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Focused visit for HLC reaccreditation scheduled

UND will be receiving a reaccreditation "focused visit" from the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) of the NCA on April 7-8, 2008. This focused visit will occur because UND was found deficient in its assessment of student learning at the last comprehensive reaccreditation site visit. At that time, the accreditation team reported that too few departments were doing direct assessment of student learning, as documented in annual reports (in fact, site visitors reviewed departmental annual reports and singled out several as negative examples).

Specific areas of improvement to be achieved prior to the 2008 focused visit were described as follows: "all programs should have identified measurable learning goals, established more than one direct measure of student learning as well as indirect measures, reviewed outcomes of such measures, and taken actions indicated by the outcomes." More generally, the HLC directed that the university should provide "evidence that UND is moving toward maturing levels of continuous improvement and that all faculty, students, and administrators across the University are involved in the assessment process."

A steering committee has been formed in preparation for the spring 2008 focused visit. Steering committee members include Renee Mabey (Medicine), Robert Newman (Arts and Sciences), Margaret Healy (College of Education and Human Development), Kirsten Dauphinais (Law), Richard Schultz (Engineering), Duane Helleloid (Business and Public Administration), Kim Kenville (Aerospace), Helen Melland (Nursing and co-chair), Wayne Swisher (Graduate School), Lillian Elsinga (Student Services), Jane Sims (Continuing Education), and Joan Hawthorne (Provost's Office and co-chair).

During the next year, steering committee members will continue to work with faculty to upgrade UND assessment processes and activities, but they will also be actively collecting information for inclusion in our report to the HLC (due in Fall 2007). Please be helpful if you are called by someone from the committee – this work is integral to the functioning of the entire institution, and it can be successful only with the efforts of everyone at the university.

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

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Social Work department celebrates Social Work Month March 23

The Department of Social Work will celebrate Social Work Month Friday, March 23, 3:30 to 5 p.m. at the Grand Forks County Office Building, 151 S. 4th St., sixth floor conference room.

A brief program starts at 4 p.m. and includes:

- * State of the Unit Address, BSSW and MSW re-accreditation, Thomasine Heitkamp, chair.
- * Presentation on One campaign, BSSW community practice students
- * Community updates

The Department of Social Work was recently reaccredited by the Council on Social Work Education's Commission on Accreditation. The Bachelor of Science in Social Work and Master of Social Work programs were reaccredited for eight years at the January meeting of the Commission on Accreditation.

"This is the most positive outcome we could have received," said Thomasine Heitkamp, chair of social work. "This is a result of countless hours of hard work on the part of faculty in preparing a self-study document for their review. This speaks also to the efforts of the department's staff, field instructors, students and advisory committee in their contribution to the self study process that resulted in the maximum number of years for our reaccreditation."

"I am very proud of our Social Work department," said Daniel Rice, dean of the College of Education and Human Development. "It is highly unusual for a program to receive such a positive review, given the high standards of the accrediting body. It is further evidence that our's is a very strong program that attracts the best students, has an excellent faculty, and prepares students exceptionally well for the profession. We couldn't be more pleased!"

"This is great news," said President Charles Kupchella. "I congratulate Thomasine Heitkamp and the rest of the Department of Social Work on an excellent evaluation. It is always great to have external validation of the excellence of our programs, and it is clear from response of the Commission of Accreditation that our Social Work department does a first-class job and has outstanding programs and faculty in place."

Four on-site team members representing the Commission on Accreditation visited UND in October and noted several areas of strength. They included the presence of a strong practice faculty with many years of experience, including the chair who the commission said provides strong leadership to the department. The Field Education Program was noted as a clear strength as well as the department's work to provide a learning context in which respect for all persons and understanding of diversity is practiced. Another strength noted was the program's access to assistive technology and providing the graduate program at a distance through use of the Internet. The department also hosts two service units, Children and Family Services Training Center and the Guardian ad Litem Project, which were also noted as a strength by the on-site team.

The mission of the Department of Social Work, within the College of Education and Human Development, is to provide education, prepare professional service providers, and to develop knowledge through research while actively embracing human and cultural diversity. The department provides service, technical assistance and advocacy which will serve the region by addressing significant human needs and injustices.

