

University hotel plans proceed

Plans are moving forward for a hotel that will be located at the NDSU Research and Technology Park. The NDSU Development Foundation has entered into agreement with Sonmar Management Corp. to construct a 70- to 75-room facility.

The \$4 million facility will be an extended-stay hotel, intended primarily for visitors conducting business at the research park, and it also will serve as a teaching laboratory for students in NDSU's hospitality and tourism management program.

"The hotel will provide a wonderful opportunity for our students to be in a hands-on learning environment. This is an outstanding way for the students to learn every aspect of the industry from the reception desk to management positions," said NDSU President Joseph A. Chapman. "I am excited about the benefits our students will receive from such an experience."

Russ Maring, Sonmar Management Corp. principal, said his plan is to own and operate the hotel for a seven-year period and then gift it to the NDSU Development Foundation. Maring is an NDSU alumnus who graduated in 1963.

"Watching the growth of the research park and knowing Dr. Chapman's vision for NDSU, I was interested in pursuing this project," Maring said, noting that Hospitality Valuation Services conducted a feasibility study on the concept. "The whole intent is for everyone to benefit from the project. I am benevolent toward the university, and I want the Development Foundation to have a viable project when the gift transfer is made."

Virginia Clark Johnson, dean of human development and education, said that the hotel's educational opportunities have not been finalized, but perhaps as many as 18-20 students per semester could participate in hotel activities.

"As a campus laboratory hotel, it has the potential to provide classroom space and practice space for our students and some research opportunities for faculty members as well," Clark Johnson said. "As we work out the details, the hotel project certainly has tremendous potential, and it could be a real boost for the campus."

The hotel will be located northeast of the new Center for Nanoscale Science and Engineering building and south of 19th Avenue North. Construction is expected to begin either this fall or in the spring, with completion anticipated in 12-16 months.

Jim Miller, NDSU Development Foundation executive director, said the hotel is being developed entirely with private funding, with no state dollars involved.

"After seven years, we can enter into an agreement with somebody to manage the facility and continue the learning experience for the students in the College of Human Development and Education. That's a nice opportunity for us to acquire property, and at the same time have a facility for the people visiting the Research and Technology Park," Miller said.

"As we see it, the majority of people staying at the hotel will be coming to do work at the Research and Technology Park. But, there probably will be some traffic from FargoDome events," Miller said.

With corporate offices in Fargo, Sonmar Management Corp. manages Holiday Inn Express, Comfort Inn and Comfort Suites properties in Washington and Oregon. The company recently was selected as Choice Hotels International's "Franchisee of the Year."

'It's Happening' resumes weekly schedule

"It's Happening at State" resumes weekly publication with this issue. Regular publication dates are each Wednesday, and the deadline for every issue is noon Thursday the week prior to publication. Due to the Labor Day holiday, the deadline for the Sept. 8 issue is noon Wednesday, Sept. 1. Because of the Thanksgiving holiday, there will be no issue Nov. 24. Issues will be published Dec. 1, Dec. 8 and Dec. 15. There will be no issues Dec. 22 or Dec. 29.

'It's Happening' name, address change instructions

Changes in name and/or address, and additions and deletions of faculty and staff to the "It's Happening at State" distribution list should be sent to *char.goodyear@ndsu.nodak.edu*. Faculty and staff department changes are not made automatically and must be sent to University Relations by each department.

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NDSU to partner with India institute

NDSU is teaming up with a technical institute in India to enhance opportunities for students in both nations.

Starting this fall, NDSU will partner with Ansal Institute of Technology, Gurgaon, Haryana, India, in a "twinning" agreement that allows students in selected disciplines to study three years at AIT and then transfer to NDSU to complete their degrees. The disciplines include computer and electrical engineering, computer science, business administration and biotechnology at the undergraduate level, and the Master of Business Administration program.

In addition, the program allows NDSU students, beginning next year, to spend a semester or more at AIT, located near the capital city of New Dehli, to gain a cross-cultural and international experience. NDSU also plans to open an off-campus site and offer degree programs in India beginning in fall 2006.

Sudhir Mehta, associate vice president for academic affairs and professor of mechanical engineering, and Kerri Spiering, director of international programs, visited AIT June 28-July 3 to meet with prospective students and their parents.

