

# NDSU

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IT'S HAPPENING AT STATE

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## NDSU holds 9/11 memorial service recognizing eighth anniversary

On Friday, students, faculty and staff attended a memorial service to recognize the eighth anniversary of Sept. 11. The Tri-College Army ROTC program conducted a ceremony on the south side of the Memorial Union at 7:46 a.m., the time when the first tower was hit.

As the flag was lowered to half-staff, attendees participated in a moment of silence to recognize those that were lost in the tragedy. Keith Bjerke, vice president for university relations, also addressed the crowd, recognizing the armed forces serving the U.S.



## NDSU community asked to focus on preventing H1N1

NDSU established an H1N1 crisis response team in April 2009 as part of the NDSU Crisis Management Response Team to monitor and prepare for issues or concerns facing the campus community. Janna Stoskopf, dean of student life, and Ray Boyer, director of university police and safety, lead the team. Other members include Michael Harwood, assistant dean of student life; Barbara Lonbaken, dean for student wellness; Dagny Oliver, associate director of student health service; Jolean Pederson, associate director of public health and safety; Charles Peterson, dean of the College of Pharmacy, Nursing, and Allied Sciences; Amber Alstadt, NDSU student body president; and Najla Amundson, media relations director.

A cross section of the campus community serves on the full NDSU Crisis Management Response Team, and in collaboration with the NDSU Ready Campus Initiative Department of Education grant award, directed by faculty members Carol Cwiak and Daniel Klenow, will assist the team in the development of the campus wide H1N1 continuity of operations plans. With the start of a new school year, the team asks students, faculty and staff to focus on preventive measures in dealing with H1N1. This approach coincides with that of the North Dakota State Health Department and Fargo Cass Public Health, which the team communicates with on a weekly basis.

While H1N1 is a different strain of flu virus, most people recover as they would from the seasonal flu virus. H1N1, in very severe cases, could result in death, but so can other flu viruses. Exposure to H1N1 or any other seasonal flu virus happens days before any flu-like symptoms occur. That is why prevention is the most effective protection against H1N1.

H1N1 responds well to two influenza medications commonly used for other seasonal flu viruses, Tamiflu and Relenza.

### What can I do to stay healthy?

- Wash hands frequently with soap and water or an alcohol-based sanitizer, especially after coughing or sneezing.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze.
- Use tissues one time only. Discard in wastebasket after use.
- Cough or sneeze into your sleeve if a tissue is not available.
- Stay at least six feet away from anyone you suspect is ill.
- Eat a balanced diet, drink lots of water, exercise regularly and get plenty of rest.
- Get the seasonal flu vaccine. It will be available through Student Health Service this fall.
- Get the H1N1 vaccine when it becomes available.

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### Outdoor group exercise classes offered

The Wallman Wellness Center is offering five different outdoor exercise classes. Go to <http://wellness.ndsu.nodak.edu/fitness/GroupExercise/index.php> for more information.

### International Programs seeks Family Friendship volunteers

An informal and fun introductory orientation session is set for Thursday, Sept. 24, at 5:30 p.m. For location and to register, call 1-7895.

### United Blood Services Staff Blood Drive set

A blood drive is planned for Thursday, Sept. 17 from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. To schedule an appointment, call 1-8961.

### Homecoming submissions

Submissions for Homecoming events and activities are due Thursday, Sept. 17, at noon.

**If you develop flu-like symptoms, NDSU's H1N1 team encourages you to do the following:**

- Limit interactions with other people (self-isolation) for at least 24 hours after you no longer have a fever without the use of fever reducing medication.
- If you have a medical condition such as asthma, diabetes, pregnancy or other chronic illnesses, and develop flu-like symptoms, students should call Student Health Service at 1-7331 for further evaluation; faculty and staff, please contact your medical provider.

**If someone you are in contact with develops flu-like symptoms, take the following precautions:**

- Limit your exposure to that person.
- If contact cannot be avoided, the ill person should wear a surgical mask during the period of contact.
- The Center for Disease Control and the World Health Organization will always err on the side of caution. NDSU is doing the same. NDSU is working with local public health officials, healthcare systems and MSUM and Concordia to address issues from a community perspective.

