IT'S HAPPENING AT STATE

NDSU sets enrollment record for eighth straight year

NDSU's enrollment continues to grow, and officials expect a record for the eighth year in a row when official third week numbers are announced Sept. 12.

As of the first day of classes on Aug. 20, NDSU had 12,287 students enrolled in its undergraduate and graduate programs, an increase of 295 from one year ago at this time. Undergraduate students are up 136, while the number of graduate students has increased by 159. New first-year student enrollment increased by 93 over the 2,082 of last year.

The official fall 2006 enrollment was 12,258 students, which was released on Sept. 13, 2006.

"Our mission statement notes that NDSU is a university with 'momentum," said President Joseph A. Chapman. "These early enrollment numbers show how a growing number of students are choosing to be a part of that momentum."

"We are extremely pleased and encouraged with our fall enrollment," said Prakash Mathew, vice president for student affairs. "If the increase holds true, this will be an all-time enrollment record. We are seeing an increase in our undergraduate and graduate student numbers. North Dakota student population at NDSU continues to be very strong, even though our largest percentage of incoming students is from Minnesota. We are also seeing an increase in our international student population."

David Wittrock, dean of the Graduate School, said, "This is a clear sign that our graduate programs at NDSU are thriving. We granted a record number of Ph.D.s last year. We also had a record number of students receive master's degrees. This combination of record enrollments and success in having students complete their degrees is a clear indication that we have strong academic programs that are attractive to students who want to earn an advanced degree."

According to Mathew, the university reached its goal of 12,000 students in fall 2004 and continues to see increases in both undergraduate and graduate enrollment. "The growth we are experiencing is a result of the wonderful education and experience our students are receiving at NDSU," he said. "It is their testimony that makes it effective for the incoming students. Once again, it reaffirms the fact that NDSU is an institution of choice."

According to Michael Harwood, director of Residence Life, overflow arrangements are being made to meet the need for student housing. He said 102 additional beds have been arranged on campus.

"Given our numbers, we plan to use up to 36 on-campus overflow beds for women and 66 for men, which means 49 male students will begin the academic year staying at the Comfort Inn East motel. We expect some walk-ons, which should increase the number at the motel," Harwood said. "These numbers are very close to what we had in overflow housing last year."

Harwood said bus transportation and laundry service will be provided for the students at the motel.

NDSU Libraries

Labor Day hours announced
All NDSU Libraries will close Saturday,
Sept. 1, and Sunday, Sept. 2. The
main library will open 1 p.m.-midnight
Monday, Sept. 4, and the branch libraries will open 5-9 p.m. The Institute
for Regional Studies will be closed.
Regular academic hours resume
Tuesday, Sept. 4.

For a current listing of hours consult the Libraries' Web page at www.lib.ndsu.nodak.edu or call the information tape at 1-9456.

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First-year students gather for 'President's Welcome'



President Chapman welcomes first-year students at the Bison Sports Arena.

NDSU welcomed its incoming students with a host of activities on Monday, Aug. 20.

President Joseph A. Chapman and other campus leaders addressed the first-year students at the "President's Welcome." NDSU's incoming class gathered at the Bison Sports Arena for special remarks and lunch with President Chapman. All new students received a free T-shirt.

Immediately following the President's Welcome, NDSU Student Government sponsored "Rumble," at the Bison Sports Arena. According to student body president Josh Reimnitz, "The event included a pep rally atmosphere to get everyone, especially freshmen, ready for the upcoming year."

Reimnitz and student body vice president Clara Presser served as emcees for the event that featured the NDSU Gold Star Marching Band and comments from the fall sports Bison coaches. Participants enjoyed ice cream, and prizes were awarded.

First-year students also participated in classroom tours and received assistance from current students in finding their classrooms.

NDSU student e-mail accounts an official communication channel

University policy made NDSU e-mail addresses an official channel for contacting students in May. Faculty members are encouraged to reinforce the importance of students checking their NDSU e-mail accounts.

Instructors may now send e-mails about their courses to students. The university may e-mail students about financial aid. The NDSU Libraries may also send e-mail reminders about overdue books or interlibrary loan materials. The university also may still send some important notices via postal mail.

The NDSU e-mail policy is available at www.ndsu.edu/its/e-mail_service/e-mail_policy.