"The students and parents had lots of questions, but I found them to be eager and enthusiastic about the program," Spiering said, noting that AIT is building a residence hall to accommodate the estimated 10-30 American students who are expected to study in India. "I also found the AIT faculty and staff to be very enthusiastic about the program and the mission of AIT."

Mehta said the program expects to have about 80 Indian students, with maximum levels already reached in computer and electrical engineering, computer science and biotechnology. "These are 'hot' areas of study, and there are not yet many programs available in India," Mehta explained.

"NDSU's curriculum will be offered at AIT, so students there will be able to take the same three years of classes they would take at NDSU, although at a more affordable cost. They can then transfer to NDSU for their final year," Mehta said.

According to Spiering, the agreement benefits everyone concerned.

"This not only offers our students a chance to go overseas, but it opens another door for a greater diversity of students on the NDSU campus," she said. "Study abroad experiences are a growth time for students. They learn about themselves, their own culture and another culture. That makes them more marketable when they come back and apply for jobs. These students are also our future leaders, so the idea of sharing and promoting friendships across cultures is important."

Volunteer greeters sought to welcome new students

The Department of Orientation and Student Success is asking faculty and staff to volunteer as greeters for new students and their parents on Sunday, Aug. 22, in the Memorial Union.

Greeters will answer general questions that students and family members may have, and are needed to fill various shifts between 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Anyone interested in volunteering should reply to *Jackie Schluchter@ndsu.nodak.edu* by Wednesday, Aug. 18.

Submission guidelines for 'It's Happening at State'

"It's Happening at State" is a weekly news publication that publishes for and about the faculty and staff of NDSU. Stories in "It's Happening" also may be distributed to off-campus media outlets as news releases. Story submissions are encouraged and will be edited for Associated Press style and length.

Occasionally, submitted stories may be cut or held due to space constraints. The deadline for all submissions is noon Thursday preceding the publication date, unless otherwise noted. If items that usually appear on a weekly basis are not received the Thursday noon deadline, it will be assumed that there is no submission for the week. Stories are placed in one of six categories: University News, People, Events, Shorts and Reminders, Research Opportunities and Calendar.

Stories likely to be published include, but are not limited to:

- University President announcements
- Faculty or staff member receives award
- Professor presents lecture/paper
- Department seminars
- Professor/department receives grant
- Student receives high academic honors
- Nominations for faculty awards sought
- NDSU fine arts events
- Campus organization performs community outreach (volunteering, charitable fundraising, etc.)

Stories not likely to be published, but are not limited to:

- Non-NDSU-sponsored community events, even if the event is held on campus
- Non-academic student achievement (athletics, livestock judging awards, etc.)
- Student organization news or announcements
- Classified advertisements or classified-type announcements

Students and "It's Happening"

Because "It's Happening" is an internal news publication primarily for faculty and staff, only high academic honors and awards received by students are published. Examples include Goldwater Scholarship recipients and national scholarship or competition winners.

Occasionally, a feature story about an athlete or team is published when national honors such as NCAA All-American team selection or Division Athlete of the Year are received. "It's Happening" does not publish team standings, news or announcements for either club or NCAA sports.

General news from student organizations is not published. However, if an organization is planning an event that is a form of community outreach that promotes the university, a story on the event may be published, space permitting.

Community events and "It's Happening"

"It's Happening" does not publish events scheduled on campus that are not sponsored by the university.

These criteria serve as guidelines when considering stories for submission. There may be situations when exceptions are made. In situations where "It's Happening" is unable to publish a story, for whatever reason, sponsors may wish to submit the story to other news outlets on campus such as The Spectrum, KDSU, department newsletters or campus listservs.

NDSU-Turtle Mountain Community College collaboration enters final year

A three-year collaborative project between the Turtle Mountain Community College and NDSU's Department of Civil Engineering and Construction has completed two years of its activities. The project, called "A Reservation Collaboration Initiative for Pre-college Excellence in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (RECIPE)," is funded by NASA. Carol Davis, TMCC vice president for academic affairs, and G. Padmanabhan, NDSU professor of civil engineering, are co-principal investigators for the project.