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EVENTS TO NOTE

"This Fragile Earth, Our Island Home" is focus of lecture and film series

A series of lectures on "This Fragile Earth, Our Island Home," will be held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 319 S. 5th St., Grand Forks, 775-7955.

Lectures are:

* "Environmental Change: The Perfect Moral Storm," 6 p.m., Tuesday, March 20, International Earth Day, with George Seielstad, director, Northern Great Plains Center for People and the Environment, and senior advisor to the UND president.

* "Global Warming: Global Problem and Personal Actions," 6 p.m., Tuesday, March 27, Dexter Perkins, professor of geology, 2006 Sierra Club national honoree and environmental advocate.

Films are:

* "An Inconvenient Truth, A Global Warning," 7 p.m., Tuesday, April 3.

* "Kilowatt Ours, A Plan to Re-Energize America," 7 p.m., Tuesday, April 10.

All events are free and open to the public.

-- Linda Gunderson, Development, NDMOA, Imgunderson@ndmoa.com, 777-5377

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Global Visions film series presents "The Cuckoo"

The Global Visions film series presents "The Cuckoo" (Russia) at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 20, in the Lecture Bowl, Memorial Union. The film is free and open to the public.

Somewhere in the forests of Northern Europe during the closing days of World War II, Finnish support for the Nazi cause is nearing an end. Veiko (Ville Haapsalo), a Finnish soldier, has lost his will to fight. Forced to wear an SS uniform by his unit, he is chained to a rock and ordered to kill as many Russians as he can before one will eventually kill him. He is known as a "cuckoo", a sniper on a suicide mission. Set in an area rarely seen, Lapland, "The Cuckoo" (Kukushka), directed by Aleksandre Rogozhkin, is a touching Russian comedy about the failure to communicate. Its seamless mixture of earthy humor, anti-war sentiment, and otherworldly Lapp mysticism is enhanced by strong performances, especially from Anni-Kristina Juuso, who portrays a spunky but radiant young reindeer farmer who has not seen a man in four years since her husband went to war and left her widowed.

Using his ingenuity and every resource at his command, Veiko manages to free himself after a protracted struggle that takes up a good half-hour of the film. Meanwhile, a few miles away, a Russian captain, Ivan (Viktor Bychkov) escapes while being taken by Soviet military police to be court-martialed for anti-Soviet sentiments. Circumstances bring all three together at a log outpost where Anni (Anni-Kristina Juuso) lives alone, sleeping in wooden tepees with log door-flaps. She gives them shelter and nurses them back to health but no one understands the other's language (the dialogue is in Finnish, Russian, and Saami, the language of Lapland). This leads to many confusing situations, such as when Ivan tells them to "get lost" and they mistakenly think he is telling them that his name is Gerlost. Ivan wants to kill Veiko, who tries to tell him that all he wants is peace, invoking the names of Tolstoy ("War and Peace") and Hemingway ("A Farewell to Arms").

In this Tower of Babel, the three can only reach each other through tone of voice, hand gestures, and body language, but Anni has no trouble convincing the men that she has "an aching below the tummy." Though Veiko is mistakenly thought to be a fascist since he still wears a German uniform, the three gradually form a bond based on mutual need and a common humanity. "The Cuckoo" is a gorgeously photographed and emotionally resonant film that is more than an anti-war fable; it is a film of transcendent beauty that directly touches the soul (Howard Schumann, Vancouver, B.C.).

The series is sponsored by the Department of Anthropology and the Anthropology Club, and is directed by Marcia Mikulak. The Global Visions Film Series is sponsored by the Multicultural Awareness Committee. We are dedicated to bringing current international award-winning films to the UND campus for students, faculty, and the community at large. Film is a dynamic medium in which to explore the human condition from the various cultural perspectives that encompasses the globe. We hope you enjoy the scheduled films this spring, and encourage suggestions from faculty, students, and the community for up-coming films by calling Dr. Mikulak at 777-4718.

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

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Eco-medicine is topic of next medical school's Dean's Hour

Ecological medicine is the topic of the next Dean's Hour at noon Wednesday, March 21, at the School of Medicine and Health Sciences.

