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President will give State of the University address Oct. 23

The University Council will meet at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 23, in the Memorial Union Ballroom. The agenda follows:

1. University Senate status report, Tom Petros, University Senate chair
2. State of the University address by President Kupchella
3. Matters arising, Tom Petros, University Senate chair

The University Council consists of the following who are employed primarily on the Grand Forks campus: the president, vice presidents, registrar, director of libraries, all deans, department chairs, full time faculty of the rank of instructor, assistant professor, associate professor, and professor; program directors, coordinators, assistant and associate deans who concurrently hold faculty rank; director of the Counseling Center; professional librarians, and such other academic personnel and administrative officers as the council may designate. The quorum of the council necessary for the transaction of business is 25 percent of the council membership (or 154 of the current 616 members). Council meetings are normally co-chaired by the chair of the Senate and the president of the University. The registrar is ex officio secretary. Council meetings are open to

the public, and students, staff and the general public are invited to attend. -- Suzanne Anderson, University registrar.

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Presidential search position profile approved

The State Board of Higher Education has approved the position profile and search timeline recommended by the Presidential Search Committee. Both are available on the UND Presidential Search web site, at <http://www.und.edu/presidentialsearch/>. Advertising of the position is now under way, and applications can now be submitted to the search consulting firm (more on that below).

I want to express the appreciation of the committee for the participation in the open forum sessions that we held during the first two weeks of September. The insights and opinions expressed at those 18 sessions have had a number of positive effects on the search. Most directly, the final profile was amended to reflect what we heard. Even when the comments we heard did not show up in the profile, the committee was given a great deal of assistance in identifying the most important issues to keep in mind and the critical questions to ask as we perform the next steps in the process: reviewing applications, checking references, and conducting screening interviews. Finally, the discussions at the open forum sessions have been very helpful as we begin to work on how the January campus visits will be structured.

The next step of the search process will be a review of applications to identify the people the committee plans to take to the next stage, which will be reference checks. That initial screening will occur at the committee's next meeting Tuesday, Oct. 23. Based on what we learn as we check references, we will select 10-12 people on Nov. 5 for the screening interviews to be conducted in late November. The January campus visit invitations will be extended to five or six people following the screening interviews. The Search Committee will meet Jan. 28 to recommend no fewer than three finalists to the State Board of Higher Education. The Board will conduct its interviews of the finalists at a meeting Feb. 4 and 5, 2008, with the expectation of naming the next president at the conclusion of that meeting.

The application process for the UND presidency takes advantage of the search consulting firm retained by the State Board, Academic Search, Inc. Applications need to be made to the search firm, following the procedure that is outlined in the advertisements, in the profile, and on the presidential search web sites at UND and at the search firm. That procedure is set out at the end of this report.

One piece of information/advice about the procedure might be in order. As the application process notice states, all nominations and applications are subject to the North Dakota open records law. Informal contacts to suggest a name of someone who might be called to determine whether there is any interest in the position should be made by phone to the search consultant, Dr. James Appleberry, at (502) 895-6121.

Again, thank you for your interest and involvement in the search. -- Paul A. LeBel, dean, UND School of Law, chair, UND Presidential Search Committee.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Nominations and applications will be accepted until an appointment is made, within the practical limits of the process as finalists are identified. The position will be available July 1, 2008. Applications should include: a letter describing the candidate's interest in and qualifications for the position; a curriculum vitae or resume; a statement of how the candidate's experiences and qualifications match the University's mission, strategic direction and desired characteristics for the next president; and the names, addresses (including e-mail), and telephone numbers for at least five references.

All nominations and applications should be in Microsoft Word format. They may be filed electronically at: NorthDakota@academic-search.com

The names of all candidates and nominees are a matter of public record, for the search process complies with the open meetings-open records statutes and policies of the State of North Dakota. Prior to nomination or declaration of candidacy, parties who may want information on the position are invited to call the Search Consultant.

The search is being assisted by:

Dr. James B. Appleberry, Senior Consultant
Academic Search, Inc.

jba@academic-search.com 502-895-6121

Additional information may be obtained by visiting www.academic-search.com under "current searches," or the University of North Dakota at: www.und.edu/presidentialsearch.

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Center for Rural Health receives \$1.6 million for health information technology

The Center for Rural Health at the School of Medicine and Health Sciences has received a \$1.6 million federal grant to help small, rural hospitals implement electronic medical records systems.

The grant will be used to form a regional health information technology (HIT) network. The Center for Rural Health is partnering with the North Region Health Alliance, a 20-member health cooperative representing primarily rural hospitals in eastern North Dakota and northwestern Minnesota to form the network.

The overall project goal is to implement electronic medical records that are usable by all the participating facilities. During the 18-month project, the group will implement electronic medical records beginning with one small, rural hospital. Using what is learned from that implementation, electronic medical records will be added to two more rural hospitals.

Electronic medical records are a digital form of medical record and are an efficient tool for transferring information between health care providers, helping to avoid medical errors and improving accuracy and security of medical records.

"We expect to see electronic medical records providing new opportunities to improve patient care and clinical staff productivity," explained Marlene Miller, the project's co-director at the Center for Rural Health,

A federally supported study of Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs) found that only 20 percent of CAHs nationally had some form of electronic medical records. In North Dakota, while 68 percent of CAHs budget for HIT, only 16 percent have a formal HIT plan and only 11 percent used electronic medical records.

"It is vital that we broaden the use of high-tech information systems to improve the quality and efficiency of health care," said North Dakota Senator Kent Conrad. "And North Dakota is leading the way with the development of the HIT network. This is an investment that will save both money and lives."

"Electronic medical records are an expensive but important investment for hospitals," said Lynette Dickson, the project's co-director at the Center for Rural Health. "We're excited that we were successful in competing to bring a grant of this size to North Dakota to provide these hospitals a significant opportunity to test the benefits of health information exchange."

The federal Department of Health and Human Services' Health Resources and Services Administration Office of

Rural Health Policy funds the competitive grant. During his 2004 State of the Union address, President George W. Bush set the goal of most Americans having electronic medical records by 2014. This project will help rural hospitals meet that goal.

-- Amanda Scurry, Communication Coordinator, Center for Rural Health, ascurry@medicine.nodak.edu, 701-777-0871

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Tribal Judicial Institute awarded \$1.4 million

The School of Law's Tribal Justice Institute has been awarded a federal grant totaling more than \$1.4 million. Acting Deputy Attorney General Craig Morford announced the award this week at the 15th Annual Four Corners Indian Country Conference in Colorado Springs.

The \$1,420,000 grant from the federal Department of Justice will be used by the Tribal Judicial Institute to promote cooperation among tribal, federal and state courts, and to design and implement training activities aimed at improving operations of tribal justice activities.

"The Tribal Judicial Institute is the cornerstone of the School of Law's Northern Plains Indian Law Center," said Paul LeBel, UND Law School dean. "Under the leadership of Institute Director B.J. Jones, the Institute has established itself as the premier tribal court and judicial system training organization in the country. It is gratifying to see the federal funding continue to support the work of the Institute." For more information visit <http://www.law.und.edu/npilc/judicial/>

In comments at the award ceremony, Morford said that effective tribal courts are essential to the appropriate and equal enforcement of the law by tribal governments.

"These funds not only represent assistance to the organizations receiving them," Morford said, "but also reflect the continued shared commitment between the Department of Justice and tribal governments to maintaining a strong criminal justice system in Indian Country."

The Tribal Courts Assistance Program, which sponsors these awards, is administered by the Office of Justice Programs, explains Jones, the Tribal Judicial Institute director. The organization benefits federally recognized tribal governments by providing federal resources to support the development, implementation, and enhancement of tribal judicial systems. More information can be found at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov>.

"We are once again proud to announce that it we have received this competitive grant to continue our lead role as the technical assistance provider and training coordinator for the Department of Justice's Tribal Court Assistance Program" Jones said. "The TCAP is the primary source of Department of Justice funding for Indian tribal justice systems throughout the United States. The Tribal Judicial Institute has been involved with the program since it was launched in 1998."

TJI has received six separate grants from the DOJ in excess of \$8 million to assist Indian tribes in developing and enhancing their justice systems. TJI has worked with more than 300 Indian nations during this time ranging from the Native Village of Barrow on the Arctic tip of Alaska to the Seminole Nation in the Florida Everglades. The Institute also has operated a scholarship program for an additional 100 Indian tribes.

Over the past nine years, TJI has participated in over 300 training events for Indian tribes.

"TJI is proud to assist Indian tribes nationwide as they exercise their sovereign rights to provide for the safety and justice for their citizens," Jones said.

Jones said that TJI's successful ventures would not have been possible without the support of former UND law dean Jeremy Davis, former interim dean Candace Zierdt, and present dean Paul LeBel.

Jones added that the organization was also encouraged and supported over the years by the directors of the Northern Plains Indian Law Center, including Stacy Leeds, Matthew Fletcher, and Doreen Yellow Bird. The Institute was the brainchild of Indians Into Medicine (INMED) director Gene Delorme and was nurtured over the years by Northern Plains Indian Law Center advisory board members Patti Alleva and James Grijalva.

