## IT'S HAPPENING AT STATE

### Commencement set for Friday

More than 1,000 students are expected to participate in NDSU commencement ceremonies scheduled for 5 p.m. Friday, May 11, in the Fargodome.

According to Rhonda Kitch, assistant registrar, 1,030 students had indicated by May 3 that they intend to participate in the event. There are 1,651 graduate and undergraduate students eligible for spring graduation.

Kitch also said that this is the first commencement ceremony that NDSU is awarding the Doctor of Musical Arts, the Master of Architecture and the Master of Military Logistics degrees.

During the ceremony, honorary doctorates are scheduled to be presented to two NDSU alumni. Frank Jennings, former director and vice president of manufacturing and operations for Eddie Bauer Inc., is scheduled to receive an honorary doctorate. A native of Langdon, N.D., he is a 1961 NDSU graduate. Jennings also has served in senior management of Fisher Mills Inc. and Kenworth and Peterbilt trucks. Jennings has been a member of the NDSU Development Foundation board of trustees for the past 10 years and is set to become board president in July.

James A. Meier, former technical director of Pittsburg Paint and Glass (PPG), also is scheduled to receive an honorary doctorate. A native of New Salem, N.D., he is a 1958 NDSU graduate in mathematics and education administration. Meier held several positions for PPG, including director of marketing for automotive adhesives and sealants, president for PPG France and technical director for automotive products. Meier joined the NDSU Development Foundation Board of Trustees in 1997 and is currently serving as the foundation president. In 1998, He provided the largest single gift received by the College of Science and Mathematics, establishing the "James Meier Professorships."

Daniel Eiler, a bachelor's degree candidate majoring in biotechnology and chemistry, is the student commencement speaker. A Fargo native, he has been on the dean's list every semester and also has conducted research in the chemistry department since his first year at NDSU. Eiler has served on Student Government, the Mortarboard National Honor Society, the Golden Key International Honour Society and the College of Science and Mathematics Ambassadors. He also was active in the Chemistry Club and the Biotechnology Club. Eiler also volunteered at the Salvation Army, Ronald McDonald House and Great Plains Food Bank.

Additional information about commencement is available at www.ndsu.nodak.edu/ndsu/deott/comm/.

## Division, office to change name

Effective July 1, the Division of Business and Finance will become the Division of Finance and Administration. According to John Adams, vice president for business and finance, the name change more closely aligns with the division's departments and functions, and reflects the trend at universities and colleges across the country.

In addition, the Business Office will become Customer Account Services. Adams said the change reflects the services provided by the department to both students and university units.

#### Summer publication dates set for 'It's Happening at State'

Regular weekly publication of "It's Happening at State" will end following the May 9 issue. Summer editions are scheduled for June 13 and July 18 and weekly publication is set to resume Aug. 15. Submission deadlines are noon June 7 and July 12. The submission deadline for the Aug. 15 issue is noon Aug. 9. News and event updates will be available online on "It's Happening Today" at www.ndsu.edu/news as information becomes available.

Summer hours to begin May 14 Summer hours for NDSU employees will begin Monday, May 14, and run through Friday, Aug. 10. Hours will be 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. with 30 minutes for lunch. Regular hours will resume Monday, Aug. 13.

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#### ECE receives donation

The Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering (ECE) has received \$82,000 worth of circuit parts from Micron Technology. The donation is made through Dan Ewert, chair and professor of electrical and computer engineering, and Chao You, assistant professor of electrical and computer engineering.

The parts include various inductors, capacitors, resistors, oscillators, logic chips, programmable boards, memories and microprocessors. The parts will be used for student labs, senior design projects, scholar team practices and graduate students' research.

Having the "world's most valuable patent portfolios and most powerful patent pipeline," according to IEEE Spectrum, Micron has invested heavily in technology innovation.

Micron has continuously funded NDSU through donations, student internship, full-time recruiting and summer visiting faculty program as part of their support of higher education. Many NDSU alumni work at Micron, including three top ECE students who accepted job offers from Micron last year.

### Students to release literary journal

Northern Eclecta, a new literary journal developed by undergraduate students at NDSU, is scheduled for release in May.

