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NDSU Center of Excellence receives \$2 million

Gov. John Hoeven presented a \$2 million check to NDSU May 30 for the Center of Excellence for AgBiotechnology: Oilseed Development. The funding will leverage nearly \$11 million in private sector investment in the project.

The AgBiotechnology Center will make available conventional and deregulated biotechnology lines of soybeans and canola with unique oilseed traits that have potential as biofuels, specialty lubricants and health care products. The center will develop these lines for their use in biodiesel and special oils, conduct marketing and develop product strategies. Private sector partners in the venture include Monsanto Corp., Dakota Skies Biodiesel Inc. and Archer Daniels Midland Co.

"Value added agriculture and energy are both industries that we are aggressively developing in North Dakota," Hoeven said. "This new center will combine the innovation of NDSU and the productivity of North Dakota farmers to help supply our countries future energy needs."

Joining Hoeven were President Joseph A. Chapman; D.C. Coston, vice-president for agriculture and university extension; Mark Nisbet, chairman of the Centers of Excellence Commission; Eric Mack, Archer Daniels Midland Co.; and Jim Johnson, Monsanto Corp.

"Centers of Excellence are partnerships of higher education, researchers, the private sector and economic development efforts," Chapman said. "The Center of Excellence for AgBiotechnology will prove to be a vital tool as we work toward a better future for all North Dakotans."

Centers of Excellence are hubs of research and development on the campuses of the North Dakota University System around which related businesses expand and new businesses cluster.

Fargo Park District/NDSU receive Dakota Medial Foundation grant

The Fargo Park District and the Department of Health, Nutrition and Exercise Sciences (HNES) have been awarded a grant of \$10,000 from the Dakota Medical Foundation to support a summer sports and education program for children.

The NDSU HNES Summer Sports Program will run 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday-Thursday, July 10-27, at the Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse. Boys and girls ages 9-14 who qualify for free and reduced school lunch are the primary beneficiaries of the grant.

The Fargo Police Department will assist in the educational component of the program, which also offers a variety of sports and community service activities. The program will replace the National Youth Sports Program for summer 2006. This will be the 30th year NDSU has offered this type of activity.

Dakota Medical Foundation, based in Fargo, focuses its efforts on improving access to medical and dental care. Since its inception in 1995, the foundation has invested more than \$25 million in more than 250 non-profit organizations to help them measurably improve health and access to healthcare. For more information, see www.dakmed.org.

For more information, contact Tom Barnhart, professor of health, nutrition and exercise sciences, at 1-7810.

Varsity Mart extended summer hours announced

The Varsity Mart has scheduled extended hours for Friday, June 16; Monday, June 26-Thursday, June 29; and Wednesday, July 12-Friday, July 14. Extended hours are 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

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NDSU nursing program receives grant

NDSU's nursing program has received a \$20,000 matching grant from the Dakota Medical Foundation. The funds will be used for scholarships.

"We are very grateful for the foundation's interest in nursing education," said Mary Margaret Mooney, professor and chair of nursing, noting that this is the second year the foundation has provided a scholarship grant to the program. "This grant comes at an important time because there is a shortage of nurses and the cost of education is increasing."

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Mooney estimates the grant will fund 20 partial scholarships.

Policy Updates

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

Policy 149—Leave Without Pay

The addition to the policy is designed to accommodate research faculty who are funded totally on grant/contract funds from external agencies. Those research faculty need the institutional affiliation and research faculty title to compete effectively for additional funding.

Policy 153—Smoke-Free Facilities

Language has been changed to make the NDSU policy consistent with SBHE Policy 917 which states that smoking is prohibited in residence halls and apartments. This is consistent with Residence Life contracts and practices.

Policy 407—Auxiliary Exclusive Services

This policy establishes campus auxiliary functions, including Dining Services, Wellness Center, day care, Student Health Center, Residence Life, telecommunications and the Varsity Mart, as sole providers for their services on campus. While NDSU departments and NDSU related entities that receive services on campus are required to follow this policy, it does not apply to individuals purchasing products or services for personal use or to services that are part of an academic class. Departments and NDSU-related entities ordering office supplies and equipment are encouraged, rather than required, to order from the Varsity Mart.

Fraud information for veterans offered

Rick Johnson, general counsel, advises any veterans concerned about identity fraud resulting from the recent Veteran's Affairs data theft to visit www.firstgov.gov/veteransinfo.shtml for information. Information on submitting fraud alerts to credit reporting companies is available at www.ag.nd.gov.

