## IT'S HAPPENING AT STATE

June 15, 2005

## Chapman: salaries to rise

President Joseph A. Chapman says salary pay increases will rise an institutional average of 5.5 percent. Chapman made the announcement May 9 before the University Senate as he gave an overview of the results of the recently completed legislative session.

Chapman also said that the minimum raise will be 2 percent or \$50 per month, whichever is greater.

In the area of salary compression, Chapman told the Senate, "My job is to get the dollar amount as high as I can. We need to help people on the low end of the pay scale."

On another matter, Chapman said he will continue the practice of providing \$1,000 professional development grants.

## Campus 'Momentum' campaign results announced

The NDSU Development Foundation has announced that 25 percent of faculty and staff contributed to the "Momentum" campaign. According to figures distributed to personnel, 574 of a total of 2,305 employees participated in the campus fund drive.

"Congratulations NDSU faculty and staff," campus campaign co-chairs Chuck Harter and Jill Wilkey said in the letter distributed to personnel. "In our first Momentum Faculty and Staff Campaign 25 percent of you grabbed an opportunity to contribute financially to students, programs, buildings and faculty of NDSU. Over \$200,000 was raised from your efforts."

The College of Human Development and Education had the highest participation rate, with 71.43 percent. The College of Business Administration (55.88 percent), NDSU Libraries (52.38 percent) and College of Pharmacy (51.67 percent) had the next highest participation rates.

## Applications sought for rural leadership program

Applications are being accepted for the second Rural Leadership North Dakota program, a two-year interactive study and travel program designed to produce effective leaders to assist organizations, rural communities and the state advance. The program is offered through the NDSU Extension Service.

The class, which begins in October, includes 10 seminars throughout North Dakota and a six-day study tour to Washington, D.C. Planned seminar topics include leadership, communication, culture and heritage, creative and critical thinking, project management, understanding the political system, resource management and civic engagement.

Participants also will create and implement a project for their organization or community that utilizes the skills learned during the class.

Applicants must have been a North Dakota resident for a minimum of one year and be able to attend the entire program. Cost of the class is \$1,375. Applications are available online at *www.ag.ndsu.modak.edu/rlnd*, or by sending e-mail to *r-leader@ ndsuext.nodak.edu*. Applications should be mailed to Rural Leadership North Dakota Program, PO Box 5437, Fargo, N.D. 58105-5437. The deadline is July 1.

### **Blood drive scheduled**

A blood drive is scheduled for 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, June 22, at the United Blood Services mobile unit, which will be parked outside the west entrance of the Memorial Union. Donors must bring identification. Call Annette (Fischer) Graves at 1-8961 to schedule an appointment.

### Libraries holiday hours announced

All NDSU Libraries and the Institute for Regional Studies will be closed Saturday, July 2-Monday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day. Regular summer session hours resume Tuesday, July 5. For a current listing of hours consult the Libraries' Web page at *wwww.lib.ndsu.nodak.edu*, or call the information tape at 1-9456.

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### Freight Transportation Center established



Ken Casavant,Washington State Univ; Nancy Nihan, Univ. of Washington; Griffin, Dorgan, Phyllis Scheinberg, U.S. DOT; Tony Furst, Fed. Hwy. Admin.

Improving freight movement in the region stretching from Chicago to the Pacific Northwest is the focus of a new research and outreach center at NDSU, Washington State University and the University of Washington. The Northern Plains-Pacific Northwest Center for

Freight Mobility is funded through a \$500,000 appropriation in the 2005 Department of Transportation Appropriations Act.

"We will be the first to look at these kinds of transportation issues on a broad regional scale," notes Gene Griffin, director of the Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute at NDSU. "That will give this region the ability to develop some competitive advantages in freight transportation. Secondly, it will establish a model for research and outreach in other parts of nation."

Sen. Byron Dorgan said the three universities have long-standing transportation research and outreach programs, making them well suited to a regional collaborative effort. The 12 states in the region share similarities, including small communities and large, sparsely populated areas with a historical economic dependence on agriculture.

"Regional freight transportation issues are gaining importance almost daily," Dorgan said. "The interstate nature of today's commerce—and the inter-jurisdictional issues that arise from it—demand that we think more broadly. Improving our regional freight system will help businesses and industries in our rural communities, and our farmers, compete more effectively in today's global marketplace."

In its initial months the center will develop a profile of the region's freight infrastructure and economic traffic. It will survey state department of transportation directors and personnel to learn about issues and research needs, while identifying critical freight planning issues. Center collaborators will work with state departments of transportation to assess their ability to address freight planning, operations and policy issues in a regional context. They also will strive to enhance the understanding and visibility of freight transportation among policy makers.

## New economics and trade journal finds home at NDSU

The inaugural issue of the Journal of International Agricultural Trade and Development, initiated through efforts by Dragan Miljkovic, associate professor of agribusiness and applied economics, is scheduled for release early this summer. Miljkovic is the journal's editor-in-chief.

Articles planned for the first issue address China's horticultural and fiber markets and trade, estimation of a double hurdle model in the presence of fixed costs, spatial heterogeneity and soil conservation, and the effects of subsidies and price supports on United States cotton.

### NCI advanced grain course held

Northern Crops Institute's Advanced Grain Procurement Strategies short course May 9-13 attracted 21 crop buyers from around the world. Participants represented leading flourmills, processors and trading companies in Taiwan, Indonesia, Turkey, Ecuador, El Salvador, Honduras, Peru, Venezuela, Mexico and the United States.

