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UND 125th closing celebration is Wednesday

The closing celebration of the University of North Dakota's 125th anniversary is set for 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10, in the Memorial Ballroom. A program and closing ceremony will begin at 3 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

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Retirement reception to honor Bob Gallager is Thursday

A retirement reception will honor Bob Gallager, vice president for finance and operations, Thursday, Dec. 11, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the J. Lloyd Stone Alumni Center. He will retire following eight years of service to the University. Please join us in wishing Bob well in his retirement.

He and his wife Marian will return to their home state of South Carolina, where they have built a new home.

"Bob has done an outstanding job, not only in managing the finance and operations division, but also in helping the University prepare for the future," said President Robert Kelley. "His innovative approaches to securing funding for some of our building projects have been critical to their success. We will miss Bob immensely, and we will wish him the very best in retirement."

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Farewell reception set for Chandice Covington

Faculty and staff at the College of Nursing invite you to a farewell reception for Chandice Covington, dean of nursing, from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12, at the J. Lloyd Stone Alumni Center.

Dean Covington has accepted a position as professor and Florence Thelma Hall Endowed Chair for Nursing Excellence in Women's Health with the Laura Bush Women's Health Institute at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Nursing in Lubbock, Texas. This new position will allow her the opportunity to work on her research, which focuses on health promotion and the prevention of poor health outcomes in children,

especially in vulnerable populations in the United States and in international settings.

She has been dean at the College of Nursing since September 2005 and has been an integral part in propelling the college forward. Among her many accomplishments, Dean Covington has been a champion in establishing our Clinical Simulation Center, nominating faculty for national nursing awards, expanding the online mission of the college, and developing a consortium of nursing programs across the state to look for a more effective approach to healthcare.

She is passionate and tireless in her efforts to advance the profession of nursing and position the College of Nursing as a national leader in nursing education. Please join us to celebrate her accomplishments and wish her well.

-- *Becky Cournia, Alumni & Development Officer, College of Nursing, beckycournia@mail.und.edu, 701-777-4526*

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William 'Bill' Marcil to deliver commencement addresses, receive honorary doctorate

William "Bill" Marcil, CEO of Forum Communications and a University of North Dakota alumnus, will deliver commencement addresses at both the undergraduate and graduate winter commencement exercises set for Dec. 19, at his alma mater.

Marcil also will receive an honorary degree from UND for his long, distinguished career in the fields publishing, media and journalism.

The undergraduate commencement ceremony is set for 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19, at the Chester Fritz Auditorium. The Graduate School will hold its graduation event at 10 a.m. the same day, also at the Chester Fritz Auditorium. The ceremony will be broadcast live on Grand Forks area Cable Channel 3, as well as Web-streamed. The Internet video feed will be available on the UND home page, www.und.edu beginning 30 minutes before each ceremony, as will the program on Channel 3.

The video of the ceremonies will be archived, allowing online viewers to watch it later, and will also be rebroadcast on Grand Forks area Cable Channel 3, from Dec. 23 to Dec. 26, each at noon, 8 p.m. and 12:30 a.m.

The North Dakota State Board of Higher Education approved the Honorary Doctorate of Letters degree for Marcil last month. President Robert Kelley will confer the honorary degree on Marcil during the 10 a.m. commencement ceremony, and it also will be acknowledged during the 2 p.m. event.

There have been more than 200 UND honorary degree recipients over the last 99 years, including President John F. Kennedy in 1963, Crown Prince Olav of Norway in 1939, journalist Eric Sevareid in 1970, philosopher Mortimer Adler in 1983 and famed cardiovascular surgeon Dr. Michael E. DeBakey in 1990. UND presented its first honorary degree in 1909 to Webster Merrifield who served the University for 25 years, including 18 as its third president.

Marcil will join other notable recent honorary degree recipients from UND including Phil Jackson, legendary National Basketball Association coach of the L.A. Lakers and former coach of the Chicago Bulls (August 2008); U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Ed Schafer (May 2008); Jean Kiesau, a long-time Grand Forks business and community leader who was president of Home of Economy (May 2008); and Steinar Opstad, an international communication, business and education expert known as UND's greatest ambassador in Europe (August 2008).

The North Dakota State Board of Higher Education will be represented at the graduation ceremonies by Grand Forks' own Duaine Espegard.

A native of Rolette, N.D., Marcil graduated from the University of North Dakota with a degree in business administration in 1958. He started a career in newspapers in 1961, when he joined The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead as a retail advertising salesman. He would move up within The Forum organization, holding positions, such as classified advertising manager, promotion director, production manager and assistant to the publisher.

In 1969, Marcil was named president of The Forum Publishing Co., and publisher of the newspaper upon the death of his father-in-law, Norman D. Black Jr. The move made Marcil a fourth generation family owner of the newspaper. He was 33 at the time and had experience in every department of the newspaper except editorial.

Under Marcil's 37 years of leadership, the company has experienced significant growth and change. Marcil formed Forum Communications Co., adding news and printing operations in four states: North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin. In 1997, Marcil joined the news gathering powers of The Forum newspaper with WDAY Television on the Web, creating online synergies and collaboration between two once fierce competitors in the news business. The move was hailed as ground-breaking and innovative in the region and has proved to be a successful partnership. More recently in 2006, Forum Communications acquired the Grand Forks Herald, the Duluth News Tribune, The Daily Telegram in Superior, Wis., and weekly newspapers in Cloquet, Minn. and Two Harbors, Minn. Today, the company owns 35 newspapers, seven commercial printers, two interactive Web sites, and is the licensee of television stations in North Dakota's four largest cities. It is the third-largest media company in Minnesota and the largest in North Dakota, employing about 2,200 people.

