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Students dip fruit into chocolate fondue during Love Your Body week at the Memorial Union on Tuesday.

Connor Johnson
The Dakota Student

The University of North Dakota is scheduled to launch its first independent spacecraft this year. The University of North Dakota’s OpenOrbiter Small Satellite Development Initiative has prepared a satellite to be launched from the International Space Station. Beginning Saturday, Jan. 28, students at UND are invited to celebrate different religions with events on or near campus.

Dr. Ronald Marsh, associate professor and chair of the computer science department at UND, is one of many NDUS staff working on the OpenOrbiter Small Satellite Development Initiative to develop CubeSat (satellites in the shape of small cubes).

Marsh said, “I think it’s important because we’re an educational institution,” Mitchell said, “and it’s a part of our education to learn about different people and different ideas, and that’s what interfaith week is about.”
Dr. Ronald Marsh displays a 3-D printed Cubefit - illustrating the possibilities of the OpenOrbiter Small Satellite Development Initiative which involves hundreds of students from both UND and North Dakota State University.

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University; University of Maryland, College Park; as well as the Goldard Space Flight Center.

These satellites will be deployed from a module on the space station, and depending on their orbits, can last anywhere from six months to two years, although Marsh said he would be surprised if OpenOrbiter One lasts more than nine months before burning up on Earth’s atmosphere.

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Dr. Rev. Jamie Washing-ton, Lotus Meditation Center, 2908 University Ave.

7 p.m., Uplifting Dance: The Wallis keynote and book signing with Shane Claiborne Memorial Union Ballroom

Tuesday, Jan. 31: 12 p.m., Lunch with a Muslim, River Valley Room, Memorial Union

1 p.m., Support your Muslim students and staff in turbulent times: create safe spaces for those who feel fear and hate, Memorial Union Lecture Bowl

6 p.m., Baha’i conversation: learning about the Baha’i faith, River Valley Room, Memorial Union

7:30 p.m., Grand Forks Unitarian Universalist Fellowship: who we are and how we came to be who we are, River Valley Room, Memorial Union

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5:15 p.m., Candlemass (Feasts of Light), Newman Center, 410 Cambridge Street

6 p.m., Have you met the Mormons? River Valley Room, Memorial Union

Friday, Feb. 3: 9 a.m., Multicultural programs and services breakfast, Multicultural programs and services, 3rd floor, Memorial Union

12 p.m., Taste of faith: learning about traditions, Christus Rex, 3122 University Ave.

1 p.m., Observing the Martin Luther King Jr. Islamic Center of Grand Forks, 2132 17th Ave. S.

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Today, that Obamacare is still problematic to the overall healthcare sector. NPR reports that more than 20 million people, and many fear that taking the action to repeal the law could result in unstable insurance markets and loss of people’s coverage. The executive order President Trump signed last Friday sets in motion his intentions to repeal Obamacare, there hasn’t been a formal plan as to how it will be replaced. The uncertainty surrounding the future of healthcare is a concern for students and faculty body” will have health insurance, according to NPR.

President Trump has urged Congress to act quickly on putting forth legislation that replaces Obamacare. On Monday, two Republican senators introduced legislation they described as an “Obamacare replacement plan”, according to CNN. The proposal, introduced by Sens. Bill Cassidy of Louisiana and Susan Collins of Maine, would give more power to the states on healthcare policy while simultaneously reducing the federal grant program, meaning states would be given money by the federal government to implement Medicaid as they see fit.

“Without a replacement of any kind, we’re opening up a large gap for lower wage Americans. The ACA allowed many luxuries that they’ve never had before and are now in danger of losing.”

Antonia Kalal, Student at UND

certain parts of the law, particularly the expansion to Medicaid.

Kelleyenne Conway, an advisor to President Trump, told NBC News Thursday, that Obamacare will be repealed without a replacement, which would cause states to have to allow states the ability to implement block grants have several forms. One option entails the federal government offering a certain sum of money to each state, which would provide stability with inflation. As a result, spending would dwindle and the amount of inflation overall is often lower than inflation in the healthcare sector. As a result, this type of block grant affects the amount of money available to those who are suffering and more people are eligible to sign up for Medicaid.

An alternative scenario, NPR reports, would offer states an allowance for each beneficiary. Therefore spending would increase during economic instability to cover those who need care. Contingent on this scenario is how programs would account for rising health care costs, because overall benefits stick with states. Despite these possible scenarios, a definitive plan hasn’t been set into place. However, Conway stressed that President Trump intends to keep his promise, that “everybody will have health insurance, according to NPR.

Student about changes taking place in the healthcare system.