The project involves a number of middle school teachers who work with selected American Indian middle school students and tribal college and NDSU faculty. The collaborative works to develop and implement science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) after-school enrichment activities. NASA-developed educational resources are integrated in the lesson plans. Participating schools are Turtle Mountain Community Schools, Ojibwa Indian School, Dunseith Day School, St. John Public School, Rolla Public School, Dunseith Public School and Rolette Public School.

The project focuses on five components to increase reservation student participation in STEM disciplines and to encourage them to pursue a college education. The areas include informational activities, instructional activities, interaction with industry, interaction with American Indian STEM professionals and a collaborative framework among university and tribal college faculty and the reservation high schools. Project activities include after-school enrichment sessions, weekend academy, summer camp, development of gateway courses at TMCC, student meetings with American Indian and other STEM and NASA professionals and informational sessions about university and college campuses.

During the program's first two years, 10 middle school teachers and 30 American Indian middle school students participated in the after-school enrichment activities. According to Padmanabhan, the program expects to have an impact on an additional five teachers and 15 students during its final year.

Wei Lin, associate professor of civil engineering, will direct the project this year. The project team members are Eakalak Khan, assistant professor of civil engineering; Floyd Patterson, associate professor of electrical engineering; William Martin, interim chair of the School of Education and associate professor of mathematics; and Robert Pieri, professor of mechanical engineering.

For additional information, contact Padmanabhan at 1-7043.

Libraries academic year hours announced

The NDSU Libraries begin its regular academic year schedule Tuesday, Aug. 24.

Main Library hours are:

Monday-Thursday—7:30 a.m.-midnight
Friday—7:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
Saturday—11:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sunday—1 p.m.-midnight

Branch libraries hours are:

Monday-Thursday—8 a.m.-10 p.m.
Friday—8 a.m.-5 p.m.
Saturday—Closed
Sunday—5 p.m.-10 p.m.

Institute for Regional Studies hours are:

Monday-Friday—8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Wednesday—8 a.m.-8 p.m.
Saturday-Sunday—Closed

Hours vary during holidays and interim sessions. For a current listing of hours consult the Libraries' Web page at www.lib.ndsu.nodak.edu, use the HRS command on the online catalog or call the information tape at 1-9456.

People

Singh awarded pharmaceutical fellowship

Jagdish Singh, chair and professor of pharmaceutical sciences, has been elected to fellowship status in the American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists (AAPS), a national organization representing pharmaceutical scientists. Singh is scheduled to receive the award at the association's annual meeting Nov. 7 in Baltimore.

Fellowship status is awarded to scientists who have made outstanding contributions to AAPS and pharmaceutical sciences.

Singh's research efforts at NDSU focus on the mechanistic studies of developing and testing novel drug delivery technologies for biotechnologically derived molecules. Since coming to campus in 1994, he has obtained approximately \$1.4 million in funding for NDSU.

"Dr. Singh is joining a select group of scientists nationally who have achieved this distinguished honor," said Charles D. Peterson, dean of pharmacy. "It is a great acknowledgement of his career achievements and the quality of our people and programs here at NDSU."

Singh has published more than 109 peer reviewed publications and 170 abstracts, and was named the College of Pharmacy's Researcher of the Year for the 1998-99 and 2000-01 academic years. He also has received the college's Teacher of the Year award three times, and was recognized twice as a Mortar Board preferred professor for his continued service and dedication to students through excellence in academic teaching. Singh currently teaches novel dosage and drug delivery systems.

Singh earned his doctorate in pharmaceuticals from Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, India. He also received post-doctoral training from the University of Otago, Dunedin, New Zealand, and the University of California, San Francisco.

In addition, Singh is an active member of several national and international professional and scientific societies and serves as reviewer of several pharmaceutical and biomedical journals.

Faculty member killed in accident

Vernon Markey, assistant professor and program coordinator of hospitality and tourism management, was killed in a car/motorcycle accident Aug. 10 at an intersection in Pierre, S.D. Markey, who was driving the motorcycle, lived in West Fargo. He was 46.

Communication doctoral student Julie Novak, a passenger on the motorcycle, was injured in the accident and remained hospitalized in a Sioux Falls hospital as this edition of "It's Happening at State" went to press.

