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English lecture will focus on Lillian Lee's writing

The English department invites you to hear Colleen Berry, assistant professor of Chinese studies, present "Out of This World: Lillian Lee's Migrations through Time, Space, Text and the Body" at 4 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, in 116 Merrifield Hall.

This talk is an introduction to some of the recurring topics (the otherworldly, classical Chinese fiction, and Japan) in the works of Lillian Lee, a prolific Hong Kong writer popular throughout the Chinese-speaking world. The focus will be on "The Lychee Debt," a short story that deals with all of these topics.

– Rebecca Weaver-Hightower, assistant professor of English and postcolonial studies

Lawrence, Calkins will perform Nov. 17

Thursday, Nov. 17, at 7:30 p.m., international singing artists, Cynthia Lawrence, soprano, and Mark Calkins, tenor, will perform an evening of opera and art song in the Josephine Campbell Recital Hall, Hughes Fine Arts Center.

Lawrence and Calkins appear in leading roles with opera companies throughout North America and Europe. Lawrence, in particular, has sung at the Metropolitan Opera in the roles of Cio-Cio San (Madame Butterfly), Tosca, Dolly (Christopher Sly), and Rosalinda (Die Fledermaus). She also has toured as a guest artist with Luciano Pavarotti. Both artists perform in recital, orchestral appearances and master classes throughout the country.

They make their home in Woodbury, Minn.

Ticket prices: general admission, \$10; seniors and college students, \$5; K-12 students, \$1 (only 110 of K-12 tickets remain – must reserve in advance and pay at the door).

For more information, contact the Department of Music office at 777-2644 or visit www.undmusic.org.

– Music

Manitoba scientist will present biology seminar

Mark Abrahams, professor of zoology and associate dean of research, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, will give a seminar Friday, Nov. 18, from noon to 1 p.m. in 141 Starcher Hall. The topic is "Environmental Impacts on Predator-Prey Interactions in Aquatic Ecosystems."

Dr. Abraham earned his doctorate at Simon Fraser University, his master's at Queen's University, and his bachelor's degree at the University of Western Ontario. His research program examines predator-prey interactions in aquatic communities, focusing primarily on the characteristics of prey and their environment, and how these influence interactions between predators and their prey.

– Biology

Colloquium will discuss imaging dark matter

The physics department will host a colloquium Friday, Nov. 18, with coffee and cookies served at 3:30 p.m. in 211 Witmer Hall and the colloquium following at 4 p.m. in 209 Witmer Hall. Liliya L.R. Williams, astronomy department, University of Minnesota, will present "Imaging Dark Matter with Gravitational Lensing." Everyone is welcome.

– Physics

Sneak a peek at new movie musical

Music to My Ears, a new movie musical using classic standards of American pop music, is about 80 percent edited and 98 percent shot, but a half-hour of completed scenes can be seen at this weekend's Forx Film Fest. This fourth annual festival of regional movies takes place Friday evening and all day Saturday, Nov. 18-19, at the Empire Arts Center.

High-kicking chorus lines, graceful love duets, peppy novelty songs, a moody jazz ballet, backstage intrigue, and triumph over adversity are key features of this community motion picture project from the Empire Arts Center and Akbar Productions, with the cooperation of theatre arts, music, Red River High School drama department, the Fire Hall Theatre and the Crimson Creek Collegiate Players.

Music in the movie is a selection of popular hits and show tunes from the early 20th century, including such familiar songs as "The St. Louis Blues," "You Made Me Love You," and "For Me and My Gal," and many others, all using original period arrangements for piano and small orchestra.

Christopher Jacobs, Mark Landa, and Jenny Morris teamed up to write and produce Music to My Ears from a story outline developed by Landa. Jacobs directed the production over the summer and fall of 2005, with Morris doing the choreography. Although set in the present day, it is designed to fit into the formula of the classic backstage movie musicals of the 1930s.

