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NDSU research efforts top \$100 million

The latest figures show that NDSU will report research expenditures of \$102.1 million to the National Science Foundation for fiscal year 2004, a ranking that could potentially place NDSU in the top 20 percent of research universities in the country.

"We set a goal to reach research expenditures of \$100 million by 2005," said NDSU President Joseph A. Chapman. "In 2000, NDSU research efforts totaled \$50.0 million. This 104 percent increase in research dollars over the past five years illustrates tremendous progress, as we move toward our goal to enter the ranks of the top 100 research universities in the nation."

Based on the most recent data from the National Science Foundation, NDSU ranked 126 of the top 610 university and other research centers in the nation in fiscal year 2002.

"President Chapman saw the exceptional potential for research expansion," said Phil Boudjouk, vice president for research, creative activities and technology transfer. "The outstanding efforts of our faculty, staff and students have helped us achieve this milestone. The research funding has helped to create new jobs, build state-of-the-art laboratories and given students tremendous research opportunities. The NDSU research facilities constructed since 2000 also increase our ability to compete for new grants and contracts."

Annual research expenditures are the amounts of money actually spent in a year for research activity, including personnel, equipment and supplies. A majority of the funding comes from multi-year federal research contracts. A portion of the funding from research contracts may be used to pay for the indirect costs of operating a research university, such as campus maintenance and utility costs. Expanded research dollars also provide funding for faculty and research fellowships for graduate students.

"North Dakota's elected leadership at local, state and federal levels has recognized the promise of NDSU research and has been very supportive in nurturing our development," said Chapman. "An important part of our mission is to convert research findings into usable products and services for North Dakotans and the world, fostering economic growth and development for the state."

In fiscal year 2004, NDSU received a record \$75.3 million in external grants, contracts and cooperative agreements, representing a 46.4 percent increase from fiscal year 2003. NDSU also received \$13.7 million in federal formula funds, bringing the total external awards and federal formula funds to \$89.1 million for fiscal 2004. The total research expenditures of \$102.1 million represent all research-related expenditures and include multi-year research awards that may have been received in a previous year, but expended over an extended time period.

TIAA-CREF appointments offered

TIAA-CREF consultants are scheduled to be on campus for investment counseling appointments Feb. 8-10 in the Memorial Union and Feb. 23-25 in the Alumni Center.

Individual counseling sessions are available to discuss investment planning issues such as long-term investment strategies, tax-deferred investments, mutual funds and IRAs.

Appointments may be scheduled by visiting the TIAA-CREF Web site at *https://ifs2.tiaa-cref.org/cgi-bin/ WebObjects/ARS.* Print the appointment confirmation statement that includes the appointment location.

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Alien Technology building lease agreement signed

Alien Technology Corp. has signed the Phase 1 building lease at the NDSU Research and Technology Park. Alien Technology expects to begin construction this spring for what will be the world's highest capacity Radio Frequency Identification Tag (RFID) manufacturing facility, as well as a research center. RFID tags, which use tiny silicon chips to store information, are expected to replace the widely used bar codes for tracking inventory and other uses. The Department of Defense, Wal-Mart, Target and Best Buy are among the first to adopt this emerging technology.

Demand for RFID tags is expected to grow dramatically, with Alien anticipating to produce billions of tags in the next five to seven years at its Fargo and Morgan Hill, Calif. plants.

"The design for our new building at NDSU is in its final stages," said Stav Prodromou, Alien CEO. "We look forward to continued progress in bringing on-line the Fargo facility."

Alien expects the first phase of the building, planned to be more than 47,000 square feet, to begin operation in the spring of 2006, with an eventual capacity of 20 billion RFID devices per year—or more than 600 per second. Alien currently has operations in Fargo in a rented facility employing about 25 people, and plans to double the number of employees in the months ahead. Alien recently doubled the production capability in Fargo.

"It is a rare opportunity for a region to be in on the ground floor of an important new technology," said NDSU President Joseph A. Chapman. "We are in this enviable position because of the cooperation of our state's elected leadership at the local, state and federal level, notably including Gov. John Hoeven and Sen. Byron Dorgan. But equally important is that we offer what businesses need to be successful, including talented researchers and well-educated and hard working students who become well-educated and hard working employees."