Markey joined the NDSU faculty in 2001, after previously serving on the hotel, restaurant and institutional management faculty at the University of Minnesota, Crookston.

Markey earned his bachelor's degree from NDSU and a master's degree in hotel, restaurant and institution management at Iowa State University, Ames. Markey also had completed some work toward a master's degree in organizational leadership at the College of St. Catherine, St. Paul, Minn. He currently was a doctoral student in NDSU's communication department.

Markey also had written restaurant reviews for The Forum for more than two years.

Rice wins award for outstanding humanitarian service

David Rice, Webmaster and information technology trainer in Agriculture Communication, has received the Pinnacle Award for Outstanding Humanitarian Service from the National Association of County Agricultural Agents (NACAA).

The association's highest award, the Pinnacle Award is given annually to an active member who distinguishes himself or herself as an outstanding humanitarian in the area in which they live and serve and who delivers effective agricultural extension educational programs.

A major portion of Rice's volunteer service is dedicated to military veterans. He has been a regional director for the U.S. Navy Cruiser Sailors Association since 2000 and is Webmaster and editor of a newsletter for the Fleet Reserve Association Branch 273. He has been president of the Fargo area U.S. Navy Chief Petty Officer's Mess since 1994 and is a vice commander of the Fargo American Legion. He has coordinated an annual Navy ball for the last 13 years.

In addition, Rice is a regular volunteer at the Fargo American Legion Post, conducting fundraisers to support American Legion baseball, Boys and Girls State and other charitable programs. He also develops Web sites for veteran's organizations, and has performed military honors at several funerals.

Rice also has served on the Cass/Clay chapter of the American Red Cross board of directors, and the Red Cross Disaster Action Team and Service to Military Families committee.

He was awarded the Department of Defense Humanitarian Service Medal in 1997 for his efforts during the Red River Valley flood and a USDA group honor Award for Excellence as part of NDSU's flood response team.

Rice credited his parents and neighbors who were always there to help those in need. "Neighbors helping neighbors was just a way of life and I wanted to continue that philosophy in my adult life," he said.

The NACAA is a professional organization of more than 6,600 members nationwide whose mission is to help members excel in extension programming through high standards of professional performance.

Danbom essay published

An essay by David Danbom, professor of history, was published in "The Uniting States," a three-volume reference on each state's achievement of statehood.

In the essay, Danbom emphasizes the significance of the Northern Pacific railroad's influence and national partisan politics on the timing of North Dakota's entry into the Union and the conditions of the state's admission.

Events

Wellness Center to offer tobacco cessation program

The Wellness Education Program at NDSU is set to offer the "Break Away from Nicotine" (BAN) tobacco cessation program for students, faculty and staff. Informational sessions are scheduled for 1 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 1, in the Wellness Center room 166.

The program will offer individual consultation, treatment planning, education and support sessions, and follow-up sessions. All sessions are free of charge. The cost of nicotine replacement products is not included and will vary depending on the products.

For additional information, visit the Wellness Center Web site at www.ndsu.edu/wellness/education/tobacco, or call Lida Deutsch at 1-7331.

Job fair scheduled

The NDSU Career Center will sponsor an "On-campus Job Fair," scheduled for 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 26 in the Memorial Union Ballroom.

"The event is an opportunity for departments and offices that will be looking to fill part-time, non-work study positions for the upcoming school year, both fall and spring semesters," said Jill Wilkey, Career Center director. "It will heighten their visibility as on-campus employers."

To reserve a table, contact Barb Lindberg at 1-8467.

Gallery sets print sales, PEARS exhibit

The Memorial Union Gallery has scheduled an exhibit featuring prints created in the NDSU printmaking, education and research studio (PEARS) during the past seven years. Works on display include those made during the summer printmaking workshops, by visiting artists, artists-in-residence and others.

The gallery also has set its annual poster and fine print sale for 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday, Aug. 23-Thursdays, Aug. 26, in the Memorial Union Alumni Lounge.

Categories include art, athletics, landscapes and popular culture. Proceeds from the event will be used to bring in visiting artists. For more information, call 1-7900.