Northern Eclecta is produced and edited by the English 213, 313 and 413 Literary Publications courses. The journal showcases the writing and visual arts talents of undergraduate students at NDSU.

Journal contributions surfaced from a variety of majors, featuring a wide range of works including poetry, fiction, nonfiction and photography.

Copies of Northern Eclecta are available for pre-order. For more information, contact Eunice Johnston at eunice.johnston@ ndsu.edu

## LCT announces season flex pass

The NDSU Little Country Theatre (LCT) 2007-08 season flex pass is available from the NDSU Division of Fine Arts Box Office.

During the 2007-08 season, the LCT is scheduled to perform "Three Days of Rain," by Richard Greenberg; "The Cherry Orchard," by Anton Chekhov; "Pterodactyls," by Nicky Silver; and "Floyd Collins: A Bluegrass Musical," by Adam Guettel and Tina Landau.

The flex pass is good for four tickets that can be used in any combination for the season and can be purchased at the NDSU Division of Fine Arts Box Office or by calling 1-7969. The cost is \$35 if purchased before Sept. 1. If purchasing after Sept. 1, the cost is \$40.

#### PEOPLE

#### Promotion and tenure announced

President Joseph A. Chapman has approved faculty promotions and the State Board of Higher Education approved tenure recommendations during a May 3 meeting.

• Promoted to full professor and granted tenure:

Stephen Neate, plant pathology

• Promoted to full professor:

Stephen Foster, entomology David Franzen, soil science Marion Harris, entomology Kalpana Katti, civil engineering Mark Nawrot, psychology

• Promoted to associate professor and granted tenure:

Michael Christoffers, plant sciences Harlene Hatterman-Valenti, plant sciences Luis Del Rio Mendoza, plant pathology Elizabeth Birmingham, English Pamela Chabora, theatre Gary Totten, English Lisa Daniels, School of Education Wenfang Sun, chemistry and molecular biology

• Granted tenure:

Iskander Akhatov, mechanical engineering Katie Zhong, mechanical engineering Dean Webster, coatings and polymeric materials

### Agriculture communicators to receive awards

Three members of the NDSU Agriculture Communication staff are scheduled to receive awards at the Association for Communication Excellence (ACE) International Conference June 16-19 in Albuquerque, N.M.



Bruce Sundeen, electronic media specialist, is scheduled to receive the silver award in the category of audio for targeted publics. He is receiving the award for radio public service announcements about folic acid, targeting American Indian women.



Randy Wald, electronic media specialist, is scheduled to receive the bronze award in the category of video news and features. He is receiving the award for a video news release about studying the state's oldest Bur Oak tree that had to be cut down.



Becky Koch, Agriculture Communication director, is scheduled to receive the bronze award in the category of non-credit educational project. She is receiving the award for the USDA's roles in the National Response Plan online course for the Extension Disaster Education Network (EDEN).

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## NDSU students receive ND EPSCoR awards

Four NDSU students received Advanced Undergraduate Research Awards (AURA) through the North Dakota Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (ND EPSCoR). AURA provides students with 10 weeks of research experience during this summer and approximately 10 hours per week during the fall semester.

Recipients of the ND EPSCoR AURA awards and their mentors are:

- Luke Gibbon, Milnor, N.D.—Chad Ulven, assistant professor of mechanical engineering;
- Andrea Hanson, Bowman, N.D.—Sanku Mallik, associate professor of pharmaceutical science;
- Kianoosh Karami, Fargo—Rajesh Kavasseri, assistant professor of electrical engineering; and
- Deepak Poudyal, Nepal—Mark Sheridan, professor of biological sciences.

AURA activities provide undergraduate students an opportunity to experience academic research and to learn about graduate school when they need to make critical decisions about the future. AURA students become contributing members of the research groups in which they participate and are mentored into research careers. AURA students are expected to apply for at least one nationally competitive scholarship based on the research they conduct.

Since 1995, there have been more than 200 awards to students from communities across North Dakota, surrounding states and countries.

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

For more information, visit www.ndepscor.nodak.edu.

#### Five named to softball all-academic team

NDSU placed five selections on the 2007 Division I Independent Softball All-Academic Team.