Students should keep their contact information current on CampusConnection. Students, faculty and staff can manage their NDSU e-mail accounts at *enroll.nodak.edu* or by contacting the ITS Help Desk at 1-8685 or *NDSU.HelpDesk@ndsu.edu* for assistance.

BEST robotics competition to be held

NDSU's College of Engineering and Architecture kicks off the Bison BEST Robotics Competition on Sept. 1 in Bentson-Bunker Fieldhouse.

A total of 16 area schools are expected to participate in BEST, which stands for "Boosting Engineering, Science and Technology." Each school will be provided identical equipment and parts to design, build and test a radio-controlled robot during the six-week competition.

"The robotics competition is intended to inspire students to pursue careers in engineering, science, and technology," said Gary Smith, dean of engineering and architecture. "Bison BEST is a great partnership between NDSU, our K-12 community and local industry. It gives students an opportunity to compete in a sports-like environment and learn engineering design at the same time. It's a great model for learning."

At the competition kick-off, the playing field is unveiled and participating schools are given the rules and a kit to build their robot. Engineers and technical professionals from local industries will serve as team mentors, but the students will do the work.

Other important dates in the competition include Mall Day on Sept. 29 when the teams can test their robots on the actual playing field, which will be set up at West Acres. The competition concludes on Game Day, Oct. 13, at Bentson-Bunker Fieldhouse.

Organizers say campus volunteers are needed. "We are looking for volunteers to serve as referees and judges on the competition day," explained Nancy Rossland, event coordinator and assistant to the dean for college relations. "The Game Day competition on Oct. 13 is huge, and it will take many people working together to make it happen. I encourage the campus to come out and help make a difference in the lives of our young people."

If you are interested in volunteering, contact Rossland at nancy.rossland@ndsu.edu or 1-7994.

Participating schools are Ben Franklin Middle School, Cavalier Public School, Fargo North High School, Fargo South High School, Hope-Page High School, Kittson Central High School, Larimore High School, Moorhead High School, Northern Cass High School, Northwood High School, Park Christian School, Red River Area Learning Center, Sullivan Middle School, Watertown High School, Waubun High School and Wing Public School.

For more information, visit www.bestinc.org.

Student dies

Timothy Hay, a NDSU student majoring in radiology science, died Thursday, Aug. 26, at MeritCare Hospital.

He grew up in Harwood, N.D., and graduated from West Fargo High School in 2001. He joined the N.D. Air National Guard in 2001 and worked in the electrical and environmental shop. He was working at MeritCare Hospital as a radiology technology student at the time of his death. He was 25.

Hay was the son of Ken and Marlys Hay.

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Fall suppers: a Northern Plains tradition

Each autumn, thousands of people flock to a seasonal ritual held in towns and rural churches across North Dakota. That tradition is the annual fall supper.

"Fall suppers are a community institution across this part of the country—a ritual that goes on in September, October and November of every year since at least the 1930s," explained Tom Isern, director of NDSU's Center for Heritage Renewal. "You'll have a little church with maybe 50 active members, and they'll feed 600 people with turkey, lefsa and kraut. You'll see suppers also serving sausage or other local specialties, like kolaches."

The fall suppers and their connection to our Northern Plains heritage are the focus of the center's latest project. Isern wants to compile a directory of these annual events to help organizers publicize them, and, at the same time, provide a great learning experience for his history students.

The goal is to compile a list of as many of the fall suppers as possible on the center's Web site. Over time, the center will present research conducted by students in History 431 course "The North American Plains," who will be assigned to document details of the tradition by collecting interviews and taking photographs.

"This will be an excellent opportunity for students to get into the field. Talking with real people will give them a great hands-on experience," said Jeff Armstrong, center assistant director.

According to Isern, literally hundreds of fall suppers are held in North Dakota.

"Each place has its own set of rituals. In one, you'll find a guy who's been on the potato crew for 30 years. The reason things go so smoothly at these suppers is that someone has been doing the job for many years. One group is responsible for mashing the potatoes, someone else makes the gravy and another crew is responsible for the kraut," Isern said. "The very act of putting on the supper is a ritual of renewal for the community, because people have comfortable tasks, they know what they are doing and, boy, do they talk."

The supper is also a ritual of homecoming, because extended families return to their hometowns for the event. "People will drive in from Minneapolis, or farther. There are folks who fly home just for the fall supper," Isern said.

He also notes that each fall supper has its own special attraction.

