IT'S HAPPENING AT STATE

Three students sued in music theft cases

The Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA) on April 12 filed civil lawsuits in federal court against six North Dakota college students, including three at NDSU, for copyright infringement. The students did not reach agreements after earlier receiving pre-litigation settlement offers.

"The recording industry clearly considers this a serious matter, and persons at the university are encouraged to do so, as well," said Janna Stoskopf, dean of Student Life. "If found in violation, individuals face potential fines of tens of thousands of dollars."

Students are identified as "John Doe" in the lawsuits. The RIAA can subpoena universities for the names of people corresponding to the Internet Protocol address involved with music theft.

According to David Wahlberg, executive director of strategic communications, student information is protected by the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act, but a subpoena would require NDSU to provide students' identities to the RIAA.

The RIAA sent 20 letters in February to North Dakota university computer users suspected of illegally downloading or distributing music online. According to the association, the six students now targeted with lawsuits are individuals who did not choose to take advantage of pre-litigation settlement opportunities.

The other North Dakota students include one each at North Dakota State College of Science, Mayville State University and Valley City State University.

NDSU holds Bison Showcase for fans



Lengyel

The NDSU athletic department hosted the first Bison Showcase at The Venue at Playmakers on Monday, April 9. Approximately 700 Bison fans attended the event.

The showcase provides an opportunity for fans and members of the community to make new connections with NDSU athletics and for NDSU athletics to make new connections with fans and members of the community.

Jack Lengyel, former Marshall University head football coach, was the featured speaker. Lengyel and Gene Taylor, NDSU athletics director, worked together at the U.S. Naval Academy for more than a decade.

Lengyel emphasized the importance and influence of community involvement in college athletics. He detailed events surrounding his tenure at Marshall University. The 2006 movie, "We Are Marshall," was based on Lengyel's story.

Other events included an open forum with six head coaches serving on the panel. Overall, 10 head coaches and their assistant coaches and staff were in attendance.

The event was co-hosted by Team Makers, a non-profit organization committed to raising scholarship money for NDSU student-athletes and assisting them in earning degrees for a successful future.

NCAA certification

final public forum date change
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.

A final public forum is scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 24, at the Reimers Room of the Alumni Center. Comments may be forwarded by Friday, April 27, to Steering Committee chair Prakash Mathew, vice president for student affairs, Old Main 100, or at prakash.mathew@ndsu.edu.

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College of Science and Mathematics holds Industrial Advisory Board meeting

The College of Science and Mathematics Department of Coatings and Polymeric Materials held an Industrial Advisory Board (IAB) meeting April 2-4.

The IAB has representatives from international, national and local companies that collaborate or have an interest in research and employ graduates from the coatings and polymeric materials department. The IAB meets annually to review and provide feedback on research, future plans, instructional and other activities of the coatings and polymeric department.

IAB members include representatives from Toyota, Valspar, Bayer, BASF, Marvin Windows, Sherwin-Williams, Air Force Materials Laboratory, Air Products, Dow, Rohm and Haas, Phoenix International, PPG, Cytec, Chemspeed, Deft, Sioux Manufacturing, Tecton and Trinkote.

IAB members President Joseph A. Chapman, Provost Craig Schnell and Philip Boudjouk, vice president of research, creative activities and technology transfer, attended a poster session presented by graduate students.

Dean Webster, professor of coatings and polymeric materials, presented a proposal for a Center for Formulation, Optimization and Rapid Methods to IAB members.

Schnell; Boudjouk; Kevin McCaul, dean of science and mathematics; and all faculty from the coatings and polymeric materials department also provided presentations as part of the completion of the review process.

Office 2007 available from ITS

Microsoft Office 2007 became available from Information Technology Services (ITS) on Monday, April 16.

Department software contacts are able to order Office 2007 from ITS. The ITS staff is available to install the program or disks are available for checkout to install software manually.

For more information, visit www.ndsu.edu/its/help/office2007.