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Women's March emphasizing unity

Emily Gibbens
Dakota Student

If you're a college student who still watches the news or reads the newspaper, you were a fan of the historic Women's prou- ponational event.
montage of Disney to give us a personal look at the unique struggles faced by women and his insensi-
itive treatment of women in a political context. The idea of a terrorist attack – and our commu-
unity's response – was also a concern. However, the movie was a snap response to the political climate.

The Dakota Student is dedicated to the free exchange of ideas. The ideas expressed in columns and letters to the editor will not be edited for national and international concerns, I can only hope that, if Trump continues to do nothing to advance women's rights, women will continue to stand together and blaze more trails of success and advancement in the face of adversity.

The Women's March emphasized several Unity Principles, such as ending violence, reproductive rights, equality, etc. Their mission statement begins with, "The rhetoric of the past election cycle has only made it worse. There's been a lot of talk about issues that are vital to the advancement of the women's rights movement."

Although there were people at these events who showed up to express their support, it is heartening to know that we have a president who still watches the news. What's more, the Dakota Student reserves the right to edit or reject columns or letters to the editor for various reasons. The ideas expressed in columns and letters to the editor will not be edited for

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Opinion

Self-defense laws are vague

Dave Owen

Our legislature has continued to take the ridiculous approach of using a fire axe to open an unlocked door as opposed to merely using a more nuanced and slight adjustment to correct a perceived flaw in the current law. Before we discuss what the new law will do, we need to first attempt to understand what constitutes self defense. It’s unclear whether or not duty to retreat exists even in the home.

As an example, if your home is being invaded, it is unclear if you must first attempt to hide from the robber, call the police or clear your fire weapon, it is you attempt to stop him middle of the night, and to take your TV in the middle of the night, and to an unarmed nutjob breaks into your home and tries to steal your corn or soybeans. We need rather proceed to go on the offensive. This is just the first of two problems in current self-defense laws in our state. The second comes to who is the aggressor and who is the defender. Let’s go back once again to our theoretical scenario, only your current law has retracted and he continues to advance (you have an unlocked door as armed). The second he attempts to retreat, you could theoretically be no longer be protected by self-defense laws.

Once again, this runs contrary to the castle doctrine in a far more problematic way than the unarmed wackjob, as the invader has the permanent advantage as the invader has the potential to do more harm than good, as opposed to a law that does more harm than good. I hope I don’t have to write another one of these articles this semester, but instead I can try to proofread their sequences as opposed to relying on people such as myself and Rob Port to point out the problems with them days before a vote. This is once again indicative of a greater need for legal understanding within our legislature, and the return of a “look before you leap” mentality, greatly lacking in our current political climate.

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As it stands, self defense is an issue in the state of North Dakota because the law is nebulous as to what constitutes self defense.

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Tyson Jeanette and Ojibwe refused to sign it. The Senate made several changes to the draft treaty that would allow it to go to war with the other party. The U.S. was no exception. Arthur Spreckel, Harvard professor, concluded that disputes between the U.S. government and Native Americans were often resolved leaving the tribes powerless to object. The treaties were broken so often that it became obvious that breaks were an integral part of the strategy of the U.S. government. As we saw in the Decade of Resurgence essay, one means of breakage by disallowing that the natives had a litigious means to resist the treaty was to make it implicit in the agreements that the Indians were not to be considered citizens of the United States. In 1842, the treaty was used in the term “Nah-ne-ne-wit” intentionally and unilaterally while the tribes were transferring their right of possession. As we read treaties this right becomes an inalienable fact. The treaty induces the tribes to give up another chunk of their tribal land. This is the treaty of (Christian) Discov- erer breathed life into a Garden of Eden where the indi- viduals are compensated in many ways for their lands, such as annuities, educational monthly checks and no taxation. First, American indi- ans are paid for college the same way other students do as scholarships. Indian nation’s boundary at the Missouri River was part of the deal. Once again the government reversed and by now the pattern was clear just as Sitting Bull had observed. The U.S. government had wrong- fully taken the Black Hills and the sacred Black Hills could no longer be part of the deal. Once again the government reneged and in route due to the brutal four of the Indians died as the “Trail of Tears” ended. Bishop Henry Whipple said the Treaty was a fraud from beginning to end. Now that Grand Forks and the Uni- versity of North Dakota are located on those lands. After the Civil War, a significant portion of American people were driven out by the government and forcibly relocated to the Reservation lands but only in designat- ed places along established trails. The U.S. government wrote a new treaty, the 1868 Treaty with the Sioux Nation, which covered the same area but differences in the Reservation lands outside of what is now South Dakota. Chief Sitting Bull said, “They want us to give up another chunk of our tribal land. This is not the first time or the last time.” And wasn’t it as the re- servation shrunk dramatically. In 1874, in clear viola- tion of the Treaty, the gov- ernment sent Custer into the Black Hills where he led an expedition of over 1,000 soldiers and others to displace Indians from their tribal lands. The 1868 Treaty with the Sioux Nation for the first time. The map shows the boundaries and it is impor- tant to note that the Treaty set the eastern boundary at the east side of the Missouri River, thus acknowledging that this section of the Mis- souri River was part of the Cherokee Nation of Alabama and Georgia. The majority of the Cherokee lived in the east, not in designated places along established trails. By 1868 the U.S. government intervened allegedly due to skirmishes between settler and Indians. The government wrote a new treaty, the 1868 Treaty with the Sioux Nation, which covered the same area but differences in the Reservation lands outside of what is now South Dakota. Chief Sitting Bull said, “They want us to give up another chunk of our tribal land. This is not the first time or the last time.” And wasn’t it as the re- servation shrunk dramatically. When one party intended to take it or leave it, the other party had no ex- cuse to object. The treaties are made and then broken so often that it is impossible for the tribes to continue their way of life. The hunting grounds, the game to remain so large as the buffalo named, were decimated as buffalo and others had need- lessly slaughtered most of them.