Marcil served as chair of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce from 1994 to 1995, helping to promote the chamber's "grassroots communication program" for effectively lobbying support from the federal government.

Marcil also has been committed to building a strong future for North Dakota and helping to advance economic development in the state. He has chaired both the Greater North Dakota Association and the North Dakota Vision 2000 Committee. In 1990, he received the Greater North Dakotan Award from the Greater North Dakota Association for his outstanding business leadership. That same year, he received the Sioux Award, the highest honor given by the UND Alumni Association.

In 1992, Marcil was presented with the North Dakota National Leadership Award of Excellence by the State of North Dakota.

Marcil was inducted into the North Dakota Newspaper Hall of Fame by the North Dakota Newspaper Association, and a year later, he became the 35th North Dakotan honored with the Theodore Roosevelt Roughrider Award, the states' highest honor of life achievement.

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Faculty, administrative staff invited to participate in winter commencement

I invite members of the faculty and administrative staff to participate in the winter commencement ceremonies Friday, Dec. 19. Two ceremonies will be held and faculty and administrative staff are encouraged to march in academic regalia in one or both events.

The ceremony for all graduate degrees will begin at 10 a.m. and all undergraduate degrees will be awarded at the ceremony beginning at 2 p.m. Both events will be held in the Chester Fritz Auditorium. Faculty and administrators should assemble in the lower level of the Auditorium and be ready to process at least 30 minutes

prior to the ceremony. University marshals will be on hand to direct participants to their places in the procession.

Please contact the Office of Ceremonies and Special Events in the vice president for student and outreach services office at 777-2724 by Wednesday, Dec. 17, or send an e-mail message to Terri Machart at terrimachart@mail.und.nodak.edu if you plan to participate so that an appropriate number of seats can be reserved. When responding, please make sure to indicate if you will be participating in one or both ceremonies.

I encourage participation by faculty and administrative staff to help make Commencement a memorable occasion for our graduates and their guests.

-- Robert Kelley, President, Office of the President, rokelley@mail.und.edu, 7-2121

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EVENTS TO NOTE

Spanish faculty candidate will give talk today

Paul Worley, faculty candidate for assistant professor of Spanish, will speak at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 9, in 114 Merrifield Hall. The title of his talk is "if We Don't Tell Them Who Will? The Storyteller and Indigenous Agency in Contemporary Yukatek Maya Literature." He is a doctoral student at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. -- Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures.

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Jan Kelly Moen presents Faculty Lecture Dec. 11

Jan Kelly Moen (sociology and peace studies) will present the final University Faculty Lecture of the semester Thursday, Dec. 11. She will address "Conceptual Underpinnings of Peace Studies: History of an Idea in Transition." A reception will be held at 4 p.m. and the lecture will begin at 4:30 p.m.

Please join us at the North Dakota Museum of Art as Moen addresses the history of this important program.

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"Do's and Don'ts of Applying to Graduate School" presentation is Dec. 11

- Why consider graduate education?
- What to look for when applying for the graduate school?
- How to choose the program that fits your personal and professional interests?

If you are considering graduate school or would like to know how to submit the best possible application, be sure to attend the Graduate School's presentation, "The Dos and Don'ts of Applying to Graduate School." You will learn the benefits of graduate education, choosing a graduate program and have a guided tour of UND's online application, listen to current graduate students sharing their experience, and many more useful tips.

The event will be held in the Memorial Union, River Valley Room, Friday, Dec. 11, from noon to 2 p.m. It is free and open to the public. Coffee and cookies will be provided.

Event schedule:

noon to 1 p.m., dean of the Graduate School

1 to 1:40 p.m., graduate student panel discussion

1:40 to 2 p.m., online application process, director of admissions and assistance

To assist us with adequate catering, please register here:

www.graduateschool.und.edu/html/events.html

For more information, contact Nick Cichy at 777-0095, nickcichy@mail.und.edu

-- Nick Cicy, *The Dos and Don'ts of Applying to Graduate School*, Graduate School, nickcichy@mail.und.edu, 701-777-0095

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Pharmacology, physiology and therapeutics faculty candidate presents seminar Dec. 11

Heather Hostetler, assistant research scientist in the Department of Veterinary Physiology and Pharmacology at Texas A&M University, will present a seminar titled "Metabolic Implications of PPAR α Ligand Interactions" at 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11, in Room 3933, School of Medicine. Dr. Hostetler is a faculty candidate for the Department of Pharmacology, Physiology and Therapeutics. All are welcome to attend.

-- Deb Kroese, *Administrative Officer, Pharmacology, Physiology & Therapeutics*, dkroese@medicine.nodak.edu, 777-6221

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Doctoral examination set for Divine Dugah

The final examination for Divine Dugah, a candidate for the Ph.D. degree with a major in chemistry, is set for noon Friday, Dec. 12, in 138 Abbott Hall. The dissertation title is "Synthesis, Characterization and Oxidation of New Divalent Lanthanide Bis(phenolate) Complexes and Their Applications in the Ring Opening Polymerization of Cyclic Esters." Lothar Stahl (chemistry) is the committee chair. The public is invited to attend.

-- Joseph Benoit, *Dean, The Graduate School*, joseph.benoit@und.edu, 777-4005

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Biology seminar rescheduled to Dec. 12

William Sheridan's biology seminar, originally scheduled for this Wednesday, Dec. 3, has been rescheduled to noon Friday, Dec. 12, at in 141 Starcher Hall. Sheridan, Chester Fritz Distinguished Professor, will address "Segmental Chromosome Manipulation of the Maize Genome Uncovers Unexpected Dosage Effects on Plant Development."