NDSU officials say they are hopeful that suppliers and other businesses with an interest in RFID research and development also will locate at the tech park, a term sometimes referred to as clustering.

"Our goal is to marry discovery with development," said Philip Boudjouk, NDSU's vice president for research, creative activities and technology transfer. "NDSU researchers collaborate with other researchers and partner with business to create marketable applications."

Alien Technology Corp. is a leading provider of RFID products for global customers in government, retail, manufacturing, pharmaceuticals, transportation and other industries. The company provides a family of RFID readers for a variety of applications, including supply chain management, logistics and anti-counterfeiting, to improve inventory management and reduce operating costs. More information about Alien can be found on the company's Web site at *www.alientechnology.com*.

NDSU presents legislative testimony

NDSU representatives gave the university's initial budget testimony Jan. 19 before the Senate Appropriations Committee at the state capitol in Bismarck. President Joseph A. Chapman, student body president Craig Kilber and Paul Drzaic, Alien Technology Corp. vice president for advanced development, made the morning presentation.

Chapman provided information on NDSU's progress in recent years, noting that reports on an economic analysis reveal that NDSU's additional economic impact was nearly \$1 billion over the last five years. He also said that for every new dollar appropriated to NDSU, the university has generated \$7.50.

Chapman outlined a series of campus goals, such as being recognized as a center for innovative instruction, becoming a national center for emerging technologies and new agricultural products and expanding NDSU's global perspective.

He also described NDSU's five centers of excellence, including the Beef Systems Center of Excellence, Center for High Performance Computing, Center for Nanoscale Science and Engineering, Center of Excellence—Genetics and Center for Technology Enterprise.

Officials of the Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute, North Dakota Forest Service, North Dakota Agricultural Experiment Station, NDSU Extension Service, the Agronomy Seed Farm and Northern Crops Institute gave testimony in afternoon sessions the same day.

For the "NDSU Legislative Update" presented to the lawmakers, visit *www.ndsu.nodak.edu/legislators/*.

AURA faculty research mentors sought

North Dakota EPSCoR seeks faculty in the sciences, engineering and mathematics to participate as research mentors for the Advanced Undergraduate Research Awards (AURA) program.

Participating faculty are expected to propose a plan that will prepare and mentor students who apply for competitive national research scholarships.

Detailed information on the application process, is available at *www.ndepscor.nodak.edu/rfps/aurafp05.pdf*. For more information, contact David R. Givers, interim assistant project director, at 1-7516, or *david.givers@ndsu.edu*.

Tax information available

NDSU Libraries offers free copies of basic federal and North Dakota income tax forms. The Library also has several tax guidebooks on reference and available for circulation. Federal and state tax forms and information also are available on the Web.

For a complete list of forms, consult the FAQ in the Research section on the NDSU Libraries Web site at *www.lib.ndsu.nodak.edu*. For more information, call the Reference Desk at 1-8886.

NDSU honored by CASE

For the first time, NDSU received the prestigious Sweepstakes Award from District VI of the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education. NDSU shared the award for universities of more than 5,000 students with the Iowa State University Alumni Association.

The award, which is in recognition of total honors received by an institution, was presented during the district's annual awards banquet Jan. 11, in Kansas City, Mo.

"The Sweepstakes Award recognizes NDSU's excellence in the areas of alumni programming, development and communication," said Jim Miller, NDSU Development Foundation executive director, noting that NDSU received 13 honors to qualify for the Sweepstakes Award. "This is a special honor because it demonstrates that our people perform at the very highest level and can compete with those at schools anywhere."

In the Excellence in Alumni Programming category, NDSU received Gold Awards in the areas of "Clubs/Chapters/Branches Programming" and "Student Advancement Programming."

NDSU earned Silver Awards in the areas of "Alumni Web Site" and "Innovative Use of Technology in an Alumni Web Site" in the Excellence in Alumni Web Sites category.

In Excellence in Communications—Overall Publications, NDSU received the rare Grand Gold Award in the area of "Single Student Recruitment Publication." In the Excellence in Communication—Periodicals category, NDSU received a Gold Award for "Magazine of Four or More Colors."

In Excellence in Graphic Design, NDSU received a Gold Award for "Editorial Design" and a Bronze Award for "Single Brochure of One, Two or Three Colors."

NDSU received a Silver Award for sports photography in the Excellence in Photography category.

