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### NDSU sets new enrollment record

NDSU's fall enrollment has set a new record by topping 11,600 students. This is the fourth year in a row that the university has reached an all-time high.

Official third-week numbers announced Sept. 17 show an enrollment of 11,623 students, compared to 11,146 last year. The total represents a 4.3 percent increase from fall semester 2002.

"This is an exciting, record-breaking day for the university. We are delighted with the enrollment figures," said George Wallman, vice president for student affairs. "There are two very significant increases. The number of new freshmen and graduate students are both breaking previous records."

According to Wallman, NDSU has 10,157 undergraduate students this fall, up from 9,874 undergraduates one year ago. He said new freshmen total 1,959, which is an increase of 126 from last year. NDSU now has 1,466 graduate students, compared to 1,272 graduate students in 2002.

"Our growth continues to follow our enrollment plan of increasing graduate education at NDSU. The new Living/Learning Center has added residence hall space and nine new classrooms are in use," Wallman said. "The increase is attributed to the addition of graduate programs, a significant increase in freshmen, the overall desirability of Fargo as a place for college students and an increase of international students, as well as more students from across the United States."

## Survey charts student satisfaction

Results from the 2002 Student Satisfaction Inventory (SSI) survey show that NDSU scored about the same as in the SSI poll taken in the fall of 1999. About 72 percent expressed satisfaction with "Instructional Effectiveness," up from 70 percent in the previous survey. About 11 percent of the students said they were neutral on the question, compared to 14 percent in the 1999 survey.

The survey of 891 respondents was taken in the fall of 2002. It asked students' opinions on 12 different areas, including Instructional Effectiveness, Academic Advising, Safety and Security, Student Centeredness, Registration Effectiveness, Campus Climate, Concern for the Individual, Recruitment and Financial Aid, Campus Support Services, Service Excellence, Campus Life and Responsiveness to Diverse Populations.

Students were asked their satisfaction about 73 specific items related to one or more of the above areas. Satisfaction increased for 57 items, while dissatisfaction rose in 43 of the items.

In general, NDSU improved in Instructional Effectiveness, ranked very highly in Safety and Security, improved considerably in the Registration Effectiveness and Recruitment and Financial Aid categories and showed fair improvement in Campus Life.

"The survey provides a benchmark for how NDSU students view the institution. We need to compare ourselves with our contemporaries across the nation, and it's important for our own stimulation, growth and correction to know where we stand," said William Slanger, director of the Office of Institutional Research and Analysis. "It's also important to let the students know that we are interested in their opinions, and that we are striving to respond to their feedback." cont.

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ellen.puffe@ndsu.nodak.edu www.ndsu.edu/universitv\_relations/news The survey also said that low cost was the top factor for students deciding to enroll at NDSU, followed by academic reputation, financial aid and geographical setting.

According to Slanger, the survey indicates that NDSU students have become as demanding as students at other national four-year public institutions. He said additional surveying will be done in the spring of 2004, and more information will be gathered with student focus groups, scheduled for fall 2004.

The survey is a national instrument of Noel-Levitz Centers Inc. It was administered at all institutions of the North Dakota University System.

# Cooperative sponsorship committee proposals requested

The cooperative sponsorship committee invites departments and colleges to submit funding requests for the 2003-04 academic year.

The committee was established to assist departments and colleges in bringing guest lecturers and artists to campus. It promotes joint sponsorship of a wide range of lectures and related public events on timely topics for NDSU and the Tri-College community.

All requests should be submitted electronically via the committee's Web site. Complete request guidelines and the request form can be found at <a href="https://www.ndsu.nodak.edu/ndsu/csc">www.ndsu.nodak.edu/ndsu/csc</a>.

In some years, all funds have been allocated during fall semester. Funds available after March 1 will be allocated at the discretion of the committee on a first-come, first-served basis. To ensure maximum use of limited available funds, the committee suggests joint departmental and inter-college program sponsorship.