"It's an easy process on the telephone," Johnson said. "It doesn't just affect veterans who have applied for a disability, but potentially all vets who were discharged after 1975. You initially can get a 90-day fraud alert, which means businesses have to verify your identity."

NDSU Magazine selected for CASE gold medal

NDSU will receive a prestigious gold medal for its NDSU Magazine from the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE).

Joanne Catlett, awards programs director, said 131 entries were judged in the College and University General Interest Magazines category of the national competition, and only four entries were awarded gold medals. NDSU Magazine will automatically be entered into the judging for the Robert Sibley Magazine of the Year.

"Congratulations," Catlett wrote in a letter dated May 11. "You, your institution and staff should be very pleased with your success."

"President Chapman has provided the vision and support to bring NDSU magazine to this level," said Laura McDaniel, NDSU Magazine editor. "He saw the potential early on. The magazine has put NDSU on the map with a whole new bunch of people around the country."

The award puts NDSU in select company. Recipients of the gold medal for magazines in 2004 and 2005 included Columbia College Chicago, Cornell University, Dartmouth College, Middlebury College, College of Chicago, University of Portland and the University of California, San Francisco.

According to Catlett, CASE will post all winners on its Web site (*www.case.org*) in mid-June. She said NDSU will receive a certificate and congratulatory letter in August from CASE president John Lippincott.

NDSU Magazine is produced twice each year, reaching an audience of 100,000 alumni and friends of the institution, as well as prospective students and community members. Its mission is to increase awareness of NDSU and to maintain a positive relationship with readers.

"I get lots of letters from alumni and from people who have never been to campus," McDaniel said. "My favorite was from a guy who said he thought the magazine was 'flat-dab enjoyable to read.' That's as good as it gets."

People

Business VP finalists selected

President Joseph A. Chapman has received the names of three finalists for vice president for business and finance from the search committee chaired by Prakash Mathew, vice president for student affairs. The finalists include Walter Branson, vice chancellor for financial affairs, Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne, Ind.; Randy Harris, director, of the Worldwide Church Education Program, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints; and John Adams, director of financial planning and budgets, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

Branson visited campus May 22-24, while Harris came to NDSU May 24-26 and Adams was here May 31-June 2.

Branson has been at Indiana University-Purdue University since 1993. Prior to that, he held several positions at Purdue

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University, including senior business administrator in the School of Agriculture, assistant director of fiscal planning and business administrator of the Purdue University Computing Center. He earned a bachelor's degree from Purdue University, West Lafayette, Ind., and a Master of Science in Industrial Administration at Krannert School of Management, Purdue University.

Prior to his current position, Harris was the vice chancellor for administration and finance of the University of Houston System from 1997-2002. He previously held positions at the University of Michigan, Florida State University and Weber State University. A Certified Public Accountant, Harris earned his bachelor's degree and Master of Public Administration at Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah.

Before joining UNC in 2002, Adams was director of budget and planning at Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant. His other positions have included senior financial analyst with Newport News Shipbuilding, Newport News, Va., and four years in the United States Navy. Adams earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan, Flint, his master's degree in biology from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, and his Master of Business Administration from the College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Va.

Staff Senate leadership elected

The NDSU Staff Senate held elections for several leadership positions during its May 10 meeting.

Barb Geeslin, assistant to the dean of business, was chosen as president-elect. She will serve as Staff Senate president during the 2007-08 academic year.

Laura Dallmann, administrative secretary in electrical and computer engineering, was elected treasurer. Elected to member-at-large positions on the Staff Senate Executive Committee were Viet Doan, coordinator for technical support in Enrollment Management; Ellen Puffe, assistant editor in the Office of the Vice President for University Relations; and Bonnie Cooper, disquisition editor in the Graduate School.

Lois Christianson, legal assistant, was re-elected secretary, and Heather Heger, library associate, was re-elected as membership officer.

During the meeting, outgoing president Janine Trowbridge, office manager for TRIO programs, received a plaque from former president Susan Bornsen to acknowledge her outstanding leadership during the past year. Steve Bergeson, senior writer in the Office of the Vice President for University Relations, was installed as president for the 2006-07 academic year.

Wallman named to ITS post

Marc Wallman, senior systems administrator, has been promoted to the position of director of IT Infrastructure Services. Wallman has been with ITS since 2002 and graduated from NDSU with a master's degree in computer science. He also holds a bachelor's degree in physics and a master's degree in theology.