In Excellence in Advertising, NDSU received a Gold Award for "Billboard/Environmental Ad" and Bronze Awards for "Print Ad Series" and "Television Ad."

NDSU also received a Silver Award in the Excellence in Fundraising Materials category of "Recognition Brochures."

More than 1,100 entries were received this year from institutions in Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wyoming.

CASE is an international association of education advancement officers, who include alumni administrators, development personnel, public relations staff, publications editors and government relations officers.

Events

Open forum set for technology fee proposal solicitation

The Technology Fee Advisory Committee (TFAC) has scheduled an open forum for 4 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 26, in IACC 204. The purpose of the forum is to meet with persons planning to submit proposals by March 1.

Those planning to submit a proposal but are unable to attend the open forum should send someone in their place.

The TFAC seeks proposals for technology action plans that directly benefit and improve the quality of education and campus life of the NDSU student body. Faculty, staff and students are encouraged to propose projects twice a year. The committee solicits and reviews proposals, then recommends the allocation of funds to Craig Schnell, provost and vice president for academic affairs. Additional information is available at *www.ndsu.nodak.edu/tfac* or by contacting Sudhir Mehta, associate vice president for academic affairs, at 1-8493.

Davis to present brown bag, evening talk

High Impact Training motivational speaker Jermaine Davis is scheduled to present the brown bag seminar "The Art of Understanding and Getting Along Through Communication" at 12:30p.m. Thursday, Jan. 27, in the Memorial Union's Peace Garden Room.

Also on Jan. 27, Davis is scheduled to present "Overcoming Adversity to Achieve Success: Leading with Greatness" at 7:30p.m. in the Alumni Center.

Davis is the author of "Get Up Off Your Butt and Do It Now: Staying Motivated, Even When You Don't Feel Like It," which will be available at both events. More than 25,000 workshop participants across the country have heard Davis' presentations at conferences, in-service activities, retreats and team meetings.

TechGYRLS after-school program for girls planned

The Department of Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering, the NDSU student chapter of the Society of Women Engineers and the YWCA of Fargo-Moorhead will sponsor TechGYRLS, an after-school program for girls in grades 4-7. The 10-week program is set to begin Monday, Jan. 31.

Participants will have the opportunity to learn about computers and make an animated calendar with the Microworlds program, and can learn how to build and program their own Lego robots with LEGORobotics.

For more information, contact Canan Bilen-Green, assistant professor of industrial and manufacturing engineering, at 1-7040 or *Canan.Bilen.Green@ndsu.edu*, or Jessica Van Berkum, YWCA Empowerment of Girls coordinator, at 232-2547 or *jvanberkum@ywcafargo-mhd.org*.

Shorts and Reminders

Hypnosis brown bag set

The YMCA of NDSU has scheduled the brown bag seminar "The Truth About Hypnosis" for noon Wednesday, Feb. 2, in the Memorial Union Peace Garden Room. Valley Hypnosis Therapy Services representative Tracy Holwanger will discuss whether hypnosis is mind control or a helpful therapy tool. For more information, call 1-5225.

Peoplesoft training location change announced

The location of all Peoplesoft training sessions offered by the equal opportunity office has been moved to IACC 150C. Call 1-7708 for more information.

Union Food Court specials for Jan. 26-Feb. 2 Soup of the day

Wednesday: chicken tortilla and broccoli cheese Thursday: turkey rice and baked potato Friday: beef noodle and tomato Monday: California medley cheese and vegetable beef Tuesday: cream of potato and chicken noodle Wednesday: minestrone and cream of broccoli

The Corner Deli

Wednesday: chicken Caesar wrap Thursday: Italian Friday: egg salad Monday: chicken Tuesday: ham Wednesday: turkey club wrap

A La Carte

Wednesday: carved turkey breast Thursday: chicken parmesan Friday: cod strips Monday: sweet and sour chicken Tuesday: chicken fettucini alfredo Wednesday: carved pork loin

Pizza Express

Wednesday: farmhouse Thursday: creamy garlic chicken Friday: gourmet veggie Monday: chicken bacon club Tuesday: once around the kitchen Wednesday: meat lovers

The Union Grab and Go hot entrée

Wednesday: roast beef Thursday: chimichanga Friday: pasta primavera Monday: spaghetti with meat sauce Tuesday: Swiss steak Wednesday: ham