MSS receives two grants from Cargill

Multicultural Student Services (MSS) is scheduled to receive two grants from Cargill at the Multicultural Student Services leadership awards ceremony at 4 p.m. Tuesday, April 24, at the University Lutheran Center.

The grants will fund the Mentoring Opportunities to Develop Excellent Leadership (MODEL) Peer Mentoring Program and the Cargill Coffee House of Rhythm and Brews.

The MODEL Peer Mentoring Program, funded at \$8,670, provides leadership opportunities for underrepresented students at NDSU.

The Cargill Coffee House of Rhythm and Brews, funded at \$1,375, provides an opportunity for students to share stories, spoken word art, heritage and culture.

Campuswide asbestos survey to begin

Bulk sampling work for a campuswide asbestos survey is scheduled to begin soon and should be completed by the end of this year. Approximately three and a half buildings will be sampled per week.

Samplers and inspectors are all certified by the North Dakota Department of Health and have received appropriate training to make sure that collection samples do not create a hazard for building occupants.

Inspectors will go through all the buildings on campus and create an inventory of the construction materials that are present. The bulk samples are small pieces of construction materials that determine if asbestos fibers are present.

Once the sample collection process is complete, a report will identify the location of all asbestos containing materials in a given building. The information will immediately be available at the University Police and Safety Office Web site. Periodic updates will be available throughout the sampling process.

For more information, contact Mike Borr, associate director of environmental health safety, at 1-9535 or *mike.borr@ndsu.edu*.

PEOPLE

Mathew named to 'Pillars of Profession'



Mathow

Prakash Mathew, vice president for student affairs, has been named to the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA) "Pillars of the Profession." The award was presented April 2 at the NASPA national conference in Orlando, Fla.

The honor goes to individuals of professional distinction, who have served in leadership roles in NASPA and are being recognized for extraordinary service.

"Through the years, Prakash has placed the needs of students as his highest priority," said President Joseph A. Chapman. "Prakash is a dedicated, compassionate advocate for students."

Mathew's professional service includes being a member of the national board of directors and regional vice president of the NASPA. He is active in the Association for Student Judicial Affairs, the Association of College Unions-International and the Association for College and University Housing Officers-International.

Mathew, who joined NDSU in 1976, has held a number of positions on campus, including graduate assistant, Residence Life staff, associate dean and dean of Student Life. He previously was director of Residential Life at Mankato State University, Mankato, Minn.

Kate Haugen, associate vice president for student affairs, said, "Prakash is an individual who has made a tremendous impact on so many individuals, and has made outstanding contributions to NASPA, as well as the profession. NDSU is privileged to have such a strong student affairs leader who is recognized both locally and across the country."

Mathew earned a bachelor's degree in agriculture and rural sociology from the University of Allahabad, India, and a master's degree in counseling and guidance from NDSU.

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Student commencement speaker named

NDSU graduating senior Daniel Eiler has a noble goal. He wants his talents in a chemistry laboratory to help others combat devastating diseases.

Eiler, a biotechnology and chemistry major, will share his story as the student speaker at NDSU commencement ceremonies at 5 p.m. Friday, May 11, in the Fargodome.

"It's a big honor to be selected. And it's a pretty big responsibility to represent the students of NDSU's graduation class," said Eiler, a Fargo South High School graduate who has made the dean's list every semester during his years at NDSU.

A thoughtful, introspective young man, Eiler has conducted research in the chemistry department under the direction of professor D.K. Srivastava since he was a first-year student. "We've been studying different enzymes involved in cancer, glaucoma, diabetes and arthritis," he explained. "We are using a novel approach trying to find drugs that would be more selective and we want to reduce side effects."

Eiler's interest in chemistry and disease dates back to his youth. "I found science interesting at a young age. When I was in eighth grade, I had a cousin who died of side effects while taking some medication," said Eiler, who had earlier considered the medical profession. "I've been interested ever since in finding out why this type of thing happens, and how I can help people in the future."

