

## Phillips named NDSU head men's basketball coach



Phillips

Gene Taylor, NDSU athletic director, announced the promotion of assistant coach Saul Phillips, 34, to head men's basketball coach. The announcement was made March 26.

Phillips is the 22nd head coach of the Bison. He replaces Tim Miles, who was hired as head coach at Colorado State University.

Phillips was the assistant men's basketball coach at NDSU for the past three seasons.

Before coming to NDSU, Phillips was the director of basketball operations for three years at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He handled the day-to-day scheduling, coordinated travel, budgeting and on-campus recruiting.

Phillips also spent two years as an assistant coach at the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, and two years as an assistant coach at Lake Superior State University, Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.

A native of Reedsburg, Wis., Phillips graduated from the University of Wisconsin, Platteville, with a bachelor's degree in business and psychology. He played basketball at UWP and was captain of the Pioneers' undefeated national championship team in 1995.

Phillips and his wife, Nicole, have one daughter, Jordan, and one son, Charlie.

## Chapman invites commencement participation

President Joseph A. Chapman invites faculty and staff to participate in spring commencement activities, scheduled for 5 p.m. Friday, May 11, at the Fargodome.

"Commencement is one of the most significant events in annual cycle of an intellectual community," Chapman wrote in a March 22 letter to faculty and staff. "It is a very positive symbol of individual student success, family and community pride and faculty and staff support."

Tom Barnhart, professor of health, nutrition and exercise sciences, will serve as faculty marshal in charge of arranging the processional.

## NCAA certification draft report available

A draft report on NDSU's self-study of the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics as part of the NCAA Division I certification program is available online at [www.GoBison.com](http://www.GoBison.com).

In addition, campuswide open forums are scheduled for 11:30 a.m. Monday, April 16, and 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 17, at the Century Theater of the Memorial Union.

A final public forum is scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 17, at the Reimers Room of the Alumni Center. Comments may be forwarded by Friday, April 20, to Steering Committee chair Prakash Mathew, vice president for Student Affairs, Old Main 100, or via e-mail at [prakash.mathew@ndsu.edu](mailto:prakash.mathew@ndsu.edu).

### Libraries Easter break hours

Hours for the NDSU Libraries during Easter break are:

#### Main Library

Thursday, April 5—7:30 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Friday-Sunday, April 6-8—closed

#### Branch Libraries

Thursday, April 5—7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  
Friday-Sunday, April 6-8—closed

Regular academic hours resume Monday, April 9. For a current listing of hours, consult the Libraries' Web page at [www.lib.ndsu.nodak.edu](http://www.lib.ndsu.nodak.edu), or call the information tape at 1-9456.

### Deadline Change

Due to the spring holiday Friday, April 6, the deadline for the April 11 issue of "It's Happening at State," is noon Wednesday, April 4.

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## NDWRRI proposal funded by national competitive program

A proposal submitted through the North Dakota Water Resources Research Institute (NDWRRI) for the National Institutes for Water Resources and U.S. Geological Survey National Competitive Grants 104 (G) Program has been funded.

The proposal "Collaborative Research on In Situ Denitrification and Glyphosate Transformation in Ground Water: NAWQA Eastern Iowa Basins Study Unit" by Scott Korom, geology and geological engineering at the University of North Dakota, in collaboration with Paul Capel, USGS Minnesota Water Science Center, is one of the three proposals submitted through NDWRRI.

The study received \$91,988 for three years. Out of 61 proposals submitted nationwide, eight are funded in this round. This is the second consecutive year that a proposal submitted through NDWRRI was successful in the highly competitive program.

According to researchers, contamination of ground water by nitrate and pesticides is widespread in some areas of the country and can threaten drinking water supplies. It is well known that the most important removal mechanism of nitrate and most pesticides from ground water is biodegradation, but the in situ transformation rates are largely unknown.

Results of the study will provide site-specific transformation rates for nitrate and glyphosate and extend the aquifer nitrate vulnerability index that was developed in earlier studies. The information is important for the development of tools and quantitative methods to characterize the transport and fate of agricultural chemicals in the Eastern Iowa Basins Study Unit, the Upper Midwest and elsewhere.

Under the 104(G) program, awards are available only to Water Research Institutes or Centers established pursuant to the provisions of section 104 of the Water Resources Research Act. NDWRRI is one of the 54 institutes throughout the nation, one per each state and territory organized under the National Institute for Water Resources.

