

Groundbreaking set for Barry Hall

Groundbreaking ceremonies for Richard H. Barry Hall, at the site of the former Pioneer Mutual Life building in downtown Fargo, are scheduled for 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 11. Barry Hall will house the College of Business and the Department of Agribusiness and Applied Economics.

Located at 811 2nd Ave. N., Barry Hall is named for the late R.H. "Dick" Barry, a renowned financial consultant who was described as "Fargo's doctor of financially ill businesses." The building's name was approved by the State Board of Higher Education on Sept. 20.

The estimated cost of the project is \$15 million. The work includes a total of 135,000 square feet, with a three-story classroom wing and a 250-seat auditorium. The projected completion is set for the spring of 2009.

"This is an exciting project that will give NDSU exceptional and impressive facilities for its business programs. It will provide for great opportunities for our faculty, staff and students," said President Joseph A. Chapman, noting that The Barry Foundation made a significant gift to the building project. "Funding came through Momentum: the \$75 Million Campaign for North Dakota State University, demonstrating how private contributions can have a profound and lasting impact on the university."

Founded in 1986, The Barry Foundation is based in Fargo. Its mission statement reads, "The Barry Foundation is a family foundation that affirms its founder's life-long philanthropic spirit and vision. Emphasis is placed on proactive philanthropy where opportunity is created to benefit individuals and communities both locally and globally."

"This generous contribution will have a huge impact on the downtown community in addition to adding outstanding opportunities for the university," said Jim Miller, executive director of the NDSU Development Foundation. "Having the College of Business located in Fargo's downtown is both a symbolic and tangible link to the business community."

Barry (1909-88) was born in Minneapolis, and went to work at age 17 for First National Bank of Minneapolis. In 1935, he moved to Bismarck, N.D., and joined the First National Bank of Bismarck.

In 1938, he was appointed to the executive committee to commemorate the 50th anniversary of North Dakota becoming a state.

Barry transferred to Merchants Bank and Trust in Fargo (now US Bank-Fargo) in 1939. In 1943, he was named executive vice president of the Fargo Chamber of Commerce. In 1945, Barry became an officer with a company that would later become Smith Inc., an equipment distribution company.

In 1948, he was asked to be the North Dakota campaign and finance chair for the Harold Stassen for U.S. President campaign. The request came from future Minnesota Gov. Elmer L. Anderson and future Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court Warren Burger.

In 1953, he set out on his own, establishing Barry and Company. He quickly established a strong reputation for helping to save small businesses and banks for local ownership. Barry was considered a master of engineering corporate sales and developing financing plans. For instance, he was instrumental in organizing efforts to build the Southern Red River Valley Sugarbeet Corp. plant near Wahpeton.

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President Chapman to deliver State of the University Address

President Joseph A. Chapman will present the annual State of the University Address at 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 4, in Festival Concert Hall. All faculty, staff, alumni and friends are invited.

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In 1955, he formed the Martin Barry Central America Co., a western hemisphere trading company.

Barry held leadership roles for many business ventures, including serving as chair of the board of Dakota Electric Supply Co., assistant to the president of Dakota National Bank and a director of the E.A. Moline Construction Co., Jamestown. He also owned the Hallmark Remembrance Shop, Fargo. He was nominated for the board of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

Barry's activities and interests were wide ranging. For 25 years, he was a director, vice president and executive committee member of the North Dakota Automobile Club. He was vice chair of the state's Economic Development Commission, campaign and finance chair of the Cass County Republican Committee, a state official for the American Cancer Society and a member of the Governor's National Committee of the Eisenhower Presidential Library, Abilene, Kan. He was active in the American Red Cross, Civil Defense Program, Fargo Elks Lodge and the Pelican Lake Property Owners Association.

He and his wife, Louise, have two daughters, Susan and Lynne, and a son, John.

NCAA site visit scheduled

A review team is scheduled to visit NDSU Oct. 15-17 as part of the university's NCAA certification for its athletic programs. This is the first time NDSU has participated in a NCAA Division I certification process.

The team is expected to include John Bardo, Western Carolina University, who will serve as team chair; Frank Nelson, Eastern Washington University; C. Bruce Myers, Austin Peay State University; and Robert Galinsky, Nicholls State University. Shana Levine, NCAA associate director of membership services, also is scheduled to be on campus for the evaluation visit.

The team will conduct a review of the university's self-study document that was completed this spring. That report covered such areas as academic integrity, governance and commitment to rules compliance, as well as a commitment to equity and student athlete welfare.