His career goals are very much in line with that philosophy. He plans to attend graduate school at Yale University—selecting that institution over the Universities of Florida, Minnesota, Michigan and Virginia. He wants eventually to earn a doctorate and go on to become a professor, conducting research and instructing students.

"Chemistry is something that comes fairly easily for me. I like applying it to a biological system," Eiler said. "Having a passion to work on diseases to help out people is what I'm interested in doing. I feel that's a good fit for me."

Those thoughts of helping others will play an important role in his speech.

"Society today is based on a consumption lifestyle. It's based on being better than the next guy and rubbing it in," said Eiler, noting that sports, politics and television programming seem to carry that message forward. "Our society is 'all about me' and everybody needs to work on that.

The point I make last in the speech is about humility. And I'll have a short story to tell."

Eiler's story will discuss how he recently was picking up a suit at a local dry-cleaning operation. "The guy directly in front of me in line turned around and told me, 'Hi.' I was surprised he was there. The lady at the counter asked who he was, and he nonchalantly said, 'Put it down as Joe Chapman,'" said Eiler of his chance encounter with the NDSU President. "I think that speaks a lot of the way a role model should be."

Highly active on campus, Eiler was a member of Student Government as a Student Senator representing the College of Science and Mathematics, membership chair of Mortarboard National Honor Society, vice president of membership for Golden Key International Honour Society and president of the College of Science and Mathematics Ambassadors. He was also active in Chemistry Club and Biotechnology Club. His volunteer work included activities for the Salvation Army, Ronald McDonald House and Great Plains Food Bank.

"Dan can be counted on to put all his effort into serving others," wrote Janna Stoskopf, dean of Student Life, in a letter of support for his selection as student speaker. "He has served on numerous campus committees and does a wonderful job representing student perspectives and concerns. He is well respected by his peers and others within the university community."

One of only a few in his extended family to attend college, Eiler said many of his personal characteristics reflect the values of his parents, John and Karen Eiler.

"My parents are both very hard working, and that became part of my life at a young age," said Eiler, who has a brother, Josh, and sister, Stephanie. "I have that competitive, hardworking approach in a lot of things."

Eiler notes that his comments at commencement will have a special significance for his family. His father underwent triple-bypass surgery on April 1.

"Before he went in for surgery, he told me how proud he was of me," Eiler said. "For my dad, this speech will be a pretty big thing."

Student receives Goldwater scholarship

NDSU student Jordan M. Dahl has received the prestigious Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship. He was among 317 undergraduate sophomores and juniors from across the United States to receive the award for the 2007-08 academic year.

Dahl is a junior from Streeter, N.D., majoring in electrical engineering. His career goal is to earn a doctorate in electromagnetics, and then teach and conduct research to apply advances in physics disciplines to engineering, including the possibility of developing new energy sources.

Considered the premier undergraduate award of its type, the Goldwater scholarship covers the cost of tuition, room and board, fees and books up to \$7,500 per year. The program encourages outstanding students to pursue careers in the fields of mathematics, the natural sciences and engineering.

The Goldwater Scholars were selected on the basis of academic merit from a field of 1,110 mathematics, science and engineering students nominated by the faculties of 441 colleges and universities nationwide.

"Your selection as a Goldwater Scholar is a commendable achievement for you and for NDSU," R.S. Krishnan, associate vice president for academic affairs, wrote in a letter to Dahl informing him of his selection. "I join in congratulating you on your scholarship, richly deserved."

The Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation is a federally endowed agency honoring Sen. Barry Goldwater. In its 19-year history, the foundation has awarded 5,202 scholarships worth approximately \$51 million.

Winter selected to participate in CBYX for Young Professionals

The Office of International Programs has named Megan Winter, an NDSU senior in the theatre arts program with a minor in German, the 2007-08 participant of the Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange (CBYX) for Young Professionals program in Germany.

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Seventy-five participants were selected from 500 applicants in this year's application cycle. Winter is from West Fargo and plans to graduate from NDSU in December. She is scheduled to depart for Germany in July.