For example, at St. Mary's Church in Dazey, N.D., the congregation cuts kraut every August. After putting the kraut aside for 30 days, it is time for the fall supper. "It's the best kraut you've ever tasted," Isern said. "Really fine."

At the Waldheim Lutheran Church in Ransom County, residents make at least 600 pieces of lefsa, and the Almont, N.D., community fall supper is famous for its lutefisk.

"I think the local people will be interested in knowing what a big thing they are a part of," Isern said. "If you're in Wimbledon, N.D., maybe you only see the local potato crew. They don't see that there are dozens of other suppers going on that very same Saturday or Sunday across the region."

If you have an event you'd like listed on the Center for Heritage Renewal's Web site, visit www.ndsu.edu/heritage and click on "Fall Suppers of the Northern Plains." For more information, contact Isern at (701) 799-2942.

The mission of the center is to identify, preserve and capitalize on the heritage resources of North Dakota and the Northern Plains through historic preservation and heritage tourism, while providing opportunities for learning, employment and internships for NDSU undergraduate and graduate students.

Seed grant funds available

The Center for Protease Research (CPR) announced the availability of seed grant funds for experimental and biomedically relevant research projects. Funds are available through the National Institutes of Health Center of Biological Research Excellence (COBRE) on a competitive basis to initiate research projects.

Proposal submissions for research work to be completed by June 30, 2008, are requested. Only one submission per principal investigator will be allowed. (Current and past COBRE faculty are not eligible for seed grants.)

This is an internal NDSU competition and will not be available to researchers at other institutions. The submissions will not be processed through the Sponsored Programs Administration. Proposals are due in the CPR office by Sept. 20. Awards may be \$10,000-\$20,000. Second-year funding is possible, depending on first year results.

The CPR external advisory board members will review and rate proposals. Primary evaluation criteria will be scientific merit of proposed research and potential for submitting future research proposals. The specific aims of the research outlined in your proposal need to be within the broad scope of the areas of research pursued by the Center for Protease Research. For more information, visit www.ndsu.nodak.edu/cobre/Templates/cobre_groupII_(css).dwt.

Recipients will be announced by Oct. 10. Awardees will be required to attend COBRE scientific meetings, prepare a final report that acknowledges COBRE and submit an R01 NIH grant proposal.

Submission requirements include a three-page proposal summary, a one-page NDSU budget form (no equipment or indirect costs), available at www.ndsu.nodak.edu/research/spa/forms/excel/Budget.xls; and a two-page curriculum vitae. Submit proposals via e-mail to Rose Nichols, administrative coordinator in the Department of Chemistry and Molecular Biology, at rose.nichols@ndsu.edu.

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PEOPLE

Two chosen for McNair Scholars program

Linzey Crockett, a senior majoring in management communication, and John Fielding, a junior majoring in geology, will participate in the NDSU McNair Scholars Program.

Students chosen for the program have the opportunity to engage in graduate level research under the guidance of faculty and library mentors.

Paul Nelson, professor and chair of the communications department, is Crockett's faculty mentor, while Fran Fisher, humanities librarian, is her library mentor.

Kenneth Lepper, assistant professor of geosciences, and Allan Ashworth, professor of geosciences, are Fielding's faculty mentors, while Jeremy Brown, physical sciences librarian, is his library mentor.

McNair Scholars are NDSU undergraduates who demonstrate strong academic potential and show an interest in research. In addition to a monthly research stipend and an opportunity to attend conferences related to their studies, the scholars are provided educational and support services to assist them in preparing for an advanced degree.

Named after Challenger space crewmember Ronald E. McNair, the NDSU program is one of the original 14 programs in the nation. The goal of the program is to increase the attainment of doctorates by students from underrepresented segments of society.

The U.S. Department of Education funds the McNair Scholars program. The Office of TRIO Programs in the Division of Student Affairs administers the program.

For more information, contact Kay Modin, program director of the McNair Scholars program, at 1-8029.

Reynolds and Grazul-Bilska receive research grant



Reynolds

Lawrence Reynolds and Anna Grazul-Bilska from the Center for Nutrition and Pregnancy and professors of animal and range sciences, in collaboration with Grazyna Ptak and Lino Loi from the University of Teramo, have been awarded a three-year, \$315,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture Cooperative State Research Education and Extension Service National Research Initiative.