"We are excited about the visit. It is the critically important final step before NDSU becomes a fully certified member of NCAA Division I athletics," said Gene Taylor, athletic director. "Many people across campus worked very hard on our self-study report, and we look forward to sharing with the visitors all the wonderful things that are happening at NDSU."

"We look forward to hosting the NCAA review team. We'll have the opportunity to showcase Bison Athletics' commitment to academic excellence and to demonstrate our dedication to the student athletes' well-being," explained Lynn Dorn, women's athletic director. "This is an on-site opportunity for the team to verify the documentation in the self-study report. The visit will give them a sense with which to measure NDSU's commitment in these important areas."

Following its visit, the team will report to the NCAA Division I Committee on Athletics Certification. The committee will then determine the institution's certification status and announce the decision. The three options of certification status are certified, certified with conditions and not certified. While universities and colleges have an opportunity to correct deficient areas, institutions that do not take corrective actions may be ruled ineligible for NCAA championships.

The NCAA is a membership organization of colleges and universities that participate in intercollegiate athletics. The primary purpose of the association is to maintain intercollegiate athletics as an integral part of the educational program and athletes as an integral part of the student body. Activities of the NCAA members include formulating rules of play for NCAA sports, conducting national championships, adopting and enforcing standards of eligibility and studying all phases of intercollegiate athletics.

The NDSU self-study report is available at www.gobison.com and click on "NCAA Certification Self-Study Report."

Student Health Service receives accreditation

The NDSU Student Health Service has received a three-year term of accreditation, according to Barb Lonbaken, associate dean for Student Wellness and Student Health Service director.

The Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care Inc. (AAAHC) conducted a site survey of the Student Health Service July 9-10.

On Sept. 26, Lonbaken received notification of the accreditation. "The dedication and effort necessary for an organization to be accredited is substantial, and your organization is to be commended for this accomplishment," the letter stated. "Granting accreditation reflects confidence, based on evidence from this recent survey that you meet...the attributes of an accredited organization as reflected in the standards found in the AAAHC Handbook."

Lonbaken said, "The surveyor told us that 90 percent of health care organizations experiencing their first site survey receive a one-year accreditation. We were fortunate to be in the top 10 percent."

Bison Radio Network adds signal in southwest North Dakota

NDSU announced the addition of KPOK-AM 1340 in Bowman, N.D., to the Bison Radio Network.

KPOK will begin broadcasting Bison football on Oct. 6 for the Homecoming game against the University of California-Davis. KPOK is the 11th station on the Bison Radio Network. Its coverage area stretches well into South Dakota and into eastern Montana.

"KPOK has a strong signal that booms through the heart of pheasant country in western North Dakota," said Jeremy Jorgenson, NDSU director of broadcasting. "Bison football is virtually statewide as we hit the heart of the schedule."

KPOK-AM 1340 joins KLXX-AM 1270 in Bismarck, KDVL-FM 102.5 in Devils Lake, KRVX-FM 103.1 in Jamestown-Valley City, KQLX-FM 106.1 in Lisbon, KZZJ-AM 1450 in Rugby, KEYZ-AM 660 in Williston, KBMW-AM 1450 in Wahpeton, KHRT-AM 1320 in Minot, KRCQ-FM 102.3 in Detroit Lakes and WDAY-AM 970 in Fargo.

The UC Davis game also will be televised statewide on the North Dakota NBC Network.

Procedures outlined regarding student emergency absences

The student has the sole responsibility for fulfilling each course's obligations and for working out missed class time with each faculty member. However, in the event of an emergency, the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs will notify faculty members of the situation, but has no authority to grant any concessions or excuses for missing class.

Emergency Notification

In the case of very specific emergencies, the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs will notify faculty members of the situation. Such emergencies would include the death of an immediate family member, the hospitalization of the student, life threatening or emergency hospitalization of an immediate family member or immediate military activations. This also does not mean that the student is excused from class.

Non-Emergency Notification

If the student has returned to class without alerting the university of the emergency prior to leaving, the "emergency" status no longer exists. The student is responsible for contacting each faculty member under these circumstances. No retroactive notice of absence will be sent by the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs.

Other Notifications

No notice of absences will be sent by the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs in cases of other absences, including illness, routine military training commitments, vacation or travel problems and summer employment commitments that extend past the start of school.