Objectives of the 104 (G) program include promoting collaboration between the USGS and university scientists in research on significant national and regional water resources issues; promoting the dissemination and application of the results of the research funded under this program; and assisting in the training of scientists in relevant water resource fields.

For additional information, contact G. Padmanabhan, NDWRRI director, at 1-7043 or [g.padmanabhan@ndsu.edu](mailto:g.padmanabhan@ndsu.edu).

## Newest addition to Research and Technology Park opens

Administrative offices of the NDSU Research and Technology Park have moved into the Center for Technology Enterprise, located at 1854 NDSU Research Circle N., Fargo. The newest facility of the Research and Technology Park is located north of Alien Technology.

In addition to administrative offices, the facility contains a business and technology incubator that will assist entrepreneurs with start-up support, coaching and mentoring, linkages to NDSU resources, assistance with technology commercialization, licensing and joint venture opportunities.

"The addition of the Center for Technology Enterprise moves NDSU a step closer to fulfilling President Joseph A. Chapman's vision for further connecting NDSU's expertise with the private sector," said Tony Grindberg, executive director of the Research and Technology Park.

Bobcat, Feed Management Systems, Precision Partners, Pedigree Technologies and Appareo Systems are clients located in the new facility.

The main phone number for the Center for Technology Enterprise is 499-3600. To contact Grindberg, call 499-3601. Jan Sobolik, executive assistant, can be reached at 499-3602 and Terri Zimmerman, business development specialist, can be reached at 499-3603.

For additional information, visit [www.ndsuresearchpark.com](http://www.ndsuresearchpark.com).

## Diversity Council initiates Diversity Impact Award

The President's Diversity Council has initiated an award to recognize individuals, groups or units that have demonstrated a significant contribution to advancing diversity based on the University's Strategic Plan for Diversity, Equity and Community.

The award will be presented annually and will consist of \$500 donated to the charity of the recipient's choice. This year's award recipient will be recognized in conjunction with the Tapestry of Diverse Talents event at noon on Friday, May 4.

Nominations for the first Diversity Impact Award are due no later than Friday, April 20. They may be submitted either electronically to [linda.gill@ndsu.edu](mailto:linda.gill@ndsu.edu) or in hard copy to the Office of the Provost, 103 Old Main. Criteria for the award, directions for making nominations and a nomination form are available at [www.ndsu.edu/diversity/documents.php](http://www.ndsu.edu/diversity/documents.php). The nomination form also is available in the Office of the Provost.

## Applications sought for NDSU Women's Club scholarships

Applications are being accepted for two NDSU Women's Club scholarships. Each scholarship is worth \$500 and will be awarded in the fall.

Applicants must be students from North Dakota, South Dakota or Minnesota. The student must have junior status during the upcoming fall semester. The applicant must show evidence of extracurricular or community involvement and provide letters of reference from at least two NDSU-related persons, including a major professor. A minimum of a 3.2 cumulative grade point average is required.

Applications are available in the Office of Student Financial Services in Ceres Hall and must be submitted by Tuesday, May 1. For more information, contact Mary Bjerke, vice president of the NDSU Women's Club, at 893-3541, 235-8540 or [mbjerke@firstintlins.com](mailto:mbjerke@firstintlins.com).

## Varsity Mart helping to reduce price of textbooks

By getting textbook adoptions to the Varsity Mart early, the textbook department may be able to help reduce the cost of course materials for fall semester.

According to Kathy Wahlberg, textbook manager and assistant director of the book department, having course and textbook information early enables the Varsity Mart to identify titles that can be bought from students at the end of spring semester. If students choose to sell their books, they may receive up to 50 percent of the new price if faculties are reusing the book the following semester. If copies of books are still needed beyond buyback, the Varsity Mart can search used book wholesalers and obtain used copies before other bookstores do.

Wahlberg says that the more used copies that can be obtained for students, the more students will save. Used book sales for spring semester were approximately \$1.2 million and students saved around \$380,000 by purchasing used books.

Also, Wahlberg says that with early information, the Varsity Mart can notify faculty and staff of out of print titles or edition changes. The Varsity Mart would also be able to provide Counseling and Disability Services with book information and copies of books for NDSU students who request alternate formats of course materials.