Updated information on H1N1 as well as any university initiatives will be posted at [www.ndsu.edu/news](http://www.ndsu.edu/news).

For more information, go to [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov).

## Counseling Center offers mood disorder screening

During the past few years, the issue of students' mental health has become a hot topic on college campuses nationwide. More and more students seem to be struggling with depression and anxiety disorders. According to results of the American College Health Association-National College Health Assessment spring survey, 45 percent of students report feeling so depressed they can no longer function.

To help students who are experiencing mental and emotional problems, the NDSU Counseling Center is offering students free, anonymous screenings for depression disorders during the National Depression Screening Week, Sept. 21-25. To make an appointment, call 1-7671.

Students will complete a short questionnaire that assesses the likelihood that they may have a mood disorder. They can learn more about common issues, take home educational materials for themselves or their friends and talk with a mental health professional about specific concerns.

The NDSU Counseling Center also offers confidential, year-round online screening for depression and anxiety disorders. By accessing their Web site at [www.ndsu.edu/counseling](http://www.ndsu.edu/counseling), students can find out if they are suffering from one or more of these problems and be referred to a counselor.

For more information, contact Kiersten Yost from the Counseling Center at 1-7671 or [kiersten.yost@ndsu.edu](mailto:kiersten.yost@ndsu.edu).

## Sociologists for Women in Society recognize NDSU

The Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Emergency Management has received recognition by the Sociologists for Women in Society in their Report Card on Gender Scholarship and Equity in Sociology Departments.

In the notice of recognition sent to the department, professor Shirley A. Hill wrote, "The goal of this report is to recognize departments that excel in creating a climate that is welcoming to women and gender scholars."

The department has a number of activities supporting the Sociologists for Women in Society. The most recent included the visiting professorship of Elaine Enarson, co-author of "The Gendered Terrain of Disaster: Through Women's Eyes." She taught a course for the department this past summer titled "Gender Dimensions of Disaster."

## NDSU Libraries have trial access to business-related databases

The NDSU Libraries have trial access to EBSCOhost Business Source Complete and Mergent Online, two business-related databases. The library currently subscribes to Business Source Premier, which contains 2,164 full text journals and magazines. Business Source Complete contains 3,287 full text journals and magazines. The trial access to Business Source Complete ends on Nov. 30.

NDSU Libraries' current subscription to Mergent Online contains U.S. company data, archives, annual reports, and industry reports. The expanded trial access also includes data, archives and reports on international and private companies. The trial access to the expanded database ends on Oct. 16.

Go to <http://library.ndsu.edu/downtown/business> for links to the databases. The Libraries welcome any feedback regarding the trial access. For more information, contact Jenny Grasto at [jenny.grasto@ndsu.edu](mailto:jenny.grasto@ndsu.edu) or 1-8616.

## NDSU Libraries implement new interlibrary loan feature

The NDSU Libraries have implemented an Interlibrary Loan Request feature, which is available from the First Search (World Cat) databases on the NDSU Libraries home page at <http://library.ndsu.edu>.

After locating a bibliographic record to request, click on the ILL icon near the top. Fill in the required fields, entering your employee identification number in the Patron ID field and submit the form.

By clicking on the "My Account" button, users also can create a profile to use in the databases that will fill in required fields so the user does not need to each time a request is made.

For more information or help in using this feature, contact Interlibrary Loan at 1-8885.

## Participants sought for adult children and fathering study

Sean Brotherson, NDSU family science specialist, and Bethany Reuter, NDSU graduate student, are seeking participants for their study on adult children and fathering. They are looking for men and women between the ages of 30 and 60 who are willing to be interviewed. Also, their study is seeking participants who have at least one child beyond the age of three, are married to the other parent of that child and were raised in a family with both the mother and father present until at least age 18.

Brotherson and Reuter are exploring how the experience of being fathered influences everything from how we feel about ourselves to how we raise our own children. The study focuses on adult children who are willing to share their experiences of being fathered and how it has influenced them.