Committee members are S. Derek Killilea, chair and professor of biochemistry; Bahman Bahrami, chair and professor of business administration; Denise Olson, assistant professor of entomology; Mort Sarabakhsh, associate professor of apparel, design, facility and hospitality management; Carla Gross, assistant professor of nursing; Thomas M. (Tim) Kennedy, assistant professor of architecture; Janna Mausolf Stoskopf, director of the Memorial Union; E. John Miller, director of fine arts; and David J. Smith, student representative.

# NDSU selected as test site for new CPA exam format

The Department of Accounting and Information Systems has been selected by the American Institute of CPAs to pre-test the institute's new electronic CPA exam format, according to associate professor and department chair Charles Harter.

Harter said that the AICPA plans to eventually replace the paper exam with the electronic version. "The department is pleased to have this opportunity give students in the region the opportunity to experience the new CPA exam format," Harter said. "One hundred forty-six accounting majors from NDSU, MSUM and Concordia will take exams Sept. 26-27 in the NDSU Library Clusters." Approximately 60 percent of those taking the test are students in or graduates of the NDSU accounting program.

## Small group to be tested for tuberculosis

Public health officials are testing a small group of individuals in Cass and Grand Forks Counties after a NDSU student was diagnosed in early September with tuberculosis. During the summer, the student took classes and worked at a summer job while living off campus. Health officials are identifying those people who had contact with the student to provide them with information on the disease and testing procedures. The student is currently at home in Grand Forks County while receiving treatment; the identity is being withheld in accordance with federal patient privacy law.

Fargo Cass Public Health officials say far fewer individuals will be tested than two and a half years ago in another TB case. In April 2001, approximately 1,000 NDSU students, faculty and staff were tested after a student was diagnosed with the disease. This time, health officials say it could be less than 50. An exact number will be determined after interviews are conducted with individuals who had contact with the patient.

"While TB is always a serious public health matter, there are key differences in the circumstance now versus two years ago," said Gary Narum, associate vice president for student affairs and Wellness Center director. "In 2001, the initial case involved a student who lived on campus for several months before being diagnosed and receiving treatment. The individual in our current situation came in contact with far fewer people during the summer months and while living off campus."

Tuberculosis is a disease caused by a bacterium named Mycobacterium tuberculosis. It can be spread through the air from one person to another.

"The risk of getting TB from someone with tuberculosis disease increases when there is frequent, close contact, especially in small areas with poor ventilation," said Dr. John Baird, Fargo Cass Public Health Officer. "In 2001, there appeared to be no increased risk to tested individuals with less than 50 hours of casual contact."

TB infection can be detected with a skin test. Ninety percent of people infected with tuberculosis never advance to actually having the disease; their immune systems successfully isolate the germs without the person ever feeling sick or being contagious. To ensure that no one goes on to develop TB disease, medication is recommended for everyone with TB infection. In Cass County last year, about 100 individuals were treated for TB infection. There are an estimated 10 million to 15 million people in the United States infected with the TB germ with the potential to develop TB disease in the future.

Health officials from several agencies are involved with this case, including the North Dakota Department of Health and the Grand Forks Public Health Department. Additional information on tuberculosis is available on the Web, including <a href="https://www.WebMD.com">www.WebMD.com</a>, <a href="https://www.MayoClinic.com">www.MayoClinic.com</a> and the Centers for Disease Control at <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/nchstp/tb/faqs/qa.htm">www.cdc.gov/nchstp/tb/faqs/qa.htm</a>.

# Nominations sought for Tapestry of Diverse Talents

Nominations are being sought for candidates for the Tapestry of Diverse Talents, a program of the Memorial Union that recognizes students, faculty, staff and alumni for the diversity and contributions they bring to NDSU.

Each semester individuals are added to the mosaic in appreciation of their efforts to promote diversity and cultural pluralism in the campus community.

Nomination forms are due in the Student Activities Office, 360 Memorial Union, by 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 17.

The fall 2003 induction ceremony is scheduled for noon Friday, Dec. 12, in the Memorial Union Alumni Lounge.

For more information, call 1-7347 or e-mail *Bernadette*. *Tiaponeba@ndsu.nodak.edu*.

# ND EPSCoR faculty start-up proposals requested

ND EPSCoR invites proposals from department chairs and deans who are recruiting for department chair positions to compete for start-up funds for tenure-track faculty to be hired during iscal year 2005.

