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Enterprise Computing and Infrastructure creates emergency Web site

NDSU Enterprise Computing and Infrastructure has created an emergency Web site from a remote location in the event that Internet connections are lost because of the Red River flood. NDSU's emergency Web site is <http://emergency.ndsu.edu>.

Marc Wallman, assistant vice president for the Division of Information Technology, said the Enterprise Computing and Infrastructure staff members have made arrangements with Gardonville Cooperative Telephone Association in Alexandria, Minn., to house two NDSU servers at its data center in case of such an emergency.

"If, due to the flood, we were to lose Internet connectivity, we have an alternate Web site in place to publish information for our NDSU community," Wallman explained.

According to Wallman, a recent problem with fiber optic cable on a bridge east of Bismarck, N.D., demonstrates the need to be

prepared. "The cable was damaged in flooding, possibly by ice hitting the conduit carrying the cable across the bridge. Fortunately, the cable was not yet transporting production data. The same thing could happen here in the Fargo-Moorhead area. If there was a dike or levee break, our Internet providers might have trouble providing us service," he said. "Having a Web site at a different location, completely independent of our NDSU infrastructure, allows us to have a Web presence if that were to happen."

The emergency site will include announcements, news stories and critical information. "We want to get information posted in a timely manner," said Najla Ghazi Amundson, media relations director. "We will include material about what NDSU faculty, staff and students need to protect themselves, what is expected of them and where they can turn for more information."

1960's garments displayed in historic NDSU costume collection

Iconic 1960's garments, from mini skirts to optical art, are on display at the Emily Reynolds Historic Costume Collection until June 15. The collection is located on the fourth floor of the Katherine Kilbourne Burgum Family Life Center.

According to Ann Braaten, curator of the collection, North Dakota women once wore the garments featured. One of the most notable garments is the handmade McCarthy mini dress worn by Jane Sinner, North Dakota's first lady from 1985 to 1992, at the 1968 Democratic National Convention.

Tours of the collection are available Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information, go to www.ndsu.nodak.edu/ercc or contact Braaten at 1-7367 or ann.braaten@ndsu.edu.



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Extended Library hours

Hours at the Main Library have been extended until May 3.
Monday to Thursday: 6:30 a.m. to 1 a.m.
Friday: 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Saturday: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Sunday: Noon to 1 a.m.

Applications sought for FORWARD Scholars

Applications are being accepted for the 2009-10 FORWARD Scholars. Information and application forms are available at www.ndsu.edu/forward. Application deadline is April 24.

World iView presentation rescheduled

The World iView presentation, "A Tlingit Adoption," has been rescheduled for Thursday, April 30, from noon to 1 p.m. in the Memorial Union Century Theater.

NDSU Bookstore plans Sidewalk Sale

The NDSU Bookstore is having a Sidewalk Sale on Wednesday, April 22, and Thursday, April 23.

Faculty and staff campaign begins

The fifth annual faculty and staff campaign through the NDSU Development Foundation is in full swing. Employees recently received gift and pledge materials for this year's campaign, which has the theme "It's About NDSU."

Kathy Enger, assistant professor in the School of Education and the campaign's volunteer chair, urges NDSU employees to make a contribution, no matter the size.

"One thing we need to keep in mind as we give (even as we give every day, working hard for the institution) is that we are NDSU. The faculty and staff are the institution; we represent NDSU. This is one way we can continue to show our support," Enger said.

A total of 588 faculty and staff members contributed to last year's campaign.

"When faculty and staff give, it really does matter," said Enger. "We receive external funding and money from donors based on our participation here at the university, so it is very important in regard to generating further donations."

The NDSU unit with the highest rate of participation during April can win a picnic with President Joseph A. Chapman. In addition, through an April contribution, employees qualify for a drawing for a parking space closest to their building. Gifts can be made to a specific scholarship, college, department or university fund of choice, or the contributor can create a new one.

Gifts can be made through cash, check, payroll deduction, electronic funds transfer or online at www.ndsualumni.com/gift.htm. For more information, contact Denise Sargent, director of annual giving, at 1-6841.

Pasta manufacturing short course attracts full enrollment

Twenty-four participants from Chile, Colombia, Peru and the United States attended the Pasta Production and Technology Short Course April 14-16 at the Northern Crops Institute.

"Our pasta course is one of the oldest courses that we offer here," said John Crabtree, institute assistant director. "It's natural since Minnesota, Montana, North and South Dakota, the four states that we represent, produce 75-80 percent of U.S. durum. Durum is the key ingredient in excellent pasta."

U.S. Wheat Associates sponsored six participants from Chile, Colombia and Peru. "Typically in South America, pasta companies have used wheat other than durum for pasta products. However, several companies are now beginning to use more durum for some of their specialty products," said Crabtree.

Course faculty and technicians included Gabriele Cannata, De Mari Pasta Dies USA; Michael Ehr, Buhler Inc.; Bruno Giberti, Axor America Inc.; Radwan Ibrahim, Dakota Growers Pasta Co.; Thunyaporn Jeradechachai, institute crop quality specialist; Frank Manthey, NDSU professor of plant sciences; Rilie Morgan, institute processing specialist; Brian Sorenson, institute director; Stan Stancyk, NDSU Department of Plant Sciences; Mehmet Tulbek, institute technical director; and Mark Vermynen, A. Zerega's Sons.

Robert H. Levis II Cross Ranch Fellowship applications sought

Applications are being sought for the Robert H. Levis II Cross Ranch Fellowship, which will be awarded to a first- or second-year graduate student studying botany, range management or a closely related aspect of natural resources management.

The one-year award of approximately \$5,000 will be given to a student on the basis of academic record, commitment to one of the disciplines noted and an interview with the faculty selection committee: Ted Esslinger, professor of biological sciences, and Gary Clambey, associate professor of biological science. The fellowship can be used as a stipend for the recipient or in support of graduate research expenses.