CDS International, a non-profit organization focused on international training programs, selects each CBYX program participant. The CBYX program is a federally funded scholarship that offers young persons between the ages of 18-24 the opportunity to live, study and work in Germany for one year.

The scholarship is funded by the U. S. Department of State and the German parliament (Bundestag). The scholarship covers participant costs including airfare, university fees and living expenses. Participants live with host families while participating in the CBYX program.

For more information on CBYX and CDS International, visit www.cdsintl.org/cbyx/index.htm.

Upward Bound students recognized

More than 30 high school students from the NDSU TRIO Upward Bound program have been recognized by the Fargo-Moorhead chapter of the Disabled American Veterans and Ladies Auxiliary.

In appreciation for assistance with a Jan. 13 pancake feed and auction, the chapter presented the students an eagle's bust with the inscription, "High School Upward Bound Staff and Students—In recognition of your outstanding support of the Disabled American Veterans DAV (Disabled American Veterans) and the DAVA (Disabled American Veterans Administration) Annual Pancake Feed/Auction Fundraiser, Francis J. Beaton, Chapter No. 1."

At the event, which raised \$7,500 to support services for disabled veterans, the students set places, served food, cleaned dishes and visited veterans.

"The students did a great job helping to make the event run smoothly and made it a big success this year," said Kris Mickelson, Upward Bound assistant director. "This year's pancake feed raised more than twice as much as last year."

Taylor named honorary chair of 'Walk for Vision'

NDSU director of athletics Gene Taylor has been named the honorary chair for the ninth annual "Walk For A Vision" scheduled for 9 a.m. Saturday, April 21, at the Fargo Park District's Southside Sports Arena.

Proceeds from the Vision Walk are used to support the work of the North Dakota Association of the Blind to improve the lives of North Dakotans who are blind or visually impaired.

The association hosts a summer camp and other service programs that promote the education, social and cultural betterment of people in the state who experience blindness and sight loss.

Sponsors of the Walk for Vision include eye care professionals, area Lions Clubs, the East Cass Chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, other service clubs and businesses.

Weber to conduct 'Keep the Faith'

Michael Weber, associate professor of music, is the music director and conductor for "Keep the Faith," a musical about the 1997 flood in Grand Forks, N.D.

"Keep the Faith" is part of the 10-year anniversary celebration of surviving and rebuilding Grand Forks after the flood. Performances are scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Friday, April 19-20, at the University of North Dakota in the Chester Fritz Auditorium, Grand Forks.

Tickets are \$5-\$15 and are available at the Chester Fritz Auditorium box office from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday, at University Ave. and Yale Drive in Grand Forks; at any Ticketmaster Outlet in Grand Forks and Fargo; by phone (701) 772-5151 (Grand Forks) or 235-7171 (Fargo); online at www.ticketmaster.com/venue/49273; or by fax to the Chester Fritz Auditorium box office at (701) 777-4710.

Jones and Froelich present at music conference

Robert Jones, associate professor of music, and Andrew Froelich, professor of music, presented a lecture performance during the Great Plains College Music Society Conference April 13 at the University of South Dakota.

The lecture performance, titled "Perspectives of War as Seen Through American and British Poetry and 20th Century British and American Art Song," addressed patriotism, the subsequent questioning of war motives and the aftermath of war's destruction.

Jones and Froelich presented the poetry of William Shakespeare, A.E. Houseman and Walt Whitman. They also performed the music of George Butterworth and Richard Cumming.

Redmer and Carlson conducting studies in Scotland

Dale Redmer, professor of physiology, and Dave Carlson, post-doctoral fellow, are periodically visiting the Rowett Research Institute (RRI) in Aberdeen, Scotland, to conduct several experiments.

The experiments are part of larger series of studies by Redmer and Larry Reynolds, professor of physiology, funded by a \$1.5 million grant from the National Institute of Health in collaboration with Jacqueline Wallace of the RRI.

Redemer's first trip to RRI was Jan. 8-21, and Carlson's first trip to RRI was Jan. 8-Feb. 19. Redmer returned to Scotland Feb. 1-17. Carlson's final trip to RRI is scheduled for May 5-13, and Redmer is scheduled for May 4-12.