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EVENTS TO NOTE

Theology for Lunch series continues

Join Campus Ministry Association, representing Christus Rex, Newman Center, United Campus Ministry, and Wittenberg Lutheran Chapel, for the fall Theology for Lunch series. The topic and presenters for the fall series will be 4 Faiths 4 Stories.

Oct. 10 – Judaism, David Marshall

Oct. 17 – Mormonism (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints)

Oct. 24 – Islam

Each presentation will take place at noon at Christus Rex. A light lunch will be served, so bring your appetite, a friend, and an interest in exploring these faith traditions.

-- Lisa Burger, Director, Student Success Center, lisaburger@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-4706

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Women's Center Meet, Eat and Learn is Oct. 3

The Women's Center Meet, Eat and Learn is set for noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Oct 3, at the International Centre, 2908 University Ave. October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Two survivors will share their personal stories of how they have been affected by violence. Everyone is welcome, and lunch is provided.

-- Patty McIntyre, Program Associate, Womens Center, undwomenscenter@und.nodak.edu, 74302

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Tree dedication in honor of Theron Nelson set for Oct. 3

The Department of Finance in the College of Business and Public Administration is pleased to announce a special tree dedication in memory of Theron Nelson, former professor and chair of finance. The dedication will take place at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 3, on the west side of Gamble Hall, in the lawn areas between Gamble and Johnstone-Fulton residence hall. Everyone in the University community is invited to attend. A small reception will follow the dedication in the Page Family Marketing Center Conference Room in Gamble Hall.

The Department of Finance will plant and dedicate a Japanese Maple tree in Nelson's honor. Dr. Nelson passed away peacefully at home with his family on March 23, 2006, after a valiant struggle against esophageal cancer. His accomplishments will long be remembered throughout the College of Business and Public Administration, University community and region. Nelson was instrumental in the development of the A. Kirk Lanterman Investment Center, a trading room facility in the College of Business and Public Administration. He assisted with fund-raising efforts and oversaw construction and design of the Center, which provides the resources for numerous class-related projects, including a student managed investment fund. The Lanterman Investment Center is the culmination of a long-term dream by Nelson and other finance faculty at UND. Dr. Nelson was also an avid woodworker and took much pleasure in designing, renovating, and caring for their 100-year-old home. He was a loving husband and father who will be greatly missed, but in our hearts always.

Please join the College of Business and Public Administration and the finance faculty in remembering Dr.

Nelson's service to the University at this special dedication Wednesday, Oct. 3, at 1:30 p.m., on the west side of Gamble Hall.

-- CK Schultz, Director, External Relations, College of Business & Public Administration,
ck.schultz@mail.business.und.edu, 777-6937

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Launch of Sputnik commemorated Oct. 4

The 50th anniversary of the launch of Sputnik and the beginning of the space age will be commemorated Thursday, Oct. 4, at 1 p.m. in 210 Clifford Hall. The 45-minute program is sponsored by the Department of Space Studies at the J.D. Odegard School of Aerospace Sciences.

The program will include rare footage of the early Soviet space program including the launch of Sputnik itself. Brief remarks will be given by David Whalen, chair of the Department of Space Studies.

According to Whalen, "Neither the United States or the Soviet Union cared much about space. Neither government had made a commitment to space. But Sputnik changed all that. If it had not been for Sputnik and Yuri Gagarin's manned orbital flight in the spring of 1961, it is highly unlikely that the Apollo program would have been funded. Man would not have gone to the Moon. On Oct. 4 we will celebrate human ingenuity 50 years ago. We will celebrate the achievements of the Space Age."

The program is free and open to the public. The program is sponsored by the Department of Space Studies. It is part of the 20th anniversary activities of the Department of Space Studies, which offers a Master of Science degree, and was established in 1987 through the efforts of John Odegard and Buzz Aldrin, lunar module pilot of Apollo 11 and second man to walk on the Moon.

Since its inception, more than 600 students have received their graduate degrees in Space Studies. The degree is offered on-campus and through the distance learning network. The department is the only program of its kind in the world because it is multi-disciplinary and inter-disciplinary in nature offering both technical and policy courses.

For additional information contact David Whalen at 1-800-828-4274 or 777-2480.

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Kellenbenz to speak at seminar on Northwood tornado

David Kellenbenz, lead forecaster from the National Weather Service forecast office in Grand Forks, will present a seminar titled, "An Overview of the Northwood EF4 Tornado on Aug. 26, 2007" in 210 Clifford Hall at 3 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 4. The seminar is free and open to the public. All faculty, staff and students are invited to attend.

-- Karen Ryba, director of communications, aerospace, ryba@aero.und.edu, 777-4761

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University Senate meets Oct. 4; agenda listed

The University Senate will meet Thursday, Oct. 4, at 4:05 p.m. in Room 7, Gamble Hall.

AGENDA

1. Announcements
 - a. Senate attendance reports
 - b. Athletic DI report and budget, Alice Brekke, Phil Harmeson
2. Minutes of the previous meeting and business arising from the minutes
3. Question period

CONSENT CALENDAR:

4. Annual report of the Senate Faculty Instructional Development Committee, Jeffrey Weatherly, chair
5. Annual report of the Senate Honors Committee, Tami Carmichael, chair
6. Annual report of the Senate Committee on Committees, Michele Iiams, chair
7. Annual report of the Senate University Assessment Committee, Renee Mabey, chair

BUSINESS CALENDAR:

8. Proposal for Senate chair to serve as ex-officio member on the Research Council, Tom Petros

-- Lori Hofland, Administrative Assistant, Registrars Office, lorihofland@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-3892

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Visiting artist presentation is Oct. 4

Internationally renowned New York artist Audrey Flack is a visiting artist at the art department through Oct. 6. Her presentation at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 4, in the Josephine Campbell Recital Hall, Edmond A. Hughes Fine Arts Center, is free and open to the public.

The presentation will be followed by a reception for the artist and a viewing of her Daphne sculpture at the Colonel Eugene E. Myers Art Gallery (also located in the Hughes Fine Arts Center). A book that she authored, "Art and Soul," will be available for sale at the reception.

A major figure in painting during the era of the women's movement, Flack was highly acclaimed as one of America's most accomplished photorealist painters of the late 1960s and 1970s. In the early 1980s, however, she astonished dealers and critics when she made the shift from painter to sculptor. This shift coincided with the artist's desire to reach a broader audience especially through public art. Many of her sculptures involved recreations of ancient goddess types, classically-inspired subjects intended as fresh icons that address contemporary issues. Among Flack's major works within this genre is the monumental sculpture, Daphne, was recently acquired by the University of North Dakota through generous funding provided by the Colonel Eugene E. Myers Foundation.

As a visiting artist, Flack will install her Daphne sculpture in the Colonel Eugene E. Myers Art Gallery. With the assistance of students and faculty, she will also produce original prints and initiate a documentary video about her career and a publication related to her Daphne sculpture.

Major funding for Audrey Flack's visit to UND (and the events and projects that accompany it) is provided by the Colonel Eugene E. Myers Foundation and the Charles D. and Elynor B. Nelson Foundation-with additional support from the art department and the Chester Fritz Library; and participation from the Departments of English, Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures, Music, and Theatre.

For more information contact Arthur Jones, professor and chair, art department.

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UND Music announces band concert Oct. 4

The Wind Ensemble and University Band, conducted by James Popejoy, will present their first concert of the season at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 4, at the Chester Fritz Auditorium. Tickets, available at the door, are \$6 for adults, \$3 for students and senior citizens, or \$12 per family.

This concert will explore a wide variety of styles and genres from the world of music. The Wind Ensemble will open their portion of the program with a new work by Frank Ticheli titled "Nitro," followed by the wonderful "October" of Eric Whitacre. The ensemble will also showcase the classic "Second Suite in F" of Gustav Holst. A

new and unique work by John Mackey, "Strange Humors," will feature several members of the ensemble with solo opportunities. They will close the concert with a performance of Tchaikovsky's exciting "Dance of the Jesters."

The University Band will open the concert with Russell Alexander's circus march "Olympia Hippodrome." They will also present performances of "Montana Fanfare" by Austrian composer Thomas Doss; Sam Hazo's new work "Sólas Ané"; and David Holsinger's festive "Havendance." A new arrangement of "Music" from "Carmina Burana" by Carl Orff will round out their program.

For additional information concerning this performance, please contact the UND Band department at (777-2815.

-- James Popejoy, director of bands, 777-2815, james_popejoy@und.edu

-- Tammy Mulske, Technology and Marketing Supervisor, Music, tamara.mulske@und.nodak.edu, 777-2644

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Technology conference for higher education is Oct. 4-5

The University of North Dakota is sponsoring the sixth annual Beyond Boundaries Conference: Integrating Technology into Teaching and Learning Thursday and Friday, Oct. 4-5. at the UND campus. The Beyond Boundaries Conference is designed to promote innovative practices for using technology in teaching and learning. Nearly 250 participants in higher education from the upper Midwest region and Canada are expected to attend this year's conference.