Wallman succeeds John Grosen, who resigned May 31 to begin a new career in Minneapolis. Grosen had been with NDSU for 14 years.

Three appointed to SBHE

Gov. John Hoeven appointed three members to the State Board of Higher Education (SBHE) May 26. Charles W. Murphy, Fort Yates, N.D., and Susan Andrews, Mapleton, N.D., were named to four-year terms, and NDSU student Nicholas Rogers, Grand Forks, N.D., was named to a one-year term. This is Andrews' second term on the board.

"These members bring a broad range of skills, talents and experience to the board," Hoeven said. "Their backgrounds, as well as their interests in education and other important civic activities, demonstrate a real commitment to a strong and effective North Dakota University System."

Murphy served as chairman and chief executive officer of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe from 1983-93 and 1996-2005. During that time, he also served as board chair for Standing Rock College (Sitting Bull College), United Tribes Technical College, the United Sioux Tribe and the Tribal Chairman Association.

NDSU alumna Andrews is the executive director of the YMCA of NDSU. She previously served as director of development for the Center for Parents and Children. In addition, she has served on more than 20 boards, commissions and public service organizations.

Rogers is pursuing a Doctor of Pharmacy Degree at NDSU. He is vice president of the North Dakota Student Association (NDSA). Rogers has received several awards, including a Presidential Scholarship, athletic scholarship, NDSA Most Valuable Delegate award and NDSA Hardest Working Delegate award.

University Senate leadership changes

Outgoing University Senate president James Council, professor of psychology, passed the gavel to incoming president Eugene Berry, associate professor of animal and range sciences, during the May 8 Senate meeting.

"Thank you all for an effective and smooth running year," Council told the Senate. "I think we got a lot of business accomplished, and I hope we keep it up through the next term."

As his first action as president, Berry called on R.S. Krishnan, associate vice president for academic affairs, who presented Council with a plaque acknowledging Council's service. "On behalf of Provost Schnell, I commend your leadership," Krishnan told Council.

The Senate also unanimously selected Donna Terbizan, professor of health, nutrition and exercise sciences, to hold the office of president-elect. She will serve as president during the 2007-08 academic year.

Terbizan has been employed by NDSU for 24 years. She has served on University Senate, University Senate Academic Affairs Committee, the Institutional Review Board, the Commission on Health and Wellness, the Technology Fee Advisory Committee, Graduate Council and the University Awards Committee, among others.

She is executive director of the North Dakota Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance and past president of the Northland Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine.

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NDSU staff receive NDPC awards

Ellen Crawford, information specialist in agriculture communication, and Carol Renner, communications manager in the Office of the Vice President for Research, Creative Activities and Technology Transfer, received awards in the North Dakota Professional Communicators (NDPC) contest. Awards were presented during the NDPC spring conference held May 6 in Bismarck.

Their awards are:

Crawford: Second—News reporting-general or specialized circulation; second—news release-single release

Renner: First—Audiovisuals-PowerPoint presentation; first—news or feature release-single release, feature release; second—brochure-four-color; second—special articles,-science, ecology, environment; third—feature story-general or specialized circulation; third—news release-single release

In addition, Becky Koch, director of agriculture communication, was named NDPC's Communicator of Achievement for 2006. She will represent NDPC in the National Federation of Press Women's Communicator of Achievement program Sept. 7-9 in Denver.

Pharmacy faculty awards presented

Stephen O'Rourke, associate professor of pharmaceutical sciences; Cynthia Naughton, assistant professor of pharmacy practice; Marjorie McCullagh, associate professor of nursing; and Steven D. Boehning, community pharmacist in Fargo, received recognition awards at the college's annual graduation hooding and honors ceremony held May 12 at Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse. Approximately 800 people attended the ceremony.

O'Rourke was name the college's Teacher of the Year. The award is presented to a faculty member chosen by students for outstanding performance and commitment to teaching. Students in the pharmacy professional program nominate award candidates through written essays that are reviewed by a student award selection committee.

Naughton, who also is a clinical specialist at the Family Practice Health Center, Fargo, was named Faculty Preceptor of the Year. The award is voted on by students in the fourth year of the professional program, and is awarded to a full-time faculty member who represents outstanding performance and commitment to instruction of pharmacy students in clinical rotations.