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Spanish candidate to speak Friday

Osvaldo Cleger, faculty candidate for assistant professor of Spanish, will speak at 2:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12, in 313 Merrifield Hall. The title of his talk is "From Hypertext to Blog-fictions: Mapping Current Trends in Electronic Literature." He is a doctoral student at the University of Arizona. Everyone is welcome. -- Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures.

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University Within the University lists new class

University Within the University (U2) lists the following new class:

MS Office 2007—How Will It Affect You?

(Informational PowerPoint presentation, not hands-on)

Dec. 16, 2:30 to 4 p.m., Memorial Union, Lecture Bowl

Become familiar with the dramatically different user interface in Office 2007 applications, The Ribbon. Learn how to recognize the new file formats for Excel, Word, PowerPoint, and Access 2007 documents. Learn about the file format compatibility issues between Office 2007 files and earlier Office versions. Find out how to install the free Office Compatibility Pack for opening and editing Office 2007 files in earlier Office versions, and how to save Office 2007 files in the earlier version (Office 97-2003 file format). Presenter: Heidi Strande.

-- Julie Vatnsdal, Interim U2 Coordinator, Continuing Education, julievatnsdal@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-0886

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Institutional Review Board meets Jan. 9

The Institutional Review Board will meet at 3 p.m. Friday, Jan. 9, in 305 Twamley Hall to consider all research proposals submitted to the IRB office before Tuesday, Dec. 30.

Clinical medical projects must be reviewed by the Clinical Medical Subcommittee before being brought to the full board. Proposals for these projects are due in the Institutional Review Board office before Tuesday, Dec. 23.

Minutes from the meeting will be available in the IRB office approximately one week after the meeting.

-- Kathy Smart, Ed.D., Chair, Institutional Review Board, janetelshaug@mail.und.edu, 701-777-4279

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Reception set to honor Tami Carmichael, ND CASE/Carnegie Professor of the Year

The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) have named Tami Carmichael, director of humanities and integrated studies, the 2008 North Dakota Professor of the Year. The United States Professors of the Year program salutes the most outstanding undergraduate instructors in the country, those who excel in teaching and positively influence the lives and careers of students. It is the only national program to recognize excellence in undergraduate teaching and mentoring. CASE and the Carnegie Foundation have been partners in offering Professors of the Year since 1981. Former UND winners are: Thomas Owens, chemical engineering (2000); John Reid, geology and geological engineering (1996); and Daniel Sheridan, English (1995).

Dr. Carmichael was nominated by the provost's office and selected from nearly 300 top professors throughout the country. This year, there are winners in 44 states, the District of Columbia and Guam. All of the 2008 U.S. Professors of the Year were honored at a luncheon and awards ceremony in Washington, D.C. in November.

Everyone is welcome to this reception in honor of Dr. Carmichael and in recognition of the importance of excellence in undergraduate teaching. Please come Wednesday, Dec. 17, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the J. Lloyd Stone Alumni Center and offer your congratulations.

-- Joan Hawthorne, Assistant Provost, VPAA, joan_hawthorne@und.nodak.edu, 7-4684

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December Denim Day comes early

December's "regular" Denim Day will be Wednesday, Dec. 17. So take a moment from holiday preparations, wear your denim, and enjoy going casual. All proceeds go to charity as always.

-- Patsy Nies, Special Project Assistant, Enrollment Services, patsynies@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-3791

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Master of Fine Arts exhibition runs through Dec, 19

"E-Motions," a Master of Fine Arts in Visual Arts exhibition by David Gabriel Martínez, is currently showing at the Col. Eugene E. Myers Art Gallery, Hughes Fine Arts Center. The exhibition will run through Friday, Dec. 19, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. -- Department of Art and Design.

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Job Christenson presents "A Holiday Cabaret"

Join acclaimed vocalist Job Christenson and accompanist Marlys Murphy at a "Holiday Cabaret" at the Fire Hall Theatre Friday, Dec. 19, at 7:30 p.m. Christenson will present his favorite holiday selections, and have copies of

his brand new holiday CD available for purchase.

Admission is \$15 at the door. Proceeds from the Friday Night Cabaret series benefit the artist and the Greater Grand Forks Community Theatre. Wine and light hors d'oeuvres will be served.

The Fire Hall Theatre is located at 412 2nd Ave. N., nestled between City Hall and Central High School Auditorium, in downtown Grand Forks.

For more information, visit us online at www.ggfct.org.

-- Benjamin Klipfel, Executive Director, Greater Grand Forks Community Theatre, info@ggfct.org, 701-746-0847

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Grand Forks Master Chorale presents concerts Dec. 20-21

The Grand Forks Master Chorale will present "A Scandinavian Christmas" at 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 20, and Sunday, Dec. 21, at 4 p.m. at Calvary Lutheran Church, 1405 S. 9th St, Grand Forks. Tickets are available at the door: \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors, and \$5 for students.

-- Michelle Lucia-Ingle, Interim Manager, Master Chorale, gfmasterchorale@gmail.com, 777-3376

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HealthTrip 2009 - Go Green

The YMCA Family Center and Altru Health System have joined forces to present HealthTrip 2009: Go Green. The community kick-off and registration is scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 6, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Grand Cities Mall, South Washington St.

HealthTrip is a 114-day goal-oriented incentive program designed to help promote a healthy mind, body and spirit through regular physical activity. HealthTrip encourages not only physical fitness and fun, but nutrition, stress management and overall wellness.

This year HealthTrip will go from Jan. 9 to April 29. Each year participants track their progress on a map; the more physical activity and healthy lifestyle changes they make, the farther they get on their map and the more prizes they can earn. The program is designed to give individuals the flexibility to pick their choice of physical activity and healthy alternatives.

Anyone interested in joining HealthTrip is welcome to participate.