Returning to Class/Authority of Faculty Members

Upon return to NDSU, students must notify faculty members that they have returned. Verification of emergency notification should be made available to faculty members upon request. Students should be prepared to verify the circumstances of their absence to faculty. Any decisions concerning submission of late assignments, make up of missed exams or allowing extra time for missed work would be at the discretion of each individual faculty member.

Nominees sought for 'Who's Who'

The "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges" program is seeking nominees for 2007-08. Who's Who recognizes students who have demonstrated exemplary scholastic achievement, community involvement and involvement in co-curricular activities.

A limited number of students are selected for this honor, so nominations should be students demonstrating outstanding leadership, participation in co-curricular activities and community service and students who are above average in academic standing.

To nominate a student, e-mail the student's name, major, academic level and the nominator's address to Carrie Benke at carrie.benke@ndsu.edu by Friday, Oct. 5.

Nominators will be notified which students have been selected to represent NDSU. The students selected will be recognized at the Student Leadership Recognition to be held in spring 2008. Selected students also will be recognized by the Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges program national office.

If you have questions, contact Benke by e-mail or at 1-7350.

Student-Athlete Advisory Council to conduct clothing drive

NDSU's Student-Athlete Advisory Council has scheduled a clothing drive during the month of October to benefit the ARC of Cass County Thrift Store.

The drive, which began Monday, Oct. 1, will continue through Oct. 31. Drop-off locations can be found at the Bison Sports Arena, Memorial Union and NDSU Wellness Center.

"The clothing drive is in conjunction with The Summit League's October league-wide community service projects," explained Laura Hermanson, council president. "The drive is a way for our student athletes to give back to the Fargo-Moorhead community and say thank you for all of the support given to Bison Athletics."

Innovate ND kicked off

Gov. John Hoeven and Commerce Commissioner Shane Goettle kicked off the second round of the Innovate ND program at the NDSU Center for Technology Enterprise on Sept. 20. Innovate ND is a statewide initiative designed to help entrepreneurs turn innovative concepts into business ventures.

Last year, Dale Faust, a computer engineering major at NDSU, and a team of business and engineering students and faculty were among the five winners in the first round of Innovate ND. Faust and his team, Life Pump Innovations, were conducting research into building a standardized testing format for cardiac devices.

"What we got out of Innovate ND was a good business structure, exposure to angel capital and a good feel for the viability of the product," said Faust, noting the team is now working on licensing its intellectual property.

With a \$100 entry fee, Innovate ND participants gain access to entrepreneurial tools such as online education, business planning tools and coaching and mentoring from successful entrepreneurs and proven business owners. A panel of private investors will receive business ideas submitted to Innovate ND and select the top winners to receive up to \$10,000 in cash prizes and a variety of business services.

Current and former North Dakotans and entrepreneurs who want to relocate to North Dakota are eligible to enroll in Innovate ND. Participants from round one of the program may re-enter at no cost. Deadline to participate in the program is Nov. 15, with more information online at www.innovatend.com.

"North Dakota's future depends on our ability to cultivate entrepreneurs and grow businesses," said Hoeven. "We invite anyone with a business idea—big or small—to enroll in Innovate ND and get help developing that idea into a business plan and ultimately, we hope, into a viable new North Dakota business."

The Innovate ND Working Group involved in the program includes Karen Froelich, associate professor of management, marketing and finance, and Tony Grindberg, executive director of the NDSU Research and Technology Park.

New online options for laboratory and chemical safety training

Starting this fall, laboratory and chemical safety training identified in the NDSU Chemical Hygiene Plan and required for most laboratory workers, is available online.

The in-person training session information has been adapted to an online version and the material is available at www.ndsu.nodak.edu/ndsu/police_safety/safety/Presentations.htm.

The information has been broken down into six modules. Each module has an exam that serves as reinforcement of the presented material and as documentation of the completed training. Full instructions regarding the use of the online modules for completion of the training requirement are available on the Web site.

As identified in the Chemical Hygiene Plan, all employees that are subject to potential exposure to hazardous materials or substances in the laboratory shall complete the laboratory and chemical safety short course.

For more information, contact Mike Boor, associate director of environmental health and safety, at 1-9535.

PEOPLE

Myers named NCAA faculty athletics representative



Myers

President Joseph A. Chapman has appointed Deland J. Myers, director of the School of Food Systems and director of the Great Plains Institute of Food Safety, as NDSU's NCAA faculty athletics representative.