McCullagh was named the college's Researcher of the Year. The award is given to an individual faculty member who has demonstrated outstanding achievements in research, including excellence and innovation in their scholarly work.

Boehning received the Adjunct Preceptor of the Year Award. Selected by the graduating senior class, the award is given to a faculty member who represents outstanding performance and commitment by a practicing pharmacist in instruction of pharmacy students in clinical rotations, and who volunteers his or her time to provide clinical instruction.

Stoskopf named dean of Student Life

Prakash Mathew, vice president for student affairs, has announced the selection of Janna Stoskopf as dean of Student Life. She is currently serving as interim dean and will take the permanent position on July 1.

"Janna has done a wonderful job as interim dean of Student Life and always has the best interest of students in mind," Mathew said. "She has proven herself as an effective leader on this campus. Her extensive background in student affairs and her knowledge in facilities and financial management will be an asset in this position."

Stoskopf has been the director of the NDSU Memorial Union since 1999. She previously worked at the University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh, and South Dakota State University, Brookings.

She earned her bachelor's degree at Morningside College, Iowa, and her master's degree at Western Illinois University.

NDSU business students, faculty join international honor society

Nineteen students and one faculty member in NDSU's College of Business recently were inducted into the college's chapter of the international honor society Beta Gamma Sigma.

Juniors ranking in the top 7 percent of their class, seniors in the top 10 percent of their class and graduate students in the top 20 percent at schools accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business, the international association for management education, are eligible for membership.

Joseph M. Jones, associate professor of marketing, was inducted as this year's outstanding faculty member.

Students inducted include graduate students Kelly Bisek, Brenda K. Erickson, Yevgeniya Komanetz, Bradley A. Kraft, Brett M. Lindemann, Paul D. Mund and Taunia S. Suckert; seniors Chad W. Armstrong, Stacey A. Frolek, Mark T. Hassenstab, Nathan D. Kary, Katrina J. Lorenz, Kyle C. Nordsven, Shawn M. Power, Thomas R. S anders, Nicole K. Springer and Anthony T. Stauss; and juniors Laura A. Breker, Lindsey L. Friez, Jessica B. Gehring, Sally A. Hunt, Brennen J. Kratky, Vanessa L. Nagel, DeAnn Wagenman and Paul W. Zenker.

Chapter president Robert (Stan) Herren, professor of agribusiness and applied economics, gave the event's opening welcome comments. Also participating were guest keynote speaker Scott Handy, president and CEO of Cass County Electric Cooperative, Fargo; and senior Jared Hall, NDSU representative to the national leadership forum and 2005 inductee.

Grants and awards presented

The NDSU Development Foundation recognized the recipients of 2006 grants and awards during the ninth annual Celebration of Faculty Excellence held May 4. Honorees included:

Board of Trustees Endowment Funds

- Malika Carter, Multicultural Student Services
- Kara Haring and Jay Albrecht, College of Human Development and Education

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• Xiaojiang (James) Du, College of Science and Mathematics

Centennial Endowment Funds

- Victoria Johnston Gelling, College of Science and Mathematics
- Marilyn Hedberg, NDSU Libraries
- Mary Margaret Mooney, College of Pharmacy
- Charles Peterson, College of Pharmacy
- Mark Sheridan, College of Science and Mathematics
- Kimberly Vonnahme, College of Agriculture, Food Systems and Natural Resources
- Virginia Sublett, Division of Fine Arts
- George Youngs, College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences
- Kathy Enger, NDSU Libraries

Gordon A. Larson Agricultural Research Funds

- Burton Johnson, College of Agriculture, Food Systems and Natural Resources
- Sarah Wagner, College of Agriculture, Food Systems and Natural Resources

Libraries Endowment Funds

- Mark Aune, College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences
- Kimble Bromley, College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences
- Ardith Brunt, College of Human Development and Education
- Enger, NDSU Libraries
- Haring and Albrecht, College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences
- Margaret Khaitsa, College of Agriculture, Food Systems and Natural Resources.

Chang, research group to present papers

Sam Chang, professor of cereal and food sciences, is chair of the technical presentation committee established to assist the Institute of Food Technologists (IFT) to develop scientific programs for the its annual meeting set for June 24-28 in Orlando, Fla.

Chang led a team of representatives from 27 IFT divisions that reviewed and selected papers from more than 1,600 technical paper and 80 symposium submissions.

IFT, the society for food science and technology, has approximately 25,000 members worldwide. More than 20,000 food science and technology professionals are expected to attend the annual meeting.