David Wallinga will present "Ecological Medicine - Preventing Chronic Disease Through Healthier Food and Healthier Environments," which is free and open to the public. The talk will be held in the Reed Keller Auditorium at the medical school's Wold Center, 501 North Columbia Road, and lunch will be provided for all attendees.

Director of the Food and Health Program at the Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy (IATP) in Minneapolis, Minn., Dr. Wallinga's expertise includes the health impacts of industrialized food production, including the overuse of antibiotics in livestock. He is a leading authority on the health impacts of environmental pollutants — including food-borne pollutants — on the developing brains and other organs in fetuses and children. He co-authored "In Harm's Way: Toxic Threats to Child Development," and authored "Putting Children First: Making Pesticide Levels in Food Safer for Infants and Children." Prior to joining IATP in 2000, Wallinga worked in the Public Health Program of the Natural Resource Defense Council in Washington, D.C. He received a medical degree from the University of Minnesota Medical School, and a master's degree from Princeton University.

The presentation will be broadcast at the following video conference sites: Southwest Campus conference room B, Southeast Campus room 225 and Northwest Campus office. 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-conferencing 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 of health care, medicine, research, education and related issues of the day. Dr. Wallinga's presentation is supported in part by the Dr. Ralph Leigh Lectureship. For more information, please contact the Office of the Dean, 777-2514.

-- Amanda Scurry, public information specialist, UND SMHS, ascurry@medicine.nodak.edu, 701-777-0871

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Join us for a night of Thai cooking in the Burnt Toast Kitchen!

Don't forget to sign up today at the Wellness Center for Faculty/Staff Thai Kitchen Wednesday, March 21, at 6 p.m. You will learn how to prepare authentic Thai meals for your family and friends. In addition, Lek Seal will teach what to ask for in Thai restaurants, the secrets of Thai cooking, and the philosophy of Thai food. There will also be a class offered April 4 at 6 p.m. The cost is \$20 for members and \$23 for non-members.

Stop by our table in the Union next week for your chance to win coupons to a class of your choice as well as enjoying our complimentary toast bar!

-- Rose Allen, Burnt Toast Coordinator, Wellness Center, roseallen@mail.und.edu, 777-2719

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Conversation to explore teaching at a distance

Please join the Senate Continuing Education Committee from 4 to 5 p.m. Thursday, March 22, in Merrifield 305 for a conversation between continuing education staff members Kerry Kerber, Jane Sims and Julie Vatnsdal, and representative faculty members to explore teaching at a distance.

-- Janet Rex, Chair, Senate Continuing Education Committee, Division of Continuing Education, janetrex@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-4641

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UND employees invited to live Studio One telecast

All UND employees are invited to attend a live telecast of UND's award-winning television show, Studio One. Please consider joining us Thursday, March 22, at the UND Television Center in the Skalicky Tech Incubator. The technology tour begins promptly at 4:30 p.m. Visitors will also have the opportunity to view a live show as a member of the studio audience. Your visit will end at approximately 6 p.m.

For more information, please call 777-3818 or visit www.studio1.und.edu. Hope to see you soon!

-- Meghan Flaagan, Director of Marketing, Television Center, meghan.flaagan@und.edu, 701-777-3818

Frank Casey of NDSU will present next LEEPS Lecture

Frank Casey of the North Dakota State University Department of Soil Science will present the next LEEPS lectures Friday, March 23. Dr. Casey will give his talk, "Hormones and Their Fate in the Environment," at noon Friday, March 23, in 100 Leonard Hall.

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.

For more information, contact Scott Korom at 777-6156.

-- *Connie Larson, Administrative Secretary, Geology & Geological Engineering,*
connielarson@mail.und.nodak.edu, 7-2248

Classical guitarist performs at Museum

Classical guitarist Stephen Marchionda will perform in the Museum Concert Series at the North Dakota Museum of Art Sunday, March 25, at 2 p.m. The Museum is located on Centennial Drive, UND campus.