The Beyond Boundaries Conference highlights experiences and successes with implementing the use of technology in various learning environments. Participants have the chance to learn from higher education faculty, staff and administrators who have first-hand experience in dealing with the technology issues they face. Throughout the conference, more than 40 sessions are offered to faculty and administration, students, distance education professionals, technology support specialists, librarians and student service representatives.

Keynote sessions include:

* Shirley Waterhouse, representative of the Office of the Provost directing the Centers for Teaching and Learning Excellence for Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (ERAU), will review guidelines necessary for institutions and individual faculty to attain the maximum potential of elearning instruction. Waterhouse has won the outstanding teaching award for 11 semesters during her tenure as professor in the Department of Computer Science at ERAU. Keynote session will be held from 9 to 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 4, in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl.

* Randy Bass, assistant provost for teaching and learning initiatives at Georgetown University and executive director of Georgetown's Center for New Designs in Learning and Scholarship, will discuss the concepts used to expand learning assessment when accommodating new forms of teaching. In 1999, Bass won the Educause Medal for outstanding achievement in technology and undergraduate education. Keynote session will be held from 9 to 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 5, in the UND Memorial Union Lecture Bowl.

The cost of attendance for this year's conference is \$150, which includes conference materials, meal functions, Thursday evening reception and access to the Exhibit Hall. The conference is coordinated by the Division of Continuing Education.

For a registration form, complete conference schedule and more information, visit www.beyondboundaries.info or call the UND Office of Conferences Services at 701-777-2663 or 866-579-2663 (toll free) or e-mail conferences@mail.und.edu (ATTN: Beyond Boundaries).

Doctoral examination set for Susan Rudolph McManus

The final examination for Susan Rudolph McManus, a candidate for the Ph.D. degree with a major in counseling psychology, is set for 1 p.m. Friday, Oct. 5, in 318 Montgomery Hall. The dissertation title is "The Effect of a Training on Client's Relationship Satisfaction and Awareness of Domestic Violence." Kara Wettersten (counseling psychology) is the committee chair. The public is invited to attend.

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

Julia Baldwin presents next LEEPS lectures

Julia Baldwin from the University of Montana presents the next LEEPS lectures Friday, Oct. 5. The Department of Geology and Geological Engineering Leading Edge of Earth and Planetary Science lecture program (LEEPS) brings nationally and internationally-known scientists and others to UND to give talks on cutting edge science and engineering. Lectures cover a wide range of topics, including academic science, applied engineering, and environmental issues of current significance. At noon, Baldwin will address "Extreme Crustal Metamorphism of Granulites in the Anápolis-Itauçu Complex, Brasília Belt, Central Brazil" in 100 Leonard Hall. At 3 p.m., the focus is "Formation of Eclogite and Reaction During Exhumation, Snowbird Tectonic Zone, Northern Saskatchewan, Canada" in 100 Leonard Hall.

For more information, contact Dexter Perkins at 777-2991.

-- Connie Larson, Administrative Secretary, Geology & Geological Engineering,
connielarson@mail.und.nodak.edu, 701-777-2248

Sudden infant death subject of Dean's Hour lecture Oct. 8

Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) and sudden natural death in children are the subjects of a talk set for noon Monday, Oct. 8, at the School of Medicine and Health Sciences. The public is welcome to attend.

Thomas Stocker, professor of pathology at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Md., will deliver the Dean's Hour presentation in the Keller Auditorium at the school's Wold Center, 501 N. Columbia Road.

A native of Bismarck and UND medical school alumnus, U.S. Army Colonel Stocker is an authority in pathology, pediatrics and emerging infectious diseases. He also holds an appointment as professor of pathology at Georgetown University Medical School in Washington, D.C.

His many professional accomplishments include serving as president of the Society for Pediatric Pathology in 1999. He initiated and conducted a continuing medical education program in pediatric pathology at Aspen, Colo., for 25 years.

The presentation will be broadcast at the following video-conference sites: the medical school's Southwest Campus conference room B, 515½ E. Broadway in Bismarck; Southeast Campus room 225, UND Medical Education Center, 1919 N. Elm St. in Fargo, and Northwest Campus office, UND Center for Family Medicine, 1201 11th Avenue SW in Minot.

It can also be viewed on the medical school's web page at:

<http://www.med.und.nodak.edu/depts/mit/webcast/dean.html> and through Internet video-conference on desktop computers through the medical school's CRISTAL Recorder (call 701-777-2329 for details).

The Dean's Hour Lecture Series is a forum for the discussion on health care, medicine, research, education and related issues of the day. For more information, please contact the Office of the Dean, 777-2514.

-- Shelley Pohlman, Asst. to the Director, Public Affairs, spohlman@gra.midco.net, 701-777-4305

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Author of "Another Sort of Learning" to speak Oct. 8

James V. Schall S.J. will address "Why Professors Need Students and Other Philosophical Tales" at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 8, in the Clifford O. Haugen Lecture Hall (Room 1360), School of Medicine and Health Sciences. Schall is the author of multiple books, including "Another Sort of Learning," and is a professor of political theory at Georgetown University. This public lecture is sponsored by the Honors Program, Office of Instructional Development, and St. Thomas Aquinas Newman Center.

-- Robert Dosch, Associate Professor, Accountancy, robert.dosch@mail.business.und.edu, 777-4686

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Global Visions film series presents "Nobody Knows" Oct. 8

The Global Visions Film Series, sponsored by the Department of Anthropology and the Anthropology Club, is a forum that promotes diversity at UND and within the community of Grand Forks at large through the venue of internationally acclaimed award winning independent films. Film is a rich medium for the exploration of cultural diversity, the effects of globalization, human rights abuses, and the broad spectrum of human experiences that constitutes the nature of culture and the human condition. Every other Tuesday the Global Visions Film Series shows a movie in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl. This year, we are joined by the UND Law School's International Human Rights Center, who will present two films under the umbrella of the Global Visions Film Series. All films in the series are award winning films, recognized for their artistic scope and social impact. They are open and free to UND students, faculty and Grand Forks community members. Several departments on the UND campus offer the films shown in the Global Visions Film Series as extra credit opportunities for students, who must write reviews and critiques of the issues presented in each of the outstanding films shown each semester.

All films are shown Tuesday night at 7 p.m., at the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl, except "Nobody Knows," which is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 8, and "West Beirut" scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 8. Films and dates follow:

- "Nobody Knows," Monday, Oct. 8 (Japan)
- "Cry of the Snow Lion," Oct. 16 (Tibet)
- "Curse of the Golden Flower," Oct. 23 (Hong Kong/China)
- "Bamako," Oct. 30 (Mali, Africa)
- "West Beirut," Nov. 8 (Beirut)
- "Who Killed the Electric Car," Nov. 6 (U.S.A.)
- "L'Enfant," Nov. 20 (Belgium/France)
- "Quinceanera," Dec. 4 (U.S.A.)

The Global Visions Film Series is funded by the Multicultural Awareness Committee, a standing committee in the UND Student Government.

A film review of "Nobody Knows" (Japan) by Michael Wilmington was written Feb. 16, 2005, in the Chicago Tribune.

"Nobody Knows," by the often excellent Japanese filmmaker Hirokazu Kore-eda, is one of those special movies

that can give us a new way of seeing. With immaculate skill and heart-rending compassion, it transports us into a whole new world, shining and dangerous. Kore-eda (the director of "Maborosi" and "After Life") takes us on a journey into the special domain of childhood, a voyage joyous, shattering—and supremely convincing.

With a gentle, luminous skill, Kore-eda shows us a year in the lives of four modern-day Tokyo children, ages 4 to 12, who are abandoned by their mother in their apartment and forced to fend for themselves. Coping with the world is something they've never really learned. Three of the children — a boy, 7, and two girls, 10 and 4 — were under the radar even before the abandonment because the mother concealed their identity from the landlady in order to secure the room. Only the eldest boy, 12, has had contact with the world outside.

Their insular world breaks apart just before Christmas when their charming but irresponsible mother, Keiko (played by Japanese pop star You), leaves them without warning or explanation. They must band together to survive. The 12-year-old, Akira (played by Yuya Yagira, who won the 2004 Cannes Film Festival prize for acting for this role), gives the orders; so does his sister Kyoko, 10 (Ayu Kitaura). Shigeru, 7 (Hiei Kimura), and Yuki, 4 (the remarkable Momoko Shimizu), are the little ones who follow them.

What happens is deeply disturbing but also recognizably true. As the apartment deteriorates into squalor and the kids are forced to ever more desperate measures — doing their laundry and getting water in the park after their power and water are turned off — they form their own little community, their own rules. Some work. Some, tragically, don't.

"Nobody Knows" was shot chronologically, over one year, from fall to summer 2002, and we see the children grow markedly (most obviously Akira) as the story progresses. We also see near-real behavior. The four nonprofessional child actors and You, along with Hanae Kan as Saki, the hooky-playing rich girl Akia meets outside, worked in an improvisatory way, often adding lines and action to the meticulously planned but flexible script.

This method — which recalls Mike Leigh or John Cassavetes but is closer to a fusion of documentary and fiction than either — results in a keen sense of reality, augmented by Yamazaki Yutaka's brilliant hand-held camera-work. The film's images are kinetic, full and bright. This is the way we see the world as children — and why the movie, despite its tragic subject, has that childlike feel of a world full of sunlight, a world at play. At the end, we love these children. And we can only wish their world and their guardians had loved them as well.