Repeat selections from NDSU are senior right fielder Erin Troup, a mass communication major from Placentia, Calif.; junior outfielder Kelly Vivant, a health communication major from Lakeville, Minn.; and senior center fielder Grete Peterson, a dietetics major from Granite Falls, Minn.

Junior first baseman Aimee Enzler, a physical education major from Wayzata, Minn., and junior pitcher Bekki Rasmussen, recreation management and pre-pharmacy major from Bemidji, Minn., make their first appearance.

The team was selected by sports information directors at member institutions. Nominations were accepted for student-athletes who have maintained at least a 3.2 cumulative grade point average and are at least a sophomore in athletic standing and are a starter or a key reserve.

## Transportation and logistics student wins paper contest

Graduate student Subhro Mitra recently won a student paper contest sponsored by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials.



Mitra presented the paper, "Analyzing satellite imagery to develop freight generation data," at the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials' Geographic Information Systems for Transportation Symposium (GIS-T) on March 26, in Nashville, Tenn.

Mitra's paper suggests that satellite imagery used to assess crop conditions and predict yields also could be used to generate data and predictions on truck traffic. "Current county-level crop reporting data is used to help generate a statewide freight movement model that transportation planners use in prioritizing highway improvement and repair projects," Mitra said. "Satellite imagery may be more accurate and can provide more detailed information on traffic within counties."

Mitra is a student in the transportation and logistics program coordinated by the Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute at NDSU. He has been a graduate research assistant since 2003. Mitra's research focuses on the development of statewide freight modeling and ways to optimize logistics networks for the agricultural industry.

## Veteran awarded Horatio Alger scholarship

Veterans Upward Bound has awarded NDSU student John C. Jacobs a one-time \$5,000 Horatio Alger Military Scholarship from the Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans. The scholarship is distributed at \$1,000 per year to pay for educational expenses.

Jacobs, a 2006 participant of Veterans Upward Bound, will complete his first semester as an NDSU student, studying electrical engineering. A native of Perley, Minn, he served five years in the Navy.

To qualify for the scholarship, applicants must have served with the U.S. military in Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan or Operation Iraqi Freedom, beginning Sept. 11, 2001, or later and have had an honorable service record.

Founded in 1947, the Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans honors achievements of outstanding individuals who succeed in spite of adversity to pursue their goals through higher education. For more information on the scholarship, contact Veterans Upward Bound at 1-9706.

## Sublett to sit in with San Diego ensembles

Virginia Sublett, associate professor of music, is scheduled to be the guest soprano soloist with Bach Collegium San Diego and Musica Angelica Period Instrument Orchestra on Sunday, June 3, in San Diego. They will perform Messiah by George Friderick Handel. page 4 It's Happening,May 9, 2007

Sublett has appeared as a soprano soloist with orchestras, oratorio societies and chamber music ensembles throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico. The ensembles she has performed with include the Los Angles Philharmonic, Mainly Mozart, Illinois Symphony, Vancouver Chamber Choir and Pacific Symphony.

Preferring the music of the 17th and 18th centuries, Sublett also has appeared with numerous period instrument ensembles, including the Handel and Haydn Society of Boston and the Concert Royal and the New York Baroque Dance Company. She has been featured in concerts of new music, and also is in demand as a soloist in the repertoire of the 20th century.

The production is San Diego's first performance of the complete version of Handel's choral masterwork that will use historical instruments as the orchestra.

### Sylvester presents at research forum



Robert Sylvester, associate professor of pharmacy practice, presented a peer-reviewed abstract on April 23 at the American College of Clinical Pharmacy Spring Practice and Research Forum in Memphis, Tenn.

Sylvester

Sylvester was the lead author of the abstract, titled "An Evaluation of the Bioavailability of Methadone Administered Transdermally in Hospice Patients." The abstract was conducted in collaboration with Alan Weisenberger, an NDSU doctoral student, Dr. John Thomas and Caroline Schauer, registered nurse, both from the Hospice of the Red River Valley and Dr. Preston Steen from the Roger Maris Cancer Center.

Sylvester and his colleagues found the results of their research supported their conclusion that methadone, at the doses administered topically, does not result in plasma levels associated with pain relief.