Marchionda is emerging on the international concert scene as a performer who combines the expressive, colorist playing of the past with a modern technique, flair, imagination and scholarship. "...He turns in vibrant performances...energetic and vital, with a great sense of momentum and flow... cohesive and highly charged," according to the American Record Guide. In highly acclaimed performances he has recently been featured at London's Wigmore Hall and at Carnegie Hall's Weill Recital Hall (Aranjuez Series), where Soundboard Magazine wrote that "Imbued with depth and passion, Marchionda played engagingly and with a sense of drama...deftly played." Elsewhere in the United States and Europe he has been invited to perform at the Kennedy Centre, Frick Collection, Aspen, Cheltenham and Les Soirees Des Junies Music Festivals; Lincoln Center, Trinity and St. Paul Churches (New York) BBC Radio 3, National Radio of Spain, U.S. National Public Radio, the Royal Opera House, Oxford, Columbia, Yale, MIT and George Washington Universities and the inaugural concert at the David Josefowitz Recital Hall, (Royal Academy of Music - London), as well as in Rome, Madrid, Granada, Athens, and Copenhagen.

Being strongly committed to promoting contemporary music, Stephen has premiered many works, including those written for him by renowned composers such as Nicholas Maw's "Music of Memory" and Tango from "Sophie's Choice," and Sir Harrison Birtwistle's "Today Too" (premiered with tenor Philip Langridge and flutist Sebastian Bell, written for the trio) Recently he premiered his arrangement for guitar and tenor of Henry Purcell's incidental music to Thomas d'Urfey's play "A Fool's Preferment."

He is a graduate of Yale University's School of Music and the Cleveland Institute of Music, and was a protégé of famed pedagogue Ricardo Iznaola. He was affiliated with the Royal Academy of Music in London in 1991, where he received classes with the celebrated guitarist Julian Bream. He has won many international prizes, including the Guitar Foundation of America's International Solo, the Segovia International, and the Manuel de Falla.

This presentation is underwritten by Bremer Bank and is supported by the Performing Arts Fund, a program by Arts Midwest funded by the National Endowment for the Arts with additional contributions from General Mills Foundation, Land O'Lakes Foundation, and the North Dakota Council on the Arts.

Tickets for the concert series can be purchased at the door or in advance at the North Dakota Museum of Art.

Tickets at the door per concert are non-members, \$15; members, \$13; and student and military, \$5. Free admittance for children, middle school and under. Order your tickets today by calling 777-4195.

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

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Freedom from smoking class begins March 27

Are you a smoker seeking to give up the habit? Think you may need some extra help and support? A free quitting program is offered here at the UND campus. This eight-week cessation program meets on a weekly basis and lasts approximately 90 minutes. It takes you through the process of quitting, even dedicating one whole class to your "Quit Day." The classes meet from noon to 2 p.m. at the Wellness Center.

To register contact either Theresa Knox at (701) 787-8140, tknox@grandforksgov.com or Amanda Eickhoff at 777-0210, amandaeickhoff@mail.und.edu

Your last chance to sign up is March 26. The first class is at noon Tuesday, March 27.

-- Amanda Eickhoff, Coordinator of Wellness, Wellness Center, AmandaEickhoff@mail.und.edu, 777-0210

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HELP to promote diversity: "Understanding White Privilege" and "Breaking Indigenous Stereotypes"

The UND diversity subcommittee and the Higher Education Learning Program (HELP) to promote diversity invite you to attend two discussions of diversity issues between UND and two partner institutions. Both the University of New Mexico (Albuquerque) and Southwest Minnesota State University (Marshall) will participate with UND in these discussions, including faculty, staff, and students at each university. Your participation is encouraged and will help to foster a greater understanding of diversity in society.