For more information, call:

* Bob McWilliams, YMCA, at (701) 775-2586 or visit www.gfymca.org

* Rachel Aure, Altru Health System, at (701) 780-2516 or visit www.altru.org

-- Bette Olson, Associate Professor (HealthTrip Committee), Nursing, betteolson@mail.und.edu, 701-777-4520

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Institute for Philosophy in Public Life announced

The North Dakota Humanities Council (NDHC) has agreed to partner with the University of North Dakota College of Arts and Sciences to establish an Institute for Philosophy in Public Life through a NDHC grant of \$39,000 a year for five years.

Under the direction of Jack Weinstein, associate professor of philosophy, the institute's goal is to bring an understanding of philosophy and philosophical research to the general public. The program is being proposed to the North Dakota State Board of Higher Education to seek "institute" status.

Brenna Daugherty, executive director of the NDHC, says "The institute represents a bold and innovative approach to fulfilling the council's mission of enriching the civic, intellectual, and cultural lives of North Dakotans." A lecture series geared to non-academic audiences is planned, as is a film series and discussion groups across the state.

The proposed institute also plans to partner with Prairie Public Radio to produce a monthly call-in radio show tentatively titled "Why? Philosophical Discussions About Everyday Life." Normally broadcast from Fargo, the show will sometimes be recorded in small-towns across the state, bringing all of North Dakota together for an on-going, statewide, conversation about philosophical issues. The radio show and the lectures will be streamed online making them accessible to anyone with an internet connection.

"Philosophy can seem irrelevant. It is filled with jargon, relies on complicated arguments, and refers to books most people have never heard of, let alone read. People lose interest and this makes it invisible in our day to day lives. This then leads to smaller enrollment in classes, dwindling university and research funding and, most all, the false idea that the subject offers no job opportunities. Yet, most of the great human insights began as philosophy and virtually every job can be made better with the skills philosophy offers. The subject teaches us how to get the most out of our lives as individuals, as members of the community, and as part of the human race. I want to make these opportunities available to everyone, not just my students. " Weinstein said.

In addition to philosophy, the College of Arts and Sciences offers undergraduate and graduate degree programs and certificates in a variety of traditional and emerging disciplines in the arts, sciences, social sciences, and humanities. Students are challenged to work alongside faculty and within the community to explore and expand the boundaries of knowledge and their own creativity. The research, scholarship, and creative activities of the nationally and internationally recognized faculty enhance teaching and learning as well as contribute to the expansion of the world's knowledge base.

For more information visit the College of Arts and Sciences at: <http://www.und.edu/dept/artsci>

For more information on the proposed Institute of Philosophy in the Public Life, contact Jack Weinstein at jack.weinstein@und.nodak.edu

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Note federal requirement for students with failing grades

Federal regulations require the University to determine a last date of attendance for financial aid recipients who receive failing grades in all coursework for a semester. This process is required to be completed and all adjustments to the student's financial aid finalized within 45 days of the end of the semester.

To comply with this federal regulation, the Student Financial Aid Office will send requests to document the last date a student with failing grades attended class. These requests will be sent to departments after final grades have been posted for the fall semester.

It is requested that departments complete the forms to the best of their ability and return them to the Student Financial Aid office promptly. Failure to do so may result in the student being required to repay all or part of financial aid received for the semester.

-- Robin Holden, Director, Student Financial Aid, robinholden@mail.und.edu, 701-777-3121

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Information provided on bookstore contract

The current contract with Barnes & Noble for the management of the Bookstore ends March 31, 2009. This will complete a 10-year agreement. In accordance with State Board of Higher Education policies, a service contract may not exceed a term of 10 years, and required UND to send out a request for proposal (RFP) to potential vendors for a new contract.

A group representing faculty, staff, and students was formed and charged with the task of preparing an RFP, evaluating proposals from vendors, and making a recommendation to the vice president for finance and operations on a selected vendor.

The group recently completed their work and made a recommendation to enter into contract negotiations with the Follett Higher Education Group, Inc. This recommendation has been approved by the vice president for finance and operations.

Follett Corporation is a privately-held company organized under three business groups, the Follett Higher Education Group, the Follett Education Distribution Group, and the Follett Technology Solutions and International Group. The Follett Higher Education Group is the largest operator of campus bookstores with more than 820 stores under management across the United States and Canada. It also operates efollett.com, the country's leading online campus bookstore.

A contract negotiations team made up of selected committee members representing faculty, staff, and students will soon begin negotiations with Follett. To better understand the campus vision for a bookstore, we are seeking input. Suggestions will be reviewed and may be taken into consideration during negotiations. Please submit your ideas to bookstorecontract@mail.und.nodak.edu. -- Margaret Myers, associate vice president for finance and operations and chair, negotiations team, and Scott Schreiner, director of purchasing.

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Graduate School calls for abstracts for Scholarly Forum

The Graduate School is calling for abstracts for the 2009 Scholarly Forum. The two day campus-wide event focuses on graduate student and faculty research and creative scholarship at UND. The Scholarly Forum will be held March 11 and 12 in the Memorial Union, featuring oral presentations, panel sessions and a poster session. The deadline for abstracts is Monday, Feb. 2. Session times are limited, so submit your abstract early.

All abstracts must be submitted on the electronic form provided on the Graduate School Web site. It is also important to read the submission guidelines. We look forward to receiving your abstracts.

For further information contact susancarاهر@mail.und.edu

-- Susan Carاهر, Marketing & External Relations Specialist, The Graduate School,
susancarاهر@mail.und.edu, 7-2425

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Women Studies sponsors essay contest

Greetings from Women Studies. We hope your semester is wrapping up well. While you are reading and grading all those papers and projects for your classes please keep the following in mind:

The UND Women Studies Program sponsors a contest for the best essays that wholly, or in significant part, address issues of particular concern to women.