### Koo serves as Fulbright scholar in Korea



Won W. Koo, professor of agribusiness and applied economics, spent Aug. 20-Dec. 20 at Korea University in Seoul, South Korea, as a Fulbright Scholar.

Koo taught two courses on international trade and economic statistics and econometrics. He

conducted research on the U.S. and Korean free trade negotiations and the impact of Asian economic growth on U.S. trade with Asian countries. Koo also gave lectures at several other universities in Korea.

Koo says that serving as a Fulbright scholar was one of the most rewarding experiences he has had in his academic career. He feels that his experience in Korea will enhance his economic research of U.S. trade.

Sen. J. William Fulbright of Arkansas proposed the Fulbright Program to the U.S. Congress in 1945. In the aftermath of World War II, Fulbright viewed the proposed program as a much-needed vehicle for promoting mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries of the world. President Truman signed the program into law in 1946.

Fulbright grants are given to individuals for a variety of educational activities, primarily university lecturing, advanced research, graduate study and teaching in elementary and secondary schools.

### Mooney honored

Mary Margaret Mooney, professor and chair of nursing, was honored at a retirement reception May 8 at the Alumni Center.

Mooney was hired at NDSU in 2002. She facilitated several significant changes in the nursing program, including helping NDSU establish its own independent, fully accredited, undergraduate nursing program; expanding student enrollment from 50 to 178; strengthening the number of faculty in the department from seven to 13; establishing an independent graduate program for approximately 20 nursing students; developing the first and only Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree program in North Dakota; increasing the number of nursing graduates annually from 25 to 53; establishing a Licensed Practical Nurse to a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree upgrade program in a distance education format; developing a nursing program alumni newsletter; increasing nursing scholarships from \$21,000 to more than \$71,000 per year; promoting and advancing scholarship within the department; and establishing an innovative patient simulation laboratory (MediMan) for clinical skills development of nursing students.

She is a nationally known leader in the nursing profession, having held numerous positions such as appointed chair of the Sponsorship and Governance Committee and Ministry and Mission Committee of the National Health System; member of the Governing Board and Accreditation Review Committee of the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education; member of the national Doctor of Nursing Practice Essentials Task Force; and trustee of Catholic Health Initiatives.

On April 23, Mooney was the recipient of the YWCA Florence Reed Owens Woman of the Year Award, which recognizes a woman who has demonstrated a long-term commitment to equality, empowering women and girls, and eliminating racism and who exemplifies integrity and displays compassion for humanity.

# Panigrahi organizes International Conference in Minneapolis

Suranjan Panigrahi, professor of agricultural and biosystems engineering, is leading the effort in organizing an international conference titled "Biological Sensorics: Critical Technologies for Future Biosystems." The conference is scheduled for June 15-17, in Minneapolis.

This conference is planned to precede the Centennial Annual Meeting of the American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers from June 17-20.

The objective of the conference is to create a special forum for engineers, scientists and managers to share their ideas and findings, as well as to learn more about different sensor-related technologies and their applications for solving various problems in agricultural, food and other biological applications.

The conference, sponsored by the American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers, is organized by a group of researchers and scientists from different institutions in U.S. and other countries. Several renowned researchers and policy makers from universities, governmental organizations, industries and national laboratories are planning to participate as invited keynote speakers.

To attend the conference or for more information, visit www.asabe.org/meetings/07sensors/index.htm or contact Panigrahi at 1-7270.

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## Miller to lead tour group to Ukraine and Germany



Michael M. Miller, director and bibliographer of the Germans from Russia Heritage Collection (GRHC) at the NDSU Libraries, is scheduled to lead the 13th Journey to the Homeland Tour Group to Ukraine and Germany on May 17-28.

Miller

The tour group will travel to Odessa, Ukraine, to visit the former Bessarabian, the Black Sea and Crimean German villages. The tour also includes Stuttgart, Germany; Wiesbaden, Germany; and Alsace, France.

While visiting Wiesbaden, the GRHC will sponsor the Amerika Haus information tables on Saturday, May 26, at the Russlanddeutschen Bundestreffen, a gathering of Germans from Russia, with approximately 30,000 people expected to attend. Members of the GRHC will assist Germans from Russia who are trying to locate relatives living in the U.S. and Canada.