Hot wrap (available in Grab and Go)

Wednesday: ham and cheese Thursday: chicken Cordon Bleu Friday: barbecue chicken Monday: chicken strips Tuesday: Philly steak Wednesday: Italian

Entrée salad (available in Grab and Go)

Wednesday: popcorn chicken Thursday: taco Friday: chicken Caesar Monday: turkey Cobb Tuesday: Southwest chicken Wednesday: popcorn chicken

Items are subject to change without notice. Call the Dining Services lunch line at 1-9501 to check out the daily specials. Questions or comments may be dropped in the suggestion boxes located in each dining center and the Union Food Court or call Shelly at the Union Buffet at 1-8122.

Positions Available

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

Cook 12 months; 40 hours/week M-F; 6 a.m.-2:30 p.m.; occasional weekends Dining Services-Union Dining Center \$9.25+/hour Open until filled

Fabrication Technician/#00019519 CNSE Jan. 28

Fire Management Coordinator N.D. Forest Service Bismarck, N.D. \$30,744+/year Jan. 31

Research Specialist/#00019519 Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering \$28,000+/year Feb. 1

Academic Assistant Civil Engineering \$25,000+/year Feb. 1

Admission and Records Associate (Engineering Liaison) Office of Registration and Records \$24,500+/year Feb. 1

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

Legislative Bill Status Report

Office of the NDSU General Counsel

Listed are brief descriptions of bills and resolutions that may impact NDSU. The Legislature's Web site is located at www.state.nd.us/lr. To view a bill or resolution, visit www.state.nd.us/lr/assembly/59-2005/leginfo/bills-res-jour/ index.html. Report as of Jan. 18.

Session key dates include:

• Friday, Feb. 18-crossover date for bills

• Friday, Feb. 19-Tuesday, Feb. 22-recess

• Wednesday, April 27-day 80 (session is limited to 80 days)

Abbreviations: SB-Senate Bill; HB-House Bill; SCR-Senate Concurrent Resolution; HCR-House Concurrent Resolution; NDUS-North Dakota University System; SBHE-State Board of Higher Education.

House bills

HB 1015: OMB appropriation bill; compensation adjustment guidelines in Section 7. Agencies may provide a 4 percent salary increase in 2005 and a 3 percent increase in 2006.

HB 1017: National Guard tuition assistance program appropriation.

HB 1024: Appropriation—NDSU 2000 rain event expenditures \$1.5 million.

HB 1059: Work Force 2000 eligibility requirements become more stringent.

HB 1069: Retirement purchase service credit for qualified military service.

HB 1030: Restrictions on smoking in places of public access, publicly owned building or office and nonpublic workplaces, and to provide for a penalty.

HB 1035: Requires NDUS to continue performance and accountability information.

HB 1047: SBHE instead of North Dakota Board of Nursing shall establish standards for in-state nursing education programs for initial or advanced licensure. **Withdrawn.**

HB 1050: Appropriations for state employee pay raises of 4 percent for the 2005-07 biennium. Includes Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute, research centers, Extension and Northern Crops Institute.

HB 1061: Sex offender registration would include DNA sample.

HB 1070: PERS—Retirement benefits for those retiring on or after July 1, 2009, will be based on the average of the highest salary received for 36 months within the last 180 months.

HB 1072: Increases state's contribution to retiree health benefit fund from 1 percent to 1.45 percent.

HB 1074: State auditor may conduct a review and assessment of computer systems and related security systems of a state agency or political subdivision to determine system vulnerability.

HB 1084: "Scope of employment" definition refined in the Tort Claims Act. **Passed House 92-0.**

HB 1091: If bids are identical, preference must be given to bids submitted by North Dakota vendors. **Passed House 92-0.**

HB 1092: Would repeal N.D.C.C. § 54-44.4-08 that required a certain percentage of paper purchased by a state agency to be of recycled material.

HB 1119: Drug testing of injured workers for Workforce Safety and Insurance.

HB 1129: Meal allowance for travel outside continental United States is equal to the per diem meal rate in the city for which claim is made on that day as established for federal employees by the United States per diem committee.

HB 1152: \$9 million earnings from North Dakota student loan trust to be transferred to the general fund.