By carefully evaluating the adoption of publisher packages or bundles and by making sure all the components will be used for the class, students are more likely to see the value in purchasing course materials. The students' perception of value is dependent on faculty use of the materials, whether they are new or used. When books are designated as required and if faculty test from the book, lecture from the book or expect students to read materials that will be discussed in class, students are more likely to perceive the value in the books and course materials and are more likely to purchase the required course materials according to Wahlberg.

Fall textbook adoptions were due to the Varsity Mart on March 30. If you have not submitted your Fall 2007 textbook adoption to the Varsity Mart, adoptions may be placed via campus mail to Textbooks/Varsity Mart, Memorial Union; telephone at 1-7827; fax at 1-7740; e-mail at [kathleen.wahlberg@ndsu.edu](mailto:kathleen.wahlberg@ndsu.edu); or Internet at [www.ndsuvarsitymart.com](http://www.ndsuvarsitymart.com) (textbooks link, then click on "faculty" in the green bar at the top of the page). Call 1-7827 for user ID, password and other information on how to adopt books online.

The Varsity Mart Bookstore provides NDSU students with all required, recommended and optional course materials for classes. The textbook department supports all department academic goals.

For more information, contact Wahlberg at [kathleen.wahlberg@ndsu.edu](mailto:kathleen.wahlberg@ndsu.edu) or 1-7827.

### PEOPLE

## Quarter Century Club to welcome new members

The Office of Human Resources/Payroll will sponsor the annual Quarter Century Club new members recognition dinner scheduled for Monday, May 7, 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 or more.

New members are Bradley Brummond, Extension county programs; Norman Cattanach, AES soil science; Jo Cavins, English; Beverly Clouse, library; Davis Cope, mathematics; Myron Flaagan, facilities management; Kurt Froelich, Extension county programs; Joseph Gregg, library; E. C. Hatzenbuhler, geosciences; Mary Hegney, dining services; Bruce Horton, mechanical engineering; Paul Juell, computer science; James Kirsch AES animal and range sciences; Mary Lynn Krag, student loan collections center; Thomas Lewis, AES administration facilities; Llewellyn Manske, AES Dickinson R/E Center; Dale Naze, Extension county programs; David Pearson, AES Hettinger R/E Center; Sharon Ring, AES Langdon R/E Center; Greg Sanders, child development and family science; Warren Schmidt, AES Entomology; Teresa Sonsthagen, animal and range sciences; Helen Volk-Schill, Extension county programs; Ron Stammen, School of Education; Donna Terbizan, health, nutrition and exercise sciences; and Debby Wichmann, registration and records.

Tickets are \$18. Reservations are requested by Friday, April 20, to the Office of Human Resources/Payroll, Old Main 205, P.O. Box 5345, Fargo, N.D. 58105. For more information, contact Human Resources/Payroll at 1-8961.

## Schwert named Chamber Distinguished Professor



Schwert

The NDSU Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Professor Award Committee has unanimously selected Donald Schwert, professor of geosciences, director of the Center for Science and Mathematics Education and program coordinator for the North Dakota IDEA Network of Biomedical Research Excellence (INBRE), as the recipient of the 2007 award. Schwert will receive the recognition at the Chamber of Commerce of Fargo Moorhead Awards Luncheon, scheduled for noon Wednesday, May 16, at the Ramada Plaza Suites and Conference Center, Fargo.

In a letter to Schwert, R.S. Krishnan, committee chair and associate vice president for academic affairs, wrote, "The committee was impressed with your distinguished record as an educator, and your long and exemplary service to our immediate and extended communities."

Noted for his innovation in teaching, research and service through use of the Internet, Schwert's "Fargo Flood" Web site in 1996-97 led to his appearance on a Discovery Channel program and a special on the Weather Channel. He also invented the "Geology Explorer," a virtual learning environment for geology students.

Colleagues in the Worldwide Web Instructional Committee nominated Schwert, calling him a premier teacher. "He has had a long, diverse, successful and world-class research career. Space hardly permits an inventory of Dr. Schwert's service activities. The key thing to note is he has been an instrument of change in everything he has tried," wrote committee members Jeffrey Clark, Lisa Daniels, Paul Juell, Phil McClean, Bernhardt Saini-Eidukat, Brian Slator, Jeff Terpstra and Alan White.

"Don would make a terrific selection for this honor," wrote Kevin McCaul, dean of science and mathematics, in a letter of support. "Dr. Don Schwert created his professional career in the Fargo-Moorhead area and at NDSU. The community and university—indeed, the entire state—is a better place because of his choice."