For more information about past tours, visit www.lib.ndsu. nodak.edu/grhc/outreach/journey/index.html.

# Communication students to present at homeland security conference

Kimberly Cowden and Kelly Wolf, doctoral students in the communication department, have been selected through a national competition to present risk and crisis communication research at the Department of Homeland Security's Science and Technology Stakeholder conference in Washington, D.C., on May 23.

Cowden and Wolf are research fellows with the Risk + Crisis Communication Project, a partner center of the National Center for Food Protection and Defense (NCFPD) based at the University of Minnesota. The conference highlights advances in homeland security application and research and is open to both private and government sectors. Tim Sellnow and Robert Littlefield, professors of communication, coordinate the research studies sponsored by the Risk + Crisis Communication Project.

Cowden is one of 10 students competitively selected to orally present research. Her research includes the development and dissemination of risk and crisis communication among vulnerable populations. Wolf is one of 39 students invited to present a poster. Her research focuses on crisis message design during attacks to our food system.

More information about the Risk + Crisis Communication Project is available at www.risk-crisis.ndsu.nodak.edu. More information about NCFPD is available at www.ncfpd.umn.edu.

# NDSU representatives speak at international coatings conference

NDSU representatives spoke to the Nürnberg Coatings Congress, May 7-9 in Nuremberg, Germany.

Dante Battocchi, research associate in coatings and polymeric materials, presented a paper titled "Mg-rich Primer for Totally Chromate Free Protection Systems on Aluminum Alloys" in conjunction with Gordon Bierwagen, professor and chair of coatings and polymeric materials, and Mark Zentner and Roger Brown of Akzo Nobel Aerospace Coatings, U.S. In addition, Bierwagen presented a session on academic and industrial partnerships titled "Buyer Beware and Seller Prepare: Improving the Likelihood of Forming an Academic-Industrial License Partnership." The international conference is Europe's leading Congress on coatings, inks, adhesives, sealants and construction chemicals.

The world's largest coatings company, Akzo Nobel, Arnhem, Netherlands, and the NDSU Research Foundation announced a commercial licensing agreement in the fall of 2006. A new magnesium primer technology developed at NDSU is being incorporated into some of Akzo Nobel's aerospace coatings products.

The pioneering corrosion inhibiting technology developed at NDSU led to the invitation to speak at the European conference, which included leading companies and institution Dow Corning, DuPont, BASF, Cornell University, Merck, University of Hanover, University of Stuttgart and University of Toronto.

"Participation in the Coatings Congress also allows us to meet with industry representatives worldwide and discuss NDSU's research expertise in coatings, polymeric materials, biotechnology, microelectronics and other areas," said Philip Boudjouk, vice president for research, creative activities and technology transfer. Boudjok attended the conference with Dennis Anderson, director of business development and industrial relations.

NDSU became involved in aerospace coatings research after receiving a \$2 million competitive grant from the U.S. Department of Defense. With assistance from U.S. Sen. Byron Dorgan, NDSU researchers received additional supplementary grants totaling \$7 million to further their coatings research.

As part of North Dakota's Economic Development Centers of Excellence program developed by Gov. John Hoeven and the state legislature, researchers at NDSU's Center of Excellence for Surface Protection develop, test and deliver market-driven new hard and soft coatings solutions in collaboration with industry partners.

### HD&E Faculty/Staff awards announced

The College of Human Development and Education presented awards to faculty and staff members May 7 during a celebration of excellence awards breakfast.

Gary Liguori, assistant professor of health, nutrition and exercise sciences; Brenda Hall, associate professor in the School of Education; Linda Manikowske, associate professor of apparel, design, facility and hospitality management; Ann Braaten, assistant professor of apparel, design, facility and hospitality management; and Tom Stone Carlson, associate professor of child development and family sciences, received the Robert and Patty Hendrickson Faculty Development Award.

Robert and Patty Hendrickson established a faculty development fund to assist faculty in professional growth and development with the idea that the opportunity could have an impact on students and other faculty.

The James Lebedeff Endowed Professorship was awarded to Kara Wolfe, assistant professor of apparel, design, facility and hospitality management, and Justin Wagemen, associate professor in the School of Education.