“In particular, the way in which we connect with a father and feel close to or were cared for by him has a strong impact on our lives and well-being. An interesting question is how adults remember their experiences being fathered while growing up and the things that were most meaningful to them in that relationship,” says Brotherson.

For more information or to enroll in the study, contact Reuter at [bethany.reuter@ndsu.edu](mailto:bethany.reuter@ndsu.edu) or (701) 680-2210.

### DIVERSITY

## Advance FORWARD sponsors gender equity lectures

NDSU Advance FORWARD is sponsoring the visit of Virginia Valian, Distinguished Professor of Psychology and Linguistics at Hunter College and the Graduate Center of the City University of New York and author of the book “Why So Slow? The Advancement of Women” on Sept. 25.

Valian will present “Addressing Gender Equity” at 9 a.m. in the Memorial Union Century Theater. She will discuss why so few women are at the top of their profession in academia. She will review experimental data that demonstrate how gender schemas (held by men and women alike) produce subtle overvaluations of men and undervaluations of women. This event is open to the entire campus and community.

A presentation titled “Analyzing and Correcting Visible (and Hidden) Gender Equity Problems,” is planned for 12:30 to 2 p.m. in the Memorial Union Plains room. A free lunch will be served and registration is required. This event is open to the campus.

Faculty members are invited to a workshop titled “Individual Action for Gender Equity” at 2:30 p.m. in the Memorial Union Hidatsa room. Refreshments will be served and registration is required.

Women faculty are invited to a lecture titled “Power, Effectiveness and Gender” at 4 p.m. in the Memorial Union Hidatsa room. Registration is required.

Go to [www.ndsuadvance.ndsu.nodak.edu/registration](http://www.ndsuadvance.ndsu.nodak.edu/registration) to register. The registration deadline is Monday, Sept. 21.

To learn more about Valian and her research, a book discussion is planned for Thursday, Sept. 17, at noon in the Memorial Union Peace Garden room. Books are available for purchase at the NDSU Bookstore.

## International activity regional meetings planned

The Office for Equity, Diversity, and Global Outreach has planned several meetings related to the international activity survey that was conducted last spring semester. Meetings are based on regions of the world and are listed below.

If you currently are involved or interested in developing connections within any of the regions, plan to attend the meeting. Attendees will discuss what they would like to be doing in other regions around the world as well as where they have mutual interest and focus. If you did not have the chance to complete the survey, but still have interest, feel free to attend the meeting of your regional interest. All meetings will be held in the Memorial Union.

- **Sub-Saharan Africa:** Friday, Sept. 18, 9 a.m., Hidatsa room
- **Far East Asia/Pacific Rim:** Monday, Sept. 21, 10 a.m., Peace Garden room
- **Australia/New Zealand:** Monday, Sept. 28, 10 a.m., Mandan room
- **North America:** Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2 p.m., Peace Garden room
- **Western Europe:** Monday, Oct. 5, 2 p.m., Rose room
- **Eastern Europe/Central Asia:** Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2 p.m., Peace Garden room
- **North Africa/Middle East:** Monday, Oct. 19, 10 a.m., Mandan room
- **Southeast Asia:** Wednesday, Oct. 21, 2 p.m., Peace Garden room

Contact Kerri Spiering, associate vice president for equity, diversity, and global outreach at [kerri.spiering@ndsu.edu](mailto:kerri.spiering@ndsu.edu) or 1-8166 for more information.

## Safe Zone training session set

A Safe Zone training session is planned for Monday, Sept. 28, from 10 a.m. to noon, in the Memorial Union Room of Nations.

Safe Zone is a program sponsored by the Equity Diversity Center and educates participants about sexual orientation, gender identity and expression. During the training session, participants also will learn about the history of the program at NDSU, coming out, heterosexual privilege, homophobia and how to be an ally.

Safe Zone is a network of allies who support the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender queer and intersex community at NDSU.

The sessions are open to all members of the campus community. For more information, contact Angela Mathers, graduate assistant in the Office of Equity, Diversity, and Global Outreach, at [angela.m.mathers@ndsu.edu](mailto:angela.m.mathers@ndsu.edu) or 1-7091.