Eligible students should submit a written application for consideration. Faculty also can submit written nominations for graduate students. The deadline is Friday, May 8. Send applications and nominations, along with a copy of school transcripts, to Esslinger in the Department of Biological Sciences, Stevens Hall 218.

The fellowship is supported by an endowment that originated as a donation to the NDSU Development Foundation from Robert H. Levis II. It was enhanced by a gift from the Gladys Allen Trust of St. Louis, bequeathed by Allen in memory of her late husband, Robert H. Levis II. The Cross Ranch, which is located near the Missouri River west of Washburn, N.D., was owned by the Levis family and is now managed by The Nature Conservancy as a significant natural area in western North Dakota.

NDSU Heritage Collection creates traveling display

The Germans from Russia Heritage Collection at the NDSU Libraries will feature its new traveling display and information tables at Napoleon, N.D., for their 125th Anniversary Quasiquicentennial. The display will be at the Fire Hall on Friday, June 12, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Saturday, June 13, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Books, DVDs, maps and cookbooks will be available for purchase.

Germans from Russia Heritage Collection staff members Michael Miller and Acacia Jonas Stuckle will be available to answer questions. Debra Marquart, a Napoleon native and author of "The Horizontal World: Growing Up Wild in the Middle of Nowhere," also will be there to autograph her book.

Former professor dies



Foster

Earl Foster, former NDSU professor of plant sciences, died March 25. Foster taught at NDSU for 35 years.

He and his wife, Dorothy, lived in Sun City, Ariz. Other survivors include four siblings, two daughters and one grandson. Funeral services were held April 17 at the American Lutheran Church in Sun City.

Staff Senate offers scholarships

The NDSU Staff Senate is offering scholarships to eligible NDSU broadbanded staff and to children of broadbanded staff. The application deadline for these scholarships is Friday, May 22. To be eligible, broadbanded staff applicants must be NDSU employees who have been employed for at least one year from the application deadline and be properly enrolled with a minimum of three undergraduate or two graduate credits at the time of application and at the time of the award disbursement.

Applicants must have earned a minimum of nine undergraduate or six graduate credits at NDSU with a 2.5 or higher cumulative grade-point average. Broadbanded staff scholarship awards are \$100. Eligible children must be a child of broadbanded staff members currently employed by NDSU for a minimum of one year from the application deadline, be properly enrolled at least half-time with a minimum of six credits per semester at NDSU with a 2.5 or higher cumulative grade-point average and be enrolled as an undergraduate student. Applicants may not have earned a bachelor's degree. The maximum scholarship amount is \$500.

The scholarship committee will select the recipients prior to the 2009 fall semester. Dispersal of funds for children of broadbanded staff will be in equal installments at the beginning of fall and spring semesters. Dispersal for broadbanded staff will be at the beginning of fall semester.

Applications are available in the Office of Student Financial Services, Ceres 202, or can be found and submitted online at www.ndsu.edu/staff_senate. For more information, contact Tera Miller at tera.miller@ndsu.edu or 1-7486.

DIVERSITY

Items sought for clothing drive

New and gently used women's suits, business attire and accessories are being sought for the Dress for Success clothing drive. The event goes until May 1. Donations can be dropped off at the Student Activities office in the Memorial Union.

Dress for Success is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the lives of women. The professional clothing and employment retention programs and ongoing support provide clients a symbol of faith in every woman's ability to be self-sufficient and successful in her career.

The mission of Dress for Success is to promote the economic independence of disadvantaged women by providing professional attire, a network of support and the career development tools to help women thrive in work and in life.

Founded in New York City in 1997, Dress for Success is an international non-profit organization offering services designed to help clients find jobs and remain employed. Each Dress for Success client receives one suit when she has a job interview and can return for a second suit or separates when she finds work.

For more information, go to www.dressforsuccess.org/home.aspx.

'American Herro' premiere rescheduled for April 26

"American Herro," a feature-length documentary film about a female refugee's journey to America will be shown at the Fargo Theatre on Sunday, April 26, at 4 p.m. There will be a question and answer session at 5 p.m. and a reception at the Hotel Donaldson at 5:30 p.m. No tickets are needed, but free-will donations will be accepted. Kurdish food will be served.

The documentary follows Herro Mustafa, a young Muslim-Kurdish woman, who flees terror in Iraq to come to America where she overcomes her frightening first years to eventually achieve the American dream.

Mustafa and filmmaker Kirk Roos will be available for a question and answer period following the screening of the film.

"It's been an extraordinary honor to work with the Mustafa family these past few years telling their story on camera, but it has been life changing to have known them these past 30-plus years," Roos said. "We really look forward to sharing this event with the community of Fargo."

View the film's progress and news at www.americanherro.org. For more information, contact Roos at kirk@comm-corps.com or (701) 730-5500.

Lavendar Graduate Reception set

NDSU and other local colleges, with the support of the Pride Collective, will host a Lavendar Graduation Reception on Tuesday, April 28, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Babb's Coffee House. The event is sponsored by the Equity and Diversity Center and the Safe Zone Ally Program and will honor all graduating lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered and questioning college students.

If you identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered and/or questioning, are graduating this spring, and plan to attend the reception, contact Kara Gravelly-Stack at kara.gravelly-stack@ndsu.edu or 1-7091.

Graduates will be included in a list of honorees. Family and friends are welcome.

FORWARD Leap Grant information session scheduled

An information session about the Leap Research Grant program and the next round of proposal submissions is planned for Tuesday, May 5, at 1:30 p.m. in the Memorial Union, Room of Nations.

The date for submitting proposals for the next round of Leap Research program is June 1. The call for proposals, application cover page, Leap Grant Review form and a link to the NDSU budget form is available at www.ndsu.edu/forward.