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The professorship was established by Evelyn Morrow Lebedeff to recognize faculty who have been judged outstanding teachers and researchers.

The following awards are provided through the Mable Wenzel Debing Memorial Fund endowment established to recognize and reward faculty and staff who contribute to the teaching, research and the service of the college.

The Exceptional Contributions to Research Award was awarded to Joel Hektner, associate professor of child development and family sciences.

The Exceptional Contributions as an Emerging Researcher award was given to Brent Young, assistant professor in the School of Education, and Gary Liguori, assistant professor of health, nutrition and exercise sciences.

Brandy Randall, assistant professor of child development and family sciences, received the Exceptional Contribution to Professional Development award.

Ann Ragan, lecturer in apparel, design, facility and hospitality management, and Aditi Hirani, assistant professor of apparel, design, facility and hospitality management, received the Exceptional Contributions through Creative Approaches to Teaching awards.

The recipients of the Exceptional Contributions to Service/ Outreach was Emili Carlson, assistant professor of apparel, design, facility and hospitality management, and Mari Borr, assistant professor in the School of Education.

The Exceptional Support for Instructional/Research/Service activity awards were presented to Alice Amundson, administrative secretary for Extension 4-H, and Vickie Grossnickle, administrative clerk for health, nutrition and exercise sciences.

The Exceptional Contributions toward a Positive Work Environment award was given to Theresa Anderson, administrative secretary in child development and family sciences.

#### **HD&E** Activities listed

Faculty and students in the College of Human Development and Education recently received awards, gave presentations or participated in conferences.

Mari Borr, assistant professor in the School of Education, presented "A Weekend With an Infant Simulator: The Experience of Students at a Midwest High School," at the American Education Research Association Annual Meeting in April. The presentation was part of a paper session titled "Contributing to the World of Educational Quality: Research and Practice in Family and Consumer Sciences."

Borr and Stacy Duffield, assistant professor in the School of Education, received an \$8,000 grant sub-award through Bismarck Public Schools. They are using the grant to complete a program evaluation on an engineering technology project through Valley City State University.

Borr and Brent Young, assistant professor in the School of Education received a grant in the amount of \$172,867 from the North Dakota Department of Career and Technical Education (CTE) to conduct a research study called the Math-in-CTE project. The purpose of the study is to test the hypothesis that students who participate in an integrated, mathematics enhanced high school CTE curriculum and aligned instruction will develop a deeper and more sustained understanding of basic mathematical concepts than those who participate in the traditional CTE

curriculum. Forty secondary agricultural education and family and consumer science teachers and 20 secondary mathematics teachers across North Dakota are planning to participate in the yearlong study. The study is scheduled to begin with five days of intensive professional development for the teachers this summer and will end with debriefing sessions in June 2008.

Julie Garden-Robinson, associate professor of health, nutrition and exercise sciences and extension specialist, and Tera Sandvik, food safety project coordinator, attended the joint conference of the North Dakota Dietetic Association and the North Dakota Nutrition Council April 18-19, in Bismarck, N.D. Garden-Robinson presented the results of a program called Banking on Strong Bones and a program called Walk North Dakota. Garden-Robinson and Sandvik presented the results of the Teens Serving Food Safely program.

Ardith Brunt, assistant professor of health, nutrition and exercise sciences, and Yeong Rhee, assistant professor of health, nutrition and exercise sciences, attended the 2007 Experimental Biology Conference in Washington, D.C. Brunt and Rhee presented two research projects titled "Effects of Flaxseed Lignan on Mitogen Stimulated Lymphocyte Proliferation" and "Flaxseed Lignan Increased Red Blood Cell Glucose Uptake."

Gary Liguori, assistant professor of health, nutrition and exercise sciences, was elected to sit on the journal advisory board for Annual Editions: Health.

Liguori; Arupendra Mozumdar, doctoral fellow; Kristen Hetland, graduate student; and Charles Fountaine, graduate student, delivered two presentations at the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance Central District Conference in Kansas City on April 28. They presented "Joe vs. Jane in the Gym," a presentation that explores gender differences in changes and perception in body weight in NDSU freshman. They also presented "Life and Times of the Co-ed," a descriptive approach to understanding select health behaviors in college students, how they change over time and what factors exist for positive and negative health attributes.