John Crabtree, NCI assistant director, coordinated the weeklong course that focused on developing, executing and integrating price-risk management strategies. Course topics included the current grain situation and outlook, commercial export trading practices, basis analysis, trading strategies, hedging, options, value-at-risk, long-term supply relations, ocean freight risk, contracts, quality requirements and the international money market.

Patricia Berglund, NCI director, said, "Each participant in this course is an influential buyer in his or her own country. Sponsorships for this course go to up and coming leaders in the world's grain industry. In today's competitive world, crop buyers need to learn how to improve their risk management so that they can increase their profits. Profitable companies continue to make purchases based on quality needs, not just lowest price. Through this course, our participants become more familiar with our region and crops."

U.S. Grains Council, U.S. Wheat Associates and the USDA Foreign Agricultural Service Cochran Fellowship Program provided sponsorships for several participants.

### People

### Smith named dean

Craig Schnell, provost and vice president for academic affairs, announced May 9 that Gary R. Smith, professor and director of construction management and engineering, has been named dean of the College of Engineering and Architecture. Smith began a two-year term in the position June 1.

"Dr. Smith will be responsible for all aspects of administering the college, with special emphasis on re-accreditation. He has been at NDSU for nearly five years," Schnell said, noting that Smith's nominations came from within the college and acknowledged his "good leadership in construction management."

"I'm humbled by the choice and I would really like to continue on with the momentum that the college has. I don't want to slow down the progress the college is making," Smith said. "It's an awesome job, and I look forward to the challenges."

Smith said his top priority is the re-accreditation process in 2006 by ABET Inc., the accreditor for college and university programs in applied science, computing, engineering and technology. ABET is a federation of 30 professional and technical societies representing those fields. It currently accredits about 2,700 programs at more than 550 colleges and universities nationwide.

"We've got a big challenge with the ABET accreditation, but we have other areas that we need to work with, like continuing to grow our research activities and monitoring our growth in the number of students in the college," Smith said.

Prior to joining NDSU, Smith was a faculty member at Iowa State University and Pennsylvania State University. He earned

bachelor's degrees in civil engineering and land surveying, a master's degree and a doctorate in civil engineering from Purdue University.

Smith is a member of the American Road and Transportation Builders Association, American Society of Civil Engineers, Canadian Society for Civil Engineers, Transportation Research Board, American Society for Quality Control, American Society for Engineering Education and the International Council for Building Research Studies and Documentation. He is a Registered Professional Engineer in Illinois and Colorado.

## Pharmacy faculty receive awards

Edward O. Magarian, professor emeritus and lecturer in pharmaceutical sciences; Justin Welch, assistant professor of pharmacy practice; Stephen O'Rourke, associate professor of pharmaceutical sciences; and Ronald Miller, community pharmacist in Anchorage, Alaska, received recognition awards at the College of Pharmacy's annual graduation hooding and honors convocation held May 13 at the Bentson Bunker Field House. Approximately 500 people attended the ceremony.

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

Welch was named the college's Preceptor of the Year. The award is voted on by students in their fourth year of the professional program, and is awarded to the faculty member who represents outstanding performance and commitment to clinical instruction of pharmacy students who are in clinical rotations.

O'Rourke was recognized at the college's Researcher of the Year. Selected by an outside peer review panel, the award recognizes a faculty member who has demonstrated outstanding achievements in research, and excellence and innovation in their scholarly work.

Miller was named the college's Adjunct Preceptor of the Year. 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.

## Panigrahi receives third patent

Suranjan Panigrahi, associate professor of agricultural and biosystems engineering, has received a patent for the "Optical Sensor for Analyzing a Stream of Agricultural Product to Determine Its Constituents," addressing techniques for nondestructive sensing of agricultural product constituents in field conditions. Visiting Chinese scientist Guangjun Zhang was the patent's other inventor.

According to Panigrahi, the invention could help develop field-scale sensors used for precision farming and quality control applications of agricultural, food and biological products. Panigrahi added that some of the techniques could be modified for use in biological and biomedical applications.

Panigrahi collaborated on two other recent patents dealing with sensors for determining sugar content of sugar beets.

# Business administration faculty awards presented

The College of Business Administration presented its annual faculty awards at its annual honors and awards banquet held April 14 at the Ramada Plaza Suites and Conference Center, Fargo.

Bret Simmons, assistant professor of management, was named 2005 Teacher of the Year. Joseph Szmerekovsky, assistant professor of management, received the Excellence in Research Award; and Karen Froelich, associate professor of associate professor of management and marketing, received the Outstanding Service Award.

The Teacher of the Year award recognizes a faculty member for his or her outstanding teaching ability, and is based on nominations from students and other faculty in the college. In letters of nomination, Simmons was noted for his ability to organize a challenging learning experience and stimulate student interest, and for his knowledge in organizational behavior and management, his expectations of students and philosophy of active student learning.

Since joining NDSU in 2003, Simmons has taught organizational behavior at the undergraduate and graduate levels, and developed a new course on leadership in organizations. Simmons has a doctorate from Oklahoma State University.

The Excellence in Research award recognizes a faculty member for his or her outstanding research efforts and scholarly achievements, and is determined through nominations and letters of support from colleagues at NDSU and other institutions, and other research criteria including publication of research finding and conference proceedings, and receipt of grants.