Grazul-Bilsko

The colleagues will study the role of altered placental vascular development to complications arising during early pregnancy from the use of assisted reproductive technologies (ART), such as in vitro fertilization and embryo cloning.

The results of these studies will help determine why pregnancies established using ART fail at a much higher rate than normal. The results also may lead to the development of therapeutic strategies designed to "rescue" these pregnancies.

Agricultural and biosystems engineering personnel present research

Faculty and graduate students from the Department of Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering presented research papers at the 2007 American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers (ASABE) annual international meeting held June 17-20 in Minneapolis. The following research was presented:

- Xinhua Jia, assistant professor, presented "Development of Bahiagrass Crop Coefficient in a Humid Climate;"
- Scott Pryor, assistant professor, presented "Batch Reactor for Lignocellulosic Biomass Pretreatment;"
- Dean Steele, assistant professor, presented "Potato Planter Development via Capstone Design and Engineering Tools" and "Remote Sensing Approach for Estimating Evapo-transpiration in the Devils Lake Basin, North Dakota;"
- Jayendra Kumar Amamcharla, graduate research assistant, presented "A Porphyrin-based Electronic Nose System for Meat Safety;"
- Bhavnita Dhillon, graduate research assistant, presented "A Comparison Between Chlorinated Water and Ozonated Water as an Antimicrobial Treatment During Tempering of Wheat," and "Design and Evaluation of Modified Atmosphere Packaging for Guava (Psidium Guajava L.);"
- Judith Espinoza-Perez, graduate research assistant, presented "Preparation and Partial Characterization of Canolabased Epoxy Resins for Bio-based Plastic Components" and "Microwave-assisted Inactivation of Carbohydrases from Aspergillus Niger by Continuous-flow Processing;"
- Lav Khot, graduate research assistant, presented "An Automatic Headspace Sampling System for Meat Safety;"
- Wajira Manamperi, graduate research assistant, presented "Canola Meal Protein Fractionation and Utilization for Industrial Applications;" and
- Sindhuja Sankaran, graduate research assistant, presented "Nano-structured Sensing Materials for Meat Safety Applications."

Noah to speak at NIH conference



research.

Matt Noah, NDSU Center for Nanoscale Science and Engineering (CNSE) senior manager, is scheduled to speak at the 2007 University Startups Conference Oct. 3-5, at the National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Md.

The theme of this year's conference is

"Enabling Innovation." Noah is planning to
speak on innovative models of commercializing university

The National Council of Entrepreneurial Tech Transfer sponsors the University Startups Conference. For more information, go to www.ncet2.org.

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Sibi to receive Cope Scholar Award



Sibi

Mukund P. Sibi, James A. Meier professor of chemistry and molecular biology, will receive a 2008 Arthur S. Cope Scholar Award, considered to be a top honor in organic chemistry.

The award, issued by the American Chemical Society (ACS), recog-

nizes scientists from across the globe who have distinguished themselves in the broad field of organic chemistry. Sibi will receive a \$5,000 certificate and a \$40,000 unrestricted research grant. He also will deliver an invited talk on his research and be recognized at a special ceremony in April 2008 at the ACS national meeting in New Orleans.

"Dr. Sibi's achievements and distinguished role in the field of organic chemistry are remarkable," said NDSU President Joseph A. Chapman. "NDSU is honored to have faculty like Dr. Sibi guiding us along the journey that has brought us to the next level of excellence."

"The Cope Scholar Awards are considered to be one of the most prestigious awards in the field of chemistry and this award reflects the significant contributions Dr. Sibi makes to his field of study," said Philip Boudjouk, vice president for research, creative activities and technology transfer.

Kevin McCaul, the dean of science and mathematics, also noted the honor. "Dr. Sibi is clearly a superb researcher, and he is also a wonderful teacher, whether in a formal classroom setting or working with his students in the lab," he said. "Those qualities go well together, and we are delighted that the ACS has selected Dr. Sibi for this international recognition."

Sibi is one of the pioneers in the development of enantioselective radical chemistry. His research group continues to be engaged in chiral catalysis, enabling the preparation of small organic molecules important for medicinal chemistry. Recently, his research group has made conceptual advances in the control of the orientation of molecular bonds and practical ways to enhance stereoselectivity in important organic transformations.

"This is indeed a big honor," said Sibi. "I am very happy that our chemistry department has received this recognition. Like any research endeavor, it is a team effort, and credit is also due to a talented group of undergraduate, graduate and postdoctoral students who I have had the privilege to work with over the years."