For more information about the Leap Grants, contact Canan Bilen-Green at canan.bilen.green@ndsu.edu or 1-7040 and Charlene Wolf-Hall at charlene.hall@ndsu.edu or 1-6387.

Human rights activist Atkinson to speak at NDSU

Human rights activist Patrick Atkinson will give a presentation on Monday, April 27, at 7:15 p.m. in the Memorial Union Century Theater. Atkinson is founder of the Institute for Trafficked, Exploited and Missing Persons and The God's Child Project.

Atkinson will discuss the Institute for Trafficked, Exploited and Missing Persons, an institute that seeks to raise awareness throughout the United States, Central America, Southeast Asia and Europe about human trafficking, which is the third largest criminal industry in the world. Founded in 2001, the institute conducts field research on human trafficking, and develops programs for prevention, protection of victims and prosecution of aggressors.

The Institute for Trafficked, Exploited and Missing Persons has its international headquarters in Bismarck, N.D., with other offices in Antigua, Guatemala; Blantyre, Malawi; and London.

Admission to Atkinson's presentation is free, but donations of outdoor toys, such as jump ropes, soccer balls, and new or gently used children's clothing are encouraged. A free-will donation also will be taken.

For more information, contact Angela Mathers, graduate assistant in the Office of Equity, Diversity and Global Outreach, at 1-7091 or angela.m.mathers@ndsu.edu.

WISMET promotes science at Washington Elementary

Interest in science is gender-blind. That's the message the NDSU WISMET (Women in Science, Mathematics, Engineering and Technology) organization brought to Fargo's Washington Elementary School on April 14. Approximately 40 fourth and fifth grade boys and girls participated in an afterschool event.

WISMET led the students through presentations that exposed them to concepts in five different scientific disciplines: archeology, biology, chemistry, engineering and math. According to Emily Hagemester, NDSU WISMET president, the event was a huge success.

Activities during the event included garbage can archeology where students defined and identified a person based on things they consumed or threw away. The boys and girls made cookies that represented cells of living things. Participants froze a racquetball with liquid nitrogen to explore different properties of chemicals and solids. They built bridges using toothpicks and marshmallows and then subjected them to stress tests. Students also learned about different properties of numbers and they identified concepts people use in everyday problem solving.

Created in 1996, the WISMET program was designed to foster educational and career opportunities in the sciences for women. Part of its outreach mission is to nurture the interest of young girls in science fields.

'Study Abroad in Uganda Night' rescheduled to April 27

"Study Abroad in Uganda Night" has been rescheduled for Monday, April 27, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Memorial Union Great Ball Room. It was originally scheduled for March 30. The event is free and open to the public. Good will offering will be accepted.

The event will be held by Ugandan students at NDSU, in conjunction with NDSU students who are planning to study at Makerere University in Kampala, Uganda, as part of a 2009 summer course in "International Animal Production, Disease Surveillance and Public Health" from June 6 to July 4. This is a fundraising activity to enable them to participate in the course.

The program will start at 5:30 p.m. with a reception of light Ugandan snacks followed by a slide show, video, dances, presentations, student alumni testimonies and a fashion show on Uganda. A silent auction featuring Ugandan articles also will be conducted. Attendees will learn about Uganda and the "Study Abroad in Uganda" course.

"International Animal Production, Disease Surveillance and Public Health," is a course offered jointly by NDSU's Department of Veterinary and Microbiological Sciences and the Department of Veterinary Public Health and Preventive Medicine at Makerere University. The course was offered successfully in summer 2007 and 2008, and is designed to facilitate diversity in student training to produce a globally engaged science work force. There is room for more students to enroll in the 2009 summer course before the April 30 deadline.

Visit http://vetmicro.ndsu.nodak.edu/Summer_Program_Uganda.htm for more information on the course. For a brochure and short video by alumni students on the course plus registration information, visit www.ndsu.edu/dce.

Development Foundation creates LGBT scholarship account

A new scholarship account has been established through the NDSU Development Foundation. Interested donors can contribute to the LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered) Scholarship account.

Scholarship criteria, the application process and a timeline for the first scholarship award will be announced at a later date. For more information, contact the Office of Equity, Diversity and Global Outreach at 1-7708.

'Camp Darfur' event planned

The YMCA of NDSU "Camp Darfur" is planned for Wednesday, April 29, from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. in the Memorial Union, Plains room. The event is part of the Civil Education Month celebration.

"Camp Darfur" is an interactive event that calls attention to the ongoing genocide in Darfur, Sudan, and gives participants the opportunity to discover their own power to make a difference. For more information, call 1-7799.

Campus invited to FORWARD presentations on May 8

Members of the NDSU community are invited to attend a series of presentations by Toni Schmader, associate professor of psychology at the University of Arizona on Friday, May 8. Her research involves the interplay between self and social identity, particularly when one's social identity is targeted by negative stereotypes.

Schmader will present "No Stigmatized Child Left Behind: Understanding and Reducing the Effects that Stereotypes have on Academic Performance" at 9:30 a.m. in Memorial Union Century Theater. This talk is open to the public. Refreshments will be served before the presentation and all members of the NDSU community are invited to attend. An abstract of Schmader's research talk can be found at www.ndsu.edu/forward.

Schmader also will hold a noon workshop titled "The Science of Unconscious Bias," for faculty and administrators. Separate discussions with academic administrators and faculty will follow the workshop. The discussion with faculty is scheduled for 1:15 p.m. The discussion with academic administrators is scheduled for 3 p.m. For more information or to register, go to www.ndsu.edu/forward.

International Week events rescheduled

International Week, sponsored by the Office of International Programs and the International Student Association, is an annual series of events designed to explore and celebrate diversity from around the world. Rescheduled events are listed below.