Understanding White Privilege

Tuesday, April 3, 7 to 8:30 p.m., River Valley Room, Memorial Union

Facilitators: Clifford Staples, professor of sociology, UND, and Steven Verney, assistant professor of psychology, UNM

- Learn about the persistence of white privilege
- Learn about the need to strive for racial justice
- Discover and discuss different perspectives on white privilege

Breaking Indigenous Stereotypes

Thursday, April 26, 7 to 8:30 p.m., Lecture Bowl, Memorial Union

Facilitators: Janet Moen, professor of sociology/Peace Studies, UND, and Chris Mato Nunpa, associate professor of American Indian Studies, SMSU

- Discuss causes and effects of native stereotypes
- Learn about issues relating to slavery and genocide

Join us in these discussions, to be conducted through web-conferencing to allow for real-time voice and video interaction, and participate the in question-and-answer sessions following each exchange. For more information, contact Kerry Kerber, Continuing Education, and chair of the Electronic Exchange Committee, at 777-4264 or Donna Grandbois, College of Nursing, and faculty coordinator of the Electronic Exchange Program, at 701-282-4591.

-- Kathy Schill, Marketing Intern, Continuing Education, kathrynschill@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777.0484

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senate Scholarly Activities Committee lists travel grant application deadline

Tuesday, May 1, is the final deadline for submission of Senate Scholarly Activities Committee travel grant applications for fiscal year 2006-2007. This deadline is for travel occurring between May 2, 2007, and Sept. 15, 2007.

The committee reminds applicants to carefully prepare their proposals and be specific and realistic in their budget requests. Although the SSAC encourages submission of travel requests, the committee takes into consideration the most recent SSAC award granted to each applicant. Priority will be given to beginning faculty and first-time applicants.

Application forms are available at Research Development and Compliance, 404 Twamley Hall (Edna Twamley Room), 777-4278, or on RD&C's home page (on UND's home page under "Research"). Please feel free to contact RD&C (777-4278) for information or guidance when preparing your application.

-- B. P. Bandyopadhyay, Chair, Senate Scholarly Activities Committee, Mechanical Engineering,
bishubandyo@mail.und.nodak.edu, 7-3844

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Nominations invited for Humanism in Medicine Award

The School of Medicine and Health Sciences is seeking nominations for the 2007 Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Awards presented by the Arnold P. Gold Foundation. The awards will be presented during the M.D. Class of '07 commencement awards luncheon May 13 at UND. One graduating medical student and one physician faculty member will be recognized for excellence in both compassionate patient care and scientific achievement. Each recipient will be awarded a \$1,000 prize.

To nominate either a graduating medical student or a physician faculty member, or both, submit a letter to the Student Performance and Recognition Committee (SPRC) in care of the Office of Student Affairs and Admissions, 501 N. Columbia Road Stop 9037, Grand Forks, ND 58202-9037, that outlines why the individual should receive the award. Please explain how the nominee meets the criteria for the award which can be found on the medical school web site: www.med.und.edu (click on "Administration" on left menu, then "Student Affairs").

The deadline for nominations is Friday, April 6. For more information, contact the Office of Student Affairs at 777-4221.

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

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Housing officials announce no increase in room rates

University Residence Services will seek no increase in room rates for the next academic year, 2007-08. Returning students as well as incoming residents to both residence halls and apartments will see no increase in rental rates.

"We understand the pressure that students have been facing the past few years with increased fees for tuition and housing," said Bob Gallager, vice president for finance and operations. "At this time, holding housing rates steady is the right thing to do for students and families."

Judy Sargent, director of residence services, says that living on campus is an important part of a student's

overall academic experience. "Research, both nationally and here at UND, shows that students who live on campus have higher GPAs (grade point average). Students are closer to class and resources that help make them successful students. Keeping room rates constant will allow students to remain on campus and increase the affordability of a UND education," said Sargent.

No cutbacks in service are planned and improvements to campus housing continue to be on track, including plans to open new apartment-style housing this fall. This building offers students a new living option not currently available on campus and addresses ongoing student calls for greater comfort, privacy, and cooking capabilities. Additional renovations include a dining center update, plus air conditioning and new siding on three UND apartment buildings.

Residence Services provides high-quality living and learning environments to more than 4,000 on-campus residents in 15 residence halls and 800 apartment units. Nationally recognized residence services programs bring the most innovative and affordable services to UND students in the areas of housing, dining services, U Card identification, and child care.

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Senate Scholarly Activities Committee grants new faculty scholar awards

The Senate Scholarly Activities Committee (SSAC) is pleased to announce the following New Faculty Scholar Awards. Thirteen applications were received for this award; the total amount requested was \$61,218.80. New Faculty Scholar Awards provide support for research and creative activity of assistant professors who have completed less than three years at UND. Criteria used to review applications included excellence of the application, potential national prominence of the applicant, and potential for future external funding, if applicable.