Sibi leads the NDSU Center for Protease Research, a multidisciplinary research center whose aim is to help combat diseases including arthritis, diabetes and cancer. His research group recently was awarded a \$10.5 million competitive grant from the National Institutes of Health. The group has developed novel methods for the preparation of succinates, a common structural motif found in known matrix metalloproteinases (MMP) inhibitors.

The Arthur C. Cope Scholar awards were established in 1984 by the ACS Board of Directors, on recommendation from the ACS Division of Organic Chemistry, under the terms of the will of Arthur C. Cope. Ten award recipients are named annually. Founded in 1876, the American Chemistry Society is the world's largest scientific society dedicated to a single discipline, with more than 160,000 members.

Sibi received his bachelor's degree and master's degree from Bangalore University, India. He received his doctorate from City University in New York. He completed postdoctoral work at Dartmouth College, Hanover, N.H., the University of Waterloo, Ontario, Canada, and Florida State University. He is the author of more than 150 publications and holds eight patents.

Thrasher published in NACWPI Journal

Michael Thrasher, NDSU assistant professor of music, is scheduled to have an article published in the November 2007 issue of the National Association of College Wind and Percussion Instructors (NACWPI) Journal.

His article is titled "The Clarinetist-Composers of 19th Century Italy: An Examination of Style, Repertoire and Pedagogy." Thrasher's article also was the topic of his lecture at the 2007 International Clarinet Association Conference in Atlanta and the 2006 North Dakota Arts and Humanities Summit.

Additionally, Thrasher has been appointed the state chair for NACWPI. His duties include promoting the benefits of NACWPI membership to collegiate music faculty, students and others throughout North Dakota.

Kapplinger artwork in American Print Exhibition

Kent Kapplinger, associate professor in visual arts, will participate in the American Print Exhibition at the Foothills Art Center in Golden, Colo.

The exhibition runs through Sept. 2. The exhibit is the first national juried printmaking exhibition hosted by the Foothills Art Center and aims to explore creative facets of printmaking currently being produced in the United States.

Bill Goldston of Universal Limited Art Editions served as juror. He selected 69 works by artists living in 33 states.

For more information, go to www.foothillsartcenter.org.

Downtown Visual Arts Gallery to present Hoffart exhibit

The NDSU Downtown Visual Arts Gallery is scheduled to display an exhibit by Mitch Hoffart, a telecommunications technician with Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute at NDSU. The exhibit is scheduled to run Sept. 13-Oct. 7. An artist's reception is planned for 4:30-6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 13. The NDSU Downtown Visual Arts Gallery is located at 650 NP Ave., Fargo, and the hours are 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Admission is free.

His exhibit, consisting of paintings and mixed media pieces, highlights his experimentation with different techniques.

Hoffart has participated in exhibitions in North Dakota, Minnesota and Colorado and is included in the NDSU Permanent Collection and several private collections. He studied drawing, design and printmaking at NDSU and is a member of the Fargo-Moorhead Visual Artists.

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Rolie golf tournament raises \$1,500 to fight diabetes



Members of the Jon Rolie Memorial Golf Tournament presented a check to the American Diabetes Association. From the left, Chris Anderson, Ken Gartzke, Dave Dynes, Agnes Vernon and Dave Rice.

The NDSU Agriculture Communication staff and friends of Jon Rolie, a 21-year Agriculture Communication veteran, have donated \$1,500 to the American Diabetes Association (ADA) in his memory.

Rolie retired from NDSU in June 2006 and died three months later

Former co-workers and friends of Rolie held a golf tournament, picnic and silent auction July 25. Many local businesses and individuals donated money and prizes to help sponsor the event. All of the proceeds went to the ADA to fight diabetes, which Rolie battled most of his life.

The Jon Rolie Memorial Golf Tournament Committee presented a check to Stephanie Chimerziri, associate director of the ADA. Members of the committee are Chris Anderson, Dave Dynes, Ken Gartzke, Dave Rice and Agnes Vernon. All are Agriculture Communication staff members except Gartzke, who was a former staffer.

The committee hopes to make the tournament an annual event.

Maylath joins English department



Bruce Maylath has joined the Department of English. He comes from the University of Wisconsin—Stout where he helped establish and direct one of the largest undergraduate programs in technical communication in the country.