"In this important position, Dr. Myers will represent NDSU at NCAA athletic conferences and compliance meetings and serve as a liaison between the President's Office and faculty on matters regarding Bison Athletics and intercollegiate athletics," President Chapman explained in an e-mail announcement to faculty and staff on Sept. 27.

Myers joined NDSU in August after being a professor of food science and human nutrition at Iowa State University, Ames. He earned a bachelor's degree at the University of Missouri-Kansas City, and a master's degree and doctorate in food technology from ISU.

According to athletic director Gene Taylor, Myers is an excellent choice for the position. "He was actively involved at ISU with academic advising, professional development, recruitment and professional and personal mentoring of student athletes," Taylor said. "He has a strong background in working with student athletes related to academics."

His academic credentials include such honors as the Archer Daniels Midland Best Paper Award, the American Oil Chemists' Outstanding Paper Presentation Award, member of the American Oil Chemists' Governing Board, ISU Introductory Class Teaching Award, first recipient of the Agriculture College Diversity Award, Agriculture College Teacher of the Year and Thomas Thielen Student Affairs Service Award.

While at ISU, Myers was appointed to establish the Carver Academy Program, which is designed to promote and encourage the academic success of more than 400 undergraduate minority

students at ISU and to encourage them to pursue post-graduate degrees. In 2005, he was appointed to lead an effort to improve undergraduate student recruiting in the College of Agriculture. Under his leadership, new initiatives were implemented that resulted in a 10 percent increase in the number of students enrolling in the college for the 2005-06 academic year and a 15 percent increase for the 2006-07 academic year. His vita lists 32 journal articles, four book chapters and 74 presentation abstracts. Myers has two patents on the use of soy protein as a wood adhesive.

He is a member of Gamma Sigma Delta National Honor Society for Agriculture, Institute of Food Technologists, American Oil Chemists' Society, Sigma Xi and Golden Key National Honorary Society.

Myers replaces Tim Sellow, professor of communication, who has left the university.

Faculty and students to present at GSA annual meeting

Several faculty members and students from the Department of Geosciences are scheduled to give presentations at the 119th annual meeting of the Geological Society of America. The meeting is scheduled for Oct. 27-31 in Colorado. Approximately 6,300 geoscientists are expected to attend.

Vanessa A. O'Connor, graduate student in environmental and conservation sciences, in association with Kenneth Lepper, assistant professor of geology, are scheduled to present "Optically Stimulated Luminescence Dating Properties of Gypsum and Anhydrite: Potentially Important Geochronometric Minerals in Martian Sediments."

Daniel J. Thorstad, a senior in natural resources management, in collaboration with Lepper, is scheduled to present "A Comparison of the Basic Optical Dating Properties of Two Natural Gypsum Samples as Analogs for Component Minerals in Mars Surface Sediments."

Lepper, in partnership with Vance Holliday from the University of Arizona, also is scheduled to present "Optically Stimulated Luminescence Dating of Fence Row Dunes in West Texas and Eastern New Mexico."

Allan C. Ashworth, distinguished professor of geology, in cooperation with Adam Lewis, research assistant professor of geology, and David R. Marchant of Boston University, are scheduled to present "Mid-Miocene Extinction in Antarctica."

Lewis also is scheduled to present "Teaching Glacial Geomorphology in the Field: Linking Fieldwork to Global-Scale Scientific Questions."

Lewis, in association with Marchant, Ashworth, Sidney R. Hemming and Malka L. Machlus, both from Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory at Columbia University, will present "Major Middle Miocene Global Change and the Extinction of Tundra Communities: Evidence from the Transantarctic Mountains."

Bernhardt Saini-Eidukat, chair of geosciences and professor of geology, in collaboration with Frank Melcher, Christian Ostertag-Henning and Jerzy Lodziak, all from Bundesanstalt für Geowissenschaften und Rohstoffe, Hannover, Germany, are scheduled to present "The Carbonate Hosted Tres Marias ZN-GE Deposit, Chihuahua Mexico: Characterization of GE-Hosting Phases and of Associated Hydrocarbons."

The Geological Society of America (GSA) is a global professional society with a growing membership of more than 20,500 people in more than 85 countries. The mission of GSA is to be a leader in advancing geosciences, enhancing the professional growth of its members and promoting geosciences in the service of humankind.

National Science Foundation grant awarded

Four NDSU faculty members received a \$375,000 grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF).