The Rowett Research Institute is a former home of several Nobel Laureates and presently aims to conduct research at the forefront of nutrition. Researchers focus on finding how nutrition can prevent disease, improve health and enhance the quality of food production in agriculture.

Redmer, Carlson and Reynolds are part of the Department of Animal and Range Sciences and the Center for Nutrition and Pregnancy (CNP). Reynolds serves as the co-director of the CNP. It's Happening, April 18, 2007 page 5

Slobin retirement reception planned

A retirement reception for Kathleen Slobin, professor of anthropology and sociology, is scheduled for 3:30-5 p.m. Wednesday, April 25, at the Memorial Union Meinecke Lounge. The Department of Sociology and Anthropology is sponsoring the reception.

Slobin received her doctorate in medical sociology from the University of California, San Francisco. She joined NDSU as an assistant professor in 1991. Slobin advanced to the rank of professor in 2004.

During her time at NDSU, Slobin has served the university as director of women's studies, University Senate presiding officer and department chair. She also was active in the national organization of Sociologists for Women in Society.

Slobin worked through networking and organization to facilitate the standing of women faculty at NDSU. She initiated Women in Science, Math, Engineering and Technology (WISMET) for faculty and students. WISMET helped pave the way for more joint faculty and administration efforts, organized as NDSU Focus on Resources for Women's Advancement, Recruitment/Retention and Development (FORWARD), to enhance campus diversity.

For any additional information, contact Kate Ulmer at *kate.ulmer@ndsu.edu* or 1-8657.

Reception honoring Anderson planned

A reception honoring the career of Gerald Anderson, associate professor of history, is scheduled for 4-5 p.m. Thursday, May 3, in the north section of the new Memorial Union Ballroom.

Anderson has taught European history at NDSU since 1985. He recently had a book titled "Death before Dinner," published by Midnight Ink. Anderson also has several scholarly works published. He was honored with the 2005 Robert Odney Award for his contributions to student learning.

EVENTS

Annual Teeter-A-Thon scheduled

The NDSU chapter of Delta Upsilon fraternity is scheduled to present the 32nd annual Teeter-A-Thon April 22-27. It will be held at the Delta Upsilon chapter house, located at 1258 12th St. North. Kickoff will be at 11 a.m. Sunday, April 22.

DU will again donate proceeds to Big Brothers Big Sisters, one of the largest mentoring programs in the United States. Last year's event raised more than \$3,500. This year, members of DU will be teetering for 131 consecutive hours, and will be joined by members of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority, who will be donating their share of the funds raised to the Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Association.

"Teeter-a-Thon is an event every member looks forward to," stated chapter president Ben Bakko. "It's not only a fundraiser for Big Brother Big Sister, but it brings together both the Greek community and the entire NDSU campus."

For further information on the Teeter-A-Thon, contact Drew Espeseth of Delta Upsilon at (701) 339-1611 or *drew.t.espeseth@ndsu.edu* or Erica Waller of Kappa Alpha Theta at (701) 400-7140 or *erica.waller@ndsu.edu*.

Equity and diversity candidates to speak

Finalists for the position of director of the Office of Equity and Diversity are scheduled to present open forums titled "Diversity and Organizational Change: Challenges and Opportunities."

Jose Ortal, most recently director of affirmative action and diversity at Lane Community College, Eugene, Ore., is scheduled to present at 10 a.m. Thursday, April 19, in Ladd 107, while Ann Burnett, NDSU associate professor of communication and director of Women's Studies, is scheduled to present at 1 p.m. Monday, April 23, in Century Theater. A question-and-answer period will follow each presentation.

Ortal supervises two human resources analysts at his Lane Community College office, and coordinates with service organizations, committees and boards. His previous work experience includes being a contract compliance officer for Cordoba Corp., a labor compliance officer for the city of Santa Monica, Calif., and a management analyst for the city of Los Angeles.