No justice occurred until 1980 when the Su- preme Court ruled that the 1868 Treaty had been violated and that the U.S. government had wrong- fully taken the Black Hills and wrongfully terminated the hunting rights. In 2011, PBO reported the value of the unclaimed monetary damages to be $3.2 billion. The Sioux have refused the money – they want their sa- cred lands. It is for them the Garden of Eden where the creator breathed life into them. This is but three exam- ples of the nearly 600 trea- ties, most of which were unilaterally broken by the U.S. government. This needs to be healed, the Bres- ken Treasuries as well as the (false) Doctrine of Discov- ery, and they can be if we all have the will to reconcile and take some courageous steps.
Jordan Hermes  
**The Dakota Student**

After a long, sleepless weekend following a church on Sunday morning, everyone was excited to hang out with family and friends. Right?

Last Sunday my friends and I were excited for brunch. The Church of the Good Shepherd's brunch is located off of 32nd Ave. S., not many businesses are open until 2:00 p.m. Making a reservation for my party to come was not so easy. I was trying to figure out the best place to go. In the wasabi area, Ruby Tuesday has a brunch buffet in town. Despite the initial struggle, I was determined to get a table for brunch.

"The only thing that could have made this day better was if I had a little more sleep," Cameron said. "I've been thinking about this for so long and that's what I do!?!?"

Campbell Cameron

"I was working in an office over the summer and I never wanted to do that again," Cameron said. "After this summer, especially after playing on the main stage, I was like, 'This is what I want to do.'"

"For now, Campbell is living the double life of a local rocker who attends college in Grand Forks. "There's this huge balance of trying to be successful and traveling on a train for six hours multiple a time."

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Ben Godfrey
The Dakota Student

Soojung Kim is an Assistant Professor in the Communications Department at UND. Specializing in strategic communication, Kim plays an active role in educating her students and encourages them to apply concepts and skills beyond the classroom as they prepare to begin their careers. 

Along with her work in the classroom, Kim has worked on and continues to conduct many research projects regarding the topics of digital media, consumer behavior and communication strategies in a cross-cultural context. 

Kim has an extensive background in the communications field, on both educational and professional levels. While double majoring in Mass Communication and Psychology at Korea University in Seoul, South Korea, she worked with an organization conducting a public relations campaign for South Korea. 

The goal of their “Dynamic Korea” campaign was to promote a positive global image to other countries and show that South Korea is a vibrant and developing nation. From this experience, Kim gained skills and interest in strategic communication and research on an international level. 

Communication and psychology, in her eyes, are similar in many ways. The topics covered in social psychology stuck out to her as being interesting and useful in the field of mass communication. Unlike most of her classmates, Kim was drawn more to the research aspect of communications rather than the application of concepts in fields like marketing and broadcasting. 

It was this interest in research that led her to pursue a masters degree and Ph.D in Mass Communications at the University of Minnesota. Here, Kim had her first experiences with teaching, giving guest lectures as a graduate teaching assistant. 

At first, Kim faced difficulties living on her own in a new country. New responsibilities and a different language, combined with the stresses of graduate studies, would be a challenge for most anyone. Kim was determined to continue on her path and overcome any difficulties in the way. 