Chang's legume research group also is scheduled to present several papers at the conference. Planned presentations include:

- "Developing Mathematical Models for Monitoring Quality Deterioration of Soybeans for Soy Milk and Tofu-Making," Fanbin Kong and Chang;
- "Separation of Lipids and Proteins in Raw Soy Milk by Centrifugal Fractionation," Zhisheng Liu and Chang;
- "Selected Physicochemical Properties of Commercial Soy Milk and Beverages," Liu and Sam Chang;
- "Descriptive Sensory Characteristics of No-Flatulence Pinto Bean Paste," Danfeng Song and Chang;
- "Soybean Lipid and Fatty Acid Compositions and Their Relationships with Beany Flavor Generation in Soy Milk," Shaohong Yuan and Chang;
- "Effects of Extraction Solvent on Phenolic Profiles and Antioxidant Activity of Food Legumes," Baojun Xu and Chang;

"Analyses of Phenolic Compounds and Antioxidant Properties of the Cool Season Legumes," Xu and Chang; and
"Antioxidant Activities of Selected Legume Extracts Against In-Vitro Copper-Induced Human Low-Density Lipoprotein Oxidation," Xu and Chang.

Former student killed in Iraq

A former NDSU student serving with a North Dakota National Guard unit was killed in Iraq May 23. Spc. Michael Hermanson, 21, died when a rocket-propelled grenade struck his vehicle.

The Fargo native graduated from Fargo North High School in 2002 and attended NDSU for two semesters, majoring in engineering. His last semester at NDSU was spring 2004.

Hermanson, who was single, was assigned to the 142nd Engineer Combat Battalion in Fargo as a technical engineer, but he volunteered for deployment with Company A of the Minot-based 164th Engineer Combat Battalion.

He was the 12th U.S. service member from North Dakota or serving with a North Dakota military unit to be reported killed while on duty in Iraq.

Moberg to retire

Tom Moberg, vice provost and chief information officer, is scheduled to retire Aug. 4 after a 40-year career in higher education. He was appointed to his position at NDSU in 2003.

"As NDSU's first chief information officer, Tom led a significant reorganization of the university's Information Technology program in support of the institutional vision of moving to the next level," said Craig Schnell, provost and vice president for academic affairs. "During his time here, Information Technology Services launched a variety of new initiatives, while expanding and creating services."

Moberg said NDSU has made significant progress in restructuring its IT services and resources as technology continues to change at a rapid pace. "It has been a wonderful time to be at NDSU, and a great opportunity for me, at this stage of my career, to have an impact on NDSU's IT environment. I feel very good about what we have accomplished here," he said.

"I hope that the institution will be able to make the best possible use of IT," Moberg added. "We have a very competent staff in ITS, and it has become a leadership organization from both a campus and statewide perspective."

Before joining NDSU, Moberg held senior IT leadership positions at Grinnell College, Kenyon College, the Association of American Medical Colleges and Saint Louis University.

Moberg's academic career also included teaching appointments at the University of Minnesota Duluth, the University of Iowa and Grinnell College. He earned a bachelor's degree from Bemidji State College, a master's degree from NDSU and a doctorate in from the University of Iowa.

Moberg's wife, Mary, also is retiring from her position as a counselor in the NDSU Counseling Center. The couple will continue to live in Fargo, and Moberg said he intends to stay involved in higher education through consulting and professional service activities on a part-time basis.

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Odney, Waldron, Peltier Awards presented

Three NDSU faculty members received prestigious annual campus awards during the 9th annual Celebration of Faculty Excellence held May 4. Neil Gudmestad, professor of plant pathology, was presented the Waldron Award for Excellence in Research; Mark Nawrot, associate professor of psychology, received the Odney Award for Excellence in Teaching; and Eric DeVuyst, associate professor of agribusiness and applied economics, was honored with the Peltier Award for Innovation in Teaching. The awards are sponsored by the NDSU Development Foundation.

"NDSU has gone through an immense transition," said President Joseph Chapman during the ceremony. "It's really not about the buildings or all our growth. It is about the people that are in those buildings—they are driving that growth.

"What we have here is something that you are creating, which is an exciting, vibrant, growing academic community. We are here to celebrate the accomplishments of Neil, Mark and Eric as to how it relates to what faculty bring into this mix," Chapman said. "By all measures, we're an incredible success. Thank you for that and congratulations."