Schwert joined NDSU in 1978, and has held several leadership positions, including interim dean of the College of Science and Mathematics and chair of the Department of Geosciences.

His honors include the 2005 Faculty Lectureship, 2001 Peltier Award for Innovation in Teaching, 1998 College of Science and Mathematics Distinguished Service Award, the college's 1997 Outstanding Teacher Award and the 1992 Odney Award for Excellence in Teaching.

He earned his bachelor's degree at Allegheny College, his master's degree in zoology at the SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry at Syracuse University and his doctorate in earth sciences at the University of Waterloo, Canada.

The NDSU Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Professor receives a cash award and the permanent title, "Distinguished Professor." The award is designed to recognize NDSU faculty members who have attained distinction in their profession. Nominees for the honor are judged on the basis of their substantial service and or outreach contributions to the community and the region, in addition to their achievement as scholars, teachers or artists during their time at NDSU.

## Recipients named for Odney, Waldron, Peltier Awards

Three NDSU faculty members have been selected for prestigious annual campus awards. Dogan Comez, professor of mathematics, was chosen for the Odney Award for Excellence in Teaching; Michael D. Robinson, associate professor of psychology, will receive the Waldron Award for Excellence in Research; and Kalpana Katti, associate professor of civil engineering, was selected for the Peltier Award for Innovation in Teaching.

The awardees will be honored during the 10th annual "Celebration of Faculty Excellence," scheduled for 3 p.m. Wednesday, May 9, at the Alumni Center Atrium. The awards are sponsored by the NDSU Development Foundation.

"The three award recipients are excellent selections. The honorees are wonderful representatives of NDSU's commitment to excellence in all areas of education and research," said Craig Schnell, provost and vice president for academic affairs.



Comez

Comez was chosen to receive the Odney Award, which is selected primarily on comments from students that describe a faculty member's ability to stimulate interest in subject matter, demand rigorous thought, generate enthusiastic responses and demonstrate distinctive competence. The award has been presented since 1972 in honor of the late Robert Odney, a former Fargo businessman and longtime supporter of NDSU.

"Dr. Comez is a great teacher," wrote student Farhad Abdullayev in one of seven letters of nomination. "His unique teaching style is beyond comparison. During lectures Dr. Comez is very enthusiastic and has very lucid exposition style. In class, he is dedicated to making sure each student follows every argument clearly."

"I have learned much with Dr. Comez," wrote student Rosalinda A. Connelley. "Dr. Comez shows a sincere interest in his students and is a very inspiring and influential coach."

Warren Shreve, professor and chair of mathematics, noted Comez's enthusiasm, concern for students and collegiality. Shreve wrote, "He is a proponent of the small group method and problem-based learning; this is helpful to him in getting across, to the students, ideas that require deep thinking."

William Martin, professor and head of the School of Education, wrote in a letter of nomination, "Dogan has my highest recommendation as a mathematics professor, educator, administrator and human being. I believe he is exactly the sort of well-rounded faculty member that we should be seeking, encouraging and retaining at NDSU."

Comez earned his bachelor's and master's degrees at the Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey, and his doctorate at the University of Toronto, Canada. He joined the NDSU faculty in 1985. He also is the project director of the Graduate Student-University-School (GraSUS II), a program dedicated to increasing the quality of science and mathematics education in Grades 6-12.



Robinson

Robinson was selected to receive the Fred Waldron Research Award, which was established to recognize outstanding faculty research. According to Paul Rokke, professor and chair of psychology, Robinson studies automatic and controlled processes in cognition and how the processes are influenced by emotion and personality factors.

"He has averaged more than 13 publications per year over the last four years. During his tenure at NDSU he has been continuously funded by the National Science Foundation and the National Institutes of Health," Rokke wrote in a letter of nomination. "He attracts high caliber graduate students to NDSU who are trained exceptionally well by him, become prolific in publishing and then successful faculty members. In terms of generating new knowledge and having an impact on the education and careers of students, Michael Robinson is clearly a star."

Robinson, who earned his doctorate at the University of California, Davis, joined the NDSU faculty in 2001. He was the recipient of the 2004 College of Science and Mathematics Award for Excellence in Research and the 2005-08 James A. Meier Junior Professor Award. In addition, he is associate editor for the Journal of Personality, associate editor for Cognition and Emotion and consulting editor for the Journal of Personality and Social Psychology and Psychological Science.