* Olaf Berwald (Modern and Classical Languages and Literature), \$4,400, "Modern Ethics: Art, Power, and the Unconscious"

* Elizabeth Harris Behling (English), \$2,500, "This Is the Garden: Translation of Giulio Mozzi's Short-Story Collection, 'Questo e' il giardino'"

* Ronnie Ingle (Music), \$5,000, "Implementation of MIDI Wind Controller Technology"

* Wesley Smith (Art), \$5,000, "Far From Home"

* Daphne Stevens (Sociology), \$1,759.80, "Can He Really Change a Diaper?: Fathers Up Against the Barrier of Maternal Gatekeeping"

* Jeffrey Sun (Educational Leadership), \$5,000, "The Politics of Academic Freedom"

-- B. P. Bandyopadhyay, Chair, Senate Scholarly Activities Committee, Mechanical Engineering,

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U2 lists workshops

Below are the U2 workshops for March 20 to April 2. Visit our web site for more.

Records Retention and E-Mail

March 20, 9 to 10 a.m., Badlands Room, Memorial Union

During this workshop you will learn what role e-mail plays in an organization, UND policy and best practices for retaining e-mail messages. Presenter: Chris Austin, records manager.

Defensive Driving

March 21, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., 211 Skalicky Tech Incubator

This workshop is required by state fleet for all UND employees who drive state vehicles on a regular (monthly)

basis, received a traffic violation, or had an accident while operating a state vehicle. Employees are encouraged to bring a family member (spouse and/or dependents). This workshop may also reduce your North Dakota insurance premiums and could possibly remove points from your driving record. Presenter: Tim Lee.

Employee Rights and the Law

March 22, 9 to 11 a.m., 305 Twamley Hall

Learn about your rights as an employee by discussing the following: "At Will" employment, due process, the grievance and appeal process. Understand the best way to approach an issue or condition with your supervisor. Learn what your options are as an employee.

Presenter: Joy Johnson and Desi Sporbert.

Facilities Discoverer Reports Training

March 22, 9 to 10 a.m.

The billing charges from Facilities will be posted to PeopleSoft in a summarized format. To access the detailed information, each department will need to have access to Discoverer reports and be trained on how to access the detail and summary information for their departments. These reports will break down the charges by individual work orders and/or projects. Presenter: Laura Thoreson.

PeopleSoft Student Records Tips and Tricks

March 23, 9 to 11 a.m., 361 Upson II, Room 361

This workshop is intended for department secretaries and administrative assistants and other academic support staff. We will review procedures for student-specific permission processing, and go over a number of tips and shortcuts for navigating in PeopleSoft. The second hour will be devoted to answering any questions you might have about navigation or procedures. Presenters: Registrar's Office.

Shipping and Receiving Hazardous Materials

March 27, 10 a.m. to noon, Auxiliary Services Conference Room

Find out what your responsibilities are if you ship or receive hazardous material. If you fill out paperwork for a package, put material in a package, hand a package to a delivery person, receive a package from a delivery person, or open a package containing hazardous material, then you must have this training. Presenter: Greg Krause.

Please reserve your seat by registering with U2 by: phone, 777-2128; e-mail, U2@mail.und.nodak.edu, or online www.conted.und.edu/U2/. Please include: (1) workshop title/date, (2) name, (3) department, (4) position, (5) box number, (6) phone number, (7) e-mail, and (8) how you first learned about this workshop.

Thank you for registering in advance; it helps us plan for materials and number of seats.

-- Sara Satter, U2 Program Assistant, University Within the University, sarasatter@mail.und.edu, 701-777-2128

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Submit nominations for Governor's Award for Excellence to COSE web site

State employees may be nominated for the Governor's Awards for Excellence in Public Service by fellow employees, supervisors, or other interested individuals for their accomplishments and contributions in the past year only, not over several years. The nominations received will be judged on specific examples of the suggested information for each of the items listed below, which are weighed equally by the judges on a scale of 1 (low) to 10 (high) for Sections A1 through A4 and on a scale of 1 to 5 for Section B.