Szmerekovsky joined NDSU in 2002 after receiving a doctorate in operations research from Case Western University. Named the first Alien Technology faculty fellow, his primary area of research is in project management, and he has recently begun research in RFID technology. His publications during the 2004-05 academic year include "Project Scheduling to Maximize Net Present Value: The Owner's Perspective," "Mathematical Models for Explaining the Emergence of Specialization in Performing Tasks" and Maximizing Project Cash Availability."

The Outstanding Service award recognizes a faculty member for his or her service to the college, university, profession and the community, and is based on a person's record of contributions and outreach at the local, state and national levels.

Froelich currently serves on the mission statement subcommittee of the North Central Reaccreditation and Woman's Studies Advisory Committee, the college steering committee and as chair of the MBA committee. She served on the dean's search committee and the provost and vice president for academic affairs promotion and tenure committee. She also serves as a reviewer for several journals business administration journals.

Her community service works includes serving on the board of directors of the Rape and Abuse Crisis Center, the editorial board of Prairie Business Magazine, the Dakota Medical Foundation advisory board and the Fargo-Moorhead Area Foundation Women's Fund research committee.

### Research team studies tsunami issues

A four-member research team from NDSU's Emergency Management Program left May 23 for a monthlong deployment to study the impact of mass fatalities in India and Sri Lanka as a result of the Dec. 26 tsunami. The study is intended to identify mechanisms employed following the tsunami, for issues concerning body recovery, identification and disposal, and notification of deceased victims' relatives.

Funded through the National Science Foundation, the research team traveling to Southeast Asia includes emergency management undergraduate students Cory Freier and Lindsey Bratvold, graduate student Kailash Gupta and Arthur Oyola-Yemaiel, Emergency Management Program director and assistant professor of sociology.

An additional five-member team operating from NDSU's Emergency Operations Center in Bentson-Bunker Fieldhouse provides support. The support team includes Jennifer Wilson, Emergency Management Program co-director and assistant professor of sociology, doctoral student Micheal Kemp, graduate student Kent Thuerer, and undergraduate students Dustin Jensen and Anne Schaffhauser.

The overseas research also focuses on the proportion of government-driven response versus a non-government organizationdriven mass fatalities response, and the impact of ethnicity, socioeconomic status and nationality on the response to mass fatalities.

The research is a joint effort between individuals from five nations and four universities. After the data is collected, it will be stored in the Network for Earthquake Engineering Simulation supercomputer at the University of California, San Diego, for future studies.

According to the team, the research is a tremendous opportunity for the students to practically apply the theoretical knowledge they have gained at NDSU. Also, the experience will provide the students experience to further their careers while participating in a worthy endeavor.

The study marks the second time this academic year that NDSU emergency management students have been deployed to study disaster effects. The first was to Florida to study emergency operation aspects of Hurricanes Charley and Frances last fall.

Updates on the research trip will be available at *http://emgt.ndsu.nodak.edu*. For more information, contact Micheal Kemp, public information officer, at 1-5761.

## Troop-Gordon article published

Wendy Troop-Gordon, assistant professor of psychology, wrote an article published in the May-June issue of Child Development. "Modifications in Children's Goals When Encountering Obstacles to Conflict Resolution" was co-written by S.R. Asher of Duke University.

According to the article, when children conflict with their peers they are often trying to achieve a wide variety of goals.

Researchers asked 252 fourth- and fifth-grade children how they would react in hypothetical conflicts involving a samesex peer. After providing their initial strategy, children were asked to rate their efforts to achieve certain goals with that strategy. Then researchers asked the children what they would do if their first strategy didn't work. After the children provided a second strategy, they were again asked to rate their efforts to reach certain goals with that strategy. Finally, the children were asked what strategies and goals they'd follow if their second strategy didn't work.

The researchers found that aggressive and submissive children who had problems with their peers exhibited several antisocial changes to their goals, including an increased desire to retaliate and a decreased desire to attain relationship-oriented objectives. Also, children who exhibited antisocial changes to their goals were more likely to use aggression, assertion and manipulation to resolve conflicts.

"These findings highlight the important role that ongoing changes in children's goals have for their social adjustment," said Troop-Gordon. "One implication is that peer-rejected children may need social skills interventions that focus on maintaining adaptive combinations of goals during challenging social interactions, such as conflicts with peers."

The publication Child Development is produced by the Society for Research in Child Development, Washington, D.C.

For more information, contact Troop-Gordon at 1-8738 or *wendy.troop@ndsu.edu*.

## Council to lead University Senate

The gavel was passed May 9 to Jim Council, professor of psychology, as the new presiding officer of the University Senate. Council succeeds outgoing presiding officer Chuck Harter, professor and chair of accounting and information systems.

During the brief ceremony, Harter told the senators, "Thanks to everyone on the Senate for making this a very successful year."

President Joseph A. Chapman praised Harter's efforts as presiding officer, noting his legislative testimony on the equity issue. "Chuck made his presentation using comparative data. He was able to deliver the message in ways that had not been done before. Thanks, Chuck," Chapman said.

Craig Schnell, provost and vice president for academic affairs, presented Harter with a plaque recognizing his service. "He's had a great year," Schnell said.