Two faculty members of the counseling program delivered invited presentations at the South Dakota Counselor Association's annual conference, April 12-14. Carol Hoheisel, assistant professor in the School of Education, presented "Effective Cognitive Behavioral Counseling Methods Designed for Children." Robert C. Nielsen, professor in the School of Education, presented "We are What We Think, a Back to Basics of Cognitive Behavioral Counseling." Hoheisel and Nielsen also assisted in the development of a Dakota Counseling Journal at the business meeting of the South Dakota Association for Counselor Education and Supervision.

Jill Nelson, assistant professor in the School of Education, is a contributing editor for a podcast at *CounselorAudioSource*. *Net*. She conducted an interview with Nielsen that aired on April 26. Nielsen discussed stress and stress management for counselors.

Nelson also co-wrote an article titled "Negotiating your way: The faculty interview process." The article was published in the Southern Association for Counselor Education and Supervision newsletter. The article is available online at <a href="https://www.saces.org/Newsletters.htm">www.saces.org/Newsletters.htm</a>.

Brandy Randall, assistant professor of child development and family sciences, delivered a poster presentation titled "When is Good Behavior Bad? Differential Relations between Types of Prosocial Behavior and Multiple Outcomes for Late Adolescents" at the 2007 Society of Research in Child Development biennial meeting in Boston.

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Brad Strand, chair and professor of health, nutrition and exercise sciences, received a merit award for service to the Central District Association of the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance.

Carol Rusaw, associate professor in the School of Education, had an article accepted for publication. The article, titled "The Role of HRD in an Integrated Crisis Management Model," is scheduled to be published in an edited symposium called "Crisis Management in Organizations: The Role of HRD." The article will appear in the Advances in Developing Human Resources journal.

Faculty, staff and students participated in the first College Research Day at NDSU on March 23. Graduate students Fountaine, Brenda Jacobson and Caroline Homan received cash awards for their posters. Graduate students Colleen Bremer, Barb Chromy and Kris Bjelde received honorable mention for their posters. There were more than 30 research studies on display.

#### EVENTS

## Alumni Association to host marathon fan site

The NDSU Alumni Association will sponsor a fan site along the first mile of the Fargo Marathon on May 19.

NDSU students, alumni and fans are encouraged to support marathon runners and show Bison Pride. Live music will be supplied by Larry O'Brien's Dance Machine. Free noisemakers and NDSU flags will be provided for fan site participants.

Supporters and fans can meet at Bison Court on the corner of 17th Avenue and North University Drive. The race begins at 8 a.m. Come early for coffee at Cup of Joe, open from 7-10:30 a.m. For more information, contact Sara Tanke at 1-6804 or *sara@ndsualumni.com*.

## Residence Life holds recognition banquet

The Department of Residence Life hosted a recognition banquet on April 22. The theme was "A Day in the Life," focusing on students, faculty and staff whose contributions led to another successful year in Residence Life.

Professional faculty and staff award winners included:

- Outstanding Faculty Member of the Year—Maureen Scott, English;
- Professional Staff Member of the Year—Sandy Holbrook, director of the Office of Equity and Diversity; and
- Residence Life Distinguished Service Award—Peggy Gaynor, director of Counseling and Disability Services.

## NRHH holds year-end banquet

The Bison Chapter of the National Residence Hall Honorary (NRHH) held a year-end banquet on April 16.

NRHH is an organization that recognizes outstanding leadership in the residence halls. Student membership is reserved for the top 1 percent of student leaders on campus. Seventeen residence hall students were inducted into NRHH this year.

Additionally, NRHH honorary memberships were given to staff members Joshua Onken, Living Learning Center Hall director; Aquina Beck, West Dining Center food service supervisor; and Jack Donahue, director of dining services.

# NDSU FORWARD announces opening of lactation facility

NDSU FORWARD invites the NDSU community to celebrate the opening of a new lactation facility at a ceremony scheduled for noon Wednesday, May 9, on the second floor of Hultz Hall near the Morrill Hall skyway.