-- Marcia Mikulak, Assistant Professor, Anthropology, marcia.mikulak@und.nodak.edu, 777-4718

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13th annual Clothesline Project is Oct. 8-12

October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Hours are Monday through Thursday, Oct. 8-11, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday, Oct. 12, 8 a.m. to noon at the Memorial Union Ballroom

"Take Back the Night Rally" is Oct. 11 at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Union Ballroom. Two survivors will share their personal stories of how they have been affected by violence. Take Back the Night is a rally, held in conjunction with the Clothesline Project, promoting public awareness of interpersonal violence. Why? To show that our campus and community will not stand for violence against women, children and families.

The Clothesline Project is a visual display of T-shirts bearing witness to the effects of violence in our society. Each shirt represents a particular adult or child's experience, decorated by the survivor or by a family member or friend. This is sponsored by Women's Center, North Dakota Council on Abused Women's Services, and Community Violence Intervention Center, a United Way participating agency.-- Patty McIntyre, Program Associate, Womens Center, undwomenscenter@und.nodak.edu, 777-4302.

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What is college (level) writing?

Often, student and faculty ideas about writing at the college level differ drastically. There are a lot of different views about what makes a piece of writing worthy of being called college-level. For some readers, integration of source material into a paper is a benchmark of college-level writing. Others are looking for a demonstration of critical thinking and innovation. Still others believe a tenet of college-level writing is a mastery of rules of punctuation and grammar. Faculty members' expectations for student writing can vary substantially, which can lead to students becoming frustrated when their method of writing seemed fine for one professor and is considered subpar by another.

In this session from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 9, in 10/12 Swanson Hall, we will discuss how faculty can help identify their own expectations in order to better communicate those expectations to students. From the creation of writing assignments to discussions of how the final written product will be graded, we will explore some ways that instructors who are not teachers of writing can talk to their students about college-level writing.

To register and reserve a free box lunch, call Jana Hollands at 777-4998 by noon Friday, Oct. 5. Sessions are open on a first-come, first-served basis. Please indicate if you require a vegetarian meal. Series co-sponsored by the Office of Instructional Development and Writing Across the Curriculum.

-- Anne Kelsch, Director, Office of Instructional Development, anne.kelsch@und.nodak.edu, 701-777-4233

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Join Dakota Harvest Bakers in the Burnt Toast kitchen

Everybody loves pizza, but not everybody knows how easy it is to make your own. Join the Dakota Harvest Bakers as they show you how to build your own pizza pie from the crust up from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 9, at the Wellness Center Burnt Toast demo kitchen. Class cost is \$8. Sign up at the Wellness Center welcome desk by Monday, Oct. 8.

-- Leah Wagner, Coordinator of Burnt Toast, Wellness Center, leahwagner@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-0842

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UND Aerospace to conduct accident investigation course

The UND Aerospace Foundation and the Air Line Pilots Association will conduct a two and one-half day aircraft accident investigation course at the Grand Forks International Airport Tuesday through Thursday, Oct. 9-11. The course is designed to provide an advanced level of instruction to individuals who may participate in aviation accident investigations conducted by the National Transportation Safety Board and the Federal Aviation Administration.

Over 30 airline pilots from around the United States and Canada are expected to participate in each course, which will use actual aircraft wreckage donated by a firm in California. The wreckage "site" will be recreated south of the flight operations facility and used specifically for investigative training techniques.

This course is also offered to a select group of aviation employees and a limited number of aviation students who have completed aviation safety courses at UND. Aviation aircraft manufacturers who have expressed interest in this type of course and training will also be attending.

For further information, contact Dana Siewert at 777-7895 (email: siewert@aero.und.edu) or check out <http://www.aero.und.edu/index.php3>.

-- Karen Ryba, director of communications, aerospace, ryba@aero.und.edu, 777-4761

Fall Leadership Series begins Oct. 10

The Fall Leadership Series will begin Wednesday, Oct. 10. The series will take place every Wednesday from 3 to 4 p.m., Oct. 10 through Nov. 28. All sessions are held in the Badlands Room, second level, Memorial Union. The first presenter will be Student Body President Jay Fisher. All topics are related to leadership, and Fisher's topic will be "Ignite Your Personal Passion." The presentations are open to the public.

-- *Kaleigh Lindholm, Project Coordinator for Leadership Development, Center for Student Involvement & Leadership, leadership@und.edu, 777-3665*

Doctoral examination set for Darla J. Adams

The final examination for Darla J. Adams, a candidate for the Ph.D. degree with a major in teaching and learning, is set for 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 11, in Room 206, Education Building. The dissertation title is "Adequacy of Labor Epidural Information for Informed Consent." Myrna Olson (teaching and learning) is the committee chair.

The public is invited to attend.

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

Astronomer addresses search for extraterrestrial intelligent life

Are we alone in the universe? How many stars have planets, and how many of these planets might support intelligent life? Frank Drake, the famed astronomer who conducted the first radio search for extraterrestrial intelligence, will describe his search for cosmic company at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 16, at the Chester Fritz Auditorium. The presentation is free and open to the public.

In 1960, Dr. Drake ran a two-week experiment to search for intelligent life beyond Earth at the National Radio Astronomy Observatory in Green Bank, W.Va. He used an 85-foot diameter radio telescope to search for artificial signals from two nearby stars. Following this experiment, called "Project Ozma," Drake devised the famous "Drake Equation" that identifies specific factors thought to play a role in the development of intelligent civilizations in our galaxy. Although there is no unique solution to this equation, it is a generally accepted tool for estimating the prospects for intelligent life elsewhere.

In 1972, Dr. Drake collaborated with astronomer Carl Sagan on the design of the Pioneer plaque, a six-inch by nine-inch pictorial "message in a bottle" mounted on the Pioneer 10 spacecraft, which has left the solar system and is more than eight billion miles from Earth. The plaque describes what we look like, where we are, and the date when the Pioneer mission began, should the spacecraft ever meet up with extraterrestrials millions of years from now.

Dr. Drake also sent a message in 1974 from the Arecibo, Puerto Rico radio telescope to a cluster of stars. If it is received 20,000 years from now and a return message is sent, our descendants 40,000 years from now will detect it.

Dr. Drake is the director of the SETI (Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence) Institute's Center for the Study of Life in the Universe and also serves on the Board of Trustees of the SETI Institute as chairman emeritus. He is a member of the National Academy of Sciences where he chaired the Board of Physics and Astronomy of the National Research Council. Drake is emeritus professor of astronomy and astrophysics at the University of California Santa Cruz, where he also served as dean of natural sciences.

For more information, contact Karen Katrinak at the UND Center for People and the Environment, at 777-2482, or katrinak@aero.und.edu.

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Keynote address on community-university partnerships is Oct. 17

A national expert on community development will give a keynote address on community-university partnerships and lead a community building workshop Wednesday, Oct. 17, on campus.

The UND Center for Community Engagement is hosting the visit of John Kretzmann, co-director of the Asset-Based Community Development Institute at Northwestern University. Kretzmann is co-author with John McKnight of "Building Communities from the Inside Out" (1993), a book that helped launch the community research technique called asset mapping.

Kretzmann will give a keynote address on community-university partnerships at the Center's annual awards luncheon and program, where four awards will be given to recognize exemplary community and university efforts by community organizations, students, faculty, and departments. The luncheon begins at 11:45 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 17, in the North Ballroom, Memorial Union.

Kretzmann's workshop, "Building Community Assets," will be held after the awards program from 2 to 4:30 p.m. in the Lecture Bowl, Memorial Union. Cost for the luncheon is \$15 (\$10 for students with a UND ID), while the workshop is \$10 (free to students, with ID). The workshop is available for .3 CEU credits for an additional charge of \$10.

Registration is available by calling the Center at 777-0675 or by visiting the Center's web site at www.communityengagement.und.edu. Information about award nominations is also available at the web site. Nomination deadline for awards is 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 5.

-- *Fayme Stringer, Americorps*VISTA, Center for Community Engagement, fayme.stringer@und.edu, 7-2706*

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UND Fall Graduation Expo set for Oct. 23

The UND Fall Graduation Expo will be held Tuesday, Oct. 23, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Loading Dock, first floor, Memorial Union. A visit to the Expo will be a one-stop information source for students graduating Dec. 14. The Registrar's Office will be on hand with a list of students eligible to graduate and is able to verify addresses for mailing of diplomas. The UND Bookstore and Herff Jones will have regalia, diploma covers, frames, and class rings for purchase and viewing. Financial Aid can answer questions about student loan payments. Career Services will assist with any job search. The Alumni Association will explain services to new graduates. Plus additional information about UND's Graduate School, photographers, and catering will also be available. Faculty are invited to attend and check out custom regalia that can be ordered through the Barnes & Noble UND Bookstore. If you have any questions about the Expo, contact the Office of Ceremonies and Special Events at 777-6393 or e-mail dawnbotsford@mail.und.nodak.edu. For more information about December's commencement, visit this web page at <http://commencement.und.edu>.