Looking ahead to the coming academic year, Council says he hopes to highlight the importance of university service. "My personal project will be to start establishing a culture of service at NDSU. If I can start the university down the road to recognizing, evaluating and rewarding service, I will feel like I've made a real contribution," Council said.

Council said another important topic during his term will be the university's efforts for re-accreditation. A team of consultant-evaluators from the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools is scheduled to visit campus in February.

Council, who has served on the University Senate's Executive Committee and the Policy Coordination Committee, added, "I've been able to get good experience and understanding on how policy works, and how policy is set and executed on campus. I'm excited to be presiding officer."

In other matters, the Senate selected Eugene Barry, associate professor of veterinary and microbiological sciences, as

presiding officer-elect. He will be presiding officer during the 2006-07 academic year.

Barry has received the Odney Award for outstanding teaching, the Carnegie/CASE North Dakota Professor of the Year, Mortar Board Preferred Professor and the Bison Ambassadors' Apple Polisher Award. He is a member of the Memorial Union advisory board, Service-Learning Advisory Board, President's Diversity Council and co-leader of the NDSU TOCAR Anti-Racism Team.

Other candidates for presiding officer-elect were Dogan Comez, professor of mathematics, and Donna Terbizan, professor of health, nutrition and exercise sciences.

# Staff Senate officers, representatives announced

The NDSU Staff Senate has announced its officers and representatives for the 2005-06 academic year. Officers are Janine Trowbridge, president; Steve Bergeson, president-elect; Susan Bornsen, past president; Lois Christianson, secretary; Deb Haney, treasurer; Heather Heger, membership officer; Barb Geeslin, member-at-large executive committee; Cindy Kozojed, member-at-large executive committee and Pam Hommen, member-at-large executive committee.

The University Senate representatives will be Trowbridge, Irene Askelson, Jody Filpus and Kim Koch.

The Campus Space and Facilities Committee representative will be Bob Peterson. Representatives on the Computing and Information Technologies Planning and Goals Committee will be Brian Miller and Paul Froeschle. The representative on the University Athletics Committee will be Bill Frazier, the Library Committee representative will be Melissa Evensen, the Faculty Personnel Committee representative will be Paul McIntosh, and Beryl Lonski is the Arboretum Committee representative.

More information is at www.ndsu.edu/staff\_senate.

## Former professor dies

Edwin Anderson, a longtime faculty member and former chair of the electrical engineering department, died May 24, in Dickinson, N.D. He was 84.

Anderson taught at the university from 1949-82, serving as department chair from 1958-78. He also briefly chaired the physics department and served as acting dean of engineering in 1975.

He was an important force in NDSU's entry into computers. He helped secure the first digital computer on the campus in 1960.

Anderson earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in electrical engineering at the University Denver, and did his doctoral work at Purdue University. His many honors included the National Science Foundation Science Teacher Fellowship, Faculty Lectureship and Blue Key Distinguished Educator. He was presented an honorary doctorate by NDSU in 1985.

Among his survivors are his wife, Bette, three daughters and one son.

# Agribusiness, applied economics faculty receive honors

Two faculty members from the Department of Agribusiness and Applied Economics are set to receive awards from the Western Agricultural Economics Association at the group's annual meeting scheduled for July 6-8 in San Francisco.

Larry Leistritz, professor of agricultural economics, will be honored as a distinguished scholar for his career accomplishments in research and outreach.

Leistritz is known for a long record of research projects recognized as having great impact in North Dakota and the region, and for continuing to provide information that can help decision makers to better serve their constituents. He also has been recognized by the association for his contribution as an applied economist conducting research programs that define the role of the land grant university.

William Nganje, assistant professor of agricultural economics, will receive the association's outstanding teacher award for instructors with less than 10 years of experience. Nganje is being recognized for his commitment to students and learning.

# HD&E publications, presentations listed

"Generative Fathering and the Dynamics of Connection Between Fathers and Their Children," an article co-authored by Sean Brotherson, assistant professor of child development and family science, recently was published in Fathering: A Journal of Theory, Research, and Practice about Men as Fathers. The article focuses on patterns that fathers describe in caring for and connecting with their children.

David Barney presented the papers "Middle School Student Teacher Interactions During the Student Teaching Experience" and "Perceptions of Pre-Service Teacher Before and After a Semester Long Practicum Experience" with Frank Pleban, assistant professor of health, nutrition and exercise science, at the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (AAHPERD) central district convention held May 5-7 in Cheyenne, Wyo. Donna Terbizan, professor of health, nutrition and exercise science, presented the convention's scholar address, "The Science of AHPERD: The Role of the Exercise Physiologist," and Bryan Christensen, assistant professor of health, nutrition and exercise science, presented "Selecting the Appropriate Shoe Based on Your Foot Pattern During Gait."

Lisa Montplaisir, assistant professor of biological sciences, and graduate student Meena Balgopal presented an interactive poster "Examining Undergraduate Student Understanding of Evolution by Natural Selection in Two Introductory Biology Courses" at the National Association for Research in Science Teaching Conference held recently in Dallas.