An international photography essay contest is planned, with the photos and essays on display in the Hub area in the lower level of the Memorial Union during the week of April 27 to May 1. Submitted photos and essays may represent such things as cultural events, scenic landscapes or historical monuments. The winner of the contest will be announced at International Night on May 4. Other events include:

Sunday, April 26

The documentary, "American Herro," is scheduled to have its Fargo and NDSU premiere at 4 p.m. at the Fargo Theatre. "American Herro" is an inspirational story about a woman's journey as a refugee fleeing terror in Iraq to America, where she eventually achieves the American dream. Following the showing, documentary filmmaker Kirk Roos and Herro Mustafa will discuss the filmmaking process, tell the Mustafa family story and take questions from the audience.

Monday, April 27

Uganda's culture will be celebrated during "Uganda Study Abroad Night," scheduled for 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Great Plains Ballroom. Learn about a unique summer study abroad program opportunity in Uganda offered through the Department of Veterinary and Microbiological Sciences. Discover more about the program through dance, a fashion show and slide show presentations. A silent auction also is planned and program alumni will talk about their life-changing experiences.

Wednesday, April 29

An international meal buffet is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Alumni Center. Enjoy a variety of foods with recipes from NDSU international students. Tickets are \$8. Contact the Office of International Programs at 1-7895 for information or to purchase tickets. Tickets must be purchased in advance.

Monday, May 4

International Night is set for 7 p.m. in Century Theater. The International Student Association will sponsor a variety show featuring songs, dances and theatre skits. Tickets are \$8 each and are available from the Office of International Programs, Memorial Union 116, or from any International Student Association officer.

Tuesday, May 5

A passport drive is planned for 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Arikara Room. Fargo Post Office staff will be available to process passport applications. To make an appointment, contact the Office of International Programs at 1-7895, in person or on the Internet at www.ndsu.edu/International.

'Dance En Masse' set for April 23

"Dance En Masse," an annual Tri-College dance competition, is scheduled for Thursday, April 23, at 7 p.m. in Festival Concert Hall. The Association of Students from India will host the event.

Established during the 2005-06 academic year, the event showcases 10 talented dance groups selected through auditions. An expert panel of judges selects the winners. Individuals from different cultures participate in the event.

The popular event has received "Bison Best Overall Program" and "Outstanding New Program" honors from NDSU Student Government. For more information, contact Keerthi Sathiraju at (701) 429-3429 or Muthu Kumar at (701) 200-6710.

PEOPLE

Miller to lead homeland tour



Miller

Michael M. Miller, director and bibliographer of the Germans from Russia Heritage Collection at NDSU Libraries, will lead the 15th Journey to the Homeland tour May 20-30 to Odessa, Ukraine and Stuttgart, Germany.

Tour members will visit their ancestral former German villages near Odessa and nearby Moldova.

While in Stuttgart, tour members will visit the Germans from Russia organization's museums and take a day trip to visit Alsace, France.

Miller will stay additional days in Germany for work in Berlin, Freiburg, Stuttgart and Augsburg. While in Berlin, he will meet with Ute Schmidt, author of "Bessarabien: Deutsche Kolonisten am Schwarzen Meer." They will translate the work to English to be a Germans from Russia Heritage Collection publication.

Go to <http://library.ndsu.edu/grhc/outreach/journey/index.html> for more information.

Hough is invited lecturer at University of Vermont



Jill Hough, advanced research fellow, Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute at NDSU, was recently a guest lecturer at the University of Vermont Transportation Research Center.

She presented the seminar "Aging in Rural and Small Urban Environments: Are Travel Needs Being Met?" to faculty and students Feb. 12. Hough is the

director of the Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute's Small Urban and Rural Transit Center, and has conducted research on the mobility needs of the elderly in small communities and rural areas.

While at the University of Vermont, Hough met with faculty, administrators, graduate students and a representative of AARP Vermont, as well as representatives of state and local transit agencies. She also met with the local planning committee for the 19th National Conference on Rural Public and Intercity Bus Transportation. Hough is the program chair for the conference, which is scheduled at the University of Vermont in October.

Past presenters in the lecture series have included Joseph Sussman of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Center for Transportation and Logistics and Daniel Sperling, founding director of the Institute of Transportation Studies at the University of California-Davis and associate director of the university's Energy Efficiency Center.

Beck publishes two articles

Stephenson Beck, assistant professor of communication, has co-written two new publications.

"Perceiving strategic meeting interaction" was published in *Small Group Research*. The study investigates how individuals perceive the message strategies of team members, and how these perceptions relate to meeting interaction. The article was co-written with J. Keyton of North Carolina State University. Beck also has been asked to serve on the journal's editorial board.

"Macro-cognition: A communicative perspective" was published in *Theoretical Issues in Ergonomic Science*. The publication discussed how interaction and shared meaning are complicated from a communication perspective. It necessitates a different way of understanding macro-cognition, which describes cognitive functions in natural decision-making settings, in addition to a different way of capturing the concept methodologically. The article was co-written with Keyton and M.B. Asbury from the University of Kansas.

"Oftentimes, we take communication for granted," Beck said. "We assume that a group member's message is understood the same way by other members. Examining interpretive differences helps us better understand dysfunction in social interaction."

Beck joined the NDSU faculty in 2008 after completing his doctorate at the University of Kansas. He earned his bachelor's degree at Brigham Young University and his master's degree at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

NDSU employees honored at Staff Recognition Luncheon

NDSU employees were honored for years of service and excellence on the job during the 2009 NDSU Staff Recognition Luncheon on April 9. A total of 186 employees with five, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35 and 40 years of service, along with 12 retirees, were recognized.