The Peltier Award, established by Joseph and Norma Peltier to recognize outstanding innovation in teaching, will be presented to Katti, who has incorporated modules on advanced materials and nanotechnology into two civil engineering courses.



Katti

"Dr. Katti is an outstanding faculty member in the civil engineering department working on emerging research areas while innovating on teaching. The hallmark of her contribution has been the integration of teaching and research to enhance undergraduate and graduate student learning," wrote G. Padmanabhan, professor of civil engineering. "Dr. Katti's teaching philosophy is highlighted with just two words, knowledgeable and caring."

Padmanabhan wrote that Katti's undergraduate students participate in semester-long group projects and her students teach for about five minutes with their own overheads and handouts. According to Padmanabhan, this activity is a proven method for learning retention and improves communication skills.

He notes that Katti's graduate students teach a pre-assigned topic in class for about 20 minutes, do a comprehensive project and write a report in the format of a journal review article. Each semester, graduate students participate in a mock conference, with presentations and question-and-answer sessions.

Gary R. Smith, dean of engineering and architecture, wrote in a letter of support, "She has been instrumental in adding new materials for her field of research into appropriate undergraduate classes. She extends this knowledge into graduate courses as well."

Katti earned her doctorate from the University of Washington, Seattle, and joined the NDSU faculty in 2000. She received the College of Engineering and Architecture Researcher of the Year Award in 2003 and a National Science Foundation CAREER Award in 2002. She is a fellow of the Faculty Institute for Excellence in Learning. Her vita lists 80 peer-reviewed publications.

## Clarín named manager of Bison Connection Service Center

Wendy Clarín, support services manager, has been appointed the manager of the new Bison Connection One Stop Service Center, scheduled to open next fall in the Memorial Union. The center will centralize student business transactions and provide streamlined service delivery.

Clarín will be responsible for the selection, training and supervision of the center's staff, the center's daily operations and she will continue to manage Bison Card functions.

Clarín has been at NDSU since August of 1999. Her areas of responsibility include the Bison Card Center and auxiliary operations for dining services. She previously worked for South Dakota State University. Clarín has a bachelor's degree in English from Jamestown College.

## Cooley gives ethics presentation

Dennis Cooley, associate professor of philosophy and ethics and associate director of the Northern Plains Ethics Institute, presented "Medical Professionals, Dementia and Two Suicide Duties" at the 2007 Association of Practical and Professional Ethics meeting in Cincinnati.

The paper on which the presentation is based, "A Kantian Moral Duty for the Soon to be Demented to Commit Suicide," has been made a target article for the American Journal of Bioethics. The paper, 10 commentaries on it and a response letter by Cooley will be published in the journal's June 2007 issue. The commentaries were written by experts in nursing, psychiatry, medicine and bioethics, and come from schools of medicine, universities and government agencies from across the United States, Argentina, Canada and Israel.

## Kapplinger to participate in exhibition

Kent Kapplinger, associate professor of art and director of the Printmaking, Education and Research Studio, has been selected to participate in the Mid-America Printmakers Council juried exhibition April 12-May 23 at the Safety-Kleen Gallery One at Elgin Community College, Illinois.

Kapplinger's woodcut titled "Renewed Energy" was selected for the exhibition.

"Energy is a precious thing, a gift requiring one's nurturing and care," Kapplinger said. "As human beings we quickly realize that revitalizing others is often the best way to energize ourselves, a natural regenerative kinetic-like momentum where each action initiates the next."

Exhibition juror Ed Krantz is a collage, installation and conceptual artist who integrates subconscious messages within a socially and psychologically poignant framework. He is director and curator for the Elgin Community College Gallery and has coordinated more than 175 exhibitions, designed more than 30 catalogues and has written several essays for significant American, Canadian and German artists.

### EVENTS

## Events for Civil Education Month announced

April marks the eighth annual celebration of Civil Education Month, featuring events to promote civic engagement, social justice, citizenship, commitment to community and appreciation of diversity.

The program, coordinated by staff in the Memorial Union, features the following events:

### Wednesday, April 4

"Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder-The Basics," a brown bag seminar sponsored by the YMCA of NDSU, is planned for noon in the Memorial Union Century Theatre. Kitra Nelson, NDSU alumna and prevention case manager for the Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Epidemiology Research Project with the University of New Mexico's Center on Alcoholism, Substance Abuse and Addictions (CASAA), will present an overview of the causes, characteristics and implications of FASD.