Joel Hektner, assistant professor of child development and family science, is scheduled to chair the symposium "Modifying Peer Influence in a Longitudinal Preventive Intervention for Aggressive Children" at the annual meeting of the Society for Prevention Research in June. William O. Martin, interim chair and associate professor of mathematics, has been invited to serve on the National Science Foundation critical site visit team for the foundation's mathematics and science partnership projects in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Marlys Bratteli, assistant professor of child development and family science; Gregory Sanders, professor, acting chair and associate dean of child development and family science; and Margaret Fitzgerald, associate professor of child development and family science, are scheduled to present "Will Our Classrooms Meet the Needs of Students In the Future?" at the annual classrooms of the Future: Applications for Today conference planned for June in St. Paul, Minn. Bratteli also is scheduled to present "Planning for Transfer Trauma Among the Elderly" at a trends in long-term care conference in June.

## NDSU steel bridge team places fourth in national competition

NDSU civil engineering students took fourth place overall at the recent American Institute of Steel Construction (AISC) and American Society of Civil Engineers national student steel bridge competition held May 27-28 at the University of Central Florida, Orlando.

The NDSU team competed against 43 other teams that had advanced to the national competition after winning spring regional competitions. This year's competition required that the students build a 22-foot long, single-span steel bridge that would safely carry 2,500 pounds, conform to dimensional requirements and be able to be assembled quickly

Bridges are judged and scored in six categories including construction speed, lightness, aesthetics, stiffness, construction economy and structural effiency.

NDSU's construction team included juniors Nathan Hoffman, Leeds, N.D., co-captain; junior Brian Lintgen, St. Cloud, Minn., co-captain; Mike Lawrence, Stewartville, Minn.; Ben Kuisle, Stewartville, Minn.; Eric Fosmo, Plainview, Minn; and seniors Lindsy Mathwig, Litchfield, Minn., and Leo Schaefers, Monticello, Minn.

NDSU is the only university to have teams that have won the national title more than once in the competition's 14-year history, winning in 1995, 2002 and 2004.

# NDSU student places third at national horse show

Equine studies student Ashley Flick placed third in advanced western horsemanship at the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association's national championships held recently in Sunbury, Ohio.

A junior from Chaseley, N.D., Flick qualified for the national championships after advancing through two prior rounds of competition. Riders at the national event compete against as many as 18 people for a category title.

"I am very proud of Ashley's accomplishments," said Bobbi Bingeman, NDSU's equestrian team coach. "She has grown a lot in her skills and abilities as a horsewoman and competitor. She is a very good representative of our entire NDSU team."

## Tedford-Sharpe receives Graduate School award

Ramona Tedford-Sharpe has been named recipient of the College of Business Administration's 2005 Graduate School Community Service Award.

The award recognizes an MBA student who has made a contribution to the community deemed outstanding through his or her contributions to public service, including activities with charitable, service, youth or civic organizations.

"Mona Tedford-Sharpe has served our community through a variety of organizations supporting diverse causes, and has always been an enthusiastic leader and learner in these endeavors," Wells Fargo Bank senior vice president and regional trust manager Pamela Anderson said in a letter of nomination. "She thrives on both the experiences she gains for herself through these activities and the true service she provides to make our city a better place in which to live."

In other nomination letters, she was described as "a shining example of what service and volunteerism means in this Cass Clay community" and "an outstanding person and community volunteer who wants to help others succeed through her hard work, positive words and actions."

"There is probably no greater long-term societal impact we can make than by providing opportunities and role modeling for our young people," Tedford-Sharpe said.

### Events

## Rayl retirement reception planned

A retirement reception honoring Dick Rayl, vice president for business and finance, is scheduled for 2:30-4 p.m. Tuesday, June 28, at the Alumni Center. A short program is planned for 3 p.m. Rayl will retire June 30 after 13 years at NDSU.

Prior to joining the university, Dick was the director of the Office of Management and Budget, Bismarck, N.D. He previously was employed in the private business sector at Mayrath Inc., Compton, Ill.; Coroon and Black, Minneapolis; Westgo Inc., West Fargo; and York Manufacturing Co., Henderson, Neb.

Dick and his wife, Jean, have four grown children and 10 grandchildren. They will spend time at their Minnesota lake home in the summer and their home in Sun City, Ariz., during the winter months.

A national search for Rayl's successor is underway. For more information, see the Chronicle of Higher Education June 17 edition or online at *http://chronicle.com/jobs/* or the NDSU employment Web site at *www.ndsu.edu/ndsu/jobs/non\_broadbanded/*.

### Meditation group to continue in summer

The Meditation Group will continue to meet during the summer at 2-3 p.m. Tuesdays. The group plans to meet in Ceres Hall 201. No one will be admitted to a session after 2 p.m. to avoid interrupting the meditation. The group is free for NDSU students, faculty and staff. New members are welcome, and no advanced registration is necessary. Beginners can learn and practice meditation basics, while people with more experience with meditation can maintain their practice in an informal group environment.

For more information, call Counseling and Disability Services at 1-7671, or visit *www.ndsu.nodak.edu/counseling*. Updates, cancellations and changes will be posted on the Web site.

## 'Live @ Lunch' schedule announced

The Memorial Union has announced its "Live @ Lunch" summer activities schedule. "Live @ Lunch" is a musical series offered Wednesdays from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in the Memorial Union Cul de Sac Lounge, unless otherwise noted.

June 15-Lis Harvey

- June 22—Doug Wood (Alumni Lounge)
- June 29—Small group from DeYarmond Edison

July 6-Charlie Schaller

July 13-Nick Fortunato

July 20-Jesse Veeder

Aug. 3–Dave Tamkins

For more information, call the Student Activities Office at 1-7787.