Receiving Employee Recognition Awards in the professional band were Patrick Beauzay, research specialist; Jackie Schluchter, associate director of orientation and student success; and Sara Tanke, director of advancement in the College of Pharmacy, Nursing, and Allied Sciences. Bonnie Erickson, administrative assistant in the Office of Institutional Research and Analysis; Jean Hagen, administrative secretary in aerospace studies; and Nancy Mueller, student service coordinator in orientation and student success were honored in the office support band. Todd Emarine, systems mechanic, was recognized from the crafts and trades band, and the recipients from the service band were custodians Larry Doll and Dan Krogen.

The 2009 Team Award went to Heidi Bills, Robert Dirk and Connie Eggers in the College of Human Development and Education.

President Joseph A. Chapman gave remarks, and awards were presented by Craig Schnell, provost and vice president for academic affairs; D.C. Coston, vice president for agriculture and university extension; Evie Myers, vice president for equity, diversity and global outreach; John Adams, vice president for finance and administration; Jeff Gerst, associate vice president for information technology and chief information officer; Phil Boudjouk, vice president for research, creative activities and technology transfer; Prakash Mathew, vice president for student affairs; Keith Bjerke, vice president for university relations and Vance Olson, president of Staff Senate. Najla Ghazi Amundson, media relations director, was the master of ceremonies.

Bachman named assistant for faculty recruitment



Bachman

Angela Bachman has been appointed to the new position of assistant for faculty recruitment in the Office of Equity, Diversity and Global Outreach. She will work with the FORWARD program, assisting with faculty search committees, conducting workshops for search committees and helping ensure equal opportunities and a diverse candidate pool is being reached. She also will be a resource for potential candidates.

Bachman is a native of Fargo and earned a bachelor's degree in political science and sociology from NDSU. She earned a master's degree in public and human services administration from Minnesota State University Moorhead. She worked for the Rape and Abuse Crisis Center for seven years conducting public relations, prevention outreach and education. She most recently was employed by Rasmussen College in the Career Center and Student Activities. She is an active member of the Lake Agassiz Exchange Service Club and active volunteer for the Make-A-Wish Foundation of North Dakota. Bachman and her husband, Jim, have two sons.

Littlefield presents research at Homeland Security Summit



Littlefield

Robert S. Littlefield, professor of communication, presented research on communicating risk and crisis messages to underrepresented populations and multicultural groups in a program titled, "Risk Communication as an Intervention Strategy," at the third annual U.S. Department of Homeland Security University Network Summit March 17-19 in Washington, D.C.

Littlefield's research focuses on designing, testing and presenting risk and crisis messages that are culture-centered, in that they integrate the different cultural groups into the process. The community-based participatory research paradigm is used in the health care sector. Littlefield's culture-centered approach has been recognized as essential in the pre-crisis stages when developing trust and credibility between governmental spokespeople and the affected publics is necessary.

Panelists Timothy L. Sellnow, University of Kentucky; Anthony Flood, International Food Information Council, Washington, D.C.; and Matthew W. Seeger, Wayne State University, joined Littlefield. Sellnow and Seeger provided a comprehensive review of risk communication, focusing on its use as an intervention strategy during a recall or crisis event. Littlefield emphasized practical strategies for effectively engaging underrepresented and multicultural populations in preparation for and prevention of crisis events. The flood provided approaches for cooperative research and training with risk communication practitioners in industry and government.

Littlefield and his NDSU research associates received funding from the United States Department of Homeland Security through the National Center for Food Protection and Defense at the University of Minnesota.

Goldwater Scholarship recipients named



Gellerman

Two students will receive the prestigious Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship. They are sophomore Katrina Gellerman and junior Nicholas Peterka.

"I am delighted these outstanding students have been selected for this high honor," said R.S. Krishnan, associate vice president for academic affairs and chair of the NDSU Goldwater Scholarship Review Committee. "Their academic excellence demonstrates the high standard of quality that we have at NDSU."



Peterka

Established by Congress in 1986, the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program was created to encourage outstanding students to pursue careers in mathematics, the natural sciences or engineering to foster excellence in those fields.

Gellerman is from Bismarck, N.D., and is majoring in biochemistry and molecular biology. Her field of specialization is human and bacterial genetics, and she plans to pursue a doctorate in molecular biology. Gellerman was recommended for the honor by Kenton Rodgers, professor of chemistry; Gudrun Lukat-Rodgers, research assistant professor; and Seth Rasmussen, associate professor of chemistry.

"It is a great honor for me," Gellerman said. "To say I was shocked would be an understatement, and I am exceedingly grateful to the faculty of NDSU for their support, assistance and encouragement throughout the application process."

Peterka is from Park River, N.D., and is majoring in civil engineering. His goal is to earn a doctorate in material science and conduct research as a senior investigator for a biomaterials or biomedical laboratory. He was recommended by Dinesh Katti, chair and professor of civil engineering; Kalpana Katti, professor of civil engineering; and graduate student Priyanthi Amarasinghe.

"I am honored to be the recipient of the Goldwater Scholarship," Peterka said. "NDSU has given me a great opportunity to be successful and I am very thankful for that. It is encouraging to be surrounded by people who help me strive to be the best. While receiving the Goldwater Scholarship is a wonderful honor, I will continue to work hard to achieve my goals."

O'Connor, Burnett, DeGreeff and Cooley research published



O'Connor

Amy O'Connor, assistant professor of communication, and Michelle Shumate, University of Illinois, will have research titled "The symbiotic sustainability model: Conceptualizing NGO-corporate alliance communication" published in the *Journal of Communication*.



Burnett

The *Journal of Happiness Studies* has accepted an article, "Communicating and Philosophizing about Authenticity or Inauthenticity in a Fast-Paced World," by doctoral student Becky L. DeGreeff (not pictured); Ann Burnett, director of women's studies; and Dennis Cooley, assistant professor of ethics.