Francis Casey, associate professor of soil science; Thomas DeSutter, assistant professor of soil science; Eakalak Khan, associate professor of civil engineering; and Peter Odour, assistant professor of geosciences, are working together on a project titled "Effects of Animal Manure Storage and Disposal on the Fate and Transport of Manure-Borne Hormones."

The long-term goal for the research is to clarify the role of intensive livestock production with respect to environmental exposure to hormones.

According to the researchers, the information is required to validate handling and disposal practices that can potentially mitigate the risk of hormones. Swine operations were chosen because they have the greatest potential of all confined animal-feeding operations to produce and contribute the most potent estrogens to the environment.

The proposed field-oriented research springboards from the group's first NSF funded proposal on laboratory investigations into the fate and transport of hormones in soils.

Bradbury named to Tri-College post



The Tri-College University Educational Leadership Program has announced the addition of Boyd Bradbury as an associate professor and program coordinator at Minnesota State University Moorhead (MSUM). As a co-coordinator with Thomas E. Hall of NDSU, Bradbury will oversee the MSUM Educational Leadership program and graduate cohort programs on the White Earth and Red Lake Indian Reservations in northwestern Minnesota.

Bradbury completed a Master of Arts in Teaching with a major in Spanish at Minnesota State University-Mankato and he studied in Toluca, Mexico. In addition, he completed an Educational Specialist's degree at Minnesota State University-Mankato. Bradbury received his doctorate in education from Capella University.

The principal purpose of the Tri-College University Educational Leadership Program is to provide professional and academic education for individuals preparing for mid-management administrative positions, staff administrative positions and upper-echelon administrative positions.

The mission of Tri-College University is to assist Concordia College, MSUM and NDSU by promoting cooperative efforts that will enrich the academic environment for the benefit of students, faculty and the community.

Sculpture students present 'Dwellings'

NDSU level one sculpture students are scheduled to present an exhibit through Oct. 9 at the gallery downtown. The display is titled "Dwellings." Using primarily slab or slash wood from the sawmill, students created pieces representing an object that deals with the idea of a dwelling.

Students contributing to the exhibit include Matthew Desjarlais, Bethany Finseth, Tyler Johnson, Helen Kraft, Cole LaRocque, Ian O'Brien, Zach Pflugrath, Megan Roberts, Ree Seminole, Jordan Skelcher, Robert Smith, Jayme Sorenson, Richard Thomasson and Matthew Turner.

Jones to present recital



Jones

Robert Jones, associate professor of voice, is scheduled to present a recital titled "Vocal Music of Living American Composers" at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 11, at Beckwith Recital Hall. Admission is free.

The recital will feature pieces by Dominic Dousa, John White, Stephen Paulus, Roger Keele, Douglas Ovens, Lori Laitman and Mark Dal Porto.

Kapplinger exhibit at Dawson Community College

Kent Kapplinger, associate professor of visual arts, is scheduled to participate in "Collaborations: Exhibition of Collaborative Work," Oct. 1-Nov. 9 at Dawson Community College, Glendive, Mont.

The exhibition documents specific artistic collaborations with a diverse group of individuals. This process permits Kapplinger to talk with others about numerous subjects, including environmental concerns.

Johnson receives young artist competition award

Kayla Johnson, a sophomore majoring in music, was recently awarded the Elton Barnum Award at the Greater Grand Forks Symphony Orchestra's (GGFSO) Annual Young Artist Competition.

The award is given to the top musician under the age of 22. In addition to a cash award, Johnson will perform Frank Martin's Ballade with the GGFSO during its Nov. 3-4 concerts.

Johnson, a Casselton, N.D., native, currently studies flute with Elizabeth Chaussé, lecturer, and also is the first recipient of the prestigious Bill Euren Fellowship, a four-year scholarship given to an incoming music major at NDSU. Antoinette Babcock, Johnson's previous instructor, accompanied her on piano for the competition.

Additional information about the GGFSO November concerts is available by calling (701) 777-3359.

EVENTS

'Gear Up for Grants' seminars to be held

The Office of Research, Creative Activities and Technology Transfer will again sponsor "Gear Up for Grants" seminars on a monthly basis throughout the academic year. The seminars are planned for the Memorial Union.

Philip Boudjouk, vice president for research creative activities and technology transfer, is scheduled to present the first seminar of the year, "Building a Research Program at NDSU," at 3 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 11, in the Memorial Union Rose Room. Boudjouk will present advice and thoughts for new faculty members, as well as those persons in the midst of their careers.

Interested individuals are asked to register by contacting Kay Sizer at Kay.Sizer@ndsu.edu.