The program was developed to provide the research universities with faculty who will compete for federal grants in the sciences, engineering and mathematics research programs.

Proposal abstracts are due in the ND EPSCoR office by noon Friday, Oct. 24, and full proposals are due by noon Monday, Nov. 10. Abstracts will be used to assist in the selection of a proposal review panel, but are not a requirement and will not be part of the evaluation.

ND EPSCoR anticipates making 10-15 awards. The request for proposals is available at www.ndepscor.nodak.edu/rfps.

ND EPSCoR is a federally and state funded program designed to improve the ability of university researchers to compete more effectively for federal, regional and private research grants in the sciences, engineering and mathematics.

## People

## Former faculty member Kegel dies

Jane Kegel, former senior lecturer of English, died Sept. 13 in her Moorhead home. She was 72.

An NDSU alumna and Fargo native, Kegel earned a bachelor's degree in 1951 and a master's degree in 1979. She later received a doctorate in education from the University of North Dakota.

Kegel joined the NDSU Department of English and Education in the fall of 1981 and served until her retirement in 1994. An active contributor to Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, she received the 1994 Robert Odney Award for Excellence in Teaching and also was presented with the Delta Kappa Gamma Society Distinguished Citation Award.

Prior to teaching on campus, she taught at North Dakota schools in Harvey, Mandan, Kindred, Clifford-Galesburg and Mayville-Portland.

Kegel is survived by six children.

# Freeman named research compliance and training officer

Pierre Freeman has been hired as research compliance and training officer in Sponsored Programs Administration. He began his duties Aug. 18.

Freeman will direct the Institutional Animal Care and Use and the Institutional Biosafety committees, serving as the initial contact and working with program implementation and federal compliance. His responsibilities also include the development, coordination and conducting of training sessions related to committee activities and research.

Prior to starting at NDSU, the Oregon native worked in research laboratories in an Oregon VA Medical Center, Oregon Health Services University and the Neuropsychiatric Research Institute, Fargo. He is a Registered Laboratory Animal Technician. Freeman graduated from NDSU with a bachelor's degree in psychology and minors in business and chemistry.

## Tolliver appointed UGPTI associate director

Denver Tolliver has been named associate director of the Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute at NDSU, according to UGPTI director Gene Griffin. Tolliver's appointment was effective July 1.

As associate director, Tolliver will coordinate efforts of the nine existing programs within the transportation institute and assist in planning and development of programs. He also will be responsible for representing the institute internally at NDSU in the absence of the director and will assist the director in planning and development of future programs.

Tolliver currently oversees the new doctoral program in transportation and logistics, serves as director of the four-state Mountain-Plains Consortium and is a senior research fellow with UGPTI. He also is an adjunct professor in civil and construction engineering.

Prior to coming to NDSU in 1980, he was a research assistant at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute Center for Environmental Studies and a rail planner with the North Dakota Department of Transportation. He received a bachelor's degree at Morehead State University in Kentucky and master's and doctoral degrees at VPI.

He is a past president of the Agriculture and Rural Transportation Chapter of the Transportation Research Forum, served on national research committees and authored verified statements on railroad freight transportation presented to the Interstate Commerce Committee or Surface Transportation Board. He has been a consultant to the transportation departments of Washington, Idaho, Nebraska and Virginia, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Grain Transportation Agency of Canada, Canadian National Railroad and private companies.

Tolliver has written many journal articles and reports on transportation topics and a book on highway impact assessment.

## Central Asia health officials visit campus

Visitors from Central Asia recently toured NDSU's Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory and the Animal Nutrition and Physiology Center as part of a state tour in conjunction with a Centers for Disease Control course.

Venera Absattarova, deputy head doctor of the epidemiology department, Karakalpakastan, Uzbekistan; Ysmaiyl Karabaev, deputy head doctor of Oblast SES, Batken, Kyrgyzstan, and interpreter Rita McGrath were on campus Sept. 12.

The group was participating in a five-week training program called "Epidemiology, Biostatistics and Scientific Communications for Public Health Colleagues from the Central Asian Republics." While in North Dakota, they visited the State Health Department in Bismarck, University of North Dakota School of Medicine, Fargo Public Health Department and NDSU.

