard 114

30 Plant Science graduate seminar—Chad Ingeman, "Real Used of GPS in Weed Science," 3:30 p.m., Loftsgard 114 (rescheduled)

- 30 Psychology—Albert Rizzo, University of Southern California School of Gerontology, “The Utility of Immersive Virtual Environments in Neuropsychological Assessment and Rehabilitation,” 3:30 p.m., Minard 209
- 30-Dec. 1 Women’s basketball hosts the Valley Imports Classic, 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., Bison Sports Arena

## December

- 3 Brian Walker exhibition reception, 4:30-5:30 p.m., Reineke Visual Arts Gallery
- 7 Plant Pathology—Gwen Mars, graduate student exit seminar, “Effect of Sclerotinia Stem Rot on Yield of Two Soybean Cultivars Inoculated at Different Growth Stages,” 1 p.m., Loftsgard 114
- 7 Plant Science graduate seminar—Dwain Meyer, “Recent Advances in Alfalfa Management,” 3:30 p.m., Loftsgard 114 (rescheduled)
- 12 USDA-ARS—David Law, “Molecular Mish-Mash: Deciphering the Signals Leading to Dormancy Break in Potato Tubers,” 10 a.m., Biosciences Research Lab
- 14 Plant Science graduate seminar—Shahryar Kianian, “Wheat Germplasm Enhancement,” 3:30 p.m., Loftsgard 114 (rescheduled)
- 15 Wrestling vs. Northern State University, 7:30 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 17 USDA-ARS—Robert Schaffer, Michigan State University, “Minint Arabidopsis Microarray,” 10 a.m., Biosciences Research Lab
- 19 Men’s basketball vs. Mayville State University, 7 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 21 Winter commencement, 4 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 21 Women’s basketball vs. Valley City State, 6 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 21 Men’s basketball vs. Minot State University, 8 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 29 Women’s basketball vs. Nebraska-Omaha, 6 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 29 Men’s basketball vs. University of Nebraska-Omaha, 8 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 30 Women’s basketball vs. Northern Colorado, 6 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 30 Men’s basketball vs. University of Northern Colorado, 8 p.m., Bison Sports Arena

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