HB 1170: Office of Management and Budget shall do cooperative purchases for agencies and institutions if in the best interests of the state.

HB 1223: Requires equine activity sponsor or professional to post a sign and include, in every contract governing equine activity, language warning of the inherent risks and stating the sponsor or professional is not liable for injury or damage.

HB 1260: Public improvements cannot be split into smaller parts to circumvent the requirements of Chapter 48-01.1.

HB 1264: SBARE membership—after initial two-year term, may serve four-year term (was five years). Also provides procedure for appointing members because of a vacancy.

HB 1271: Broadens the tuition waiver for dependents of veterans.

HB 1275: If costs of an ITS project of more than \$100,000 exceed the original estimate by 20 percent, or the completion date goes beyond 60 days of the original completion date, it must be reported to the state ITS committee and legislative council.

HB 1282: Adds provision requiring a detailed report for continuing appropriations to Office of Budget.

HB 1297: Changes the definition of "meeting" in open meetings law to exclude a gathering if no official decisions or votes are made.

HB 1301: Requires a report to Office of Budget, as part of budget, on all authorizations for issuing evidence of indebt-edness.

HB 1304: Requires agency and institution reports to legislative assembly on financing and leasing arrangements.

HB 1308: At least 10 percent of electricity purchased by state agencies must come from wind energy. All state-owned vehicles powered by gas or diesel must operate on at least 10 percent ethanol blend (gasoline), or at least 5 percent biodiesel blend (diesel). Creates Office of Renewable Energy and Conservation and appropriates money for renewable energy projects.

HB 1334: Establishes a state employee compensation pool.

HB 1341: Office of Management and Budget is to send invitations to bid or requests for proposals to each vendor domiciled in state meeting approved vendor requirements.

HB1349: Prohibits credit card marketing and advertising on campus.

HB1360: Provides eligibility for student loans to part-time students.

HB1363: Four-year institutions under SBHE may not calculate tuition for full-time students on a credit-hour basis.

HB1364: Requires instructors to speak English clearly with good pronunciation. Allows a student who believes the instructor does not speak English clearly to withdraw from that class and request a reimbursement of tuition and fees for that class.

HCR 3005: Legislative council to study the utilization of land owned by state agencies and institutions and report to 2007 Legislative Assembly.

Senate bills

SB 2003: Base-level funding for NDUS. Bond issuance authorization, Wellness Center addition —\$12 million; Memorial Union renovation and addition —\$22 million. NDSU may enter into agreements with NDSU Foundation or other private entities to authorize construction by the Foundation for the College of Business building using donation, gifts or other private funds. SBHE may authorize NDSU to request the City of Fargo to create a \$1.025 million special improvement district to finance repairs and improvements to 17th Avenue North on the NDSU campus.

SB 2013: Distributes to NDSU \$1.146 million from permanent funds.

SB 2014: Appropriation NDUS bond payments \$14,278,141.

SB 2018: Mirror image of SB2032 introduced by the Interim Commerce Committee.

SB 2020: Base-level funding for NDSU Extension Service, Northern Crops Institute, main research center and research centers.

SB 2021: ITD appropriations, including \$20 million for ConnectND.

SB 2023: Appropriations for capital projects: NDSU hazardous material handling and storage facility—\$3.5 million; North Central Research Center agronomy lab and greenhouse—\$440,000; Main Research Center greenhouse complex, \$1.1 million. Bond issuance repayment—\$2.80 million for main research center available from non-general fund sources to help in retirement of indebtedness for project costs associated with construction authorized by this act.

SB 2032: Department of Commerce appropriation bill, includes the governor's Centers of Excellence proposal. Sections 4 and 27 pertain to the Center of Excellence initiative. Section 35 requires UGPTI to study transportation infrastructure.

SB 2037: SBHE shall manage and regulate information technology planning and services for institutions under its control including development of information technology policies, standards and guidelines in coordination with the information technology department.

SB 2038; Statewide information technology improvements revolving fund available to all state agencies and departments for information technology projects providing improvements in the efficiency of state government services or information technology projects involving multiple state agencies or institutions.

SB 2043: Changes to the state bond fund statute. Section 10 relates to a fidelity bond for public employees or officials. **Passed Senate 47-0.**

SB 2044: State Seed Department may utilize space and equipment at NDSU as assigned by the university.