"Hosting the Central Asians is a continuation of NDSU's involvement in working with the former Soviet Union states to raise their scientific capabilities, specifically in public health," explained Charles Stoltenow, Extension veterinarian, who led the group's tour on campus.

"My involvement in these programs is more of a professional avocation than a vocation," Stoltenow said. "Nineteen days after 9/11, I was in Obolensk, Russia, working to develop collaborative research projects with Russian scientists identified as biological warfare specialists to minimize their desire to defect to a terroristic adversary of the United States. This is a continuation of those efforts."

The course included four weeks of classroom courses at CDC headquarters, Atlanta, in such areas as epidemiology, biostatistics, public health surveillance and disease control and prevention. Course participants then traveled in teams to several states, including North Dakota.

According to a course description written by coordinator Elliott Churchill, the participants were exposed to ways in which decisions involving health care and public health practice are made in the United States. "They have been told about the U.S. model of public health, which says that the power of public health is at the state and local level, but most of them have never seen it," Churchill wrote.

# Theater faculty, students attend theatre technology workshop

Rooth Varland, lecturer in theater arts; Todd W. Johnson, technical director and lecturer in theater arts; and Donald Larew, professor of theater arts, recently attended a workshop of the Northern Boundary Section of the United States Institute for Theatre Technology. Twelve students also attended. Varland serves as section chair and Johnson is member-at-large.

Workshops topics included prosthetic makeup application, corset building, new lighting technology, outdoor theatre and touring productions.

Varland joined the NDSU faculty in 2000, and is the costume director for Little Country Theatre. Prior to NDSU, she was an associate professor of theater at the University of Mississippi and she has designed costumes for several productions.

Johnson has served as technical director for the Little Country Theatre since 2001. Johnson has degrees in architecture and environmental design and an art minor from NDSU. Before starting at NDSU, he worked in the architectural field in Fargo and Duluth, Minn. Johnson is an active member of the Minnesota Design Team and also served as technical director for the Minnesota Repertory Theatre.

Larew has been at NDSU since 1969. He teaches costume, scenic and makeup design classes, supervises design work for the theatre program, and serves as director for Little Country Theatre. He also is a free-lance designer, having worked with the Fargo-Moorhead Community Theatre, Fargo-Moorhead Civic Opera, North Dakota Repertory Theatre and Red River Dance and Performing Company. He has been a regular designer for Scenographics, New Wilmington, Pa., since 1972.

### **Events**

# Open forums scheduled on NDSU's re-accreditation activities

A series of open forums has been scheduled related to NDSU's self-study in preparation for a comprehensive site-visit by a team from the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (HLC).

The Self-Study Steering Committee began work in January on focus group topics identified by HLC as among the major issues in re-accreditation. They include "Diversity," "Finance," "General Education," "Governance," "Mission and the Common Good" and "Technology and Learning."

Self-study coordinator Bob Harrold said the forums provide opportunities for the campus to learn about and contribute to the process. "Input on each of the focus group topics from faculty, staff and students is important to assure that each resource document is complete and represents the campus as effectively as possible," he said.

All forums will be held in the Memorial Union. The schedule is:

Finance and Mission and the Common Good: Tuesday, Sept. 30—2-3:30 p.m. in the Rose Room Wednesday, Oct. 1—1-2:30 p.m. in the University Chamber

Diversity and Governance:

Tuesday, Oct. 21—2-3:30 p.m. in the Meadow Lark Rooms Wednesday, Oct. 22—1-2:30 p.m. in the Meadow Lark Rooms

General Education and Technology and Learning: Tuesday, Nov. 18—2-3:30 p.m. in the Meadow Lark Rooms Wednesday, Nov. 19—1-2:30 p.m. in the Meadow Lark Rooms

The documents developed by each committee are available online at <a href="https://www.ndsu.edu/ndsu/accreditation/focusgrps.shtml">www.ndsu.edu/ndsu/accreditation/focusgrps.shtml</a>. To comment on the documents if you are unable to attend the forums, or to seek additional information, contact Harrold at 1-8967 or <a href="mailto:robert.harrold@ndsu.nodak.edu">robert.harrold@ndsu.nodak.edu</a> or Deanna Sellnow, faculty co-leader, at 1-8221 or <a href="mailto:deanna.sellnow@ndsu.nodak.edu">deanna.sellnow@ndsu.nodak.edu</a>.