Cooley

In addition, DeGreeff and Burnett, have an article, "Weekend Warriors: Autonomy-Connection, Openness-Closedness, and Coping Strategies of Marital Partners in Nonresidential Stepfamilies," set to be published in the December volume of *The Qualitative Report*.

EVENTS

Celebration of Faculty Excellence scheduled for May 6

The 12th annual NDSU Celebration of Faculty Excellence is set for Wednesday, May 6, at 3 p.m. at the NDSU Alumni Center.

Four faculty members will be named recipients of the Odney, Waldron, Peltier and Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Professor awards. Several faculty who have been awarded NDSU Development Foundation Grants also will be recognized.

The NDSU Development Foundation provides funding to recognize the outstanding work and leadership of these individuals.

Pharmaceutical Sciences Research Lecture Series set

The Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences in the College of Pharmacy, Nursing, and Allied Sciences has invited distinguished scientist Thomas Edward Eling to deliver a research lecture and to meet with department faculty and graduate students. Eling will present "Role of NAG1 in Cancer and Inflammation" at 10:30 a.m. in Sudro Hall, room 21 on Thursday, April 30. This seminar is open to anyone interested in pharmaceutical and biomedical research.

Eling is senior investigator and head of the biochemistry section for the Laboratory of Molecular Carcinogenesis at the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences at the National Institutes of Health at Research Triangle Park in North Carolina. Eling earned a doctorate in 1968 from the University of Alabama. He has published more than 300 peer-reviewed articles in leading biomedical journals as well as several book chapters. For more information, contact Jagdish Singh at 1-7943.

German-Russian oral history project radio program to air

Organizers of the Dakota Memories Oral History Project, in cooperation with Prairie Public Broadcasting, will air a new radio program titled "Home-Grown: German-Russian Farm Kids Remember." The program features stories about farm machinery, farm techniques and farm animals from narrators of the Dakota Memories Oral History Project. The narrators grew up on the Northern Plains including agricultural regions of South Dakota, North Dakota and Saskatchewan.

The program will air during the "Dakota Datebook" time slots on April 20-22 and May 11-15. "Dakota Datebook" airs at 8:35 a.m., 3:55 p.m., 5:35 p.m. and 7:55 p.m. A longer version of the radio program will air during the "Hear It Now" time slot on May 5. "Hear it Now" airs at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Agricultural historian Suzanne Kelley will provide scholarly commentary for the radio program, placing agricultural practices of the Germans from Russia in a larger historical framework.

Public interest in documenting and preserving German-Russian ethnic identity inspired the launch of the project in 2005. Since then, organizers have been traveling the Northern Plains, gathering stories and documenting family relationships and childhood memories of second and third generation Germans from Russia. Jessica Clark, recipient of the Germans from Russia History Doctoral Fellowship, coordinates the project and Michael Miller serves as director of the Germans from Russia Heritage Collection and the project.

For the radio program, Jamestown, N.D., native Alvin Graf shared his memory of missing school to work on the farm. "In the spring, around March, we had to stay home to clean grain for spring seeding, oil and grease the harness, break horses and get the machinery in shape," he said. "In the fall of the year after thrashing – same thing. You didn't go to school for at least a month and a half after school started. We only had about four months of school."

The Germans from Russia Heritage Collection and Prairie Public provide major funding for the program. A CD of the radio program will be available for \$25. To pre-order the CD, contact Acacia Stuckle, special collections associate, at 1-6596 or acacia.stuckle@ndsu.edu.

The program can be heard on 90.5 FM in Bismarck, 89.9 FM in Dickinson, 91.5 FM in Devils Lake, 91.9 FM in Fargo, 89.3 FM in Grand Forks, 91.5 FM in Jamestown, 88.9 FM in Minot and 89.5 FM in Williston.

The Dakota Memories Oral History Project is a privately funded project sponsored by the Germans from Russia Heritage Collection at the NDSU Libraries. For more information, go to the Web site www.ndsu.edu/grhc/dakotamemories or call 1-6596

NDSU Group Decision Center commemorates 10th anniversary

NDSU Group Decision Center will host an open house on Thursday, April 23, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Group Decision Center in the NDSU Family Life Center, room 320. Center board members, contributing partners and guests are invited to celebrate the 10 years of service the Group Decision Center has provided to students and community partners to better serve the region.

Highlights of the open house include the unveiling of the refurbished location and upgraded services. Refreshments will be served.

NDSU, with Cargill as the major corporate contributor, initiated the Group Decision Center and opened its doors Sept. 1, 1998. The center consists of a network of 40 computers linked by a collaborative group software enabling simultaneous and anonymous discussion. The center is primarily used for student and faculty development and secondarily for research and service. It provides the only student-focused facility in the Northern Plains using ThinkTank software.

The mission of the center is to significantly enhance the climate for group decision-making, civil discourse and the planning process of the university and community.

For more information, contact Linda Charlton-Gunderson at 1-6414 or go to www.ndsu.edu/gdc.

Gilbert to give Science and Mathematics Lectureship



Gilbert

Most people think they know what makes them happy, but research in psychology and economics shows that people routinely fail to predict how they will feel when they do and do not get what they are seeking, overestimating both the pleasures of success and the pains of failure.

Daniel Gilbert, professor of psychology at Harvard University, will explain what science has to say about why people seem to stumble on happiness rather than upon it in his presentation titled "Stumbling on Happiness." The third annual NDSU College of Science and Mathematics Lectureship series, the presentation is set for Sunday, May 3, at 7 p.m. at the Fargo Theatre. The event is free and open to the public.

Gilbert has won numerous awards for his research and teaching. In 2008, he was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. His 2007 book, "Stumbling on Happiness," was on the New York Times bestseller list for 25 weeks, translated into 30 languages and was awarded the Royal Society's General Prize for best science book of the year.