The Council on State Employees (COSE) web site is set up to receive nominations for the Governor's Award for

Excellence. Last year we had one nomination from UND; we need more nominations from UND. Nominations can be sent via FAX on an Acrobat fillable form on the COSE web site or submitted electronically. Nomination deadline is Friday, Aug. 10.

Special note: "When filling out the electronic form, if you accidentally hit enter or submit the form, just select and click on the back button on your web browser. It will back you up to finish your entry for re-submitting your form."

<http://www.nd.gov/cose/gaward.htm>

This format must be followed for the nomination to be accepted. No multi-party nominations will be accepted.

A. Contributions made in the Workplace

1. Nominees job performance throughout the year

- * Consistently produces high-quality work under all circumstances
- * Gives extra effort to complete a job or to share a heavy workload
- * Serves on committees and contributes to their success
- * Volunteers to work on special projects

2. Valuable contributions or services provided by the nominee to his/her department over and above core job requirements

- * Integrates information or equipment for greater efficiency or use
- * Works to eliminate unnecessary actions or steps for delivering services
- * Develops procedures minimizing customer time and resource usage
- * Develops new work strategies to reduce waste and save time and money

3. Nominee's working relationships with the public and with other departments

- * Helps others beyond general job requirements
- * Receives unsolicited thank-you or appreciation letters for work done
- * Is exceptionally courteous, even-tempered, and cooperative

4. Nominee's working relationship with fellow workers

- * Helps others beyond requirements of job
- * Contributes to a team-oriented, supportive working environment
- * Is always friendly, courteous, and cooperative

Subtotal Points (40 possible)

B. Contributions made to the whole community

- * Service to professional organizations
- * Volunteer work
- * Service to civic, religious, school, veteran, or other groups

Subtotal points (five possible); total points (45 maximum)

Category:

Executive/Administration/

Professional

Technical/Paraprofessional
Office Support
Trades/Craft
Services

Thank you. -- Douglas Osowski, information technology support specialist, Facilities

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Study Abroad fall deadline is April 1

The Study Abroad Fall deadline is fast approaching! Please encourage all students to hand in all application materials by April 1. If students are still interested in studying abroad, have them stop by the International Centre, 2908 University Ave., today.

-- Melinda McCannell-Unger, Education Abroad Advisor, Office of International Programs,
melindamccannellunger@mail.und.edu, 777-4756

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cScibot Lego robotic camp announces dates

The Department of Computer Science will sponsor a Lego robotics camp for students 10 to 14 years old. The first session will run July 23-27 from 1 to 4 p.m. The second camp will run July 30 to Aug. 3, also from 1 to 4 p.m. Campers will use the Lego Mindstorm Robotics kit to build several computer-controlled robots. They will learn how to control the robot to avoid obstacles, pick up and carry objects, and even compete in a Sumo-style robot competition. The cost is \$60 and can be paid by credit card or check (made payable to UND). Space is limited. Go to www.cs.und.edu/cscibot for the registration form or call us at 777-4107 and we will mail it out.

-- Annette Glennon, Administrative Secretary, Computer Science, aglennon@cs.und.edu, 7-4107

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Note Central Receiving surplus viewing hours change

The viewing hours at Central Receiving for surplus items has changed from 1 to 3 p.m. Thursday afternoons to 1 to 2 p.m. Thursday afternoons.

-- Brockling, Jacque, Storekeeper, Facilities, jacquebrockling@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-3033

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Old Main Marketplace announces lunch giveaway winner

This week's winner in the Old Main Marketplace Food Court lunch giveaway is Brenda Lanes from the Parking Office. Congratulations, Brenda! If you are interested in a chance at free lunch, stop by the Food Court and drop your business card at the cashier. Drawings take place weekly.

-- Larry Cronin, General Manager, Old Main Marketplace, larrycronin@mail.und.edu, 777-0438

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Barnes & Noble Bookstores seeks published authors

The Barnes & Noble Bookstore at UND is proud of our campus authors and is happy to feature both writers and their works in our store. Not only will we stock and display your book, but we are able to hold book signing events. We'll take care of all the details, including ordering extra copies and advertising the event.