Gudmestad was selected to receive the Fred Waldron Research Award, which was established to recognize outstanding faculty research. An accomplished researcher, he is considered by many to be one of the world's foremost authorities on potato pathogens.

"I love everything about research," Gudmestad told the audience of colleagues and friends of the university. "It is indeed a great, great honor for me to be mentioned among the elite researchers of this institutions. To be selected for the Waldron Award is a humbling experience."

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

"Thank you very much. It is a tremendous honor to be recognized with this award," Nawrot said from the podium. "Teaching is a lot more than information. You need to show the passion, bring energy and communicate the material."

The Peltier Award, established by Joseph and Norma Peltier to recognize outstanding innovation in teaching, went to DeVuyst. He leads an experiential-based capstone farm management course that integrates accounting, economics, finance, marketing and production sciences as students serve as consulting teams to area farmers.

"It is really an honor to be part of the students' educational experience and help guide them to future careers and successful lives," DeVuyst said, noting that the goal is student achievement. "We must reward and encourage innovation in the classroom. It is essential for the continued success of this campus."

Hellevang elected to national board

Ken Hellevang, professor of agricultural an biosystems engineering, has been elected to the American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers' board of trustees. The first North Dakotan chosen to serve on the board, Hellevang starts his two-year term during the organization's international meeting schedule for July in Portland, Ore.

"Serving on the board of trustees is an honor with great responsibility," Hellevang sai. "The society and its members have the expertise to help with many of today's pressing issues, such as energy, technology in agricultural production and protecting the environment."

The American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers (ASABE) is an educational and scientific organization dedicated to the advancement of engineering for agricultural, food and biological systems. The organization, with headquarters in St. Joseph, Mich., was founded in 1907. It has 9,000 members in more than 100 countries.

The 14-member board of trustees makes sure the organization fulfills its mission of facilitating the exchange of technical information and promoting the science and art of engineering in the agricultural and biological fields.

Events

NDSU hosts camp

NDSU is hosting Nurturing American Tribal Undergraduate Research and Education (NATURE) camp, a program designed to encourage science education and opportunities for American Indian students in North Dakota. Opening ceremonies for the NATURE camp were held Monday, June 5, and the camp runs through Friday, June 16.

Students and faculty from North Dakota tribal colleges will attend science presentations, tour university campuses, communities and businesses. Group research is led by faculty from NDSU and the University of North Dakota. The camp culminates with science presentations by students and instructors.

"The focus of this year's NATURE camp includes environmental science with topics of water cycles and lakes, as well as alternative energy topics including wind, bio-energy, fuel cells and solar energy," according to Wei Lin, associate professor of civil engineering and event organizer.

Participants include students, high school teachers and faculty from Cankdeska Cikana Community College, Fort Totten, N.D.; Fort Berthold Community College, New Town, N.D.; Sitting Bull College, Fort Yates, N.D.; and Turtle Mountain Community College, Belcourt, N.D.

The NATURE program is sponsored by the North Dakota Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (ND EPSCoR). "The initiative supports science and pre-engineering education at the tribal colleges in North Dakota. Longrange goals include improving math and science education, leading to an increase in the number of Native American students participating in science and engineering, providing a path for careers related to energy and the environment," said David Givers, interim co-project director of the ND EPSCoR project.

Through collaboration between NDSU and UND professors, tribal college and high school faculty, the summer camp at NDSU is designed to increase students' interest and understanding of science. While students attend camp, tribal college and high school instructors also attend sessions to develop lesson plans and hands-on science activities.

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Germans from Russia exhibits at Harvey centennial

The NDSU Libraries' Germans from Russia Heritage Collection was featured at the Harvey, N.D., centennial June 1-2. Exhibits featuring photographs and maps were displayed as well as information about the Germans from Russia history, culture and foodways.

Michael M. Miller, bibliographer, provided family research consulting during the centennial activities. A native of Strasburg, N.D., Miller is executive producer of the awardwinning "Germans from Russia Documentary Series" of Prairie Public Television.

For further information, contact at 1-8416 or *Michael.Miller@ndsu.edu*, or visit *www.lib.ndsu.nodak.edu/grhc*.

Live @ Lunch schedule announced

The Memorial Union has announced the Live @ Lunch schedule for the summer. The musical series will be offered 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesdays at the Minard Coffee Cart due to construction at the Memorial Union.