Three prizes may be awarded, one for undergraduate research paper, one for creative project, and one for graduate research paper; each prize is up to \$100. Essays and projects may be of any length and may come from any discipline. They may be submitted by faculty or directly by the student. Essays or projects should have been created in 2008 (spring, summer, or fall semesters).

Mark entries with class title, semester the class was taken, and instructor. Also, please include the author's phone number and address. Please send essays by Feb. 2 to Wendelin Hume, Women Studies, Stop 7113. Winners will be announced during spring semester 2009. If you have any questions please call Wendy at 777-4115.

-- *Wendelin Hume, Director of Women Studies, Women Studies and Criminal Justice,*
wendelin.hume@und.edu, 701-777-4115

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Chester Fritz Library extends hours

The Chester Fritz Library is extending hours to support students completing class assignments and preparing for final exams. The library will remain open until 2 a.m. Sunday through Friday and until midnight Saturday. The library will begin intersession hours Friday, Dec. 19.

Dining Services will provide a coffee and snack service in the library from 8 p.m. to midnight from through Dec. 17. -- Wilbur Stolt, Chester Fritz Library.

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International Centre lists holiday schedule

The International Centre hours through Jan. 9 follow:

Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; weekends, closed. The International Centre will be closed Jan. 1 and 2. Regular hours will resume Saturday, Jan. 10.

-- *Tatjana Richards, Office Manager, Office of International Programs* , tatjanarichards@mail.und.edu,
701-777-6438

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"A" zone permit renewal is delayed

Faculty/staff should continue to display their current "A" parking permit. Your current permit expiration date of Dec. 7 will be extended. The recommendations of the Parking Task Force are still being reviewed by the vice president of finance and operations and administration. You will be contacted by parking when the renewal process will begin.

Please contact the Parking Office at 777-3551 if you questions relating to parking issues. Thank You. -- Sherry Kapella, manager, Parking Office.

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UND Directory available at bookstores, C-stores

The UND student/faculty/staff directory is available at Barnes & Noble University Bookstore, Dakota Textbook Co., and Wilkerson, Walsh, and Memorial Union convenience stores. The cost is the same as last year, \$1.25.

Along with student, faculty, and staff information, the Directory puts department information at your fingertips. Department addresses, phone numbers, e-mails, Web sites, and employees are in one location, which makes information much easier to find. Students and employees are also listed alphabetically as they have been in the past.

This marks the third year that we have used PeopleSoft data feeds for both students and employees. In some

cases, that data may not have been updated by the student or employee. Students who wish to update information may do so through the PeopleSoft portal. In the case of employees, at least one person in each office has HRMS privileges and can update most information.

If you have any comments or suggestions to improve next year's edition, please contact me. -- Jan Orvik, writer, editor, University Relations, janorvik@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-3621.

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Donated leave sought for Janna Kruckenberg

Donations of annual and sick leave are sought for Janna Kruckenberg, system administrator and senior Web database developer at the Center for Instructional and Learning Technologies/ITSS. She and her family thank you for your generosity. Please send a donated annual or sick leave form to Diane Lundeen, CILT, Stop 7098. For a form, go to www.und.edu/dept/payroll, then click on forms.

-- Diane Lundeen, Technology Coordinator, Center for Instructional & Learning Technologies/ITSS, dianelundeen@mail.und.edu, 777-2129

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Donated annual leave sought for Marge Larson

Donations of annual and sick leave are sought for Marge Larson, lab tech in microbiology and immunology. She and her family thank you for your generosity. Donated leave forms are available at www.und.edu/dept/payroll, then click on forms. Please send the completed forms for annual leave to Lisa Brown, Microbiology and immunology, Stop 9037.

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Multicultural Student Services seeks Martin Luther King Jr. Award nominations

Multicultural Student Services seeks its 12th annual Martin Luther King Jr. award nominations.

There will be a total of eight awards presented Friday, Jan. 23, for the following categories: (1) Service to the Greater Grand Forks community, (2) Service to the Greater Grand Forks Air Force Base, (3) Service to UND, (4) Contribution to the spiritual life of the Greater Grand Forks community, (5) Contribution to the spiritual life of the Air Force Base community, (6) Service to the spiritual life of UND, (7) Service to humanity, and (8) Service to the state of North Dakota.

For a nomination form and schedule please visit [http://sos.und.edu/erabell/PDFs/MLK Nomination form2009.pdf](http://sos.und.edu/erabell/PDFs/MLK%20Nomination%20form2009.pdf)

Please return the form to Matsimela Changa Diop, chair of the 2009 MLK celebration via e-mail: mcdiop@mail.und.nodak.edu or mss@mail.und.nodak.edu, Stop 7092, UND, Grand Forks, ND 58202

Nominations received by Monday, Dec. 15, will be given full consideration.

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Martin Luther King Jr. luncheon tickets now on sale

Tickets for the Martin Luther King Jr. Luncheon Friday, Jan. 23, are now on sale. Tickets can be purchased at the Memorial Union main level Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. You can also call 777-4259 to reserve a ticket, or do so through campus mail. Checks should be made payable to UND. The ticket cost is general, \$10; students, \$5; 12 and under, free. -- Linda Skarsten, Multicultural Student Services.