He is a contributor to Time, The New York Times and National Public Radio's "All Things Considered." He has been a guest on television and radio shows, including "The Today Show," "Charlie Rose," "20/20" and "The Colbert Report." In 2010, he will host a show in the Public Broadcasting System "NOVA" series on human nature. For more information and special accommodation needs, contact Keri Drinka at 1-6131 or keri.drinka@ndsu.edu.

'Prairie Earth, Prairie Homes' field school offered

The Department of History is collaborating with Preservation North Dakota, the statewide association for historic preservation, to deliver a rare opportunity in a summer course. "Prairie Earth, Prairie Homes: A Field School," will be offered July 12-19.

The course promises tours of little-known earth building sites on the prairies of western North Dakota and hands-on restoration activities at the historic Hutmacher farmstead. Options are available for graduate credit, undergraduate credit, teacher professional development and non-credit learning vacation.

Nationally, the course is advertised as "experiential learning in an unforgettable landscape."

Tom Isern, University Distinguished Professor of history, is the instructor for the field school. "We'll cook dinner in a Hidatsa earth lodge, rediscover forgotten sod houses, explore Ukrainian and German-Russian earth building sites and get really dirty putting a clay roof on the historic Hutmacher farmhouse," says Isern.

History doctoral candidate Suzzanne Kelley also will offer a professional development option for in-service teachers. As president of Preservation North Dakota, she also welcomes inquiries about learning vacations associated with the field school. For more information, go to www.ndsu.edu/instruct/isern/earth.

Larew retirement reception scheduled for May 2



Larew

Donald E. Larew, professor of theatre arts, will retire in May after 40 years of service to NDSU. To honor Larew, the department has scheduled a reception and program on Saturday, May 2, at 3 p.m. in Askanase Hall.

An open house begins at 3 p.m. in the Walsh Studio Theatre, followed by a short program at 4 p.m. in Askanase Auditorium. The event is free and open to the public.

A member of the NDSU faculty since 1969, Larew has designed sets for hundreds of productions, directed a number of musicals and taught classes in technical theatre and theatrical design. His final set design was for the Little Country Theatre production of "West Side Story."

In addition to his responsibilities at NDSU, Larew is a scenic designer for Sceno-Graphics in New Wilmington, Pa., a company that rents design packages of popular plays to organizations throughout the United States. With Sceno-Graphics, he has designed packages for productions such as "Les Misérables," "Rumors" and "Lend Me A Tenor." He also has designed sets for local organizations such as Ursa Major Productions, the Fargo-Moorhead Opera and the Red River Dance and Performing Company.

Quarter Century Club to welcome new members

The Office of Human Resources/Payroll will sponsor the annual Quarter Century Club new members recognition dinner on Monday, May 4, in the Alumni Center. A social begins at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m. The event honors employees who have been employed at NDSU for 25 years.

New members are Kevin Beauchamp, Langdon Research and Extension Center; Barbara Binde, Office of Admission; Cheryl Cicha, Facilities Management; Roger Egeberg, Ag Communication; Julie Garden-Robinson, Extension food and nutrition; Sherman Goplen, mechanical engineering; Louise Heinz, plant sciences; Eloyes Hill, animal and range science; Penny Hoesel, Office of Admission; Timothy Johnson, animal and range science; R.S. Krishnan, provost and Office of Vice President for Academic Affairs; Brenda Langerud, Extension county programs; Loriann Lymburner, Extension director's office; Lorrettax Mindt, Library; Neil Myhre, central stores; and Abraham Ungar, mathematics.

Tickets cost \$18. The reservations deadline is Tuesday, April 28. Contact the Office of Human Resources/Payroll, SGC, 1919 N. University Drive or Dept. 3140, P.O. Box 6050, Fargo, N.D. 58108-6050. For more information, contact Human Resources/Payroll at 1-8961.

Interior design senior show set

Senior interior design students will display their comprehensive design projects on Monday, April 27, to Friday, May 1, in the Memorial Union Prairie Rose room.

Interior design students earning a Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts degree are required to complete an extensive interior design project. According to Susan Ray-Degges, interior design coordinator and associate professor of apparel, design and hospitality management, the requirement provides students the opportunity to demonstrate, explore and enhance their design skills by participating in a student initiated design project. It also helps students develop and practice teamwork strategies in completing interior design challenges.

The senior show project display will be available on Monday, April 27, from noon to 5 p.m. and Tuesday, April 28, until Friday, May 1, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. A closing reception is planned for May 1 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Team presentations for each project will be held throughout the week in the Memorial Union Prairie Rose room. The presentations are scheduled as follows:

Monday, April 27

“Sea Island Plantation” at 12:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 28

“Revive Learning Center” at 9 a.m.

“FIT Learning and Therapeutic Center” at 3 p.m.

Thursday, April 30

“The Renovation of 3211” at 12:30 p.m.

“Evergreen Retreat – Camp for Children with Serious Illnesses” at 3 p.m.

Contact Ray-Degges at 1-7218 or susan.ray-degges@ndsu.edu for more information.

Food Production Management class plans Mexican Fiesta

Students from NDSU's Food Production Management class have planned a Mexican fiesta for Tuesday, May 5, from 11:30 a.m. until 12:15 p.m. on the lower level of the West Dining Center.

Students will prepare Mexican Ranch Salad, chicken enchiladas served with Spanish rice and a fresh fruit cup with a delicious chocolate truffle.

Nicole Maas and Larissa Myers, students in the dietetics program, are the managers of the event. “We are very excited for the opportunity to host this meal,” Maas said. “Our meal is different, yet exciting, and we’re hoping that because of the warmer temperatures and the fact that it is Cinco de Mayo, people will be more willing to join our fiesta,” Myers added.