-- Dawn Botsford, events coordinator, Office of Ceremonies and Special Events, dawnbotsford@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-6393.

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Authentic Ethiopian dinner is Nov. 6

Ethiopia Reads works to improve literacy in Ethiopia in order to bring hope, vision and educational skills to this generation of Ethiopian children. The Friends of Ethiopia Reads will serve an authentic Ethiopian meal at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 6, in the Fellowship Hall at Calvary Lutheran Church, 1405 S. 9th St. Yohannes

Gebregeorgis will share his dream of bringing books and reading to Ethiopia's children, and how he enlisted the support of former Grand Forks resident Jane Kurtz. A limited number of tickets (\$30) will be sold for this event. Call me at 777-6393 for ticket information or e-mail at dawnbotsford@mail.und.nodak.edu if you are interested in attending.

-- Dawn Botsford, Events Coordinator, Office of Ceremonies and Special Events,
dawnbotsford@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-6393

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UND Dance Marathon is Nov. 17

The mission of the University Dance Marathon is to build hope and inspiration for the children treated at MeritCare Children's Hospital. The goal of this event is to involve the campus and community in a worthwhile cause while giving students an opportunity for leadership and development and raising money for the hospital.

The UND Dance Marathon will be Saturday, Nov. 17, from noon until midnight in the Memorial Union Ballroom. There will be music, including both a DJ and live performers and free food throughout the day. Most importantly, children that have benefited from the MeritCare Children's Hospital will come with their families and share their stories with everyone attending the event.

To get involved, you must register for the event. Check our Web page through student organizations for registration materials. We ask that everyone who registers raise a minimum of \$20 to receive a free T-shirt! You can get together in teams or register as an individual. Every cent that you donate goes straight to the MeritCare Children's Hospital and is tax deductible.

MeritCare is the only non-profit children's hospital in the state of North Dakota, and one of the leading children's hospitals in the nation. Children and their families come to the hospital from all over the state of North Dakota as well as surrounding states. Many children from the Grand Forks area have been cared for by the MeritCare Children's Hospital.

The Children's Miracle Network is a non-profit organization dedicated to saving and improving the lives of children by raising funds for children's hospitals across North America. They are the national organization associated with MeritCare Children's Hospital and UND Dance Marathon.

Faculty and staff: Come show your support and dance to give kids a chance!

-- Sally Pyle, Associate Professor, Honors Program, sally.pyle@und.nodak.edu, 777-3302

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Midterm grade rosters available for faculty Oct. 4

Midterm grade rosters for fall 2007 will be available for entry of midterm deficiency grades by faculty Thursday, Oct. 4. Midterm deficiency grades for fall 2007 must be recorded in PeopleSoft by noon Friday, Oct. 12. At that point, the registrar's office will run a process to generate letters to all students for whom deficient grades are recorded (grades of D, F, or U). Any deficiency grades entered after that point will not be included in these notifications to students, and contacting those students becomes the responsibility of the course instructor. Faculty must review every roster for midterm deficiencies, enter and save deficient grades, if any, and then change the roster status to "Ready For Review" and save it when they are finished with each roster. This status change signifies that the roster is "official" for midterm purposes. The status needs to be changed even when there are no deficiency grades to be recorded the class. If faculty members can log in to PeopleSoft, but cannot access a roster they are expecting to be able to update, they should contact Marge in the registrar's office at 777-2150. The cause usually has something to do with how the data is recorded in the PeopleSoft Schedule of

Classes. The instructions for midterm grading can also be accessed on the web at <http://www.und.edu/dept/registrar/FacultyStaff/FacultyStaff.htm> . — Ray Pospisil, assistant registrar.

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Note annual report information

The following information is being provided for assistance as you plan preparation of your FY2007 (July 2006-June 2007) annual report:

- Final due date for FY2007 web-annual reports is Monday, Oct. 15, 2007. However, earlier submittal dates may be established by your respective college, unit, and/or division.
- The required web-based report template for narrative reporting, instructions, and guidelines can be found at the annual report web site URL: <http://www.und.nodak.edu/dept/datacol/annualreports/index.htm>
- Password questions can be directed to the Office of Institutional Research at 777-4358. The web site also provides information about strategic and annual reporting at UND - as well as the state level.
- Please note the change in Priority Action Area B. There are separate text boxes to list publications and/or scholarships.
- The text-editing feature allows formatted text (bold, bullets, color, etc.) and tables to be copied and pasted while retaining the format. Please note that when "pasting" text into this site, MSWord seems to work the best.
- An attempt has been made to limit the amount of redundancy; however redundancy is a necessary "evil." Just a reminder that it is very important that you use the web application template and instructions to guide your responses and provide complete information for each item.
- Core data can be accessed at the annual report web site and continues to be updated as information becomes available.

• Questions on annual reporting should be directed to:

Academic Affairs: Connie Gagelin, 777-2165

Finance and Operations: Marisa Haggy, 777-4392

Student and Outreach Services: Lillian Elsinga or Terry Aubol, 777-2664

SMHS: Judith Bruce, 777-4271, or Madonna Hajicek, 777-2722

Research: Michelle Meyer, 777-6772

All other: Cynthia Prom, 777-6142

-- *Connie Gagelin, Administrative Officer, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost,*

conniegagelin@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-2165

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Kathy Williams named new U2 coordinator

Kathy Williams has assumed the role of coordinator for the University within the University (U2) program at the Division of Continuing Education. She has worked for UND the past 20 years and has over 12 years of direct experience coordinating various aspects of continuing education programming at UND. Her past experience includes education coordinator for the UND Laboratory Education for North Dakota (LEND) program, a continuing education program for laboratory professionals; state coordinator for an HIV/AIDS education program for healthcare professionals; coordinator for the UND Continuing Medical Education office; and continuing education coordinator for the UND BORDERS Alert and Ready Program, a program providing disaster preparedness education and training for healthcare professionals. Through her work with BORDERS, Kathy was a member of the instructional design team and was involved in the development and implementation of online and onsite education and training programs. Williams is currently working on her master's degree in instructional design and technology. She looks forward to her new position as U2 coordinator and welcomes your ideas and suggestions for new U2 course offerings. Contact Kathy at 777-4266 or e-mail kathrynwilliams@mail.und.edu.

-- *Kathy Williams, U2 Coordinator, Division of Continuing Education University within the University (U2)*

Program, kathrynwilliams@mail.und.edu, 777.4266

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Vari named interim director of Continuing Medical Education

Richard Vari has been named interim director of the Office of Continuing Medical Education and Outreach at the School of Medicine and Health Sciences, effective Monday, Oct. 1. He continues in his current position, associate dean for medical education at the school.

Vari replaces Wayne Bruce who recently resigned. Bruce served the UND medical school since 1975 when he was appointed director of the clinical laboratory science program.

Vari joined the UND medical school in 1993 as a member of the physiology faculty. He has been instrumental in designing and implementing the patient-centered learning curriculum at the school.

-- *Shelley Pohlman, Asst. to the Director, Public Affairs, spohlman@medicine.nodak.edu, 701-777-4305*

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Faculty invited to submit podcasts for iTunes UND

The University of North Dakota has been named an iTunes University, and faculty are invited to submit podcasts for inclusion on the iTunes U site, which is available at <http://www2.und.edu/our/itunes/index.php>.

Podcasts are online audio and video files that allow users to receive new files automatically, usually at no cost. You don't need an iPod to see them and can use a computer or other MP3 player to view or listen. Apple provides server space on which to host the podcasts, while UND and other universities provide content.

UND already has more than 60 podcasts on the iTunes U site, and plans to add more, especially in the academic area. From health information and aerial acrobatics to statistics and archaeological digs, UND's new iTunes U site offers course materials, lectures, seminars, and general information for students and the public.

Podcasts can be open to the public or password-protected for courses. For more information, contact me at 777-3621 or Kevin Crawford at 777-6298.

-- *Jan Orvik, Writer/Editor, University Relations, janorvik@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-3621*

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ND IVN unveils web conferencing solutions

The North Dakota Interactive Video Network (IVN) is launching two new electronic media services this fall that will provide NDUS faculty with new tools for delivering academic instruction. Both products are made by a company called Wimba and will be available for faculty, students, and staff at all 11 campuses of the university system.

The first product, called Live Classroom, is an Internet-based software program that will provide NDUS faculty with the ability to conduct live classes and office hours with geographically remote students. The system allows faculty and students to see and hear each other in live "virtual" classrooms. It facilitates two-way interaction through application sharing, white boarding, and other tools. Wimba can also be used for training programs or meetings involving university-system faculty, staff, and administrators.

"Live Classroom nicely fills the gap between traditional videoconferencing services and asynchronous, online instruction," said Jerry Rostad, director of IVN. "It's an ideal platform to see and hear individual students real time, whether they're in rural North Dakota or half way around the world."

Wimba's second software program, Voice Tools, is designed to increase interaction of online education through audio and voice interaction. Voice Tools promotes vocal instruction, collaboration, coaching, and assessment.

Features of Voice Tools include the ability to send voice /audio emails, post audio announcements, convert audio to podcasts, and use audio in discussion boards or chat.