## Distance education workshop, leadership discussion set

A faculty and staff workshop and a leadership discussion on NDSU expanding role in distance education are scheduled for Friday, June 17. Peggy Hines, Emory University, Atlanta, is the planned event leader.

The faculty and staff workshop "Preparing To Be a Distance-Delivered Educator" is scheduled for 9-10:30 a.m. in the Alumni Center. Planned topics include the importance of communication; the faculty role in facilitation of learning; how to plan and develop lessons; assessment techniques and the role of assessment in learning; how to organize as you plan, develop and deliver the course; and a discussion of teaching methods suited to online learning.

A Blackboard site is available at *http://blackboard.ndsu.nodak. edu/*. Workshop registration is available at the site, and it is recommended that participants enroll at the Blackboard site.

Deans, department chairs, program leaders and other distance education leaders will have the opportunity to talk about "Preparing the College, Department or Program for Distance Education" in a discussion scheduled for 10:45-11:30 a.m. at the Alumni Center. The discussion is meant to serve as an exchange of ideas about ways in which NDSU can expand its role in distance-delivered education.

Both events are sponsored by the Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Office of Distance and Continuing Education and the food s47afety program.

For more information, contact David Saxowsky, associate professor of agribusiness and applied economics, at 1-7470 or Lisa Nordick, director of distance and continuing education, at 1-8692.

### Legislative Bill Status Report

Office of the NDSU General Counsel

Listed are brief descriptions of bills and resolutions that may impact NDSU. Approved bills are effective Aug. 1, with the exception of any tax or appropriations measures, which are effective July 1. Emergency measures become effective when filed with the Secretary of State. The Legislature's Web site is located at *www.state.nd.us/lr*. The final day of the legislative session was April 23. To view a bill or resolution, visit *www.state.nd.us/lr/assembly/59-2005/leginfo/bills-res-jour/ index.html.* 

### **Senate Bills**

**SB 2003**: Funding for NDUS 7.67 percent increase over 2003-05. Total general fund appropriations for NDSU \$77,496,876. Establishes a \$2 million pool for equity funding. 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 Administration building using donation, gifts or other private funds. SBHE may authorize NDSU to request the City of Fargo to create a \$1 million special improvement district to finance repairs and improvements to 17th Avenue North on the NDSU campus.

**SB 2013:** Distributes to NDSU \$1.14 million from permanent trust funds.

**SB 2014**: Appropriation for NDUS bond payments \$14.27 million.

**SB 2018:** Appropriations for projects established in SB 2032 of \$150,000 to the Office of Management and Budget to set up and maintain procurement information on the Internet and perform the procurement assistance study, \$50,000 to the SBHE to do a technology commercialization study, \$360,000 to the Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute to perform a transportation study. The Department of Commerce and SBHE must conduct a study of the state's intellectual property laws including a review of barriers that may inhibit research and development in the state and successful actions other states have taken.

**SB 2019:** The Career and Technical Education budget. \$1.35 million for workforce training.

**SB 2020:** Total appropriations for NDSU Extension Service – \$15.2 million; Northern Crops Institute – \$905,089; UGPTI – \$800,000; Main Research Center – \$30.52 million; and research extension centers – \$8.32 million. Section 5 states SBARE must approve line item transfers. Section 8 provides for continuation of funding authority for beef systems center.

**SB 2023:** Total authorizations for capital projects. NDSU hazardous material handling and storage facility—\$3.5 million; North Central Research Center agronomy lab and greenhouse—\$1.69 million; Main Research Center greenhouse complex—\$7 million; Central Grasslands Research Center headquarters office addition—\$350,000. Prohibits contracts between architect or construction manager for a public project and contractors or subcontractors for work on the project. Gov. Hoeven vetoed Section 6 of the bill, which would have required appropriated funds to study archival storage require-

ments of the North Dakota Heritage Center as an alternative to funding a facility for expanded storage. Section 1 of the bill appropriates funds for the expanded storage facility. A study is unnecessary.

**SB 2032:** Governor's Centers of Excellence initiative. Authorization to create the centers of excellence. See SB 2018 for appropriation information.

**SB 2043**: Changes to the state bond fund statute. Section 10 relates to a fidelity bond for public employees or officials. The provisions of the state bond fund chapter and of any statute requiring a bond for each public official and employee constitutes the entire contract between the bond fund and the state entity as the obligee for the bond.

**SB 2044:** State Seed Department may utilize NDSU for offices and laboratories and vice versa.

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

**SB 2064:** If applicants for state scholarships have same composite scores and same numeric scores from their ACT, 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.

**SB 2067:** Defines age 21 for use of alcohol as 21 at 8 a.m. on the person's 21st birthday.

**SB 2069:** Except for active investigatory work product of the attorney general and certain tax records, the 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.

**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.

**SB 2079:** Free tuition will be available to survivors of "emergency medical services personnel" that die as a result of injuries received while on duty. Eligibility already exists for survivors of firefighters or peace officers that die as a result of injuries sustained on duty.

**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. If a person elects to bring an action in district court, any pending administrative action based on same discriminatory acts must be dismissed immediately.

**SB 2120:** Unlawful to knowingly obtain a promotion or higher compensation in employment by using or claiming to have a false academic degree.