He earned his bachelor's degree at California State University-Long Beach, and his master's degree at the University of California-Los Angeles.

Burnett joined NDSU in 1997, serving as director of Women's Studies since 2002. She is a member of the President's Diversity Council, the president's committee on the retention of women faculty and NDSU Forward. She previously was on the faculty of the University of Nebraska, Lincoln, and Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.

She earned her bachelor's degree from Colorado College, Colorado Springs; her master's degree from the University of Northern Colorado, Greeley; and her doctorate at the University of Utah, Salt Lake City.

Bison Connection open forums planned

The Bison Connection task force will hold two open forums to discuss the new service area, scheduled to open in the newly remodeled Memorial Union in October 2007. All members of the NDSU community are encouraged to attend either of the two sessions.

The open forums will be held noon-1 p.m. and 4-5 p.m. Tuesday, April 24, in Memorial Union's Century Theater.

Members of the Bison Connection task force will present a brief presentation and answer questions. Bison Connection is formerly known as the One Stop Shop.

ALA Days planned

The Department of Architecture and Landscape Architecture is scheduled to celebrate ALA Days April 24-25.

The design work of the fifth-year architecture and landscape architecture students will be displayed on the fifth floor and in the hallway of the first floor of the NDSU Downtown building. An ALA Days reception is scheduled for 4 p.m. April 25, also on the fifth floor.

In addition, an awards ceremony for this year's fifth-year landscape architecture and architecture class is scheduled for 4 p.m. Friday, May 4, at the NDSU Downtown building.

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Meeting to discuss NDSU SWPPP set

A meeting to discuss the NDSU Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program (SWPPP) progress is scheduled for 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 24, in FLC 319.

The meeting will include a discussion of current efforts and future goals regarding storm water pollution prevention on the NDSU campus. Public input will be sought during a question and comment session.

The NDSU SWPPP is available online at www.ndsu.nodak.edu/ndsu/police_safety/ and also at the University Police and Safety Office during normal business hours.

Saddle and Sirloin Club presents 'Kiddie Days'

NDSU is scheduled to host "Kiddie Days," sponsored by the Saddle and Sirloin Club, April 17-20 at Sheppard Arena. Organizers will bring different types of animals and provide a 30-minute tour to pre-school and daycare children.

"Kiddie Days" are scheduled for 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 17, and 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, April 18-20.

Faculty and staff are invited to bring their children for an animal tour. For more information, contact Courtney Hawbaker at (701) 339-0238 or Kacey Holm at (701) 730-4070.

Global warming presentations scheduled

Polar explorer Lonnie Dupre and NDSU professor Allan Ashworth will present findings from North Pole and South Pole expeditions during "In Search of Global Warming: Questions and Answers from Arctic and Antarctic Expeditions," scheduled for 2-4 p.m. Saturday, April 21, in Loftsgard Hall, Room 114. The event is sponsored by NDSU's interdisciplinary Natural Resources Management program.

In addition to their presentations, Dupre's modified kayaksled and fossils from Ashworth's trips to Antarctica will be on display in the lobby. The event is free and open to the public and will be followed by refreshments.

During the past 20 years, Dupre has traveled by dog team, skis and kayak more than 14,000 miles throughout the polar regions. In 1991, Dupre made the first west-to-east winter transit of Canada's Northwest Passage—3,000 miles by dog team. Dupre, along with Australian John Hoelscher, became the first team to circumnavigate Greenland's 6,500-mile coastline in 2001. After receiving the coveted "Rolex Award for Enterprise" in 2004, Dupre and Eric Larsen set out on their "One World Expedition," completing the first summer trek to the North Pole and reaching it on July 1. More information about Dupre and One World Expedition can be found at www.oneworldexpedition.com/.

Ashworth is chair of the United States National Committee for INQUA, an international organization for researchers investigating the causes and consequences of natural climate for the past 2 million years of Earth's history. Ashworth's primary research interests are in paleontology and stratigraphy. He is currently working on the paleoecology of a terrestrial fossil assemblage from the late Tertiary Sirius Group in the Transantarctic Mountains, about 500 kilometers from the South Pole. He also is studying full-glacial beetle faunas from the Pacific Northwest and from southern Chile.