In December of 2014, Kim accepted a job at the University of North Dakota. She then finished her dissertation and graduated with her Ph.D in the spring of 2015. By that fall, Kim was teaching her own class at UND. 

As a researcher, Kim, along with colleagues including her husband Joongwoha Lee, has released articles in many journals and publications. Kim focuses her work on advertising and communication strategies in non-traditional forms of media, e.g. digital and social media. 

One project (of many) that is being conducted now is based on a concept of brand interactivity in mobile media. This idea presents a brand’s image and identity as an interactive part of a game or app, instead of an annoying banner ad or pop-up. 

As a professor, Kim has an interest and passion for the topics she covers, and aims to spark a similar interest in her students. Both Lee and Kim have worked together organizing courses in conjunction with the city government, in order to create tangible, local issues and objectives for classworks to work on. What’s great about it is that this allows older students to take all the skills they’ve acquired in school and apply them to a real-world sort of situation. 

Kim has found that the top students in her classes typically are the ones that go out of their way to ask questions, learn what is expected and try to go above and beyond, rather than waiting to be instructed. She has observed students that will see the good and be content with doing just enough work to get a B. For this reason, Kim continues to set higher goals for her students, so they will push themselves and see what they really can do. 

“I don’t think those are only applicable to school work, but professional work as well,” Kim says. “Being proactive and setting those higher goals, I think those are important qualities,” said Kim. 

Soojung Kim excels as a teacher and a researcher and it will be exciting to see what she can accomplish next.

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The Women’s Center kicked off its annual “Love Your Body Week” at the Memorial Union by raising awareness about body-image issues, providing resources to those who are affected by them and hosting activities and freebies in celebration of body positivity.

On Monday, representatives from the Women’s Center and the University Counseling Center were enthusiastic, offering treats, pins and even homemade bath bombs to those who stopped by their booths on the main floor of the Union.

Along with enticing students by the colorful pamphlets and free snacks, Samantha Hinnenkamp, from the Women’s Center, believes in the importance of emphasizing body-acceptance and positivity at a time when the media and society has created unrealistic expectations of what is beautiful.

“Tiffany Shiu, a pre-med student who stopped by the booth, agrees the importance of Love Your Body Week comes from everyone somehow being affected by the rising unrealistic portrayals of beauty in the media.

“I think that these events are great to get people thinking or talking about body conscious issues,” Shiu said, “So love your body for what is, and you can concentrate on things that matter more in life.”

Spreading body positivity is also important because it can prevent other physical and mental-health related problems. Meara Thombre, a counselor-in-training at the UCC, explains that although not so serious complaints about one’s body may seem innocent, they can actually be detrimental in the long term.

“Body concerns are a common issue,” Thombre said, “Typically, they may not even bring up a body issue. However, I see a lot of people come in and these issues seem to cause a lot of other problems for a lot of my clients.”

The Women’s Center is available to everyone who needs a safe, supportive and non-judgmental space to process thoughts and discuss life’s successes and struggles. The Women’s Center staff are here to provide a listening ear to anyone who may need it. The center offers everything from annual gynecological exams and pregnancy tests to Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) immunization shots and answers to any health-related question.
UND attempts to get back on their feet despite gaps in their lineup

Jack Harvey
Dakota Student

After being swept by Minnesota Duluth, the UND Fighting Hawks will be looking to bounce back against Colorado College this weekend.

“We've done well on the road and we need to remember how we want to play on the road,” head coach Brad Berry said. “It's a very important weekend for us.”

It wasn't a series to remember for UND as the sweep bumped the Hawks out of the top 10 in national rankings.

“You can't let frustration get into your game,” Berry said. “Obviously we were disappointed what happened last weekend but we’re playing against a very good Duluth team.”

After the weekend, the Hawks sit at 13-9-3, which is drastically different compared to last year’s team who only lost six games in regulation.

“Obviously we take pride at home, winning in front of our home fans in this beautiful rink,” UND junior center Johnny Simonson, a Grand Forks native, said. “It's too bad we haven't been able to have a better record. We take that to heart.”

What everyone has seen as a blessing, having an arena like the Ralph has proved to be somewhat of bad luck this season. “I think there’s always pressure there,” Simonson said. “I'm not sure I can put my finger on it, why home ice has not been as good as last year. Definitely we need to take more pride in playing in our own building.”

The losses put UND in fifth place in the NCHC trailing fourth place Omaha by two points and only leading sixth place St. Cloud by one point.

On a positive note, UND this season has played better on the road and no one seems to have a definitive answer why.

“Our road records have been very good this year, especially in the second half,” sophomore Rhett Gardner said. “So we’re excited to get out there.”