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Staff Senate names final 31 Days of Glory winners

The winners of the Staff Senate 31 Days of Glory fundraiser follow:

Day 1, Roxanne Hurley, \$100; Day 2, Janelle McGarry and Joanne Albrecht, \$100; Day 3, Val Krogstad, \$100; Day 4, Cathy Lerud, \$100; Day 5, Beth Toay, \$100; Day 6, Dana Siewert, \$100; Day 7, Lana Rakow, \$500; Day 8, Lisa Spencer, \$100; Day 9, Susan Rundquist, \$100; Day 10, Phil Yale, \$100; Day 11, Anita Kemnitz, \$100; Day 12, Milissa Van Eps, \$100; Day 13, GERALYN LUNSKI, \$100; Day 14, Bob Nelson, \$500; Day 15, Cari Mack, \$100; Day 16, Joyce Ketchum, \$100; Day 17, Grant Erickson, \$100; Day 18, KayLynn Bergland, \$100; Day 19, Kathy Newman, \$100; Day 20, Jeannie Lewis, \$100; Day 21, Nancy Rice, \$400; Day 22, Darlene Kenmir, \$100; Day 23, Cheryl Widman, \$100; Day 24, Joan Lee, \$100; Day 25, Sandie Routier, \$100; Day 26, Richard Martin, \$100; Day 27, Alex Moe, \$100; Day 28, Trish Chyle, \$500; Day 29, Mary Schmidt, \$100; Day 30, Joshua Rahn, \$100; and Day 31, Gene Skarsten, \$100. -- Staff Senate.

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Receive cash for books at Barnes & Noble Bookstore

Come into the Barnes & Noble Bookstore and receive cash for books. We will pay students 50 percent of the selling price:

- * When ordered by your professors for next term
- * When the bookstore is not overstocked

What can you do to increase the value of your books?

- * Ask your professors if they have put their book order for the spring semester in at the UND Barnes & Noble Bookstore.
- * Keep all components such as CDs with the textbook.
- * Bring all your textbooks to the UND Barnes & Noble Bookstore; we will let you know their value and you can decide which books to sell or keep.

Selling your textbooks at the UND Barnes & Noble bookstore saves you money and keeps more used books on our campus.

Upcoming buyback dates are through Friday, Dec. 19, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.;

Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, noon to 5 p.m.

Remote buyback conducted by AITP student group at Gamble Hall is Dec. 15-18, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Dec. 19, 10 a.m. to noon. -- Barnes & Noble Bookstore at UND.

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Studio One features holiday decor, food waste

Learn how to make creative holiday decorations and how to reduce food waste on the next edition of Studio One. Local nursery and landscaping expert Darlene Shea has been making Christmas decorations for almost 30 years. On this week's show, she will demonstrate how to make "Pot Stuffers," which are festive holiday decorations. These pots are versatile and affordable. Shea will give tips to personalize your "Pot Stuffer."

Also, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency says that food waste spikes 25 percent during the holidays in the United States. Find out some interesting tips for using leftovers and learn what some people are doing to help reduce food waste.

Studio One is an award-winning news and information program produced at the University of North Dakota Television Center. The program airs live on UND Channel 3 Thursdays at 5 p.m. Re-broadcasts can be seen at 7 a.m., noon, 7 p.m. and 11 p.m. daily and Saturdays at 10 a.m. Prairie Public Television airs Studio One Saturday at 6 a.m. The program can also be seen by viewers in Fargo, Bismarck/Mandan and Minot, N.D.; Minneapolis, Minn.; Denver, Colo.; and Winnipeg, Manitoba.


-- Suzanne Schmidt, Director of Marketing, UND Television Center, suzanne.schmidt@und.edu, 701-777-

Sioux Shop offers 15 percent discount to U community

Save some green when you buy your green (or white) at the Sioux Shop in the Ralph. UND faculty, staff and students receive 15 percent off all purchases all year when you present your UND ID.

Open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and Sundays from noon to 5 p.m. Always open at siouxshop.com. -- Traie Dockter, Fighting Sioux sports properties and REA marketing director.

Museum Cafe lists specials, soups

The North Dakota Museum of Art Cafe lists its daily soups and specials: 

Dec. 10-12:

Soups: Potage of Lentil, Chorizo and Chickpea

Wednesday: Stuffed Turkey Breast

Thursday: Vegetarian Lasagna

Friday: Ravioli

December 15-19:

Soups: Mexican Beef Chili, Knoephla

Monday: Beef Stir-Fry

Tuesday: Jamaican Jerk Chicken

Wednesday: Beef Quesadillas

Thursday: Leg of Lamb

Friday: Sushi

December 22 and 23

Soup: Tomato Basil

Monday: Chicken Roulade

Tuesday: Beef Stir-Fry

The Cafe is closed Dec. 24, and will re-open Jan. 5.

The Museum Café is open weekdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., with lunch served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

-- Brian Lofthus, Assistant to the Director, North Dakota Museum of Art, blofthus@ndmoa.com, 701-777-4195

Staff Senate food drive continues until Dec. 12

The UND Staff Senate is holding a non-perishable food drive for the Salvation Army and St. Vincent DePaul food cupboards. Donation box locations are found at Clifford Hall first floor, McCannel Hall first floor lobby, Twamley Hall first floor, Memorial Union first floor by convenience store, and Medical School by the main elevators and at the south entrance. The drive continues until Wednesday, Dec. 12.

Wellness Center sponsors FAB 4 contest

Have you been thinking about wanting to live a healthier lifestyle but have no idea where to start? We have the answer for you! At the end of the fall semester, the Work Well program is going to randomly select four people

that are ready to jump on the road to wellness. We will work with you for the next five months as you begin taking steps towards a healthier lifestyle. As part of this program you will receive: a free one-year membership to the Wellness Center, two fitness assessments (pre and post), personal training sessions at no cost to you, a free pass to attend a "Culinary Corner" cooking class every month, and weekly sessions with a Work Well coach. Apply online at the Work Well Web site, www.workwell.und.edu or contact Andrew at 777-0210 for a paper copy. The deadline to submit applications is Friday, Dec. 19. Participants will be selected and notified before Jan. 1.