The new lactation facility features a private area for mothers to breastfeed their babies or pump, and is equipped with a comfortable rocking chair, table and a home-like atmosphere.

Marjorie McCullagh, associate professor of nursing and FORWARD committee member, says that as a group interested in the advocacy for women on campus, FORWARD identified a need for a lactation facility about a year ago.

The committee conducted a needs assessment on the NDSU campus. Sarah Fuchs, a graduate student in nursing, conducted the needs assessment, gathering input from female students, faculty and staff concerning their needs and how mothers were handling pumping and lactation needs. According to Fuchs' results, FORWARD clearly identified inadequacies of what was available to mothers on campus.

"Students were borrowing faculty members' offices and using unacceptable facilities such as stalls in restrooms," McCullagh said. "That didn't really represent the university very well."

Members of FORWARD chose Hultz Hall for the pilot lactation facility because the restroom in which the facility is located already offered adequate space needed for equipment, which also helped in the creation of a comfortable environment.

The committee has a long-term goal to provide lactation facilities across campus. FORWARD members plan to monitor users' reactions to the lactation facility and use the results to form plans for future facilities in other locations across campus. As construction and remodeling continues on campus, McCullagh says that it will be easier to include plans for lactation facilities up front before construction begins, rather than trying to create room for a facility in existing space.

During the grand opening ceremony, the FORWARD committee plans to introduce the lactation facility as well as express their appreciation to individuals who were instrumental in the development of the new facility.

Bruce Frantz, director of Facilities Management, is one of the leaders that FORWARD plans to recognize. "He has been key in getting this project off the ground," McCullagh says. "He put it on his agenda and got things done in a very expeditious manner, so he has been very supportive."

Kathleen Slobin, professor of sociology and anthropology and chair of FORWARD and Women In Science, Mathematics, Engineering and Technology (WISMET), also has been instrumental in the development of the lactation facility. According to McCullagh, Slobin has helped build coalitions to assist the accomplishment of the project.

FORWARD members are also grateful to the people of Hultz Hall for consenting to host the initial lactation facility. McCullagh said Hultz Hall personnel have offered support from the beginning of the project.

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## Third equity and diversity candidate presents open forum

Paula Evanson, candidate for the position of director for Equity and Diversity, presented an open forum titled "Diversity and Organizational Change: Challenges and Opportunities," May 7.

Evanson is currently a business analyst with the Minnesota Department of Public Safety. She previously worked in the Office of Diversity and Equity for the Minnesota Department of Employee Relations, was a hearings and release officer for the Minnesota Department of Corrections and also served as a labor relations representative and a management analyst for the Minnesota Department of Transportation.

Evanson received a bachelor's degree from Minnesota State University Moorhead. She received a juris doctorate from Hamline University School of Law, St. Paul, Minn.

#### SHORTS AND REMINDERS

#### The NDSU Libraries reminder

The NDSU Libraries are reminding all faculty and staff to return materials if they are officially leaving the university. Library materials are subject to recall during the summer. Upon notification of an item being recalled, an individual needs to return it to the library within the standard five-day grace period. Notifications will be sent both electronically and in paper format. In addition, if you are traveling, or working away from NDSU, make arrangements so that materials can be returned promptly.

#### **Positions Available**

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

Academic Assistant/#00024042 Health, nutrition and exercise sciences (HNES) \$20,000+/year May 15

University Relations North Dakota State University PO Box 5167 Fargo, ND 58105 Project Coordinator/#00022734 Retired Senior and Volunteer Program (RSVP) Grand Forks, N.D. \$21,000+/year Open until filled

Athletic Media Relations Assistant/#00023719 Athletics \$22,000+/year May 11

Help Desk Consultant/#00021357 Information Technology Services (ITS) \$32,000+/year May 11

Web/Technical Support Coordinator Registration and Records \$30,000+/year May 17

Database and System Services Manager/#00021790 ITS Salary commensurate with experience Open until filled

Desktop Support Specialist/#00021756 ITS \$34,000+/year Open until filled

Computer Programmer Distance and Continuing Education \$37,000+/year Open until filled

Patch Coordinator/Analyst/#00025470 ConnectND–North Dakota University System \$55,000+/year May 15

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