Mason set to speak for Engebretson Lecture Series

Ronald P. Mason is scheduled to present "Do It Yourself Detection of Protein and DNA Free Radicals in Organelles, Cells and Tissues: A 30-Year Odyssey," the final installment of the Engebretson Lecture Series, at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, April 26, in Sudro Hall, room 20 A & B.

Mason, scientist of the Biomedical Research Service in the laboratory of Molecular Biophysics at the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences of the National Institute of Health, has received several awards and honors, including the 1994 Southern Chemist Award from the southeast region of the American Chemist Society and the 1996 International Electron Paramagnetic Resonance/Electron Spin Resonance Society's silver award for biology and medicine.

Mason's research interest lies in free radicals in biology and medicine. He has more than 340 publications.

The Engebretson Lecture series is named in honor of Duane and Glenn Engebretson whose generosity makes the series possible.

The presentation is free and open to persons interested in pharmaceutical and biomedical research. For more information, contact Jagdish Singh at 1-7943.

Hassan to speak at Red River Conference on World Literature

Waïl S. Hassan, professor of comparative literature at the University of Illinois, Urbana, will deliver the keynote address at the 10th annual Red River Conference on World Literature at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 21, at the Alumni Center in the Reimers Room.

Hassan is the author of "Tayeb Salih: Ideology and the Craft of Fiction." He is also working on a book about Anglophone Arab and Arab American literature and a translation of "Abdelfattah Kilito's Lan tatakalama lughati (Thou Shalt Not Speak Language)."

A reception will follow the presentation. The event is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Carol Pearson, associate professor of modern languages, at *carol.pearson@ndsu.edu*.

5:01 Entrepreneur Society meeting held

The NDSU Research and Technology Park hosted the 5:01 Entrepreneur Society meeting on Tuesday, April 17, at the Center of Technology and Enterprise.

Dan Ewert, chair and professor of the electrical and computer engineering department, presented "Bison Ventures and the Engines of Innovation." Ewert's main area of research includes cardiovascular engineering and includes ventricular assist device and mathematical encoding.

Bison Ventures is a collaboration of the College of Engineering and Architecture and the College of Business to develop spin-off companies by leveraging intellectual capital of faculty and students at NDSU. First, a multi-disciplinary It's Happening, April 18, 2007 page 7

team works together to develop a type of technology or product and then creates a business, financial or marketing plan. The team then registers as a corporation in the state of North Dakota. Bison Ventures allows students and faculty to experience being part of the startup business environment.

Xcel Energy sponsored Tuesday's meeting. The 5:01 Entrepreneur Society is a networking event for local entrepreneurs, students, business owners and angel investors. For more information or to register, contact Jan Sobolik at 499-3602 or *jan@ndsuresearchpark.com*.

Events for Civil Education Month planned

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:

April 10-30

The Volunteer Network is holding a Dress for Success clothing drive. Dress for Success is an organization that promotes 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 life. Donations of women's suits and interview clothes, along with monetary donations can be dropped off in the Student Activities Office in the Memorial Union, room 120. Donations are tax deductible.

Wednesday, April 18

"Part 3: Environment," the third installment of "Teaching Social Justice Through Children's Books," is scheduled for 7 p.m. at the Memorial Union's Meinecke Board Room.

Wednesday April 18-Thursday, April 19

"Boxes and Walls" is a 50-minute tour available 9 a.m.-8 p.m. April 18 and 9 a.m.-4 p.m. April 19 in the new Memorial Union Ballroom. Sponsored by the Omega Project, the English Department and the YMCA of NDSU, the interactive program provides participants with an opportunity to study why society places people who are different into "boxes" and why they build "walls" around themselves based on the boxes. The tour allows individuals to tear down walls and learn about language, racism and activism.