-- Andrew Miller, Work Well Coordinator, Work Well, andrewmiller@mail.und.edu, 777-0210

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Nominations sought for Student Employee of the Year

The University of North Dakota announces a new award for student employment, Student Employee of the Year. The Student Employee of the Year will be a chance for on-campus department supervisors to nominate and highlight their outstanding full-time degree-seeking undergraduate student employees that portray reliability, quality of work, professionalism, and show creativity and independence when dealing with work situations. Students must have a 3.0 or higher institutional cumulative GPA and be currently employed as a Federal Work Study student or institutional student at the time of nomination. The individual that is selected by the Student Employee of the Year Committee will receive a \$500 award for spring semester. The Student Employee of the Year Committee will forward this year's recipient to the Regional Student Employee of the Year and the student could possibly advance to the National Student Employee of the Year.

To nominate a student employee please go to

www.financialaid.und.edu/Student_Employment_Guide.html. All nominations are due to the Student Financial Aid Office by Feb. 1. Presentation of the award will be April 24 during the Memorial Union Leadership Awards. For details contact Hanna Baker, student employment clerk, hannabaker@mail.und.edu or Janelle Kilgore, Student Financial Aid student employment administrator, janellekilgore@mail.und.edu.

-- Janelle Kilgore, Financial Aid Administrator, Student Financial Aid, janellekilgore@mail.und.edu, 7-4794

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Internal job openings listed

The following position vacancies are available only to regular UND staff employees who have successfully completed their six-month probation period, earn annual and sick leave, receive BC/BS health insurance and TIAA-CREF or ND PERS retirement benefits. Current UND faculty, please contact Human Resources for eligibility.

TO APPLY: Please complete UND Application/Control Card form. Send letter of application and resume, referencing position name and number, to: Human Resources, University of North Dakota, Twamley Hall, Room 313, 264 Centennial Drive Stop 8010, Grand Forks, ND 58202-8010. Applications MUST be received by the deadline date.

EXECUTIVE/PROFESSIONAL/ADMINISTRATIVE/ATHLETIC COACHES:

POSITION: Web & Design Specialist, Center for Rural Health, #09-153

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 12/12/2008

COMPENSATION: \$28,000 plus/year

POSITION: Research Scientist, Energy & Environmental Research Center, #09-150

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 12/10/2008

COMPENSATION: \$ 40,000 plus/year

TECHNICAL/PARAPROFESSIONAL: No vacancies.

OFFICE SUPPORT:

POSITION: Administrative Secretary, Chemical Engineering, #09-152

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 12/12/2008

COMPENSATION: \$ 24,000 plus/year

CRAFTS/SERVICE/TRADES: No vacancies.

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IN THE NEWS

Sharon Wilsnack helps write, edit book on alcohol and partner aggression

A book on alcohol and partner aggression, written in part and edited by a medical school researcher Sharon Wilsnack, was launched recently at the headquarters of the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) in Washington, D.C.

Wilsnack, Chester Fritz Distinguished Professor of clinical neuroscience, is one of four editors of the book, "Unhappy Hours: Alcohol and Physical Partner Aggression in the Americas," published in English and Spanish by PAHO.

The book reports analyses of how people's drinking, both men's and women's, is associated with partner aggression, as both victim and perpetrator, Wilsnack said. It provides an in-depth view of current research on partner aggression, and the role alcohol plays in the United States, Canada and eight Latin American countries.

"This important work adds to our knowledge about partner aggression, and may help to develop policy responses to preventing and addressing such violence in the United States, Canada and Latin American countries," Wilsnack said.

Findings reported in the book suggest that a person's level of alcohol consumption is strongly associated with being both the perpetrator and the victim of partner physical aggression, she said. The relationship between drinking pattern and partner aggression was especially strong among persons who reported that alcohol was involved in the most severe incident they had experienced in the past two years.

Consistent findings across all 10 countries included in the analyses suggest that the relationship between alcohol consumption and intimate partner violence is similar across diverse cultures and drinking patterns, she added.

"It's striking how consistently people's drinking was connected to their experiences of partner aggression," said Wilsnack, who, along with her colleagues, hopes the book's message reaches leaders in government and policy-makers. "If we can reduce heavy drinking, we may be able to reduce aggression between intimate partners."

The book launch event featured a panel discussion about intimate partner violence, addresses by the director of PAHO and other dignitaries, and a performance by a popular Latin American singer and recovering alcoholic.

Wilsnack and her husband, Richard Wilsnack, also a professor of clinical neuroscience, have been studying problem drinking in women for more than 30 years, with funding from the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse

and Alcoholism of the National Institutes of Health and other agencies.

Other editors of the book are Kathryn Graham and Sharon Bernards, researchers with the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH), Toronto, and Myriam Munne of the Research Institute of the University of Buenos Aires, Argentina. Except for chapters on the United States and Canada, lead authors of all other chapters are Latin American.

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Nursing students attend 34th annual Transcultural Nursing Conference

With financial support from the provost office, College of Nursing, and RAIN program, four University of North Dakota nursing students attended the 34th annual Transcultural Nursing Conference in Minneapolis in September as an optional learning experience in a nursing course.

Jenny Gietzen, Breanne Loesch, Michelle Peltier, and Christine Seames attended the conference to broaden their scope of knowledge about providing nursing care to culturally diverse individuals, families, and communities.

"This conference couldn't have come at a better time in our educational experience," said Gietzen. "We are new to the nursing world but it is a great opportunity to begin young and have experiences like this to add to our knowledge and professional careers."

Loesch was motivated to attend the conference because she is interested in traveling around the world while working as a nurse and wants to be better prepared to care for individuals, families, and communities from diverse cultures.