"We're seeing increasing demands for electronic media in the classroom," Rostad said. "Voice Tools provides a variety of ways to use audio to enhance teaching and learning."

The decision to purchase Wimba was made after IVN led an extensive review of web conferencing products this past spring. Representatives from all campuses were invited to participate. One of the key features of Wimba was its less restrictive licensing arrangement. Users and campuses will have unlimited access to both Live Classroom and Voice Tools, rather than alternative, metered services.

A second strong feature of Wimba was its ability to integrate with course management software. Wimba currently integrates with Blackboard and WebCT, which is used at seven of the 11 NDUS campuses.

For more information regarding IVN and the Wimba deployment, contact the main IVN office at 701-777-6354 or e-mail Jerry Rostad at jerry.rostad@ivn.nodak.edu.

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Student Technology Fee Committee calls for proposals

The Student Technology Fee Committee is calling for proposals for spring 2008 technology fee dollars. The committee will make recommendations for proposals based on the following:

Descriptive Criteria

- Dean's ranking
- How does this project address your unit's strategic plan?
- Impact on the curriculum and/or on research
- Innovation
- Student benefit

Demographic Criteria

- Number of disciplines served
- Number of students served

Unit Support

- Access to equipment
- Matching funds from the department/unit
- Technical support
- Technology available for redeployment

*Note: Above criteria listed alphabetically – not in priority order.

PLEASE NOTE: All proposals must be submitted using the spring 2008 (083) STF Request Form. Forms may be accessed at: www.und.edu/org/stf/forms.html or you may request one via e-mail from Carol Hjelmstad at carolhjelmstad@mail.und.edu. Departments/units should submit the proposals to their deans or directors for review and prioritization. Units which answer directly to vice presidents should submit proposals to them for review and prioritization. Vice presidents, deans and directors may have earlier deadlines.

The deadline to submit proposals to the Student Technology Committee at Stop 9041 is Friday, Oct. 19.

Proposal writers must consult with the various support offices on campus for costs associated with installation of equipment, accessibility issues, security concerns and adaptive technology. Unless departments are prepared to pay for these out of their own budgets, proposal writers should obtain estimates and include them as a part of the budget for the proposal. In addition, proposal writers must consult with Disability Support Services regarding adaptive technology needed for the proposal and with the Center for Instructional and Learning Technologies regarding the equipment requested for compatibility, installation issues, and ensuing issues.

The STF Committee will hold an open meeting to address questions for those writing proposals for spring 2008 (083) funding. This open meeting is scheduled for Friday, Sept. 28, from 11 a.m. to noon in the Memorial Union, Governor's Room. Please feel free to drop by as your schedule allows. If the above date and time does not work for you, please give us a call and we will schedule a private appointment.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the proposal process, please contact Carol at 777-3171.

-- Carol Hjelmstad, Administrative Assistant, ITSS/CIO, carolhjelmstad@mail.und.edu, 701.777.3171

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Parking ramp is open

The new parking ramp is now open. While parking spaces located in the facility will be available, contractors will still be working on portions of the building not yet complete.

The following will serve as the temporary operational plan until the facility is complete:

- Please be aware that initially there will be no operational elevators. All ADA accessible parking will be located on the first level until elevator installation and testing is complete.
- The first and second level will be used for reserved access ramp permitted patrons for fall semester. You will be guaranteed space availability.
- Levels three, four, and five will be available parking for any valid UND permit. Please be aware if these levels are full you will have no guarantee of space availability.
- The only overnight parking allowed will be Swanson residents displaying a reserved permit for the ramp.

This interim operations plan will give every UND permit holder the chance to try out the new facility. The purchase of a ramp permit will guarantee you access to a space in the first two levels fall semester. Approximately 375 reserved access ramp permits will be available for sale on a first come/first served basis. Once these permits have been sold, persons holding these permits will be guaranteed first option to renew. These special permits will be sold at a discounted rate since the facility was not opened in August as scheduled. If you are interested in purchasing a reserved access ramp permit, please contact the Parking Office during office hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Pay as you go/hourly parking is expected to be available the beginning of spring semester.

Thank you for your patience as this project has been completed. - UND Parking Office.

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Purchasing office offers OfficeMax Solutions

The Purchasing Office is pleased to offer for your use OfficeMax Solutions, a secure web site for ordering office supplies and equipment online using your UND Purchasing Card.

Most prices are contract prices made available to you by the association UND Purchasing has with a national educational purchasing cooperative.

A test group of users has been using OfficeMax Solutions for office supply purchases since December and we are now rolling the program out campus wide. You may be able to find lower prices on some items, but overall

the test group has noticed savings in both time and money.

Some of the benefits are:

- * online ordering without leaving your desk.
- * next day delivery. If necessary, an account card is available at the Grand Forks OfficeMax store that will access contract pricing at time of check out when using your UND Purchasing card.
- * Product mix includes average of 47 percent discount from list prices.
- * Immediate access to live online assistance for customer service issues including product inquiries, returns, etc.

Below are comments regarding OfficeMax Solutions:

- * "This has been a time saver and a great service in general. We place a order and the next thing you know we have it delivered. What a great process."
- * "I like the online assistance, they call you back in less than a minute and you can talk to a live person."

You must be a UND Purchasing card holder to receive access to OfficeMax Solutions.

Please send the following information to the Purchasing Office if you want to be set up with an account:

- * Name (as it appears on purchasing card)
- * Department name
- * Complete campus delivery address
- * E-mail address
- * Phone number
- * Fax number

-- JoAnn Albrecht, Buyer, Purchasing, JoAnnAlbrecht@mail.und.nodak.edu, 7-2971

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Mini-grants available for summer programs/events

Are you planning an event at UND next summer but lack funding? Do you plan to develop a new summer course but need financial resources? Consider applying for a mini-grant through the Summer Programs and Events Council (SPEC).

SPEC's start-up mini-grant program will fund deserving proposals for:

1. The expansion of existing 2008 credit or non-credit summer courses/programs.
2. Or the redesign of existing 2008 credit or non-credit summer courses/programs.
3. Or the development of new 2008 credit or non-credit summer courses/programs.

Through the mini-grant program, the council wants to create positive learning experiences for the citizens of the Red River Valley Region and beyond by extending the resources of the University. The mini-grant funds will help cover the development, marketing and start-up costs for courses and programs held at UND during the summer months. Examples include camps for kids, academic classes that can be completed in the summer months, or any special event designed for the community. Quality, creativity and "out of the box" ideas are encouraged when developing new programs.

All interested UND faculty and staff are encouraged to submit proposals. Information can be found at www.summer.und.edu. The application deadline is 4:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 19. Recipients will be announced Dec. 19.

For more information on the mini-grant program contact Diane Hadden, director of Summer Sessions (credit

activities), 777-6284, dianehadden@mail.und.edu or Kerry Kerber, associate dean of continuing education (non-credit activities), 777-4264, kerrykerber@mail.und.edu. For operational questions, contact the Summer Events Office at 777-0841.

-- Jolene Marsh, Summer Events Program Assistant, Continuing Education, jolenemarsh@mail.und.edu, 777-0841

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Studio One begins fall telecast schedule

Studio One, the University of North Dakota's award-winning television show, has begun its fall telecast schedule. The hour-long program features a variety of news, weather, sports, entertainments, and guest segments. Nearly 40 student interns deal with every facet of producing and telecasting a live television show including reporting, anchoring, photography, graphics, marketing, television production, web design, and more.

Studio One airs before a live studio audience during the fall and spring semesters at UND. To request tickets to be a part of our live studio audience, please contact the UND Television Center at 777-4346 or visit www.studio1.und.edu.

-- Meghan Flaagan, Director of Marketing, Television Center, meghan.flaagan@und.edu, 777-3818

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Studio One features hobby artist, distance running

Learn how one couple turns their love of art into a creative business on the next edition of Studio One. Ted and Nedra Hoberg's interest in clay led them to create ceramic art. Now, the Hoberg's transformed their hobby into a successful home business. See how this couple uses teamwork to create interesting pieces of pottery.

Also on the show this week, long distance runners intensely train for their season. Find out how cross-country running pushes the physical limits of an athlete.

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 on Thursdays at 5 p.m. Re-broadcasts can be seen at 7 a.m., noon, 7 p.m. and 11 p.m. daily and on Saturdays at 10 a.m. Prairie Public Television airs Studio One on 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.

-- Meghan Flaagan, Director of Marketing, Television Center, meghan.flaagan@und.edu, 777-3818

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Al Austin family contributes fund to Center for Community Engagement

The family of Alvin E. Austin, a University of North Dakota educator for over 30 years who retired in 1980, has given a fund in his name to support the UND Center for Community Engagement through the UND Foundation. The announcement was made at the Center's grand opening ceremony Sept. 28, at its new location, 317 Cambridge Street, on the UND campus.

Austin, a UND professor from 1946 to 1980 who chaired the Journalism Department for more than 20 of those years, has been remembered by his former colleagues and students as an outstanding teacher, mentor, and community member. Austin died in 1999.