**SB 2146:** Provides for payments to veterans mobilized after Dec. 5, 1992.

**SB 2147:** The agriculture commissioner may collaborate with State Board of Animal Health, the North Dakota Stockmen's Association, NDSU beef systems and the Secretary of Agriculture to develop the certified beef program.

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

**SB 2195:** The reimbursement for lodging allowance increased from \$45 to \$50. Total meal allowances increased from \$20 to \$25.

**SB 2250:** Allows agencies to limit liability to the state in certain contracts. The liability limitations must be approved by the attorney general and the director of the Office of Management and Budget.

**SB 2260:** Concerns early childhood education program approval by DPI.

**SB 2269:** New North Dakota Century Code Chapter 43-53 creating the North Dakota Marriage and Family Therapy Licensure Board.

**SB 2300:** Provides for smoke-free environment in public places and most places of employment. Designated smoking areas in public buildings are not allowed.

**SB 2363:** Allows the use of gaming equipment not otherwise lawful in ND to be used by any institution under the control of the SBHE for the purpose of research in a controlled environment on campus.

SB2366: Relates to practice of physical therapy.

**SB 2368:** Allows for distinctive license plates for some non-profits including universities.

**SB 2372:** Legislative council to study feasibility of having an organization or ombudsman to support and coordinate efforts to discourage destructive behavior, including drug, alcohol and tobacco use.

**SB 2391:** Allows income tax credit to individuals for planned gifts made to qualified North Dakota non-profit organizations after July 31, 2005.

**SCR 4013:** Expresses support for the Red River Valley Research Corridor.

#### **House Bills**

**HB 1015:** OMB appropriation bill; legislative council to study state employment compensation.

**HB 1017**: National Guard tuition assistance program appropriation. Provides approximately 100 percent tuition waiver for soldiers.

**HB 1024:** Deficiency appropriation bill: NDSU 2000 flood expenditures \$1.5; NDUS Office ConnectND expenses \$617,520.

**HB 1035**: The Legislative council shall assign an interim committee responsibility to establish a government performance and accountability system pilot project.

**HB 1050**: Appropriations for state employee pay raises of 4 percent for the 2005-'07 biennium. Includes appropriations for additional compensation for the Upper Great Plains

Transportation Institute, Research Centers, Extension and Northern Crops Institute.

**HB 1059:** Work Force 20/20 eligibility requirements now more stringent.

**HB 1069:** A member reemployed under USERRA is entitled to receive military service retirement credit for qualified military service, and the state must pay all PERS retirement contributions.

**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 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 1076:** Changes to licensing of teachers and provision for \$1,500 increase after four years if a teacher is participating in mentor program. Allows the education standards and practices board to extend effective dates found in the teacher qualification chapter for rural school districts if the Secretary of Education authorizes an extension.

**HB 1084:** "Scope of employment" definition refined in the Tort Claims Act to an employee acting on behalf of the state on tasks of the employee's office or employment. Also, the Office of Management and Budget director may independently settle claims covered by risk management if claim is in writing and not more than \$10,000. (Limit increased from \$5,000 to \$10,000)

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

**HB 1092:** The Office of Management and Budget has the authority to ensure that at least 20 percent of paper products purchased by state offices contain at least 25 percent recycled material.

**HB 1129:** Meal allowance for travel outside the 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 U.S. per diem committee.

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

**HB 1170:** The Office of Management and Budget shall make joint purchases of like commodities or services of high common usage for agencies and institutions under SBHE if determined by OMB and SBHE to be in best interest of the state.

**HB 1232:** A school board may provide a stipend to a student teacher.

**HB 1260:** Legislative council to study public improvement contracts and bid process.

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

**HB 1266:** Addresses retirement benefits for retirees who return to work. Employee may waive future participation in future retirement plan and maintain retirement status.

**HB 1271:** Broadens the tuition waiver for dependents of veterans by including "stepchild" as a dependent and including child or stepchild of a veteran if the child's other parent

has been a resident of North Dakota and was a resident of the state at the time of death or determination of total disability of the veteran.

**HB 1275:** If costs of an information technology systems project more than \$100,000 exceed the original estimate by 20 percent, it must be reported to the state information technology advisory committee.

**HB 1278:** Any federal funds made available to North Dakota that are not for a specific purpose and are not required to be spent prior to the next regular legislative session must be deposited into a special fund until the legislative assembly appropriates the fund.

**HB 1286:** Allows charging up to 25 cents per paper copy and for time spent redacting in open records requests.

**HB 1301:** Requires a report to the Office of Budget, as part of budget, on all authorizations for issuing evidence of indebtedness. Gov. Hoeven vetoed the bill stating the requirement is redundant because the same information is already provided to the legislature in the Office of Management and Budget's comprehensive annual financial report.

**HB 1341:** Office of Management and Budget to adopt rules relating to sending notice of intent to make limited competitive, noncompetitive and negotiated purchases for commodities or services to the state.

**HB 1360:** Provides eligibility for student loans to part-time students.

**HB 1364:** SBHE to create policy relating to assessment of faculty and teaching assistant communication skills including the ability to speak English with understandable pronunciation.

HB 1383: Extends bar closing time to 2 a.m.

**HB 1397:** Allows SBHE to contract with Kansas State University to provide for up to five students to enroll in KSU's veterinary medical education program. Appropriated \$262,500.

**HB 1492:** NDSU Main Research Center may conduct research regarding industrial feral hemp seed. The Center may collect feral hemp seed stock and develop appropriate adapted strains of industrial hemp.