Peltier said that "the conference was an eye-opener, coming from a small rural community we don't see how diverse the outside is. As nurses we need to be culturally competent to understand what the patient is going through and what the patient needs to get better."

Through attending the plenary and various concurrent sessions at the conference, Seames felt that she was exposed to global health care issues. "I really think that people forget how different healthcare is around the world. The United States is very lucky to have the advanced technology and education that we do."

The highlight of the conference was meeting Madeleine Leininger, a famous nurse theorist and founder of the Transcultural Nursing Society. Peltier commented, "A week prior to attending the conference, we were talking about Dr. Leininger's Sunrise Model, not knowing how important the model is in the world of transcultural nursing. Then meeting and seeing her at the conference was unbelievable." The students were impressed that Dr. Leininger "always questioned things and challenged herself to find out "why." Hearing about Dr. Leininger's journey as a nurse helped the students revisit important concepts in nursing - critical thinking and reflection - as important traits of being a great nurse.

-- *Becky Cournia, Alumni & Development Officer, College of Nursing, beckycournia@mail.und.edu, 777-4526*

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UND student wins 2008 Nontraditional Student Recognition Award

Kimberly Rhoades, a nutrition and dietetics student at the University of North Dakota, was selected to receive the 2008 Nontraditional Student Recognition Award for her commitment, leadership and the personal challenges she has overcome while reaching her academic goals.

Rhoades, of Fort Yates, N.D., is pursuing a bachelor's of science in dietetics from the Department of Nutrition

and Dietetics. She was nominated for the award by the department. Professor Jan Goodwin wrote the nomination letter.

Rhoedes is an enrolled member of the Standing Rock Sioux Reservation. She also is a single mother of two children who returned to school at United Tribes Technical College in Bismarck after several years working as a nutrition assistant in the Standing Rock Diabetes Program.

She transferred from UTCC to UND in 2006.

The award was presented by First Lady Marcia Kelley at a recent recognition ceremony held during National Nontraditional Student Recognition Week. Nontraditional Student Recognition Week was celebrated on campus to bring awareness to the successes of nontraditional students or adult learners at UND. The event was coordinated by the Adult Re-Entry Center, which is part of the University's Student Success Center. The Student Success Center specializes in student support in academic advising, learning services and programming for students at UND.

Sandy Monette, coordinator of the UND Adult Re-entry Center, said Rhoedes couldn't believe that she had been selected for the award as First Lady Kelley read the nomination letter aloud at the recognition event.

"When Kimberly came to accept, she was so emotional she couldn't speak," Monette said. "Kimberly shook her head no and started to walk away, but when she was at the end of stage, she came back to the microphone to express her heartfelt appreciation and thanks. The letter and her acceptance brought tears to many in the crowd."

Prior to the award ceremony, there was a luncheon and the Allegro's Women Ensemble performed. The theme was "Celebrating Student Success" and concluded the campus activities for the week.

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December "U Shine" winner announced

UND Staff Senate is proud to announce the December "U Shine Award" recipient Mary Iwan, administrative assistant at the Chester Fritz Auditorium. Nominated by Betty Allen, she was presented with a check for \$50 and a certificate by Staff Senate President Janice Hoffarth.

This award is presented monthly to a UND staff member who went out of their way to make UND a better place. Here is an excerpt of the nomination:

(email from Chester Fritz customer) "On Wednesday October 22, 2008 we visited your Auditorium to check out the parking facilities as we have tickets for the "Church Basement Ladies" production in November. On entering the building we approached the office where we met a lovely young lady who in addition to answering all our questions showed us where we would be sitting and explained all the positive attributes of the Auditorium. In addition to this she outlined some of the upcoming productions we might be interested in. She couldn't seem to do enough to make us feel welcome and answer any of our questions.

Every so often you get to meet a person who does her job so well that they are a credit to the organization they represent. Mary is one of them that should be recognized by her employer as a great asset to the organization. We thank her for her help and hope that you will congratulate her on a job well done."

All UND staff members are eligible to receive this award. Nominations can be submitted through the Staff Senate Website, <http://www.und.edu/org/undss/> or forms are available at UND Facilities, Dining Services

and the Memorial Union Post Office.

Nominations must be received by the 15th monthly and awards presented the first business day of the following month.

-- Janice Hoffarth, President, Staff Senate, janice_hoffarth@und.nodak.edu, 7-2646

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IN REMEMBRANCE

Remembering Andrew Murach

Andrew Joseph Murach, retired power plant employee of Nielsville, Minn., died Dec. 7, at the Hillsboro Medical Center in Hillsboro, N.D. He was 91.

Murach, the son of Conrad and Cecelia (Swatlowksi) Murach, was born Nov. 10, 1917, in Grand Forks. He grew up near Bagley, Minn., and then worked for area farmers near Oslo, Minn. In 1941 he joined the United States Army and served until 1945.

He married Zenona "Zo" Schultz on June 17, 1946, in Grand Forks. He worked for the UND power plant for 30 years, retiring in 1984. They lived in Thompson and Grand Forks before moving to Nielsville, Minn., in 2005.

He is survived by his wife Zo of Nielsville, Minn.; children: Deb (Jim) Erickson of Grand Forks, Lane (Connie) Murach of Grand forks, Michele Murach of Shelly, Minn., and Kaylin (Darin) Engelstad of Nielsville, Minn.; grandchildren: Jared (Mandy) Erickson, Traci (Tyler) Gagnon, Stephan Tweet and Derek Murach, and three great grandchidlren.

Murach was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers: Harry and Julian and one sister Angeline.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11, in Stennes Funeral Home in Climax, Minn., with visitation one hour prior to the service.

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