According to Harrold, additional participants are sought for development of the self-study document. Writing committees for each of the five "Criteria for Accreditation" will form in January 2004. He said an exact schedule for the site-visit has not been confirmed, but dates in early February 2006 have been requested.

### Regional studies lecture planned

Author Debra Marquart is scheduled to present this year's regional studies lecture, "The Horizontal Life: On Rebellion and Return," at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 20, in Beckwith Recital Hall.

"The Horizontal Life: On Rebellion and Return" is an autobiography about a rebellious farmer's daughter growing up on a North Dakota wheat farm. Still a work in progress, the book chronicles the author's impulse toward flight from her birthplace, and the return to and reconciliation with her place of origin.

Marquart is an associate professor of English and coordinator of the creative writing program at Iowa State University. The author of two poetry books and a collection of short stories, Marquart performs and records with the jazz poetry, rhythm and blues project, The Bone People. Her work has appeared in numerous journals and has received several awards and honors. Marquart also is poetry editor of Iowa State's Flyway Literary Review.

For more information, visit www.ndsu.edu/RSL or contact Kevin Brooks, associate professor English, at 1-7146.

## 'Day of Caring' set for Oct. 9

The United Way of Cass-Clay's 12th annual "Day of Caring" is scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 9. Last year, approximately 1,000 volunteers teamed up to help 249 senior citizens with household projects through the program.

This year's program schedule includes registration at the Bison Sports Arena from 11:30 a.m.-noon; lunch and rally at the BSA from noon-12:45 p.m.; and service projects at homes of Cass-Clay senior citizens from 1-5 p.m.

To participate, contact Kara Stack, assistant director for campus programs, at *kara.stack@ndsu.nodak.edu* before Oct. 1.

# LCT to hold open auditions for 'Fiddler's' Tevye

NDSU's Little Country Theatre has scheduled open auditions for the part of Tevye in its February 2004 production of "Fiddler on the Roof."

Auditions for the part are open to anyone in the Fargo-Moorhead area. Scheduled audition times and dates are 5-7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 10, and 7-10 p.m. Monday, Oct. 27-Thursday, Oct. 30, in Askanase Theatre.

Candidates who are being considered for the role will be invited to attend general call-backs scheduled for 7-10:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 30. The cast list will be posted at noon, Friday, Oct. 31.

Scripts and audition materials are available in the fine arts office located in room 115 of the Reineke Fine Arts Center. Performers should prepare a one-minute monologue and 16 measures of a song. Performers also will be asked to read from the script and sing selected score excerpts.

Performances are scheduled for Feb. 19-22. For more information, contact Pamela Chabora, assistant professor of theater arts, at 1-6657 or *pamela.chabora@ndsu.nodak.edu*.

## Safe Zone ally training scheduled

Safe Zone ally training sessions are scheduled 3 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2, in the Memorial Union Badlands Room, and 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5, in the Memorial Union University Chambers. Refreshments will be served.

The Safe Zone program provides training and information to students, faculty, staff and administrators who are sensitive to the concerns of gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered and questioning individuals at NDSU. The program works to establish an identifiable network of allies who will provide support and information regarding sexual orientation issues, and focuses on developing a welcoming, inclusive environment.

The sessions are open to everyone at NDSU and pre-registration is not required. For more information about the Safe Zone program or training sessions, contact Kara Stack, assistant director for campus programs, at 1-8566 or visit www.ndsu. nodak.edu/memorial\_union/safezone/.

### LaDuke exhibit scheduled

"Honor the Earth: Multicultural Journeys," a one-day exhibit by artist Betty LaDuke, is scheduled for 9:30 a.m.-9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 17, in the Memorial Union Gallery. A reception is scheduled for 7 p.m. The exhibit is being held in conjunction with the North Dakota Peace Coalition's 20th annual Peace Congress.