FrontLine Leadership program set

The Office of the President and the Office of the Vice President for Business and Finance are set to sponsor FrontLine Leadership, a management and supervisory leadership program, Thursday, Sept. 16-Thursdays, Dec. 9. More than 180 NDSU employees have completed the course.

The following topics are scheduled for the 13 sessions:

•Core Interpersonal Skills:

- FrontLine Leadership: Your Role and the Basic Principles
- Giving Constructive Feedback
- Dealing with Emotional Behavior
- Recognizing Positive Results

Individual/Team Performance:

- Establishing Performance Expectations
- Taking Corrective Action
- Coaching for Optimal Performance
- Clarifying Team Roles and Responsibilities
- Resolving Team Conflicts

Organizational Impact:

- Confronting Issues with Your Manager and Peers
- Managing Change
- Expressing Yourself: Presenting Your Thoughts and Ideas
- NDSU/NDUS: Supervising in the Public Sector Environment

The course is open to all managers and supervisors within the university, but does not cover issues specific to faculty. Each session runs 3.5 hours.

For an application or information about funding to attend FrontLine Leadership, contact Heidi Handegaard in human resources at 1-8961.

Wellness Center 5k run, walk scheduled

The third annual 5k and one-mile fun run/walk, hosted by the NDSU Wellness Center and wellness education leaders, is scheduled for 8 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 28, with registration beginning at 7 a.m. at the Wellness Center. The event is open to all ages, and will be held rain or shine.

All participants will receive a free gift and will be eligible for door prizes. Awards will be given to the top male and top female finishers in each race division. Early entry fees are \$12 per person for the 5k run and \$6 for the mile walk. Fees are \$14 and \$8 on race day.

Registration forms are available at www.ndsu.edu/wellness. For more information, contact Tim Byers, head fitness specialist, at 1-5209.

Little Country Theatre season schedule announced

The Little Country Theatre has announced its production schedule for the 2004-05 academic year.

“Everyman”

7:30 p.m. Oct. 6-9; 2 p.m. Oct. 10

Askanase Auditorium

Staff free preview—7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 5

Written near the end of the 15th century, the famous morality play portrays a complacent Everyman's progression from despair and fear of death, to a “Christian resignation that is the prelude to redemption.” Faced with his impending demise, Everyman is deserted by his false friends, his casual companions, his kin and his wealth. He falls back on his good deeds, his strength, his beauty, his intelligence and his knowledge but at the end, all but his Good Deeds desert him.

“St. Joan”

by George Bernard Shaw

7:30 p.m. Dec. 1-4; 2 p.m. Dec. 5

Walsh Studio Theatre

Staff free preview—7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 2

Shaw reached the height of his fame as a dramatist with “St. Joan,” leading to his 1925 Nobel Prize for Literature. The historical drama explores ideas ranging from politics to religion and feminism. Joan is presented as a proud, intolerant, naive, foolhardy and brave person, and the story follows her fascinating journey from impudent maid to saint.

“Marcus is Walking: Scenes from the Road”

by Joan Ackermann

7:30 p.m. Feb. 24-26 and March 3-5; 2 p.m. Feb. 27

Walsh Studio Theatre

Staff free preview—7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 23

The whimsical and touching adventure was written to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the automobile. Ackermann's offbeat comedy invites the audience to hop in for the ultimate road trip as she explores themes of control, navigation, love and escape during 11 vignettes written to take place in and around the car.

“The Beggar's Opera”

by John Gay

7:30 p.m. April 14-16 and 21-23

Askanase Auditorium

Staff free preview—Wednesday, April 13

John Gay's classic 18th century “ballad opera” has been described as a “sly, tuneful, jolly-good romp” through the London underworld, circa 1720. The inspiration for Bertolt Brecht's Threepenny Opera, is replete with pickpockets, highwaymen, veiled political commentary, melodious laments and dances.

Season tickets are \$40 for adults; \$25 for senior citizens and NDSU alumni, faculty and staff; \$20 for non-NDSU students; and \$15 for NDSU students. Single performance tickets are \$12 for adults; \$10 for senior citizens and NDSU alumni, faculty and staff; \$8 for non-NDSU students; and \$4 for NDSU students. For ticket information, call the fine arts box office at 1-9442.