**HCR 3005:** Legislative council to study the utilization of real estate owned by state agencies and institutions and report to 2007 legislative assembly.

**HCR 3011:** Urges the state's public research institutes of higher education to participate in a regional hydrogen and energy research and education consortium.

**HCR 3036:** Legislative council to study agency and institution continuing appropriation authority.

**HCR 3042:** Legislative council to study North Dakota laws and laws of other states relating to identity theft and misuse of personal identifiable information.

#### Shorts and Reminders

#### **Positions Available**

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

Office Coordinator/#00020923 Career Center \$24,000+/year June 22

Administrative Assistant/#00020265 Equity and Diversity/General Counsel \$26,000+/year June 22

Receptionist/#00019924 10 months; 40 hours/week Memorial Union \$18,500+/year June 23

Coffee Barista/#00018550 12 months; 40 hours/week M-F; 6 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Dining Services-Union Dining Center \$8+/hour June 15

P.M. Cook/#00021893 12 months; 40 hours/week M-F; weekends as necessary 11 a.m.-7:30 p.m.; break and summer hours may vary Dining Services-Residence Dining Center \$9.25+/hour June 21

Preschool Teacher Technician/#00021565 Nine months; 40 hours/week Aug. 16-May 15 Child Development and Family Science \$15,000+/year June 22

Family Strengthening Program Facilitator 12 months; half-time NDSU Extension Service-Sioux County Fort Yates, N.D. \$13,000+/year Open until filled

Firefighter Temporary, non-benefited Three+ months, 40 hours/week, plus overtime M-F; some weekends due to fire assignments N.D. Forest Service Bismarck, N.D. \$8.88+/hour June 21

Engine Boss Temporary; non-benefited Three+ months; 40 hours/week, plus overtime M-F; some weekends due to fire assignments N.D. Forest Service Bismarck, N.D. \$11.95/hour June 21

Research Specialist Center for Nanoscale Science and Engineering (CNSE) Salary commensurate with experience June 20

Insect Physiologist/#00020607 Entomology \$22,000+/year June 15

Lab Toxicology Chemist Vet Diagnostic Services \$26,000+/year June 23

Range Research Technician 12 months; 20 hours/week) Dickinson R/E Center \$17,160/year July 15

Livestock Research Technician Nine months; full-time Dickinson R/E Center \$17,160/year July 15

Horticulture Technician Nine months; full-time Dickinson R/E Center \$17,160/year July 15

Research Specialist/#00020521 North Central Research Extension Center Minot, N.D. \$28,000 minimum/year Open until filled

Research Specialist/#00019519 Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering Salary commensurate with education and experience Open until filled

Assistant Director for Leadership and Community Development/#00020140 Residence Life \$40,000+/year June 22

HRMS Business Analyst (Internal NDUS only)/#00023777 North Dakota University System (NDUS)-CIS/HECN/HRMS \$40,000+/year Open until filled

Public Relations Coordinator/#00023003 Vice President for University Relations/Vice President for Student Affairs \$26,000+/year June 22

Database Administrator (re-opened) Information Technology Services Salary commensurate with experience June 23

System Administrator Information Technology Services Salary commensurate with experience

### June 23

Assistant Director NDSU Multicultural Student Services \$35,000+/year June 24

Information Technology Specialist/#00022723 (Northeast Region) Information Technology Services (EduTech) Salary commensurate with experience June 30

Information Technology Specialist/#00021489 (Northwest Region) Information Technology Services (EduTech) Salary commensurate with experience June 30

Coordinator of Greek Life/#00020820 Memorial Union \$31,000+/year July 1

Fire Management Specialist/#00019422 North Dakota Forest Service Bismarck, N.D. \$28,134/year Open until filled

Residence Hall Director 12 months; full-time \$25,000/year plus partially furnished apartment, meal plan, competitive benefits package Open until filled Anticipated start date is June 20

Life Science Librarian/#00021490 Libraries \$32,000+/year Open until filled

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

Calendar

### June

- 15 Live @ Lunch—Lis Harvey, 11:30 a.m., Memorial Union Cul de Sac Lounge
- 16 USDA-ARS—Luis Destfano, "Effects of Post-Harvest Storage On ABA Content and Expression of ABA Biosynthetic and Metabolism-Related Genes in Russet Burbank Tuber Tissues," 10 a.m., Northern Crop Science Laboratory large conference room
- 21 Tri-College University—Nathan Davis, TCU provost, farewell open house, 2-4 p.m., NDSU Downtown
- 22 Live @ Lunch—Doug Wood, 11:30 a.m., Memorial Union Alumni Lounge
- 29 Live @ Lunch—Small group from DeYarmond Edison, 11:30 a.m., Memorial Union Cul de Sac Lounge

### July

- 4 Independence Day holiday—university closed
- 6 Live @ Lunch—Charlie Schaller, 11:30 a.m., Memorial Union Cul de Sac Lounge
- 13 Live @ Lunch—Nick Fortunato, 11:30 a.m., Memorial Union Cul de Sac Lounge
- 20 Live @ Lunch—Jesse Veeder, 11:30 a.m., Memorial Union Cul de Sac Lounge

### August

3 Live @ Lunch-Dave Tamkins, 11:30 a.m., Memorial Union Cul de Sac Lounge

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