"Honor the Earth" is a collection LaDuke's work that celebrates her experiences in the African country of Eritrea. The painter, printmaker, activist and teacher describes her work as a celebration of cultural diversity, and as a bridge between people, continents and cultures that sharpens one's sensitivity to life's diversity. She identifies her current work as an honor to the relationship people have with the earth.

The daughter of Russian and Polish immigrants, LaDuke had the opportunity during her youth to work with African-American artists Charles White and Elizabeth Catlett, both of whom she credits as important mentors and role models. She earned bachelor's and master's degrees from California State University in Los Angeles.

Other planned events for the evening include a poetry reading by Minnesotan Dale Jacobson and a music performance by The Community Ensemble.

For more information about the Peace Congress, contact Lisa Brown at 232-3765, or visit the North Dakota Peace Coalition's Web site at <a href="https://www.ndpeace.org">www.ndpeace.org</a>. For more information on the exhibit, contact Rebecca Kilzer at 1-8239 or <a href="mailto:Rebecca.Kilzer@ndsu.nodak.edu.">Rebecca.Kilzer@ndsu.nodak.edu.</a>. The gallery's Web site is located at <a href="https://www.ndsu.nodak.edu/memorial\_union/gallery">www.ndsu.nodak.edu/memorial\_union/gallery</a>.

## Brown bag seminar on career fairs set

"Career Fair Guide for Dummies," a brown bag seminar sponsored by the YMCA of NDSU, is scheduled for noon Wednesday, Oct. 1, in the Memorial Union Alumni Lounge.

Attendees will have the opportunity to learn how to get the most out of career fairs and how to effectively connect with potential employers.

For more information, call 1-5225.

### UGPTI awards banquet set for Oct. 16

The Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute at NDSU will hold its annual awards banquet Thursday, Oct. 16, at the Holiday Inn, Fargo.

The event will include recognition of two individuals prominent in North Dakota's transportation industry. Warren B. Diederich and Walter R. Hjelle will receive the John Agrey Award for outstanding contributions in transportation.

Diederich was the founder of Industrial Builders Inc., and still serves as chair of the board. He was active in the state and national Associated General Contractors of America, serving as state president and on numerous national committees. He was honored for work on highway funding legislation that benefited North Dakota.

Hjelle served as North Dakota highway commissioner from 1961-81 and again from 1985-88, longer than any other commissioner in state history. The state highway system had its greatest expansion under his leadership, including the state's portion of the Interstate Highway System.

UGPTI will award four undergraduate scholarships to NDSU students. Paul E.R. Abrahamson Scholarships will be awarded to Justin Sorby, Fort Ranson, N.D., and Justin Goettle, Donnybrook, N.D. Transportation engineering scholarships will go to Nathan Pederson, New London, Minn., and Robert Klein, St. Cloud, Minn. Funding for the scholarships is provided by the Mountain-Plains Consortium though a grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation.

The banquet opens with a social at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 6:45 p.m. For more information or to make reservations call 1-7767. Reservations are requested by Oct. 3.

# Little Country Theatre to unveil sculpture for 90th anniversary

NDSU's Little Country Theatre will celebrate its 90th anniversary with the unveiling of a comedy/tragedy outdoor sculpture scheduled for 4 p .m. Friday, Oct. 10, on the south lawn of Askanase Hall. The event is free and open to the public.

In addition, LCT will kick off its Circle of Players Endowment Fund Drive to help support the anniversary and future LCT projects.

The sculpture, designed by Todd W. Johnson and created by artist Rick J. Woodland, was donated by Donald Larew, professor of theater arts, in honor of the anniversary.

Woodland, an NDSU visual arts alumnus, said, "Little Country Theatre has a tradition of producing a polished performance through hard work and determination. This sculpture strives to capture this spirit and celebrate it for the public to enjoy."

The eight-foot sculpture was designed to serve as a form of identification for the theater department and capture the spirit of the Little County Theatre. The masks are made of stainless steel, supported by a steel frame and will be polished to a chrome-like finish.

For more information, contact Larew at 1-7791 or Sarah Weiler at 1-9564.