"Part 1: Racism," the first installment of a series titled "Teaching Social Justice Through Children's Books," is scheduled for 7 p.m. in the Memorial Union at the Student Activities Office. Participants will take part in a book club where they explore various social issues as they have been traditionally treated in children's books and videos. The event is sponsored by the NDSU Volunteer Network and supported by a grant from the president's Diversity Council.

### Tuesday, April 10

"Raising Children Free of Prejudice," an event sponsored by the NDSU Anti-racism Team, is set for 12:30 p.m. in FLC 320. Members of the team will lead a discussion about how to positively raise children who are aware of social issues and are sensitive and appreciative of the differences between people.

**Tuesday, April 10-Monday, April 30**

The NDSU Volunteer Network encourages students, staff and faculty to donate gently used clothing to the Dress for Success Clothing Drive. Dress for Success provides assistance to women in need who are entering the workforce by supplying an interview suit and a start-up wardrobe once each woman has acquired a job. Participants may drop off donations at the Memorial Union in the Student Activities Office.

**Wednesday, April 11**

"Motherhood Manifesto," a short film and discussion sponsored by the YMCA of NDSU, is scheduled for noon in the Memorial Union Century Theatre. The documentary, produced by MomsRising.org, provides examples of how society devalues motherhood and what steps can be taken to change those views.

A Safe Zone Ally training session is planned for 2:30 p.m. in the Memorial Union Studio. Safe Zone is a program to educate and organize a network of allies for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or questioning people in the community. A person who has attended Safe Zone Ally training and displays the symbol is one who will be understanding, supportive and trustworthy if an LGBTQ person needs help, advice or someone to talk to. The training sessions are offered throughout the year. For information, visit [www.ndsu.edu/memorial\\_union/safezone/](http://www.ndsu.edu/memorial_union/safezone/).

"Part 2: Genderism/Sexism," the second installment of "Teaching Social Justice Through Children's Books," is scheduled for 7 p.m. at the Memorial Union in the Meinecke Board Room.

**Thursday, April 12**

Steve Wagendorf, AIDS activist, is set to give a presentation at 12:30 p.m. in the new Memorial Union Ballroom and at 7 p.m. in Minard Hall, room 136. Sponsored by NDSU and Minnesota State University Moorhead's Ten Percent Societies, Wagendorf will discuss his experiences living in western North Dakota as a gay man who is HIV positive.

**Discover NDSU event scheduled**

The Office of Admission is scheduled to host Discover NDSU "Junior and Senior Day," April 20 and 21. Discover NDSU is a comprehensive overview of NDSU for high school students.

Friday, April 20, is Junior Day, where current high school juniors can begin their college search. Saturday, April 21, is Senior Day, where current high school seniors can take a final look at the NDSU campus before making a final decision to enroll.

There also will be a program for transfer students on Saturday, April 21. All sessions for Discover NDSU include an activity fair, admission presentation, student panel, academic interest session, general campus tour and lunch on campus.

Sessions are followed by specialty tour options of the NDSU's downtown buildings, the engineering complex, and a residence life showcase. To sign up for Discover NDSU, call 1-8643 or 1-800-488-NDSU or go to [www.ndsu.nodak.edu/admission/Discover](http://www.ndsu.nodak.edu/admission/Discover).

For more information regarding Discover NDSU, contact Dana Davis at [dana.davis@ndsu.edu](mailto:dana.davis@ndsu.edu).

**USDA animal care meeting set**

The campus is invited to a meeting with Dr. Ruth Bakker, veterinary medical officer with USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, at noon-3 p.m. Thursday, April 5, in the Stevens Hall Auditorium.

NDSU is registered with the USDA as a research institution per the Code of Federal Regulations. Bakker, who is assigned to NDSU, has annually inspected the campus for the past 16 years.

During her April 2006 visit, Bakker noted six deficiencies, and an October follow-up visit found three continuing and three additional deficiencies with the animal care and use program.

"This is an important meeting for our animal care and research personnel to attend," said President Joseph A. Chapman. "It is essential that we fully understand the federal regulations, so that we can be in compliance. This is an opportunity for us to discuss issues related to USDA oversight in the area of animal care and use in research or teaching."