The Live @ Lunch schedule is:

- June 14—Holiday
- June 21—JP Hoe
- June 28—Cary Judd
- July 5—Will Bauermeister
- July 12—Justin Roth
- July 19—Impulse
- July 26—Bryan Thuney

NCI short course attracts international crop buyers

Fourteen crop buyers from six nations are at Northern Crops Institute (NCI) for the Advanced Grain Procurement Strategies short course that ran May 8-12. Participants represent leading flourmills, feed mills and trading companies in Germany, Japan, Mexico, Singapore, Taiwan and United States.

"World competition for market share and profitability has increased, both globally and among companies within a country. It is very important that our overseas customers know more about price risk management, which is the focus of this course," says NCI director Pat Berglund.

Participants learned how to develop, execute and integrate price-risk management strategies during the weeklong course. Course topics included basis analysis, hedging, options, Value-at-Risk, trading strategies, current grain situation and outlook, contract specifications, long-term supply relations, ocean freight risk, logistics management, international money market and commercial export trading practices.

Additional information about NCI courses is available at *www.northern-crops.com*. The next basic grain procurement management for importers short course is Sept. 25-Oct. 4. The next advanced grain procurement strategies short course will be in spring 2007.

Research Extension Centers schedule 'field days'

The NDSU Research Extension Centers have scheduled "field days" to provide the public with new research results and information.

"These field days are the opportunity for us to showcase the outstanding work that our faculty and staff do in support of North Dakota agriculture," said D.C. Coston, vice president for agriculture and university Extension.

The events feature topics including a range of new research methods, recent experiments and controversial topics in the industry. Upcoming events include:

- June 28—Field day tour, Central Grasslands Research Extension Center, Streeter, N.D.
- July 6—Canola day, North Central Research Extension Center, Minot, N.D.
- July 7—Pulse crops day, Williston, N.D., Research Extension Center
- July 11—Pulse crops day, North Central Research Extension Center
- July 12—Field day tour at Hettinger, N.D., Research Extension Center
- July 13—Field day tour and centennial celebration, Dickinson, N.D., Research Extension Center
- July 14—Field day tour, Williston Research Extension Center
- July 14—Pulse crops day at Carrington, N.D., Research Extension Center
- July 17—Agronomy Seed Farm crops tour, Casselton, N.D.
- July 18—Field day tour, Carrington Research Extension Center
- July 19—Field day tour, North Central Research Extension Center
- July 20—Field day tour, Langdon, N.D., Research Extension Center

More information are available at www.ag.ndsu.edu/research/recenthp.htm.

Governor's School underway at NDSU

Through July 15, NDSU is home to some of North Dakota's most talented and determined high school students. A dedicated group of 47 sophomores and juniors from across the state is now attending the 17th annual North Dakota Governor's School in Science, Mathematics, Business and Performing Arts.

The six-week summer residential program is an intensive academic experience that is designed to build character as it challenges the students to perform in the classroom.

"We are with the students day and night, and our expectations of them are very high," explained Lonnie Hass, senior lecturer of mathematics and school director. "The students are asked to work and function at a high level. They learn how to succeed."

The students learn from nearly 30 NDSU faculty members, with about 100 total laboratory personnel and presenters involved during the school.

The students experience a full spectrum of learning environments, from hands-on laboratory experiments to on-site business activities. They hear ethics presentations, perform community service and participate in fine arts activities.

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"The school is intended to be the best North Dakota can offer as an educational experience. This is a sincere offering from the state of North Dakota to the youth of North Dakota to do well," Hass said. "There is exceptional instruction and the students are pushed to higher levels. Governor's School is a premiere educational opportunity."

Hass notes that the students are an elite group. To apply, they need recommendations from their teachers and school administrators, an excellent academic record and must complete an essay explaining why they are a good candidate for the school.

"Having Governor's School on their resume is a real milestone," Hass said. "There are universities across the nation that will offer scholarships just because the student has attended a Governor's School. That's how important this is. The school is also a recruiting tool for NDSU," he said. "We want to attract this caliber of student."

For more information, contact Hass at 1-8287.

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

Administrative Secretary/#00018533 Extension Child Development and Family Science \$22,000+/year June 14

Administrative Secretary/#00019309 Dean's Office, College of Human Development and Education \$22,000+/year June 16

University Relations North Dakota State University PO Box 5167 Fargo, ND 58105 Art and Supply Retail Clerk/#00022720 Varsity Mart \$22,000+/year June 20

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