## RESEARCH

## Strand presents research about physical education instruction



Strand

Brad Strand, professor of health, nutrition and exercise sciences, presented "Physical Education Majors and K-12 Teachers: Knowledge and Use of Appropriate Instructional Strategies" at the central district association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance annual convention on March 13 in Rochester, Minn. Angela Senne and Vicky Bender, both former graduate students, also were presenters.

"In this presentation we discussed the differences in knowledge and use of appropriate instructional strategies by K-12 physical education teachers compared to that of physical education majors," Strand said. "As is expected, K-12 teachers are more knowledgeable regarding instructional strategies than are physical education majors."

Strand presented a research poster at the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance annual convention that was held March 30-April 4. He worked on the poster with Jim Egeberg, former doctoral student. Titled "Wellness Promotion on College and University Campuses," the poster focused on health-related fitness and fitness education courses offered on college and university campuses in a nine-state region.

Strand, Senne and Kristen Saxon, former graduate student, will present research posters at the National Association for Sport and Physical Education Teacher Education Conference on Oct. 8-10 in Myrtle Beach, S.C.

A poster by Saxon and Strand is titled "A Snapshot of Doctoral Physical Education Teacher Education Programs in the United States." This presentation provides descriptive information about the 24 physical education teacher education programs offered across the United States.

The poster by Senne and Strand is titled "The Influence of High School Teachers on Appropriate Practices Knowledge of Physical Education Teacher Education Majors." This poster will present evidence of the strong influence that public school teachers have on the knowledge base and beliefs regarding teaching practices of physical education majors.

## Terbizan and Demers present physical activity guidelines



Terbizan

Donna Terbizan, professor of health, nutrition and exercise sciences, and Nikki Demers, doctoral student, presented "Governmental Physical Activity Guidelines – Information and Update," at the central district American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance convention in Rochester, Minn.

According to Terbizan, the guidelines were similar to other guidelines that have been published in the past 10 years, but did have some additional emphasis points. "The new guidelines were very

specific that to improve health, an individual needs to perform moderate level physical activity at least 30 minutes in duration of three to five days a week," she said.

The presentation covered the guidelines for children age six through adolescence, older adults and adults with chronic conditions.

"The new guidelines supported and emphasized what we already know, as well as adding some information for specific age groups," Terbizan said. "It encourages all ages to perform physical activity to help improve their health."

## Peterson publishes two articles



Peterson

Tim O. Peterson, associate dean of the College of Business, had two articles published. The publications are "A Tale of Two Situations: An Empirical Study of Not-For-Profit Managerial Leaders' Behavior" and "What Competencies Do Future Business Leaders Need to be More Successful."

Peterson's areas of research are leadership, teamwork, the scholarship of teaching and the organizational impact of information systems. He has been the recipient of three best paper awards from the Academy of Management for his scholarship. His teaching interests are leadership, teamwork, work and life competencies.

## NDSU geoscientist publishes paper in Astrobiology journal



Lepper

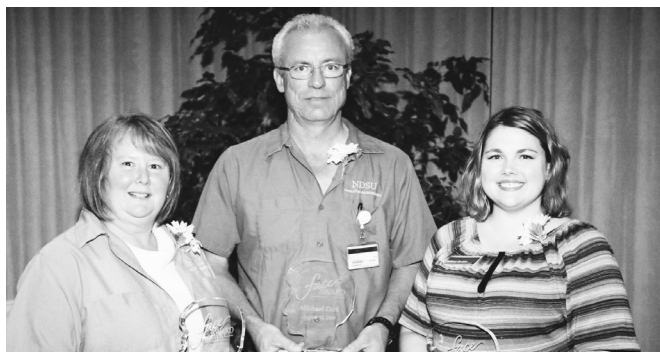
The journal, *Astrobiology*, has published a rapid communication from Ken Lepper, NDSU associate professor of geology. Titled, "The Effect of Evaporated Salt Solutions on the Optical Dating Properties of JSC Mars-1: 'Seasoning' for a Mars Soil Simulant," the paper reports Lepper's results of on-going research to adapt optical dating for use on future Mars' missions.