**Preservation Hall Jazz Band to perform at NDSU**

The Preservation Hall Jazz Band is scheduled to perform at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 13, at the Festival Concert Hall.

From New Orleans' French Quarter, the Preservation Hall Jazz Band is known for performances of New Orleans Jazz. Many of the band's original members performed with jazz pioneers, including Buddy Bolden, Jelly Roll Morton, Sweet Emma Barret and Louis Armstrong.

Originating in the early part of the last century, New Orleans Jazz has a slower tempo than other jazz forms and the melody is always clearly heard. New Orleans jazz bands generally consist of five to seven pieces with the trumpet usually playing as the musical leader.

Tickets are available at the fine arts box office. Tickets are \$30 for adults, \$25 for senior citizens and \$15 for NDSU students. Balcony box seats are \$40. Tickets may be reserved by calling 1-7969.

**LCT to present 'Noises Off!'**

NDSU's Little Country Theatre is scheduled to present Michael Frayn's "Noises Off!" directed by Lori Horvik, associate professor of theatre arts.

"Noises Off!" is a comedy that tells of the antics of an inept acting troupe as they stumble from a bumbling dress rehearsal to a disastrous closing night.

"Noises Off!" is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 13-Saturday, April 14; 2 p.m. Sunday, April 15; and 7:30 p.m. Thursday April 19-Saturday, April 21, in Askanase Auditorium.

Tickets are available at the fine arts box office. Tickets are \$12 for adults; \$10 for senior citizens, NDSU alumni, faculty, staff and non-NDSU students; and \$4 for NDSU students. Tickets may be reserved by calling 1-9442 or by e-mail at [ndsu.fine.arts@ndsu.edu](mailto:ndsu.fine.arts@ndsu.edu).

## Financial fitness program scheduled

"Money Matters: Fiscal Fitness Programming," a two-day program sponsored by Multicultural Student Services (MSS), is scheduled from noon-2 p.m. Wednesday, April 11, and Thursday, April 12, in FLC 319 and 320.

MSS has recognized a need to implement fiscal fitness education by establishing a culture of financial empowerment. "Money Matters" is a financial fitness and literacy program that is meant to re-shape traditional ways of handling money.

The following presentations are scheduled for the program:

### April 11 in FLC 319

Noon U.S. Bank, "Banking Basics"  
 12:30 p.m. Gate City Bank, "Checking and Savings Accounts"  
 1 p.m. First International Bank and Trust, "The Power of an Interest Earning Checking Account"  
 1:30 p.m. Alerus, "Identity Theft"

### April 12 in FLC 320

Noon Bank of the West, "What is a Credit Score and How to Build Credit"  
 12:30 p.m. Wells Fargo Bank, "How Does Credit Affect Your Financial Future"  
 1 p.m. Ramsey Bank, "Real Estate/Financing a Home"  
 1:30 p.m. First International Bank and Trust, "Investing in Your Future"

Students, faculty and staff are invited to attend. For more information, contact MSS at 1-1029.

## Networking social scheduled

A networking social, hosted by the NDSU Career Center, is scheduled at 5 p.m. Wednesday, April 11, in the Alumni Center Atrium.

The social is being held in conjunction with a networking workshop for students to learn tips and techniques on how to network in a business setting. The social is an opportunity for students to practice their networking skills while visiting with members of the community, faculty and NDSU Administration.

Faculty and staff are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served. To attend or for more information, contact Penny Aipperspach, certified career management coach, at [penny.aipperspach@ndsu.edu](mailto:penny.aipperspach@ndsu.edu) or 1-7237.

## Lawn mower, snowblower clinic set

The American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers and the Agricultural Systems Management Club have scheduled a lawn mower and snowblower clinic for 5 p.m. Wednesday, April 11, in the Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering building. A tune-up, oil change, new spark plug, air filter cleaning, gearbox oil check, blade sharpening and a wash are included for a fee of \$25.

Pick up and delivery service is available within the Fargo, Moorhead and West Fargo city limits for an additional fee of \$10. To schedule an appointment, call the agricultural and biosystems engineering office at 1-7261. The clinic is limited to 40 units on a first come, first serve basis. Payments must be made when the units are delivered or before they can be picked up.