Tuesday, April 24

"Re-Writing History: A Service-Learning Experience," is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. in the Memorial Union Century Theatre. English 120 students have partnered with the State Historical Society of North Dakota and the Library of Congress to assist in the collection and transcription of interviews with soldiers and their spouses and partners for the veteran's history project. The students will present their findings that promote service learning, the State Historical Society Veteran's Project and awareness about experiences and contributions made by soldiers and their families.

Wednesday, April 25

"Fargo's 10-year Plan to End Long-Term Homelessness," sponsored by the YMCA of NDSU, is planned for noon in the Memorial Union Century Theatre. Stakeholders from the Fargo-Moorhead area will discuss their plans to end long-term homelessness in Fargo by 2015.

"Part 4: Classism/Poverty," the fourth installment of "Teaching Social Justice Through Children's Books," is scheduled for 7 p.m. at the Memorial Union's Meinecke Board Room.

Thursday, April 26

"True Colors: Reshaping our Attitudes about Racism and Ethnicity," is scheduled for 7 p.m. in the Memorial Union Century Theatre. Joe Martin talks about the struggles and challenges he and his roommate faced during their two years of living together. He addresses issues that most diversity programs avoid, including interracial dating, the "N" word, racist parents, affirmative action, racial jokes and racial peer pressure. The event is sponsored by the Memorial Union, Residence Life, Cooperative Sponsorship Committee and the YMCA of NDSU, and is supported by a grant from the President's Diversity Council.

Monday, April 30

A Safe Zone Ally training session is scheduled for noon in the Memorial Union Studio.

SHORTS AND REMINDERS

Food production management meal set

A food production management Hawaiian luau is planned for 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Thursday, April 26, in the lower dining area of the West Dining Center. The menu includes crisp romaine salad with poppy seed dressing, fresh baked hard rolls with feta seasoned butter, garlic mashed potatoes, steamed broccoli with parmesan cheese, almond crusted pork loin 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.

Engebretson Lecture Series reminder

Alexander V. Kabanov, professor of pharmaceutical sciences and director of the Center for Drug Delivery and Nanomedicine at the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC), is scheduled to present "Polymer Nanomaterials for Drug Delivery," the second installment of the Engebretson Lecture Series, at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, April 19, in Sudro Hall, room 20 A & B.

The Engebretson Lecture series is named in honor of Duane and Glenn Engebretson whose generosity makes the series possible.

The presentation is free and open to persons interested in pharmaceutical and biomedical research. For more information, contact Jagdish Singh at 1-7943.

Positions Available

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

Information Processing Specialist/#00019863/#00019864 Agribusiness and Applied Economics \$25,000 minimum/year April 20

Custodian/#00019403 Residence Life \$17,422+/year April 18 page 8 It's Happening, April 18, 2007

Custodian/#00021698 Monday-Friday, 5 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Facilities Management \$17,422+/year April 25

Food Service Worker/#00019483 12 months, 40 hours/week Monday-Friday, 11 a.m.-7:30 p.m.; weekends as necessary Dining Services - Memorial Union \$8+/hour Open until filled

Catering/Swing Cook 12 months, 40 hours/week Tuesday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. (or as needed) Dining Services-Union Dining Center \$10.50+/hour Open until filled

PM Cook/#00021893 12 months; 40 hours/week Monday-Friday, 11 a.m.-7:30 p.m. Weekends as necessary; break and summer hours may vary Dining Services-RDC \$10.50+/hour Open until filled

Computer Programmer Distance and Continuing Education \$37,000+/year April 23

University Relations North Dakota State University PO Box 5167 Fargo, ND 58105 Database and System Services Manager/#00021790 Information Technology Services (ITS) Salary commensurate with experience Open until filled

Desktop Support Specialist/#00021756 Information Technology Services (ITS) \$34,000+/year Open until filled

Associate Director of Memorial Union Student Activities/#00021880 Memorial Union \$45,000+/year April 20

Assistant Director Admission \$40,000+/year April 23

Director of Recruitment Pharmacy, Nursing and Allied Sciences \$35,000+/year April 27

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