BioMaterials mini symposium scheduled

The NDSU/MBI Biomaterials Initiative and NDSU BioOpportunities are hosting a series of seminars featuring operations and finance executives from MBI International. The Michigan-based firm specializes in developing bio-based technologies for commercialization. The program, which includes four presentations, is scheduled for 8:45-11:45 a.m. Oct. 12 at the Northern Crops Institute auditorium.

A progress report will be presented on the on-going NDSU and MBI International biomaterials initiative, "Developing a Biomaterials Industry in North Dakota." MBI presenters Bernie Steele and Darold McCalla will discuss the biorefinery concept and MBI technologies, including biomass pretreatment, biofuels and biochemicals production, and the development of biocomposites. Larry Leistriz and Nancy Hodur of NDSU and Donald Senechal of The Windmill Group will discuss economic development implications and how North Dakota can play a leading role in the emerging bio-based economy.

For more information, contact Leistriz at F.Leistriz@ndsu.edu or 1-7455 or Hodur at nancy.hodur@ndsu.edu or 1-7357 or visit the NDSU BioOpportunities Web site at www.ndsu.edu/bioopportunities/events.html.

Flaxseed short course set

"Flaxseed: Adding Functional Food Value," a short course at Northern Crops Institute (NCI) is scheduled for Nov. 6-9.

The course highlights nutritional benefits of flaxseed; flaxseed quality; milling of flaxseed; shelf life stability; utilization of milled flaxseed in bread, pasta, noodles and extruded snack products; and sensory properties of flaxseed in food systems.

Tuition is \$875. The registration deadline is Oct. 22. Cancellations received after Oct. 22 will be assessed a 10 percent service fee.

More information and registration forms are available at www.northern-crops.com or by calling 1-7736.

NCI supports regional agriculture and value-added processing by conducting educational and technical programs that expand and maintain domestic and international markets for northern-grown crops. NCI is funded by the states of Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota and commodity groups in those states and Montana.

Bison Breakaway Run/Walk scheduled

Kappa Alpha Theta's third annual Bison Breakaway 5K Run/Walk is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 6, at the Wellness Center. Registration is set for 7:30-8:20 a.m. The race is scheduled to begin at 8:30 a.m.

Cost is \$15 for students, \$20 for other participants and \$25 on race day.

Register online at www.bisonbreakaway.com. For more information, contact Erin Frankenberger at erin.m.frankenberger@ndsu.edu or Erica Waller at erica.waller@ndsu.edu.

Author to give presentation

Nelson

Victoria Nelson, a writer of fiction and nonfiction, is scheduled to give a presentation titled "Faux Catholic: Religion in 20th Century Secular Literature: A Gothic Subgenre from Monk Lewis to Dan Brown," at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 10, in the Minard Annex, Room 219. It is free and open to the public.

The event is the first in a projected series of lectures by independent scholars. It is sponsored by the NDSU Libraries; College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences; Department of English; and the Office of the Vice President for Research, Creative Activities and Technology Transfer.

The presentation is Nelson's analysis of what she refers to as the fantasy pop culture religion, "faux catholicism." Drawn from films such as "The Exorcist" and books such as "The Da Vinci Code," Nelson says "faux catholicism" and its magical talismans provide the only effective defense against the forces of evil as embodied in the Judeo-Christian figure of Satan.

Nelson is scheduled to give another lecture at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 11, at the Spirit Room, 111 Broadway, Fargo.

The presentation is titled "A Postcool Everywoman." The subject is a play involving a suburban matron's quest to hold onto her beauty and avoid the aging process, which takes her from life to death and the underworld. The lecture and video presents a California theater group's Day of the Dead performance piece, using mime, puppets and the Marin County, Calif., Recycling Center to reinvent the play, "Everyman."

Her books include "Wild California," a collection of short stories; "The Secret Life of Puppets," a study of the supernatural grotesque in Western culture; "On Writer's Block," a study of creativity from its least popular aspect; and a memoir, "My Time in Hawaii."

"On Writer's Block" was a Book of the Month Club alternate selection, and "The Secret Life of Puppets" won the 2002 Modern Language Association's Scaglione Prize in Comparative Literary Studies.

Nelson completed her undergraduate work at the University of California, Berkeley. She was a Woodrow Wilson Fellow and earned her master's degree in English from the University of Toronto, with a concentration in medieval studies. She taught at the University of Hawaii and the California College of the Arts, University of California, Berkeley. She was also an Edelstein-Keller Visiting Writer at the University of Minnesota. Nelson is currently teaching in Goddard College's Master of Fine Arts program in creative writing at Port Townsend, Wash.