Shorts and Reminders

Agricultural competitiveness conference scheduled

"Agricultural Competitiveness and Change under Globalization," a conference hosted by NDSU's Center for Agricultural Policy and Trade Studies and the University of Minnesota's Freeman Center for International Economic Policy is scheduled for Oct. 11-12 at the Fargo Ramada Plaza Suites and Conference Center.

The conference will analyze changes in U.S. agriculture and agribusiness under globalization and evaluate the impact on U.S. farm income. Specific themes include the United States economy under globalization; recent structural changes in American farms and agribusiness under globalization and the impact on agricultural competitiveness; major issues under globalization, including the environment, biotechnology and bio-terrorism; strategies for remaining competitive; and the future direction of the U.S. agricultural sector and food system.

Invited speakers include Sen. Kent Conrad; Sen. Byron Dorgan; Robbin Johnson, Cargill Inc.; M. Ali Khan, Johns Hopkins University; Mike Doane, Monsanto; James Horvath, American Crystal Sugar Co.; Ronald Jones, University of Rochester; and G. Edward Schuh, University of Minnesota.

NDSU faculty, staff and students may register at the reduced price of \$20, payable by check or inter-department billing. For conference details, or to register, visit www.ag.ndsu.nodak.edu/caps or call Beth Ambrosio at 1-7334.

Specialty grains conference scheduled

The 2004 Midwest Specialty Grains Conference and Trade Show is set for Sept. 8-10 at the Minneapolis Airport Marriott hotel. Sponsored by the Midwest Shippers Association, "Building Relationships in the IP World" will focus on bringing specialty grain buyers and sellers together. Producers, processors and end-users are invited to attend.

Minnesota agriculture commissioner Gene Hugoson is the scheduled opening session speaker. Planned breakout sessions include IP transportation, food safety, traceability, global outlook, Midwest IP soybeans, specialty corn products, specialty grain processing and Midwest quality advantages.

Registration details are available at www.grainconference.com or by calling (612) 252-1453.

Positions Available

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

Administrative Secretary
12 months, 20 hours/week
Pharmaceutical Sciences
\$12,500+/year
Aug. 25

Catering Attendant
12 months; 40 hours/week
M-F; nights and weekends as necessary
Hours vary; not traditional NDSU business hours
Dining Services-Union Dining Center
\$7.65+/hour
Open until filled

Lead Food Service Worker/#1027
12 months; 40 hours/week
11:30 a.m.-8 p.m.; M-F; weekends as necessary
Dining Services-Residence Dining Center
\$8+/hour
Open until filled

Nutrition Education Assistant, EFNEP/#1984
NDSU Extension Service-Fort Berthold
New Town, N.D.
12 months; 40 hours/week
\$18,500+/year
Contingent on availability of federal funds
Open until filled

Agriculture Research Technologist/#1361
(Feed Manufacturing Technologist)
Animal and Range Sciences
\$26,000+/year
Non-exempt
Open until filled

INBRE Biology Core Educational Specialist
Center for Science and Mathematics Education
Half-time position
\$17,000+/year, commensurate with experience
Exempt
Aug. 18

Pharmacist-in-Charge
12-month position (Nine months full-time; three months half-time)
Student Health Service
Salary commensurate with education and experience
Aug. 20

Science and Mathematics Instructor/#3820
Office of TRIO Programs
\$28,000+/year
Aug. 24

Finance Specialist/#5677/#5744
Center for Nanoscale Science and Engineering (CNSE)
Salary commensurate with experience
Aug. 25

Coordinator for Cooperative Education
Career Center
\$32,000 minimum/year
Aug. 25

Head of Library Technical Services/#0518
NDSU Libraries
\$42,000+/year
Sept. 30

Registered Nurse
Per diem; M-F; non-benefited
Student Health Service
\$14+/hour
Open until filled

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

- 17 Downtown Campus dedication events—musical entertainment, 11:30 a.m., Plains Art Museum; “My Architect,” 1 p.m., Fargo Theater; building dedication, 3:30 p.m., east of Downtown Campus building; building tours and outdoor celebration, 4:30 p.m., Downtown Campus building.
- 18 Football vs. Carson-Newman College (Trees Bowl), 6 p.m., Fargodome
- 24-25 Women’s golf, Bison/Dragon Invite, times and location to be announced
- 29 Campus Attractions—Robert Hastings presents government information regarding the existence of UFOs, 7 p.m., Century Theater. Free.
- 29 Volleyball vs. Minnesota State University Moorhead, 7 p.m., Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse

Calendar

August

Through Sept. 9—“PRINTS from PEARS” exhibit, Memorial Union Gallery. Reception 4:30 p.m. Aug. 26.