It could be the chemistry that they develop being together so long in an unfamiliar place and getting to know the arena together.

“The on the road, guys just hang out a lot more and create a little chemistry,” junior Austin Poganski said. “For some reason we've been doing really well on the road so I guess as bad as it is to say it's kind of nice to get out of here and get away.”

Colorado College didn’t have a weekend to remember either. The Tigers were also the victims of a sweep by Western Michigan this past week. The sweep put them in a four game winless streak as well as only winning three games since November fifth (3-12-2).

“They’re last in place,” Gardner said. “But it’s never an easy weekend playing in the NCHC so we got to be ready to go.”

With the record in the last 17 games, Colorado College has finished last in all but one season since the birth of the NCHC. Since the birth of the NCHC, Colorado College has finished last in all but one season while UND has finished second to last in five of six seasons.

Statistically, Colorado College has been struggling in net. Combined, CC goalies have let in an average 3.39 goals in a game while only having a save percentage of .886. Comparing those to UND goalies, they are averaging 2.46 GAA and a .901 save percentage.

The same is shown offensively. For the Tigers, Mason Bergh has been the main man scoring 12 goals and getting five assists to give him 17 in 24 games played. For the Hawks, Shane Gersich continues to lead the way with 17 goals and 14 assists to give him 31 points in 25 games played.

This weekend will be the first time the two faced since a year ago when they tied the first game and UND winning a shootout and the Hawks also dismantling them 5-1 the following game.

All four UND leads the series (15-4-11).

“We've done well on the road and we need to remember how we want to play on the road. It’s a very important weekend for us.”

Brad Berry- Men’s Hockey head coach

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Hawks look to fly past Beavers

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After a pair of heartbreaking losses to the No. 1 Wisconsin Badgers, the UND Fighting Hawks women’s hockey team is looking to get back into the win column this weekend against the Bemidji State Beavers.

Losing two tightly contested games in Wisconsin dropped the Fighting Hawks to a record of 12-9-5 (9-7-4 WCHA), but UND has a case for optimism heading into this weekend’s showdown with the Beavers. The Hawks held the top-rated Badgers offense to five goals in the series, including a season-low number of shots in a game and series.

“I liked our compete level I thought we played well,” Head Coach Brian Idalski said. “That’s not an easy place to play with the crowd and the club. I thought for our younger kids to go into that kind of environment that we executed well and competed. Gave ourselves the fortunate bounce and some good calls.”

Crammed with the momentum of a season-low 21 saves by UND goalie Lexie Shaw, the Fighting Hawks are eager to come back to the Ralph Engelstad Arena.

“We definitely need to expose any cracks in the defense,” Idalski said. “I agree with coaches we have a responsibility to hold ourselves and our teams accountable and I think that’s more than the compete level.”

Nevertheless, the Beavers, who held a record of 9-13-2 (5-13-2-1 WCHA) after winning in a shootout over the No. 2 Minnesota-Duluth Bulldogs last Saturday.

The Beavers hope the shootout win boosts their season in the right direction.

“It’s huge, obviously. I mean like, they just came off a big weekend against Minnesota so they’re obviously playing well and they’re playing with confidence and those are big points that we need,” said Beaver defensemen Carley Esse, who scored the winning goal in the shootout.

“We definitely need to get the sweep again with those last games creeping up it is really important to play our best games this season and I think we’ll be ready to go,” sophomore Charly Dahlquist said. “Getting people in front of the net is a huge thing, they love to block shots and those are big points on the standings with 33 points.”

This weekend’s series is a staff writer for

“Getting people in front of the net is a huge thing, they love to block shots so we to pull the puck over and get the shots to the net and play our best.”

Charly Dahlquist - Women’s Hockey Forward

UND’s Kayla Gerner fights Bemidji State’s Melissa Hunt for puck possession earlier this season at the Ralph Engelstad Arena.

UND’s defensemen in the WCHA standings.

With road games with the Golden Gophers coming up, points won’t be easy to come by, especially heading into the WCHA playoff in March. UND currently sits fourth in the standings with 33 points.

“I’ll be interesting I know they probably feel like a lot like we did last week where that wasn’t necessarily their best foot forward early on in the year,” Idalski said. “They’ve grown a lot and watching film and they had a great weekend against Duluth, very competitive, so I think they’re probably eager to get back at us and prove a little bit how they’ve grown and improved as a club. That’s going to be a highly contested series with some big points on the line.”

Game one is Friday, Jan. 27 at 7:07 p.m. in Bemidji, Minnesota. Game two is Saturday, Jan. 28 at 2:07 p.m. in the Ralph Engelstad Arena.