YMCA of NDSU brown bags set

The brown bag seminar "Media and Literacy and Responsibility" is scheduled for noon-1 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 3, in the Memorial Union Arikara Room. The event is co-sponsored by Multicultural Student Services.

Participants will be able to watch the first part of the film "HIP-HOP: Beyond Beats and Rhymes," which takes an in-depth look at manhood in rap music and hip-hop culture. Following the film, staff from Multicultural Student Services will facilitate discussion.

"Gender Violence and Homophobia," is scheduled for noon-1 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 10, in Memorial Union Century Theatre. The event also is co-sponsored by Multicultural Student Services.

Participants will watch the second part of "HIP-HOP: Beyond Beats and Rhymes." In this section of the film, viewers learn of developments in rap music culture from the point of view of a fan who challenges the art form's representations of masculinity. A discussion will follow the film.

MU Breaks courses listed

MU Breaks has several skill-based, non-credit courses and seminars scheduled throughout the fall semester. The program tries to offer group opportunities to attend a variety of events and attractions in the tri-state area. The courses are available for NDSU students, faculty, staff and community members.

To register for a class, visit the Recreation and Outing Center on the lower level of the Memorial Union. Class sizes are limited and enrollment is on a first come, first serve basis.

"Car Care 101" is scheduled for 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 3, in the FM parking lot behind Thorson Maintenance. The cost is \$12 for NDSU students, faculty, staff and their spouses. The cost is \$15 for community members.

Steve Schwandt will educate participants on basic car maintenance, including changing a headlight, changing a tire, managing vehicle fluids and replacing a windshield wiper. The class also covers winter maintenance, winter driving and maintaining a winter vehicle emergency kit. Participants can drive their own vehicles, so they can ask specific questions regarding their own vehicle. Students should dress to be outside for the course.

"Sign Language" is scheduled for 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Oct. 9-Nov. 27, in the Memorial Union Badlands room. Lindsey Solberg teaches the eight-sessions course, which covers the basics of communicating with American Sign Language.

The cost is \$40 for NDSU students, faculty, staff and their spouses. The cost is \$50 for community members. Registration ends Wednesday, Oct. 3.

"Juggling" is scheduled for 6-9 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 10, in the Memorial Union Rose Room. The cost is \$15 for NDSU students, faculty, staff and their spouses. The cost is \$17 for community members. Registration ends Friday Oct. 5.

The class is taught by Larry Olson, a professional entertainer and former vice president of the International Jugglers Association. Participants will learn how to juggle three scarves in as little as 15 minutes. Students also learn the terminology and techniques with balls, rings, clubs and other types of juggling objects. Equipment is provided or you may bring your own. Beginners are welcome.

For more information, contact Philip Sarnoff at philip.sarnoff@ndsu.edu or visit www.ndsu.edu/mubreaks.

FM Communiversity event scheduled

NDSU community members are invited to "Helping the World's Endangered Children," the next Fargo-Moorhead Communiversity presentation in the "Great Decisions: Foreign Policy Issues Discussions" series.

Darin Johnson, a campus pastor at the NDSU University Lutheran Center, will facilitate the event, scheduled for 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 11, at the University Lutheran Center Coffee House, 1201 13th Ave. N., Fargo.

Each session begins with a 30-minute video featuring foreign policy experts and global thinkers. Following the video, a local facilitator leads a discussion allowing participants to share ideas, opinions and learn other perspectives.

Sponsors include Moorhead Community Education, Fargo-Moorhead Communiversity, NDSU, MSUM and the Minnesota International Center. The event is free and open to the public. Registration is appreciated.

SHORTS AND REMINDERS

Meat specials announced

The NDSU Meat Science and Technology Laboratory has announced lamb, beef and pork specials.

The customer has their choice of three bundles for \$150.

A lamb bundle is available that includes two full racks and loins cut into one and one half-inch chops, two legs, two boneless shoulders and five pounds of ground lamb. This bundle carries a value of \$225.

A pork bundle is available that includes two pork loins cut into one-inch chops, two Boston butt roasts, two cured and smoked hams and two slabs of smoked bacon. This bundle carries a value of \$200.

A beef bundle is available that includes 25 pounds of ground beef, 20 pounds of chuck roasts cut to customer specifications and 20 pounds of eye of round and bottom round steaks. This bundle carries a value of \$200.