- 17 USDA-ARS—Tom Gulya, plant pathologist, and Gerald Seiler, botanist, “Stalking Wild Sunflowers: The Perils and Pleasures of Exploring for Wild *Helianthus* Across North America,” 10:30 a.m., Northern Crop Science bioscience research laboratory large conference room
- 23-27 MU Gallery poster and print sale, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Memorial Union Alumni Lounge
- 24 Classes begin
- 25 Campus Attractions—MTV’s Real World cast members Brad and Cameran discuss their experiences on the show. Meet-and-greet follows presentation. 8 p.m., Festival Concert Hall. Free.
- 26 Career Center—On-campus job fair, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Memorial Union Ballroom
- 28 Wellness Center 5k and one-mile fun run/walk, 8 a.m., Wellness Center
- 28 Football vs. Valparaiso University, 6 p.m., Fargodome
- 31 Campus Attractions—Self defense class, 6 p.m., Memorial Union Ballroom. Free.

September

- 6 Labor Day holiday-university closed
- 11 Football vs. Montana Tech, 6 p.m., Fargodome
- 13-Oct. 7 “Celebrating Explorers: Commemorating the Lewis and Clark Expedition’s Bicentennial” exhibit, Memorial Union Gallery. Special Parents Weekend hours noon-3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 2. Reception 4:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 1.

October

- 5 Free staff preview of Little Country Theatre’s “Everyman,” 7:30 p.m., Askanase Auditorium
- 6-10 Little Country Theatre presents “Everyman,” 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, Askanase Auditorium
- 8 Volleyball vs. Northern Colorado (Parents Night), 7 p.m., Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse
- 9 Volleyball vs. South Dakota State University, 7 p.m., Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse
- 11-12 Center for Agricultural Policy and Trade Studies—“Agricultural Competitiveness and Change Under Globalization” conference, Ramada Plaza Suites and Conference Center, Fargo
- 12-Nov. 11 Exhibit by Gretchen Bederman, Memorial Union Gallery. Special Homecoming hours 4-6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 15, and 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 16. Reception 4:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29.
- 13 Continuing education—“Leadership from the Ground Up: Effectiveness in Changing Times,” conference live via satellite featuring presentations by Donald Trump, Rudy Giuliani, Stephen R. Covey, Ram Charan, Brian Tracy, Suze Orman and Jack Welch, 9:45 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Speedway Events Center, West Fargo, N.D. Register at www.luminaryseries.com.
- 15 Volleyball vs. University of Winnipeg, 7 p.m., Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse
- 16 Football vs. Southern Utah University (Homecoming), 1 p.m., Fargodome
- 16 Volleyball—NDSU alumni exhibition, 5:30 p.m., Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse
- 23 Football vs. California Polytechnic, 1 p.m., Fargodome
- 30 Football vs. Northwestern State of Louisiana (Harvest Bowl), 1 p.m., Fargodome

November

- 3-4 Fine craft demonstrations and sales by Donald Cain, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Memorial Union Alumni Lounge.
- 11 Veteran's Day holiday-university closed
- 17-Dec. 15 NDSU juried student art exhibit, Memorial Union Gallery. Reception 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 17.
- 25 Thanksgiving Day holiday-university closed
- 29-Dec. 3 Gift Nook holiday sale, 9:30 a.m.-6 p.m., Memorial Union Alumni Lounge

December

- 1 Free staff preview of Little Country Theatre's "St. Joan," 7:30 p.m., Walsh Studio Theatre
- 2-5 Little Country Theatre presents "St. Joan," 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday, Walsh Studio Theatre
- 10 Last day of classes
- 10 Ceramic and PEARS print sale, noon-6 p.m., visual arts department
- 17 Commencement, 4 p.m., Fargodome

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