According to Lepper, In-situ optical dating is envisioned to take place from robotic platforms with the goal of providing planetary scientists with a better understanding of the geologic ages of Martian landscapes. His current research primarily focuses on characterizing and documenting the optical geochronometric properties of terrestrial geologic materials that are thought to be analogous to Mars' surface sediments. Basic characterization experiments are easily parceled into undergraduate research projects and numerous NDSU students have enjoyed laboratory research experiences, while dreaming of Mars.

This fall Andrew Gorz, undergraduate geosciences major and NASA Space Grant Fellow, will present the results of his Mars-related research at the National Meeting of the Geological Society of America in Portland, Ore. Gorz's presentation is titled "OSL Dating Properties of Mg-carbonate: A Recently Discovered Mineral in Martian Sediments" and is co-written by Lepper.

PEOPLE

## Dirk, Qualley and Steckler honored with FACE Award



*Pictured from left to right: Judy Qualley, Michael Dirk and Brittnee Steckler.*

Michael Dirk from Facilities Management, Judy Qualley from Facilities Management and Brittnee Steckler from Human Resources/Payroll were the recipients of the first annual FACE Award during ceremonies held Aug. 12. They are three of the 18 nominees recognized by the faculty and staff of NDSU for their exemplary impact in making NDSU a better institution every day.

The FACE (Finance and Administration Conscientious Effort) Award was conceived as a way for the university to recognize and commend staff members in the Division of Finance and Administration. These are employees who take the extra step, go above and beyond and put their best FACE forward.

Dirk was cited as going above and beyond in regard to the remodeling projects in Stevens Hall; coordinating quick turn-arounds in office movements; providing feedback on progress of projects; and being hard working, friendly, accommodating and a genuinely nice person.

Qualley was cited as being amazing, giving exceptional attention to detail, showing pride in her work, dropping everything to attend to others needs, communicating with everyone about upcoming projects and having a cheery attitude.

Steckler is cited as being professional, detailed, thorough and timely. She follows through with all projects, makes new employees feel important and welcome, is open minded, uses personal knowledge and experience and helps individuals think through difficult choices.

John Adams, vice president for finance and administration, thanks all the people who took time to show their appreciation by nominating the employees. A list of all nominees will be posted on the Vice President for Finance and Administration Web site.

## NDSU Student organization increases research activity

NDSU's chapter of the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology experienced a successful 2008-09 academic year. The chapter almost doubled its membership and nearly all members participated in research endeavors by working in campus research facilities.

Last fall, NDSU undergraduate students participated in the Northwest Regional Undergraduate Affiliate Network for Undergraduate Research in the Molecular Sciences American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Regional Conference held at Minnesota State University Moorhead. Erich Wilkerson received an honorable mention for his work, and Jarrett Failing received a travel award to present his research at the national American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology conference.

Both Failing and Wilkerson attended the national conference April 18-22 in New Orleans. Wilkerson gave an oral presentation detailing his work on a determination of the role of the vasoactive intestinal peptide receptor VPAC5, which may be important in the proliferative properties of cancer cells. Failing presented a poster with an overview of his research on the role of tumor suppressor protein cell apoptosis, as problems in T cell apoptosis are often associated with leukemia and lymphoma. Failing received an honorable mention for his poster.

Glenn Dorsam, assistant professor of chemistry and molecular biology, began NDSU's chapter of the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology two years ago in order to extend student involvement in department proceedings and provide students with opportunities that reach beyond NDSU. "Besides the professional association that students receive upon membership, they are also given access to numerous online journals and printed publications that highlight the latest developments in biochemical research," Dorsam said.

## Hagemeister awarded Fulbright teaching assistantship



*Hagemeister*

Emily Hagemeister, NDSU anthropology graduate student, was awarded a Fulbright English teaching assistantship in Amman, Jordan. Only six students received the assistantship that will run through the 2009-10 academic year.

The Fulbright program is intended to increase mutual cultural understanding by bringing foreign students and scholars to the United

States and by sending American students to a variety of nations throughout the world. The participants are chosen for their academic merit and leadership potential.