### 'School Day' scheduled

The NDSU Career Center is scheduled to host the 2003 Tri-College Graduate and Professional School Day from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2, in the Memorial Union Ballroom.

More than 40 graduate and professional schools, representing a wide variety of disciplines, will set up information booths with the intent to interact with students regarding their programs.

"Students wanting to investigate graduate or professional school programs will find that their time is well spent attending this event. Hosting Grad School Day on our campus this year makes it convenient for our students," said Jill Wilkey, NDSU Career Center director.

The event is sponsored jointly by NDSU, Minnesota State University Moorhead and Concordia College. Tri-College students are welcome to attend.

Additional information about the School Day and the participants can be found on the NDSU Career Center Web site at www.ndsu.edu/career\_center.

# Conference to examine North Korea issues

The conference, "North Korea in Crisis: Food Production, Economics and Security," is scheduled for 9:15 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, in the Memorial Union Century Theater.

Conference highlights include an address by Rep. Earl Pomeroy, an overview of North Korean agriculture, an examination of the nation's political and economic issues and a panel discussion on the future prospects and challenges of North Korea.

The conference was organized by the Center for Agricultural Policy and Trade Studies, the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, NDSU and the Korea Economic Institute of America. The event is free and open to the public.

### **Shorts and Reminders**

#### **Staff Senate nominations sought**

The NDSU Staff Senate is seeking nominations to fill a vacated two-year term in the 1000/3000 administrative/managerial/professional band. Interested staff may nominate themselves or others. Staff members are eligible for nomination after completion of their six-month probationary period. Nominations will be accepted through Friday, Sept. 26, by contacting Nancy Mueller at 1-8379 or Nancy.Mueller@ndsu.nodak.edu, or Cindy Kozojed at 1-8431 or Cynthia. Kozojed@ndsu.nodak.edu.

### Union Food Court specials for Sept. 24-Oct. 1

#### Soup of the day

Wednesday: wild rice and vegetarian vegetable Thursday: beef noodle and chicken tortilla Friday: beef barley and broccoli cheese Monday: turkey rice and California medley Tuesday: chicken noodle and corn chowder Wednesday: vegetable beef and baked potato

#### The Corner Deli

Wednesday: roast beef Thursday: turkey club Friday: corned beef Monday: turkey

Tuesday: beef and cheddar wrap

Wednesday: ham

#### A La Carte

Wednesday: lasagna trio Thursday: big Texan salad Friday: Swedish meatballs Monday: broasted chicken Tuesday: fajita bar

Wednesday: hand-carved roast beef

### Pizza Express

Wednesday: meatball

Thursday: Southwestern chicken

Friday: Red River

Monday: once around the kitchen

Tuesday: Tuscany

Wednesday: creamy garlic chicken

#### The Union Grab and Go

Wednesday: roasted turkey Thursday: beef broccoli Friday: Swedish meatballs Monday: grilled chicken alfredo Tuesday: sweet and sour chicken Wednesday: broasted chicken

#### More Than A Burger

Wednesday: mushroom Swiss Thursday: smothered chicken Friday: double cheeseburger Monday: Western burger Tuesday: cordon bleu fillet Wednesday: bacon cheeseburger

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**

Open until filled

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

Campus Visit Coordinator/Receptionist/#576 Admissions \$19,000 minimum/year Sept. 30

Concessions/Catering Supervisor/#5338 Hours vary as needed Dining Services-Union Dining Center \$10+/hour Open until filled

Nutrition Education Assistant (FNP)/#5745 NDSU Extension Service-Hettinger and Adams Counties 12 months; 30 hours/week \$13,688 minimum/year; contingent on availability of federal funds

Managing Editor/#5617 Part-time, 50 percent

History \$12,000+/year Sept. 24

Financial Aid Counselor Student Financial Services \$26,000+/year Sept. 26

Admission Counselor Admission \$25,000 minimum/year Sept. 26 or until filled

Assistant Director of Seedstocks/#4259 Plant Science Salary commensurate with experience Sept. 30

Head Preschool Teacher/#43 Nine months: August-May Child Development and Family Science \$21,000+/year Sept. 30 (re-opened)

Manager, Retail Operations **Dining Services** Salary commensurate with experience Oct. 2 or until filled (re-opened)

Position openings also are available through the NDSU Web site at www.ndsu.edu/jobs.