SB 2058: Mileage reimbursement for state officials and employees increased 6 cents per mile to 37 cents per mile.

SB 2063: Workforce Safety must reopen a denied claim and reassess if, within four years of the filing of the claim, the injured employee requests in writing to reopen claim based on after-acquired medical evidence. **Withdrawn.**

SB 2064: If applicants for state scholarships have same composite scores and same numeric scores, they must be ranked by the numeric sum of their English and mathematics scores rather than high school rank on a percentile basis. SBHE may establish additional criteria for applicants with same English and mathematics scores. **Passed Senate 47-0.**

SB 2067: Defining age 21 for use of alcohol to be 21 at 8 a.m. on the person's 21st birthday.

SB 2069: State auditor shall have access to any books, papers, accounts or records the state auditor may deem relevant to an ongoing audit of any state agency or computer system audit.

SB 2076: Resident student for tuition purposes includes a member of a North Dakota national guard unit and a child, spouse, widow or widower of a veteran killed, disabled or declared missing in action. **Passed Senate 47-0**.

SB 2077: Increases the limit of an individual grant under the North Dakota student financial assistance program from \$600 to \$1,000 per recipient per academic year.

SB 2078: Technology occupations student loan eligibility requirement lowers required grade point average from 3.0 to 2.5. Also allows SBHE to adopt rules governing amount of loan forgiveness for teachers. **Passed Senate 46-1.**

SB 2079: Adds "emergency medical technician" to tuition and fee waivers. Also removes the exception from a waiver for fees to retire outstanding bonds.

SB 2117: Defines an "aggrieved person" for the Department of Labor proceedings as being any person who claims to have been injured by a discriminatory practice. Neither the Department of Labor nor an administrative hearing officer may order compensatory or punitive damages.

SB 2120: Unlawful to knowingly obtain a promotion or higher compensation by using or claiming to have a false academic degree. **Passed Senate 46-0.**

SB 2147: Creates certified beef program to coordinate with the NDSU Beef Systems Center of Excellence.

SB 2158: Allows tax credit up to 50 percent of contribution for tuition scholarships for rural leadership program through NDSU Extension Service. **Passed Senate 47-0.**

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SB 2169: Mandates coverage for colorectal cancer screening through PERS.

SB 2195: Increases reimbursement of lodging allowance from \$45 to \$50 and total meal allowances from \$20 to \$25.

SB 2206: Appropriation for institutions, (NDSU \$7,605,130) to provide equity funding of all higher education institutions at minimum 55 percent of peer group.

SCR 4002: Legislative Council to study SBHE's performance and accountability measures and report to the 60th Legislative Assembly. **Senate adopted.**

Calendar

January

- Through Feb. 7 Exhibition by Dan Siverson, Reineke Visual Arts Gallery
- 26 Equal opportunity—PeopleSoft application help session, 10 a.m.-noon, IACC 150C
- 26 Men's basketball vs. the University of Minnesota-Crookston, 7 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 27 Motivational speaker Jermaine Davis, "The Art of Understanding and Getting Along Through Communication," 12:30 p.m., Memorial Union Peace Garden Room
- 27 Motivational speaker Jermaine Davis, "Overcoming Adversity to Achieve Success: Leading with Greatness," 7:30 p.m., Alumni Center
- Animal and range sciences—Don Kirby, assistant director of Agriculture Extension Services, "Mined Land Reclamation Experiences in North Dakota,"
 3 p.m., Hultz 104
- 28 Wrestling vs. Minnesota State University Moorhead, 7:30 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- Women's basketball vs. Montana State-Billings,7 p.m., Bison Sports Arena

February

- 1 Men's basketball vs. Northern State University, 7 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 2 YMCA of NDSU—brown bag seminar "The Truth About Hypnosis," noon, Memorial Union Peace Garden Room
- 2 Hard-Bop Sax Quartet, 7:30 p.m., Beckwith Recital Hall. Free.
- History—Annette Atkins, St. John's University,
 "The State We're In: Writing About One Place,"
 3 p.m., Minard 407
- 5 NDSU Jazz Festival concert, 7 p.m., Festival Concert Hall. Free.
- 5 Women's basketball vs. Si Tanka University-Huron, 2 p.m., Bison Sports Arena