The price of the meal, including a beverage, is \$8.35. For anyone not on an NDSU meal plan, cash, check or credit cards will be accepted. People who are on an NDSU meal plan can use Bison Bucks. For reservations, call NDSU Dining Services at 1-7023. Walk-ins are welcome.

West Dining Center is located between the four residence hall towers on campus, just south of Newman Outdoor Field. Visitors may park in the NDSU visitor's parking lot. Guests can enter the building using the street-level east door.

For more information, contact Sherri Stastny, assistant professor of health, nutrition and exercise sciences, at 1-7479 or sherri.stastny@ndsu.edu.

Baking with Sunflower short course offered

The Northern Crops Institute will offer the short course, “Baking with Sunflower,” June 16-18. The course will focus on quality, milling, ingredient specifications and hands-on aspects of baking applications for the United States domestic market.

Lectures will be supplemented by hands-on experience in the institute's baking and processing laboratories. The course is geared for baking and culinary specialists, senior administrative professionals, research and development managers, food product development scientists, quality control managers and purchasing agents of baking and breakfast cereal companies. Sunflower is an oilseed crop that is an excellent source of polyunsaturated fatty acids, fiber and protein.

The faculty includes Larry Kleingartner, executive director of the National Sunflower Association; Clifford Hall III, NDSU director of food safety and assistant professor of cereal and food science; Thunyporn Jeradechachai, Northern Crops Institute crop quality specialist; Staci Lee, Northern Crops Institute lab manager; Mehmet C. Tulbek, Northern Crops Institute technical director; and Brady Vick, supervisory research chemist for the United States Department of Agriculture Agricultural Research Service.

The Northern Crops Institute and the National Sunflower Association are sponsoring the course. Tuition is \$800. The registration deadline is May 26. For more information, go to www.northern-crops.com.

SHORTS & REMINDERS

NDSU students seeking donations

Students who are participating in the NDSU Service Seminar are seeking donations of new or gently used children's clothing and toys. Soccer balls, jump ropes and other outdoor activity toys are best. Donations can be dropped off at the Volunteer Network in the NDSU Memorial Union until May 1.

Positions Available

Positions open and screening dates through the Office of Human Resources, SGC, 1919 N. University Drive. Position openings also are available through the NDSU Web site at www.ndsu.edu/jobs.

Custodian (five positions)

Monday to Friday, 4 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Facilities Management
\$19,760+/year
April 28

Police Officer (four positions available)

University Police and Safety Office
\$39,500/year
April 24

Police Sergeant

University Police and Safety Office
\$47,000+/year
April 24

Public Safety Officer (two positions available)

University Police and Safety Office
\$27,500+/year
April 24

Sheep Unit Manager

Animal Science
\$40,000+/year plus house and utilities
(electricity and heat) provided
Open until filled

Nursery Manager/#00020162

North Dakota Forest Service
Salary commensurate with experience
Open until filled

Assistant Director, Planning and Construction Services/#00025488

Facilities Management
\$60,000+/year
Open until filled

Adviser/Lecturer

(Part-time, 50 percent)
Computer Science
\$17,000+
Open until filled

Internal Auditor

Budget Office
\$50,000+/year
Open until filled

CALENDAR

APRIL

22 YMCA of NDSU Brown Bag – “Homelessness in Fargo-Moorhead,” noon, Memorial Union Room of Nations

22 Entomology, Range Science and Soil Science Graduate Seminar – “Biological Control of Leafy Spurge Using *Aphthona Flea Beetles*,” Kiran Ghising, NDSU graduate student in entomology, 3 p.m., Walster Hall 220

22 Live at the Wall, 2 p.m., Wallman Wellness Center

22 Baseball vs. University of Minnesota, 4 p.m., Newman Outdoor Field

23 - May 2 Student Exhibit – “Changin Horizon,” Rebecca R. Peterson, Memorial Union Gallery. Opening reception set for Thursday, April 23, from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

23 Baccalaureate Exhibit – Andrew Arend, Renaissance Gallery, 650 NP Ave., Fargo

23 Battle of the Bands, 12:30 p.m. to 6 p.m., Memorial Union East Patio (rain site is Memorial Union Great Plains Ballroom)

23 Chemistry and Molecular Biology Seminar – “NOR-SECO-CUCURBITURILS,” Lyle Isaacs, professor of chemistry and biochemistry at the University of Maryland, 3:45 p.m., Dunbar 152

23 Brass Chamber Night, 7:30 p.m., Beckwith Recital Hall. Free admission.

24 Baseball vs. Oral Roberts University, 6:30 p.m., Newman Outdoor Field

25 Baseball vs. Oral Roberts University, 1 p.m., Newman Outdoor Field

25 Baseball vs. Oral Roberts University, 4 p.m., Newman Outdoor Field

25 NDSU Music Honor's Recital, 2 p.m., Beckwith Recital Hall. Free admission.

26 Baseball vs. Oral Roberts University, 1 p.m., Newman Outdoor Field

26 International Week – “American Herro” Fargo premiere, 4 p.m., Fargo Theatre. Tickets are not required.

26 Graduate Conducting Recital – Stephen Sturk, 6 p.m., Beckwith Recital Hall. Free admission.

26 Percussion, Brass and Saxophone Ensembles, 7:30 p.m., Festival Concert Hall. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students and seniors.

26 Graduate Recital – Eduardo Orozco, piano, 7:30 p.m., Beckwith Recital Hall. Free admission.

27-May 1 International Week – Photo-essay contest, Memorial Union Hub

27 International Week – Uganda Study Abroad Night, 6 p.m., Memorial Union, Great Plains Ballroom

27 Jazz Ensemble and Lab Band, 7:30 p.m., Festival Concert Hall. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students and seniors.

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