## 2007 Distinguished Alumni Award Program honorees to give presentations

The first annual NDSU Distinguished Alumni Award Program is scheduled for April. The Distinguished Alumni Award Program, sponsored by each of NDSU's colleges, is an opportunity to educate students by introducing them to successful alumni and also is a chance to recognize and honor outstanding alumni.

Distinguished alumni will share career-related experiences and knowledge while visiting NDSU. Each alumnus will have an opportunity to meet and give presentations to students, faculty, alumni and the NDSU community. The classroom presentations and seminars listed are free and open to the public.

### College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences



Witt

Kurt Witt, senior marketing manager at Yamaha Corp. of America, Buena Park, Calif., received his bachelor's degree in secondary music education at NDSU in 1991.

Witt is a board member of the National Association of Young Music Merchants. He was named to "40 music industry executives under 40." Witt also is a member of the Yamaha Cares committee.

Witt is scheduled to give a student convocation, "The Top 10 must-have list for the Real World," at 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 4, in Beckwith Recital Hall.

For further information, contact Keri Drinka at [keri.drinka@ndsu.edu](mailto:keri.drinka@ndsu.edu) or 1-6131.

### College of Business



Bodine

John Bodine, senior vice president of Houlihan Lokey Howard and Zukin (HLHZ), Chicago, earned a bachelor's degree in business administration at NDSU in 1987 and a master of business administration degree in finance from the University of Minnesota.

Bodine began his career at American Appraisal Associates as senior financial consultant, later moving to manager of Midwest Financial Valuation Group.

While at NDSU, Bodine was a seven-time All-American in the long jump, 200-meter and 400-meter relay. He was inducted into the Bison Hall of Fame in 2005.

For more information, contact Roxann Williams at [roxann.williams@ndsu.edu](mailto:roxann.williams@ndsu.edu) or call 1-8235.

### College of Agriculture, Food Systems and Natural Resources



Miller

Stephen Miller, associate dean and director of Wyoming Agricultural Experiment Station, Laramie, Wyo., received a master's degree from NDSU in 1970 and a doctorate in 1973, both in agronomy.

Miller previously was a professor of weed science and head of the Department of Plant Sciences at the University of Wyoming and assistant and associate professor in the Department of Plant Sciences at NDSU.

Miller is scheduled to present "Biotechnology: The Changing Scene in Agriculture" at 3:30 p.m. Thursday, April 12, in Loftsgard 114.

For further information, contact Patti Sebesta at [patti.sebesta@ndsu.edu](mailto:patti.sebesta@ndsu.edu) or 1-8524.

### College of Science and Mathematics



Webster

Craig A. Webster, senior vice president of systems development for West Interactive Corp., Omaha, Neb., received his bachelor's and master's degrees in computer science from NDSU in 1985 and 1990.

Webster holds a patent for "System, Method and Computer-readable Medium for Enabling both Hearing and Hearing-impaired Callers to Access a Resource." He is active in the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, the Teammates Mentoring Program and the Brush-Up Nebraska Paint-A-Thon.

Webster's presentation is scheduled for Friday, April 13.

For more information, contact Drinka at [keri.drinka@ndsu.edu](mailto:keri.drinka@ndsu.edu) or 1-6131.

### SHORTS AND REMINDERS

#### Food production management meal set

A food production management meal is planned for 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Thursday, April 5, in the lower dining area of the West Dining Center. The menu includes bean soup with a side of bruschetta topped with tomato and basil, a mandarin chicken salad and fruit pizza for dessert. The cost of the meal is \$7.50 and includes a beverage service. Walk-ins are welcome, but reservations are preferred and can be made by calling 1-7023.

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### Positions Available

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

Project Coordinator/#00022734  
RSVP (Retired Senior and Volunteer Program)  
Grand Forks, N.D.  
\$21,000+/year  
April 5

Administrative Secretary/#00019819  
Dean's Office, College of Pharmacy,  
Nursing and Allied Sciences  
\$26,000+/year  
April 5

Administrative Secretary/#00019927  
P/T, 20 hours/week  
Psychology  
\$12,000+/year  
April 11

Engineering Lab Assistant  
Center for Nanoscale Science and Engineering (CNSE)  
\$24,000+/year  
April 11

Associate Director of Memorial Union Student Activities/  
#00021880  
Memorial Union  
\$45,000+/year  
April 11

Position openings also are available through the NDSU Web site at [www.ndsu.edu/jobs](http://www.ndsu.edu/jobs).