A life-long native of Grand Forks, Austin earned a B.A. in journalism from UND in 1931. He was a night editor for the Grand Forks Herald in the 1930s and 1940s and wrote a popular column in that newspaper, "Looking Around with Al Austin" in the 1940s and 1950s. He was a news and editorial consultant for various newspapers in the country and held several national offices, including national president of the Society of Journalism School

Administrators and national vice president of Sigma Delta Chi Society of Professional Journalists.

Austin also had a distinguished public career. He was an alderman for the Fifth Ward on the Grand Forks City Council and president of the City Council. He served on the Mayor's Committee on Improving Election Procedures in Grand Forks and was a special consultant and assistant for the Garrison Conservancy District.

He was awarded many honors, including the highest honor of the UND Alumni Association, the Sioux Award, and was named a national Distinguished Teacher of Journalism by Sigma Delta Chi.

Austin earned accolades from many at events in his honor at his retirement and death. He was credited with treasuring the First Amendment and the people's right to know, with launching his students into their careers with field trips and job contacts, and with bringing a sense of humor to the classroom and newsroom.

The Al Austin Fund will be used to support the operations and programming of the Center for Community Engagement. The Center was created in 2004 to connect faculty and students with communities through classroom and research opportunities. Contributions to the fund are being accepted through the UND Foundation at 777-2611 or may be made online at the Center's website, www.communityengagement.und.edu.

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Oct. 5 will be special Denim Day

President Kupchella has given his permission for UND to participate once again on Friday, Oct. 5, in Lee National Denim Day (one of the largest single-day fundraisers for breast cancer).

On Friday, Oct. 5, wear your Denim Day button, go casual, and give what you feel you can. If you wish to pay by check, make it payable to "Denim Day" please.

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

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Bookstore offers Sunday-Monday morning discounts

If our team wins, so do you! A new promotion at Barnes & Noble at UND is called Monday Morning Money-Back Program any time our football team wins a home game. Our bookstore will offer a discount equal to the point spread of the game the following Sunday and Monday. This discount (up to 25 percent) applies to all school logo and emblematic clothing sold at the Bookstore, including T-shirts, hoodies, and sweats. For example, if our team wins with a final score of 26-14, that Sunday and Monday the Bookstore will offer a 12 percent discount (26-14=12).

Every Sunday and Monday following a home win, the Bookstore will display the game's final score and that day's percentage discount. The discount will apply only on the first Sunday and Monday following the win and cannot be combined with any other discounts and promotions. This great program helps keep the enthusiasm of the victory going strong and lets everyone share in the win.

For more information on the Monday Morning money-back program, call or visit your campus bookstore, Barnes & Noble at UND!

-- Michelle Abernathy, General Manager, Barnes & Noble at UND,
michelle_aberanthey@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-2103

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Hawaiian Multicultural Club seeks advisor

The Hawaiian Multicultural Club (HMC) at UND is currently seeking a full-time faculty advisor. The club is comprised of UND students who are from or have ties to Hawaii and its collective group of cultures. The club is

seeking an advisor that is preferably from Hawaii or interested in the Hawaiian culture. Contact Bryan Shiota, bryan.shiota@und.nodak.edu, 808-345-5053.

-- Jan Orvik, *Writer/Editor, University Relations*, janorvik@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-3621

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Door prize winners announced for State Employee Recognition Week

The door prize winners during the State Employee Recognition Week follow.

Continuing Education:

- * Umbrella, Bjorn Gott, ITSS
- * Candy dish, Cherie Stoltman, budget

President's Office:

- * Two hockey tickets (Duluth), Dawn Lommen, accounting services
- * Two hockey tickets (Duluth), John Seibel, facilities
- * Two hockey tickets (Alaska), Katie Wondolich, grants and contracts
- * Two hockey tickets (Alaska), Sandy Walen, dietetics

Chester Fritz Auditorium:

- * Two complimentary tickets to "Gear Daddies," Jerry Johnson, facilities
- * Two complimentary tickets to the "Christmas Carol," Pam Zimbelman, facilities

Burtness Theatre:

- * Two season tickets, Byron Anderson, grounds
- * Two season tickets, Eric Tweton, College of Education and Human Development

Barnes & Noble:

- * Sweatshirt, Joneen Iverson, College of Education and Human Development
- * Insulated mug, Holly Ortega, nursing
- * Pen, Wayde Anderson, grants and contracts

Engineering and Mines:

- * Twill shirt, Toni Sweere, DOS

College of Business:

- * Sweatshirt, Linda Duckstad, College of Business and Public Administration

Dakota Textbook:

- * Crewneck sweatshirt, Ellen Erickson, vice president for academic affairs office
- * \$20 gift certificate, Kathy Spencer, rural health
- * \$20 gift certificate, Linda Rains, Memorial Union
- * T-shirt, Marisa Haggy, VPFO

Studio One:

- * Water bottle, Lisa Spencer, Student Success Center
- * Water bottle, Suzanne Anderson, registrar
- * Water bottle, Robin Cook, continuing education
- * Water bottle, Vern Kary, facilities

- * Coffee mug, Michelle Garske, BPA
- * Coffee mug, Dave Sundeen, facilities

College of Education and Human Development:

- * Coffee mug, Heather Martin, Student Success Center

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Note lost cell phone

A cellular phone has been lost. It is a silver Motorola Q in a black case. If you find it please contact me at 777.0229 or at ahaskins@medicine.nodak.edu. Thank you for your time and consideration.

-- Anne Haskins, Assistant Professor, Occupational Therapy, ahaskins@medicine.nodak.edu, 701.777.0229

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Fab 4 chosen

The Work Well Fab 4 has been chosen! Congratulations to Janelle Studney, Donald Dubuque, Celia Rosencrans, and Cindy Knudson for being chosen as the Fab 4! Thank you to all that took time to apply.

-- Leah Wagner, Coordinator for Burnt Toast, Wellness Center, leahwagner@mail.und.edu, 777-0842

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Are you interested in being part of a Weight Watchers At Work group?

Are you interested in being part of a Weight Watchers At Work group? A minimum number of 15 to 20 people are needed to offer this convenient meeting. Members must be willing to do a prepayment commitment for a 12-week session. The cost for the session is \$144 per person. Weight Watchers is offering a 17-week series for \$176, with a minimum of 20 members required. And, for the first time ever, with a 17-week series, free eTools will be available! No registration fee is charged and a three-part payment is offered. An informational meeting will be scheduled when sufficient responses are received. For more information call or e-mail me.

This document will be downloadable until 10/24/2007, 12:20:34 p.m. Please don't hesitate to call if you have questions.

-- Amanda Eickhoff, Assistant Director for Work Well, Wellness Center, amandaeickhoff@mail.und.edu, 701.777.0210

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Free mental health screenings available

Do you ever feel like you are wearing a mask? Roughly 18.8 million Americans age 18 and older have a depressive disorder. Learn to recognize and respond to the warning signs. Take a free, private online mental health screening at www.ucc.und.edu.

Screening options include: depression, anxiety, eating disorders, substance abuse, bipolar disorder, and post-traumatic stress disorder(PTSD). Help yourself. Help a friend.

For information or assistance, contact the University Counseling Center at 777-2127. It is sponsored by the University Counseling Center and the Student Health Promotion Office.

-- Carrie Giebel, Student Health Promotion GSA, Student Health Services, carrie.giebel@und.edu, 701-777-2097

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Medical students seeks patient volunteers

The Office of Medical Education is seeking people willing to be patients for our medical students. You would be

helping the students as they learn to take a patient's medical history and practice their physical exam skills. You would be paid \$10 an hour for your participation.

We need a diverse group of healthy men and women, ages 18 to 80, with the following:

- a flexible schedule
- transportation to and from the University
- limited number of health problems/medications

We would need you only for one of the following Tuesday afternoons from 12:45 until 5:30 p.m. Sorry, you can't come more than once. The afternoons are Oct. 23 and 30 and Nov. 6 and 13. During this time, you will be interviewed and examined by three different student physicians. The experience would be much the same as a visit to your own doctor's office. You would be asked to share your personal medical history and allow the student to do a physical exam. Don't worry, this does not require shots, blood tests or other invasive procedures. Students are observed by physicians and all information given would be confidential. If there is medical or personal information you do not wish to share, you don't have to.

If you are interested, please contact Dawn at 777-4028 in the Office of Medical Education as soon as possible. Please feel free to pass this information along to others you know who may be interested.

-- Dawn Drake, Coordinator, Standardized Patient Program, Medical Education, ddrake@medicine.nodak.edu, 777-4028

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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: Server Administrator, ITSS, #08-103

DEADLINE: (I) 10/09/2007

SALARY: \$35,000+/year

POSITION: Server Administrator, ITSS, #08-100

DEADLINE: (I)10/03/2007

SALARY: \$35,000+/year

POSITION: Database Administrator, ITSS, #08-099

DEADLINE: (I) 10/03/2007

SALARY: \$35,000+/year

POSITION: Associate Athletics Director/Chief Financial Officer, #08-091

DEADLINE: (I) 10/04/2007

SALARY: \$70,000+/year

POSITION: Accounting Specialist (Re-advertised) Accounting Services, #08-042

DEADLINE: (I) 10/03/2007

SALARY: \$38,000+/year

POSITION: Reference Librarian/Bibliographer, Chester Fritz Library, #08-016

DEADLINE: Sept. 1, 2007 or until filled. (Applications received by Sept. 1 will receive first consideration)

SALARY: \$37,000+/year

TECHNICAL/PARAPROFESSIONAL: No current vacancies.