Hagemeister is involved in a number of campus and community organizations, including Golden Key International Honour Society, where she served as vice president of outreach; the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi; Women in Science, Mathematics, Engineering and Technology (WISMET), where she served as president; the Arabic Language and Cultural Student Association; and the Giving + Learning English Language Tutoring Organization.

In 2008, Hagemeister was awarded with the U.S. Department of State's Critical Language Scholarship. She spent two months in Amman, Jordan, intensively studying the Arabic language and culture. She also was named the NDSU Student Leader of the Month for December 2008 and received the Laurie J. Loveland Scholarship in 2008, which is a \$5,000 award intended to promote leadership and public service interests in women from North Dakota.

## EVENTS

**NEON science chief to visit**

The National Ecological Observatory Network's (NEON) chief of science, Michael Keller, will present information about "NEON: Enabling Research and Education in Continental Scale Ecology" on Thursday, Oct. 1, from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the NDSU Memorial Union Arikara room.

NDSU serves as lead coordinating institution in NEON Domain 9, Northern Plains, for this national observatory network that will gather long-term data to enable understanding and forecasting of the impacts of climate change, land-use change and invasive species on continental-scale ecology. Three sites will be located in each domain. The Woodworth Field Station of U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service near Jamestown, N.D., serves as the Domain 9 Core Site. These sites will be part of the NEON network, which will include 60 networked observatory sites around the country.

The NEON Northern Plains Domain 9 Science and Education Coordination Committee also will meet at NDSU Oct. 1-2. NDSU's representatives on the committee include Wei Lin, associate professor of civil engineering and Wendy Reed, associate professor of biological sciences. NEON activities at NDSU are coordinated through the Office of the Vice President for Research, Creative Activities and Technology Transfer.

The observatory will be the first of its kind to collect ecological data at continental scales over multiple decades. For more information, visit [www.neoninc.org](http://www.neoninc.org).

**White Coat Ceremony scheduled**

Eighty-eight students from the College of Pharmacy, Nursing, and Allied Sciences will take the oath of a pharmacist during the annual White Coat Ceremony on Saturday, Sept. 19, at 1 p.m. in NDSU's Festival Concert Hall. Each student will receive a white coat symbolizing his or her duty to patients and colleagues as they enter the pharmacy profession.

The White Coat Ceremony is an opportunity to officially welcome students into the profession of pharmacy and instill in their minds and hearts an attitude of professionalism including honesty, integrity and good moral character.

**NDSU History and Traditions Council plans 'Spinster Skip'**

The NDSU History and Traditions Council has planned "Spinster Skip," a girls-ask-guys semi-formal dance, for Saturday, Sept. 26, from 9 p.m. to midnight in the Memorial Union Great Plains Ballroom. The dance is free to all NDSU students, staff, faculty and alumni. Attendees are encouraged to bring photos from previous dances and to dress in vintage attire.

This year's Spinster Skip is being funded by the NDSU Student Government and hosted by the NDSU History and Traditions Council. The Shakers will provide live music, featuring songs from the 1950s through the 1970s. Refreshments will be served.

**Third annual Bison BEST robotics competition begins**

NDSU's College of Engineering and Architecture kicked off the Bison BEST (Boosting Engineering, Science and Technology) Robotics Competition on Sept. 12. The six-week competition will conclude Oct. 23-24 at the Fargo Civic Auditorium. This is the third year that NDSU is hosting a hub for BEST Robotics.

The competition offers hands-on, real world, engineering-based experience to middle and high school students. The mission of BEST Robotics is to inspire students to pursue careers in engineering, science, technology and math through participation in a sports-like science and engineering-based robotics competition.

A total of 28 schools are competing this year. At the kick-off event, each school receives an identical kit of equipment and parts and a set of game rules. The team then has six weeks to design, build and test a radio-controlled robot that will outperform other robots. The competition is free for schools to participate.