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Maylath is widely known in the field of technical communication for his leadership

in creating international connections for both academic professionals and students. He has served on several planning committees for international summits in the field, including roundtables of technical communication educators held in London in 2000; Milan, Italy, in 2003; and Limerick, Ireland, in 2005.

In the partnerships, American students write technical documents, prepare them for translation and send them to Europe for students in translation programs to translate. During the process, the American and European students collaborate through e-mail, Web sites and streaming video to ensure that the meaning of the translated text is accurate.

At NDSU, Maylath will teach linguistics classes and international technical communication. With his addition to the faculty, the English department is ready to launch a new doctorate program with an emphasis in scientific and technical communication.

Maylath previously was a member of the faculty at the University of Memphis, which was his first position after completing his doctorate at the University of Minnesota.

EVENTS

TechGYRLS after-school program to be offered

The Department of Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering and the YWCA Cass-Clay are sponsoring an after-school program, TechGYRLS, for girls in grades 4-7, starting Sept. 17.

The program is held at NDSU and taught by mentors from the NDSU student organization of Society of Women Engineers. The 10-week program meets at 4-6 p.m. on Mondays. The participants are scheduled to learn about Microworlds and LEGORobotics. With Microworlds, they will explore the magic of a computer while making their own animated calendar. With LEGORobotics, the girls will learn to build and program their own Lego robots.

Other activities include a trip to KVLY/KX4-TV, tour of a local manufacturing company and conduct hands-on jewelry manufacturing.

For more information, contact Canan Bilen-Green, associate professor of industrial and manufacturing engineering, at 1-7040 or *canan.bilen.green@ndsu.edu*. To register, contact Melissa Highman at 232-2547 or *mhighman@ywcacass clay.org* by Sept. 12.

Meditation group to begin

The NDSU Counseling Center is offering a Meditation for Stress Management Group during the 2007 fall semester. The group is a chance to get together with others to meditate for stress management, increased peacefulness and well-being.

Participants meet weekly on Mondays from 3:30-4:30 p.m. at the Counseling Center, 212 Ceres Hall. The group does not meet on university holidays. New members are always welcome. No advance registration is required.

Beginners can learn and practice mediation basics, while experienced participants can maintain their meditation practice. Group members practice sitting in meditation chairs, so no special clothing or equipment is required. The group is free and open to NDSU students, faculty and staff.

Participants are not required to attend all meetings in order to be a part of the group. Members may attend when available. It is important to arrive on time when attending sessions. The door is locked promptly at the beginning of each meeting to avoid interruptions while meditating. Also notify the Counseling Center's front desk before proceeding to the room.

For more information, announcements, cancellations or changes, visit www.ndsu.nodak.edu/counseling or contact the NDSU Counseling Center at 1-7671.

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Wellness Center invites NDSU community to 'Lose a Ton'

The Wellness Center is inviting members of the NDSU community to join them in the "Lose a Ton" Program.

From Sept. 4-Dec. 14, the Wellness Center will offer a series of weekly seminars on topics ranging from emotional eating to fitness programs and bimonthly, confidential weigh-ins. Weight loss results will be added to the community total, working toward the goal of one ton of weight loss.

Throughout the semester, the Wellness Center will offer a variety of challenges to help keep participants motivated and focused on the goals they have set.

Sign-up forms are located at the fitness desks in the Wellness Center and online at www.ndsu.edu/wellness/fitness. The program is free to Wellness Center members and \$25 for non-members.

Recreation and Outing Center activities listed

To register for any of the following activities, go to the Recreation and Outing Center, located on the lower level of the Memorial Union. For more information, contact Philip Sarnoff at *philip.sarnoff@ndsu.edu*, go to *www.ndsu.edu/mu* or call 1-8911.

Free slacklining clinics

Slacklining clinics are scheduled from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Tuesdays on the green area in front of the library and next to Old Main. The clinics are scheduled for Sept. 4, 11, 18, 25, Oct. 2, 9 or until the weather becomes too cold.

Wear comfortable clothing and sandals or shoes that slip off easily. Slacklining is done barefoot.

Slacklining is an activity that started when rock climbers had days off from rock climbing. It involved stretching a piece of 1-inch tubular webbing between two trees, much like a tight-rope. Slacklines have more give than traditional tightrope, which makes it a great activity to improve balance for activities such as rock climbing, skiing and snowboarding.