## Calendar

### **September**

Through Oct. 5 Studio/Scholarship recipient exhibition, Reineke Visual Arts Gallery

Through Oct. 13 "It's YOUR Art," selected works from the Memorial Union Gallery permanent art collection, Memorial Union Gallery. Reception and guest speakers 4 p.m., Friday, Oct. 10; special Homecoming hours 10 a.m-2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 11.

Through Dec 19 "Lo Real Maravilloso: the marvelous reality" exhibit by Lourdes Hawley. President's Gallery

- Soil science—Robert Horton, professor of agronomy, 25 Iowa State University, "A Vision for Soil Science," 9:30 a.m., Loftsgard 102
- 25 Research and Technology Park 5:01 Entrepreneur Society—James Carlson, PRACS Institute, Ltd., "Why PRACS? Why Fargo?" 5:01 p.m., Alerus Financial, 3137 32nd Ave. S.W., Fargo. For more information, contact jan@ndsuresearchpark.com or call 1-6698.
- 25 Lively Arts Series—Drum Drum, 7:30 p.m., Festival Concert Hall. Tickets are \$13 for adults, \$10 for seniors and NDSU employees, \$7 for non-NDSU students and children, and \$6 for NDSU students.
- 26-28 Family Weekend

- 26 Animal and range sciences—Chip Poland, Dickinson Research Extension Center, "Livestock Research at the Dickinson Research Extension Center," 3 p.m., Hultz 104
- 26 Psychology—Ken Wingers, University of Minnesota Medical School, "What's Motivation Got To Do With It?" 3:30 p.m., Minard Annex 334
- Volleyball vs. South Dakota State, 7 p.m., Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse
- NDSU Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Combo concert, 7:30 p.m., Festival Concert Hall. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students and children.
- 27 Engineering and architecture—Family Weekend classroom and laboratory tours and demonstations, 10:30 a.m.-noon; picnic for students and parents, noon. For more information and locations, contact Kristin Ferris at 1-7494 or *kristin.ferris@ndsu. nodak.edu*.
- Football vs. South Dakota State 7 p.m., Fargodome (Family Weekend-Trees Bowl)
- 27 Volleyball vs. Augustana, 4 p.m., Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse
- Faculty recital—Robert Jones, 2 p.m., Beckwith Recital Hall. Free.
- 29 Faculty recital—Michael Thrasher, clarinet; Bob Groves, piano; and Amy Schneider, mezzo-soprano, 7:30 p.m., Beckwith Recital Hall. Free.
- Re-accreditation open forum "Finance and Mission and the Common Good," 2 p.m., Memorial Union Prairie Rose Room

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- 1 YMCA of NDSU—Brown bag seminar, "Career Fair Guide for Dummies," noon, Memorial Union Alumni Lounge
- 1 Re-accreditation open forum "Finance and Mission and the Common Good," 1 p.m., Memorial Union University Chamber
- 1 Physics—Hao Wang, postdoctoral fellow, "Shear-Induced Microstructure of Near-Critical Colloid-Polymer Mixtures," 4 p.m., South Engineering 208
- 2 Safe Zone ally training, 3 p.m., Memorial Union Badlands Room
- Wolleyball vs. University of Nebraska at Omaha, p.m., Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse
- 4 Soccer vs. University of South Dakota, 1 p.m., Ellig Sports Complex
- 4 Volleyball vs. University of South Dakota, 7 p.m., Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse
- 5 Soccer vs. University of Nebraska at Omaha, 1 p.m., Ellig Sports Complex
- 5 Safe Zone ally training, 7 p.m., Memorial Union University Chamber
- 8 Tri-College Career Fair, 10 a.m.-noon and 1-3 p.m., Fargo Civic Auditorium
- 8 YMCA of NDSU—Brown bag seminar, "What I Should Have Said," noon, Memorial Union Peace Garden Room
- 9 United Way Day of Caring—registration 11:30 a.m., Bison Sports Arena