There are two parallel competitions. The first competition is a robotics game, which is based on an annual theme with four teams competing at once in a series of three-minute matches. The other competition is for the BEST Award, which is presented to the team that best embodies the concept of "Boosting Engineering, Science and Technology." Elements include a project engineering notebook, oral presentation, table display, and spirit and sportsmanship.

Competition organizers are looking for volunteers to serve as judges and referees during the Oct. 23-24 game day events. If you are interested in volunteering, contact Joel Hanson at 1-9676 or [joel.hanson@ndsu.edu](mailto:joel.hanson@ndsu.edu).

**Defensive driving course set**

Robin Reidman, North Dakota Department of Transportation, is scheduled to give a defensive driving course at NDSU. The class is planned for Tuesday, Sept. 22, from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Tuesday, Oct. 13, from 8 a.m. to noon; Tuesday, Oct. 13, from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.; and Tuesday Nov. 17, from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. All sessions will be held in Research 1, room 148.

Fleet Services requires those who operate fleet vehicles, on at least a monthly basis, to take the National Safety Council Defensive Driving Course as soon as possible after accepting employment and every four years thereafter. Training for those who operate fleet vehicles less than monthly is at the discretion of agency trainers or risk managers.

Fleet Services also requires those who have been involved in a motor vehicle accident with a State Fleet vehicle, or those who have received a traffic citation while operating a State Fleet vehicle in the past 12 months, to attend the course within the calendar year of the accident or citation.

The University Police and Safety Office encourages those who operate State Fleet vehicles less than monthly to attend the course.

For registration, contact Tammy Aronson, safety and compliance specialist, at [tammy.aronson@ndsu.edu](mailto:tammy.aronson@ndsu.edu) or 1-5637.

## Meet the Firms set for Sept. 17

The NDSU Accounting Club and the NDSU Career Center are sponsoring the 13th annual “Meet the Firms” event scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 17, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Memorial Union Great Plains Ballroom.

The event is an opportunity for NDSU, Concordia College and Minnesota State University Moorhead accounting and accountancy students to interact with firms in a business casual environment to exchange information on Cooperative Education and Internships and full-time positions.

Beginning at 4 p.m., some firms are planning to give 12-minute presentations that will give students a detailed description of their firm, clientele and focus. Faculty members are encouraged to have their students attend these presentations to hear from professionals in the field.

There is no cost for students or faculty to attend the event. For more information, contact the Career Center at 1-7111.

## NDSU Libraries plan Open House

The NDSU Libraries Open House is scheduled for Monday, Sept. 21, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and Tuesday, Sept. 22, from 10 a.m. to noon. Both events will be held in the Main Library classroom.

Attendees will meet subject librarians and staff, discover new resources and services and see what’s changed at the NDSU Libraries. There will be refreshments, giveaways and prizes.

## Schwert to present Science Cafe

Despite the absence of earthquakes, volcanoes and tsunamis, Fargo-Moorhead residents have little reason for feeling smug about their geologic setting. According to Donald Schwert, NDSU professor of geosciences, floods, shifting clays, landslides and radon make the Fargo-Moorhead region one of the most challenging geologic environments for development. Geologically related damages cost Fargo-Moorhead residents and taxpayers millions of dollars every year. Part of this expense is inevitable, but part of the expense is completely avoidable.

The next Science Cafe is planned for Thursday, Sept. 17 from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at The Hotel Donaldson’s Stokers Basement, 101 Broadway, Fargo. Schwert will facilitate a discussion, titled “A Citizen’s Guide to Geologic Survival in Fargo-Moorhead,” about the geologic setting of the region and how Fargo-Moorhead residents can better adapt to its many challenges.

Science Cafés are face-to-face conversations with a scientist about current science topics. They are sponsored by the NDSU College of Science and Mathematics and are open to the community. The events take place in casual settings like pubs or coffee houses.

A fall schedule has been set for upcoming Science Cafes. All are planned for the the third Thursday of each month at The Hotel Donaldson’s Stokers Basement. Upcoming titles of discussion include “Molecules to Mozzarella: Chemistry of Cheese,” “Science Saving Lives: Psychology of Suicide” and “Stem Cells Research: Is it Worth It?”