OFFICE SUPPORT:

POSITION: Conference Services Program Assistant, Continuing Education, #08-101

DEADLINE: (I) 10/03/2007

SALARY: \$19,000+/year

CRAFTS/TRADES/SERVICE: No current vacancies.

NORTH DAKOTA UNVIERSITY SYSTEM POSITION OPENINGS:

Junior Programmer Analyst

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IN THE NEWS

Metcalfe receives Walter O. Mason award at national conference

Elaine Metcalfe, director of the TRIO Programs, has been awarded the Walter O. Mason Award at the Council for Opportunity in Education conference in Chicago. This prestigious award is the highest national honor given by the Council for Opportunity in Education, for distinguished service and leadership.

Metcalfe became the director of TRIO Programs in 2006. She has been with the University TRIO Programs for 20 years, including the previous five years as associate director.

Walter O. Mason is credited as one of the creators of the Federal TRIO programs. The Council established this award in his name in 1988 to honor outstanding educational opportunity professional who exemplify his sense of leadership and his ideals.

UND TRIO Programs consist of five federally-funded grants that help serve low income and disadvantaged students. The programs that are directed by Metcalfe include Upward Bound, Talent Search, Student Support Services, Ronald E. McNair Postbaccalaureate program, and Educational Opportunity Center.

-- *Dennis Stangl, Technology Specialist (Public Relations Committee Chair), TRIO,*

dennisstangl@mail.und.nodak.edu, 7-2084

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Burns appointed to second term on accreditation commission

Elizabeth Burns, professor of family and community medicine at the School of Medicine and Health Sciences, has been appointed to a second term on the national commission which accredits physician assistant programs throughout the United States.

In January, she begins a three-year term on the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant, Inc. (ARC-PA), and has been elected secretary for the ARC-PA, a position on the executive committee. She was nominated by the American Medical Association to serve on the ARC-PA.

Burns is medical director of UND's physician assistant program through which students earn the Master of Physician Assistant Studies degree. The program, directed by Mary Ann Laxen, is offered through the medical school's Department of Family and Community Medicine.

The 17 members of the ARC-PA represent various medical and health care professional organizations. Their role is to support and advance physician assistant education by active participation in the work of the ARC-PA, including serving on committees and program site visit teams.

Burns also recently received the Distinguished Alumni Award from Marygrove College in Detroit, Mich. The award recognizes graduates' outstanding contributions in professional, educational or artistic endeavors; community service; political action, social justice or volunteer activities, or to Marygrove College. Burns graduated magna cum laude with a Bachelor of Science degree from Marygrove in 1972.

Burns, who joined the UND medical school in 2002, is director of the National Center of Excellence in Women's Health Region VIII Demonstration Project.

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Engineering school honors distinguished alumni

Seven new members were inducted into the School of Engineering and Mines Alumni Academy Sept. 28. The new inductees join 33 distinguished alumni of UND engineering and geology programs.

New inductees include:

- * John T. Crystal, master's in chemical engineering, 1970, Exxon Mobil Chemicals, Technology Manager Asia Pacific, Polyolefins, Singapore;
- * Bret K. Fossum, bachelor's in geological engineering, 1982, team leader, ConocoPhillips Global New Ventures Group, Houston, TX;
- * Benedict F. Gorecki, bachelor's in electrical engineering, 1962, President and CEO, Gorecki Manufacturing, Inc., Milaca, MN;
- * Ralph J. Krogfoss, bachelor's in mechanical engineering, 1943, CEO and majority shareholder, Charles M. Bailey Co. and owner of Febco, San Francisco, CA;
- * Curtis L. Orr, bachelor's in electrical engineering, 1953, over 50 year career as manager and contractor with The Boeing Company, Seattle, WA;
- * Palmer J. Reiten, bachelor's in mechanical engineering, 1943, 31 year career as mechanical engineering professor and department chair at UND; (this honor is being given posthumously); and
- * Gary D. Sanders, bachelor's in civil engineering, 1966, president of Floan-Sanders, Inc., East Grand Forks, MN.

The SEM Academy is comprised of a small, select group of UND School of Engineering and Mines alumni, with members being inducted annually. The purpose of the academy is to celebrate the achievements of alumni, to encourage and motivate current students in their academic pursuits, and to create a body of expertise to advise the school on major issues.

Santhosh Seelan presents talks in India

Santhosh Seelan, professor of space studies, attended the 17th joint United Nations/International Astronautical Federation Workshop on the "Use of Space Technology for Sustainable Development Towards Food Security" at Hyderabad, India from Sept 21 to 23, and the 58th International Astronautical Congress, also at Hyderabad, India, from Sept 24 to 28. Dr. Seelan's presentations at both the meetings focused on improving global agricultural productivity through promoting the use of remote sensing products by farmers and other end users. He also chaired a working group on "Education, Training and International Co-operation" at the UN/IAF workshop, attended by representatives from about 25 countries. The 58th IAC was attended by more than 2,000 delegates and provided an opportunity to network and interact with many professionals from around the world, and also for recruiting potential future UND students.

Dr. Seelan's participation at the workshop and congress were sponsored by the space studies department and the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs.

Larry Zitzow appointed third vice president of CAPP

Larry Zitzow, director of facilities, has been appointed third vice president of the Central Association of Physical Plant Directors (CAPP). CAPP is a regional organization of physical plant personnel from colleges and universities in the central United States that include Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, and the Canadian province of Manitoba. The organization provides a network for physical plant professionals to share expertise and provides educational opportunities for its members. CAPP's purpose is to develop and maintain high standards in the administration, maintenance, operation, planning, and development of facilities in higher education.

UND and the cities of Grand Forks and East Grand Forks will host the regional conference Sept. 24-30, 2009. This week-long conference will bring in approximately 400 participants and business partners, not to mention several spouses and guests. Local businesses are invited to participate in the conference through sponsorships, hosting events, promotions, and conducting tours. The conference economic impact for the community could be \$750,000-\$1,200,000.

-- Jan Orvik, Writer/Editor, University Relations, janorvik@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-3621

Covington represents nursing in North Dakota at regional conference

Chandice Covington, dean of the College of Nursing, was a panelist at the August 2007 Council of State Governments' Midwestern Legislative Conference in Traverse City, Mich. An invitation to present was extended by North Dakota Sen. John Warner and Kansas Sen. Vicky Schmidt, co-chairs on the Conference Health and Human Services Committee.

Dr. Covington spoke on North Dakota efforts to educate a new generation of healthcare professionals, as well as strategies to recruit and retain doctors and nurses, especially in the rural areas of North Dakota.

"I was so inspired by this conference where North Dakota legislators met to share with and learn from their peers in the Midwest region concerning their constituents' needs," said Dr. Covington. "These dedicated elected officials spent long hours in meeting rooms talking about critical needs in human services, such as the nursing shortage and how the state legislatures can help ease the crisis. It was an honor to present the new work of the North Dakota Nursing Consortium voted in by Senate Bill 2349 in the last biennium. The Consortium is comprised of all nursing programs in the state and will address needs such as faculty shortages, student

financial concerns, and accessing clinical resources for quality education of nursing professionals."

Sen. Warner shares that "we frequently adopt the attitude, in North Dakota, that we are too small or that we have too few resources to take a leadership position in national health policy, but in many ways North Dakota's small size is our greatest asset."

"We can be a great laboratory for innovation," stated Sen. Warner. "If something works it can be polished and perfected before it is presented to the larger community, and if an experiment fails we can turn North Dakota's relatively small health and medical establishments quickly to move in a new direction. Dr. Covington has developed a reputation for innovative ideas and creative approaches to problem solving. I was delighted with the opportunity to show off one of North Dakota's brightest and best to this regional forum."

This annual conference focuses on those issues of greatest interest to policymakers in our nation's heartland – providing state leaders with the resources and tools they need to effectively address today's public policy challenges. Other topics on this year's agenda included a keynote session from innovation expert Daniel Pink titled "Technology & Society, a Preview of the Congressional Agenda and Campaign 2008" and Pulitzer Prize-winning historian David M. Kennedy giving the closing address, "Learning from Crises: The Great Depression and World War II."

North Dakota legislators attending the conference included Senators Arthur Behm, Dick Dever, Dave Nething, Jim Pomeroy, Rich Wardner, and John Warner; and Representatives Wesley Belter, Rick Berg, Donald Clark, Mark Dosch, David Drovdal, Pam Gulleason, Matthew Klein, Kim Koppleman, William Kretschmar, Gary Kreidt, Ken Svedjan, and Steve Zaiser.

The Council of State Governments (CSG) was founded in 1933 with the sole purpose of pursuing excellence in state government. As the only nonpartisan, nonprofit association representing all three branches of government, they are committed to helping put the best ideas and solutions into practice.

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