We would also like to hear about any popular choices you would like us to stock in our general book area. Give Marie Mack a call at 777-2109, or stop in the bookstore and tell us about your work or recommendations.

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

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Museum of Art seeks jewelry donations

The North Dakota Museum of Art is seeking jewelry donations for its second annual costume jewelry sale. Any items, from costume to finer collectible pieces, are welcome. All proceeds will benefit children's programs at the Museum. Please bring your donations to the Museum or call 777-4195 to arrange for your jewelry to be picked up. Stories or anecdotes to go along with the jewelry are especially welcome.

The jewelry sale, *Antique to Chic*, will be held Sunday, May 6, from 3 to 5 p.m. and is open to the public.

-- Sue Fink, Director of Education, North Dakota Museum of Art, sfink@ndmoa.com, 777-4195

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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 Cardform. 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/COACHES:

POSITION: Assistant Director Housing, Housing, #07-247

DEADLINE: (I) 3/23/2007

SALARY: \$35,000 - \$38,500

POSITION: Publications Coordinator/Graphic Designer, #07-244

DEADLINE: (I) 3/20/2007

SALARY: \$29,500 - \$30,500

POSITION: Associate Vice President for Outreach Services & Dean of Outreach Programs, #07-091

DEADLINE: Internal applicants will be considered with the external. Open Until Filled (Review of applications will begin November 15, 2006.)

SALARY: Commensurate with experience

TECHNICAL/PARAPROFESSIONAL:

POSITION: Aircraft Dispatcher (variable schedule), Aerospace Sciences, #07-249

DEADLINE: (I) 3/23/2007

SALARY: \$20,000 - \$22,000

OFFICE SUPPORT:

POSITION: Account Assistant, Student Financial Aid, #07-248

DEADLINE: (I) 3/23/2007

SALARY: \$24,000 - \$26,000

CRAFTS/TRADES/SERVICE:

POSITION: Lead Cook (variable schedule, flexible weekends), Dining Services, #07-245

DEADLINE: (I) 3/21/2007

SALARY: \$10.22 - \$11.00

POSITION: Heating Plant Shift Supervisor, Facilities, #07-197

DEADLINE: (I) 3/20/2007

SALARY: \$32,000 - \$38,000

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

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IN THE NEWS

EERC promotes Carsten Heide

Carsten Heide, head of the Energy & Environmental Research Center's (EERC's) technology commercialization efforts, has been promoted to associate director for Intellectual Property Management and Technology Commercialization.

"Carsten has successfully advanced the intellectual property and commercialization activities for the EERC and the EERC Foundation over the past year and a half, which sets our capabilities in this area to a very high level in the nation," said EERC Director Gerald Groenewold. "He has a great deal of global expertise in technology commercialization and has brought tremendous business opportunities forward. His intelligence, vision, and enthusiastic leadership have been key factors to this success."

Dr. Heide was hired at the EERC in June 2005 as a deputy associate director. He is responsible for enhancing strategic collaborative relationships with EERC clients, identifying relevant intellectual property for the EERC Foundation, commercializing technologies, and leading long-range strategic planning based on EERC technology assets in the global market.

"I am very proud to be a part of the EERC and owe very much to all of our employees for their constant support, great enthusiasm, and market-driven ideas," said Heide. "Without our incredible, entrepreneurial people, I would not have had the opportunity to succeed. Even more importantly, they have made me feel at home in North Dakota."

Prior to joining the EERC, Heide was the head of business development and licensing for ipal GmbH, an intellectual property asset management firm in Berlin, Germany. Prior to that, Heide worked as a management consultant at The Boston Consulting Group. He also worked as a postdoctoral research fellow at New York University with the Department of Physics, in collaboration with IBM, and at the Institute of Radio-Engineering and Electronics of the Russian Academy of Sciences in Moscow.

Heide received a Ph.D. in theoretical physics from Oxford University. He studied physics at the State University of St. Petersburg in Russia and at the Ludwig Maximilian University in Munich. He is fluent in German, Russian, and English. -- EERC.

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