Contact Keri Drinka at 1-6131 or [keri.drinka@ndsu.edu](mailto:keri.drinka@ndsu.edu) for more

### SHORTS & REMINDERS

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

#### Administrative Secretary/#00021309

Sponsored Program Administration  
\$26,000+/year  
Sept. 22

#### Office Assistant/#00022125

Human Resources/Payroll  
\$26,500+/year  
Sept. 24

#### AM Catering Supervisor/#00019714

Dining Services - Memorial Union  
\$11+/hour  
Sept. 18

#### Program and Enrollment Specialist

Distance and Continuing Education  
\$33,000+/year  
Sept. 16

#### Counselor

Counseling Center  
\$30,000+/year  
Sept. 18

#### Coordinator, Athletic Academics #00026433

Orientation and Student Success  
Salary commensurate with experience  
Sept. 17

#### Metadata and Cataloging Librarian

#00026079  
Library  
\$42,000 minimum/year  
September 30

#### Food Technology Specialist

Plant Sciences  
\$28,000+/year  
Sept. 20

#### Food Technologist

Northern Crops Institute  
Salary commensurate with experience  
Oct. 9

#### Milling Specialist

Northern Crops Institute  
Salary commensurate with experience  
Oct. 9

#### Food Service Worker/#00018556

Nine-month position: August through May  
Dining Services - Memorial Union  
\$8+/hour  
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#### Correction

The first name of Gale Chapman was incorrectly spelled in last week’s article, titled “NDSU Alumni Association plans 50-year Golden Reunion.”

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## CALENDAR

### SEPTEMBER

**15 Equity, Diversity, and Global Outreach** – Study Abroad Fair and photography contest, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Memorial Union, Great room. Sponsored by International Programs.

**16 YMCA of NDSU Brown Bag** – “Exploring the Traditions of Jewish Holidays,” noon to 1 p.m., Memorial Union, Arikara room. Also sponsored by Equity Diversity Center.

**17 YMCA of NDSU Brown Bag** – “The Importance of the Appointment of Sonia Sotomayor to the U.S. Supreme Court,” 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., Memorial Union, Meadow Lark room. Also sponsored by Office of Multicultural Programs and the Memorial Union.

**17 Chemistry and Molecular Biology** – “Progress Toward the Total Synthesis of Diazonamide A,” Tarek Sammakia from the University of Colorado at Boulder, 3:45 p.m., Dunbar 152

**17 Career Center** – Meet the Firms, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Memorial Union, Great Plains Ballroom

**18 Psychology Colloquium** – “Insight and Psychosocial Outcome Following TBI,” Angela Buffington, University of Minnesota Medical School, 3:30 p.m., FLC 122

**19 Football** vs. Wagner College (Trees Bowl), 6 p.m., Fargodome

**22 Equity, Diversity, and Global Outreach** – “Sisterhood Circle: Women of Color and Incarceration,” 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., Memorial Union, Prairie Rose room. Sponsored by Office of Multicultural Programs.

**23 Career Center** – Engineering and Tech Expo, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Fargodome

**23 YMCA of NDSU Brown Bag** – “Healthy Relationships and their Dynamics,” noon to 1 p.m., Memorial Union Arikara room

**23 Equity, Diversity, and Global Outreach** – Equity Diversity Center opening ceremony, 3 p.m., Equity Diversity Center

**24 World I View** – “African Soul, American Heart – A Documentary,” noon to 1 p.m., Memorial Union Century Theater

**25 Chemistry and Molecular Biology** – “Art, Expertise and Design: Process Enabling in Early Drug Development,” Russell Linderman, Pfizer Global Research and Development, Groten, Conn., 3:30 p.m., Memorial Union Prairie Rose room. Co-sponsored by the National Institutes of Health Center for Protease Research

**25 Psychology Colloquium** – “Environmentally Significant Individual Behavior: Shared Meaning of Multiple Identities,” Chris Biga, NDSU assistant professor of sociology, 3:30 p.m., FLC 122

**25 Volleyball** vs. IUPUI, 7 p.m., Bentson/Bunker Fieldhouse

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