Free disc golf clinics

Disc golf clinics are scheduled from 4:30-6:30 p.m. on Mondays. The deadline for registration is 2 p.m. on Mondays. The clinics are scheduled for Sept. 10, 24 and Oct. 8 or until the weather becomes too cold.

The meeting place is the Recreation and Outing Center. Discs, instruction and a ride to the Oak Grove or Woodlawn course are provided. Wear a type of athletic shoe that can get a little muddy.

Canoe and hiking trip to Maplewood State Park

The canoe and hiking trip to Maplewood State Park is scheduled for 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 1. Participants will meet at the Memorial Union south entrance. The cost for the trip is \$22. Registration ends at noon Aug. 30. Bring your own lunch.

All participants must be able to swim. When you register, there will be a document including information about what to wear. In addition, bring hiking shoes or sneakers. The course fee includes canoes, personal flotation devices, paddles, transportation and instruction.

SHORTS AND REMINDERS

Policy Updates

The following policies have recently been added or revised. To see the complete policy, go to www.ndsu.edu/policy.

Policy 100.2: Use of Service Animals

These changes reflect conversations and agreements with the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights. These changes include the addition of a section specifically for visitors using service animals on the campus and a variety of other small changes to make the policy a bit clearer and to make the tone more inviting than regulatory.

Positions Available

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

Police Officer/#00025597 University Police and Safety Office \$30,000+/year Sept. 5

Nutrition Education Assistant, EFNEP/#00018544 Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program NDSU Extension Service-Bismarck \$16,740/year-9 months; 40 hours per week Contingent on availability of Federal Funds Open until filled

Nutrition Education Assistant Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program NDSU Extension Service-Fort Berthold \$22,318/year-12 months; 40 hours per week Contingent on availability of Federal Funds Open until filled

Custodian/#00019311 Residence Life \$17,945+/year Aug. 31

Lead Food Service Worker/#00020578 12 months, 40 hours per week Monday-Friday, 11:30 a.m.-8 p.m.; rotating weekends Dining Services-Residence Dining Center \$9+/hour Aug. 29

Lead Caterer/#00023314
12-month position; 40 hours per week
Monday-Friday, with weekends and various a.m. hours
Dining Services-Memorial Union
\$9+/hour
Open until filled

Supervisor-Athletic Facilities/#00020635 Monday-Friday, 3:30 p.m.-midnight Facilities Management \$25,000+/year Open until filled

Software Engineer Center for Nanoscale Science and Engineering \$55,000+/year Aug. 29 page 8 It's Happening, Aug. 29, 2007

Application Development Manager/#00024674 Information Technology Services Commensurate with experience Open until filled

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

Finance Business Analyst NDUS ConnectND Preferred worksite is Fargo Salary commensurate with experience Sept. 17 (re-opened)

Junior Programmer Analyst NDUS ConnectND Fargo \$41,500+/year Open until filled

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

CALENDAR

August

- 30 Career Center—Part-time Jobs Fair, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Memorial Union Ballroom
- Psychology Colloquium—"A Study of Maternal Effects in Birds," Wendy Reed, assistant professor of biological sciences, 3:30 p.m., Minard Annex 138

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September

- Women's soccer vs. Bemidji State University, 11 a.m., Ellig Sports Complex
- Women's soccer vs. University of Northern Iowa, noon, Ellig Sports Complex
- 3 Labor Day holiday—university closed
- 4 Chemistry and Molecular Biology seminar—
 "Cyclohexadienes as Building Blocks and Reagents in Synthesis," Armido Studer, Muenster University, Germany, 8:30 a.m., Ladd 107
- 5 Supervisor Safety Training—Memorial Union, Badlands North, 2 p.m.
- 7 Psychology Colloquium—"An Electrophysiological Analysis of Language Context Use for Prediction, Inegration and Learning," Marta Kutas, University of California, San Diego, 3:30 p.m., Minard Annex 138
- 7 Chemistry and Molecular Biology seminar—
 "Fluorescent Hybridization Probes for Sensitive
 and Selective DNA and RNA Detection," Steffen
 Jockusch, Columbia University, New York, 3:45 p.m.,
 Dunbar 152
- Women's soccer vs. University of Mary, 4 p.m., Ellig Sports Complex
- 8 Wellness Center—Golf Scramble, 10 a.m., Osgood Golf Course
- 8 Football vs. Stephen F. Austin University, 6:35 p.m., Fargodome