All animals have been harvested for class and have come from the barns of the NDSU Department of Animal and Range Sciences. Supplies are limited and product is on a first come, first serve basis.

The Meat Science and Technology Center also has a variety of processed products available. For more information or to place an order, contact the Meat Science and Technology Laboratory at 1-8107 or ndsu.meats@ndsu.edu.

NDSU to implement carryover period for current flex year

Employees participating in the 2007 flexible spending account will have until March 15, 2008, to incur expenses for their 2007 flex dollars. Requests for reimbursement can be turned in to Discovery Benefits through April 30, 2008.

The annual enrollment for the flexible spending account for 2008 is still set for the month of November. Flexible spending accounts do not automatically roll over to the next year.

If interested in participating in the flexible spending account program for 2008, you must re-enroll during the month of November.

For more information, contact Brittnee Steckler, benefits coordinator, at brittnee.steckler@ndsu.edu or 1-8965.

CALENDAR

October

- 3 YMCA of NDSU—brown bag seminar, “Media Literacy and Responsibility,” noon, Memorial Union, Dakota North
- 3 Soil Science Seminar—Heather Matthees, graduate student, “Soil Properties Affecting Roadbed Restoration,” 3 p.m., Loftsgard Hall, Room 114
- 4 Geosciences Seminar—Julie Baldwin, University of Montana Department of Geosciences, “Extreme Crustal Metamorphism of Granulites in the Anápolis-Itaucu Complex, Brasília Belt, Central Brazil,” 10:30 a.m., Stevens Hall 134
- 4 State of the University Address—President Joseph A. Chapman, 11 a.m., Festival Concert Hall
- 4 Chemistry and Molecular Biology Seminar—Darin Ulness, Concordia Department of Chemistry, “Effects of Hydrogen Bonding on the Ring Breathing Modes of Pyridine and Pyridinium,” 3:45 p.m., Dunbar 152
- 4 Tri-College Jazz Combo, 7:30 p.m., Beckwith Recital Hall. Free admission.
- 5 Chemistry and Molecular Biology Seminar and National Institute of Health Center for Protease Research—Jodie Haring, University of Iowa, “The Role of Interferon- γ and Interleukin-18 in Regulating Antigen-Specific T Cell Homeostasis after Infection,” 1 p.m., Sudro 26
- 5 Groundbreaking Ceremony for the Klai Hall construction project, 1 p.m., the former Lincoln Mutual building, 711 2nd Ave. N., Fargo.
- 5 Wellness Center re-dedication and re-naming, 2 p.m., second floor gymnasium.
- 5 Animal and Range Sciences—Beth Stoltenow, NDSU graduate student, “Finishing Cattle in a Changing World,” 3 p.m., Hultz Hall 104
- 5 Psychology Colloquium—Wendy Gordon, NDSU, “Understanding Peer Aggression and Victimization: Integrating Child-Effects and Dyadic Perspectives,” 3:30 p.m., Minard Annex 138
- 5 BisonArts—Organizational event, 3:30 p.m., Challey Atrium, Reineke Fine Arts Center
- 5 Plant Sciences 790 Seminar—Dennis Cooley, associate professor of history and religion, “Ethical Relationships to the Land,” 3:30 p.m., Loftsgard Hall, Room 114
- 5 Women’s soccer vs. Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, 4 p.m., Ellig Sports Complex
- 5 Bison Bidders Bowl silent auction preview, 5-7 p.m., Fargo Holiday Inn, Harvest Hall
- 5 Blue Key Homecoming Show and Bison Ambassador Coronation, 7:30 p.m., Festival Concert Hall
- 5-7 Little Country Theatre—“Three Days of Rain,” 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, Walsh Studio Theatre. Tickets are \$12 for adults; \$10 for seniors, NDSU faculty, staff, alumni and non-NDSU students; and \$4 for NDSU students.
- 6 Homecoming Parade, 10 a.m., North University Drive and 12th Avenue North
- 6 Bison Pep Rally and lunch, 11 a.m., Bison Sports Arena. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$4 for children ages 10 and under.
- 6 Circle of Players Endowment recognition reception, 11:30 a.m., Askanese Hall
- 6 Football vs. University of California, Davis (Homecoming), 1 p.m., Fargodome
- 6 Bison Bidders Bowl, 5 p.m., Fargo Holiday Inn. Advance registrations are required and can be made by calling 1-6841.

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