- 5 Men's basketball vs. Si Tanka University-Huron, 4 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 10 Wrestling vs. the University of Northern Iowa, 7:30 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 11 Men's basketball vs. Mayville State University, 7 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 12 Men's basketball vs. Upper Iowa University, 7 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 12 Jazz Arts Group concert, 8 p.m., Festival Concert Hall. Call 1-9442 for tickets.
- 15 Equal opportunity—PeopleSoft application help session, 1-3 p.m., IACC 150C
- 16 Equal opportunity—PeopleSoft application help session, 10 a.m.-noon, IACC 150C
- 16 YMCA of NDSU —brown bag seminar "Health Issues Among Minority Students," noon, Memorial Union Peace Garden Room
- 17 Women's basketball vs. Minnesota State University, Mankato, 6 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 17 Wellness education leaders 3-on-3 basketball tournament, 7 p.m., Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse
- 18 Faculty recital—Neil Mueller, assistant professor of music, trumpet, 7:30 p.m., Beckwith Recital Hall. Free.
- Women's basketball vs. Upper Iowa University,6 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 21 President's Day holiday—university closed
- 20 The Second City comedy troupe, 7:30 p.m., Festival Concert Hall
- Free staff preview of Little Country Theatre's "Marcus is Walking: Scenes from the Road,"7:30 p.m., Walsh Studio Theatre
- 24-27 Little Country Theatre presents "Marcus is Walking: Scenes from the Road," 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday, Walsh Studio Theatre
- 25 Faculty recital—Matthew Patnode, assistant professor of music, saxophone, 7:30 p.m., Beckwith Recital Hall. Free.
- 25 Wrestling vs. South Dakota State University, 7:30 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 26 Women's basketball vs. South Dakota State University, 6 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 26 Men's basketball vs. South Dakota State University, 8 p.m. Bison Sports Arena
- 27 Mid-winter choral concert, 2 p.m., Festival Concert Hall. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students and seniors. Call 1-9442.
- 28 YMCA of NDSU—brown bag seminar "The Vagina Monologues," noon, Memorial Union Century Theater

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Varsity Band, Jazz Combo and Jazz Lab Band concert, 7:30 p.m., Festival Concert Hall. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students and seniors.

March

- 1 YMCA of NDSU—brown bag seminar "Student Soldiers," noon, Memorial Union Prairie Rose Room
- 2-24 Juried high school art exhibition, NDSU Downtown gallery. Reception 1 p.m. Saturday, March 12.
- 2 YMCA of NDSU—brown bag seminar "Refugee Women's Network," noon, Memorial Union Gallery
- 2 Brass chamber night, 7:30 p.m., Beckwith Recital Hall. Free.
- 3 YMCA of NDSU—brown bag seminar "Living Life as a Lesbian," noon, Memorial Union Gallery
- 3-5 Little Country Theatre presents "Marcus is Walking: Scenes from the Road," 7:30 p.m., Walsh Studio Theatre
- 4 YMCA of NDSU—brown bag seminar "Biology of Gender," noon, Memorial Union Prairie Rose Room
- 5 Gold Star Concert Band concert, David Gregory and Bobby Adams, guest conductors, 7 p.m., Festival Concert Hall. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students and seniors. Call 1-9442.

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- 6 Women's basketball vs. Grand Canyon University, 1:30 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 9 YMCA of NDSU—brown bag seminar "The Concept of Race in Humans," noon, Memorial Union Peace Garden Room
- 14-18 Spring break
- 15 Equal opportunity—PeopleSoft application help session, 1-3 p.m., IACC 150C
- 16 Equal opportunity—PeopleSoft application help session, 10 a.m.-noon, IACC 150C
- 20 Concert Choir home concert, 2 p.m., Festival Concert Hall. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students and seniors. Call 1-9442.
- 23 YMCA of NDSU—brown bag seminar "Taking Care of Yourself: Women's Health Care in the 21st Century," noon, Memorial Union Peace Garden Room
- 30 YMCA of NDSU—brown bag seminar "Global Roles of Women," noon, Memorial Union Peace Garden Room
- 31 Baseball vs. Valley City State University, 4 p.m., Newman Outdoor Field
- 31 Percussion Ensemble concert, 7:30 p.m., Festival Concert Hall. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students and seniors. Call 1-9442.