The plot revolves around an old movie house that is threatened with demolition for a parking ramp. Supporters think they have the perfect solution – they'll put on a benefit stage show to save the theatre. But nobody is prepared for what happens next. Not the aging theatre owners, the ambitious manager, the scheming banker, the Broadway producer, the greedy ex-wife, the old-movie nut, the pesky cute kid, or anyone else!

The completed movie will premiere at the Empire in early 2006 with a DVD release following. Sales of the DVDs and soundtrack CDs will help benefit the Empire Arts Center.

– Christopher Jacobs, English

Centennial Drive closed Saturday morning

Centennial Drive by Gamble Hall will be closed Saturday, Nov. 19, from 8 a.m. to noon to allow installation of an outdoor sign.

– Facilities

Metropolitan Opera auditions set for Nov. 19

The 42nd annual North Dakota District auditions, conducted under the auspices of the Metropolitan Opera National Council, will be held Saturday, Nov. 19, at noon in the Josephine Campbell Recital Hall in the Hughes Fine Arts Center. Renowned operatic soprano Cynthia Lawrence will conduct a master class following the auditions, which are free and open to the public. Come hear familiar arias sung by some wonderful young singers and then watch as a master teacher works with these same young singers.

The North Dakota District is one of 40 districts in a North America-wide system of auditions designed to find talented young singers between the ages of 20 and 30, and assist them in their development. Winners in each district advance to regional auditions; the winners there advance to the national finals held on the stage of the Metropolitan Opera. All winners receive cash prizes. North Dakota winners advance to the Upper Midwest Regional Auditions held in the Ted Mann Auditorium on the University of Minnesota campus Feb. 18.

The North Dakota auditions are supported by a generous grant from the University of North Dakota Fellows, the music department and individual contributors.

More information can be found at www.metoperafamily.org/metopera/auditions/national/ or call 772-4961.

– G. Paul Larson, director of the North Dakota District of the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions

Museum of Art announces new exhibits

Sunday, Nov. 20, at 2 p.m., the North Dakota Museum of Art will host an opening reception for Rochester artist, Judy Onofrio and Winnipeg glass artist Judy Jennings. The reception, which is free and open to the public, will include an informal gallery talk by Onofrio and Jennings. The exhibition will be on display until Jan. 22.

Onofrio's art constructs a world of fond memories, humor and stories of life and art. Onofrio's work has always been geared to the recreation of imagined journeys, unattainable adventures and longed-for lands. In the 1990s she started creating a stage in which extraordinary things could take place. Heavily influenced by the circus, the Day of the Dead, the snake charmer and the fortune teller's den, Onofrio began to give form and existence to the magically filled land know simply as *Come One, Come All* - the circus of a childhood imagination, not the smelly, gritty, often tawdry circus of real life.

Judy Jennings was born in Winnipeg, although she spent 20 years in Ontario as a nurse before returning to her hometown. She gave up the medical field in order to concentrate on glass.

Glass drew her in about 16 years ago while designing a suncatcher in a night school class. After that one project she was hooked. She has pursued the study of both historical and contemporary glass and has traveled extensively to explore stained glass, glass painting, kiln-fired glass, architectural glass design, mold making, sand casting, sandblasting and relief carving.

The North Dakota Museum of Art is located on Centennial Drive, Grand Forks. For more information please call (701) 777-4195 or visit www.ndmoa.com. Admission is free, however there is a \$5 suggested donation for adults, change from children.

Pro Musica concert is Nov. 20

Grand Forks Pro Musica Invites you to a world of art song with the music of Poulenc, Rodrigo, Schubert, Rachmaninov, poetry of Nabokov, and more. Anne Christopherson (music), soprano, and Laura Loewen (University of Manitoba), pianist, will perform Sunday, Nov. 20, at 7:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 5555 S. Washington St.

Tickets are \$10 for general admission, \$5 for students and \$20 for families at the door. Subscribe to six concerts for \$50 or \$25 for students. A limited number of free UND student tickets are available, first come first served.

Grand Forks Pro Musica concerts are produced to raise awareness and funding for North Dakota's Aeolian-Skinner pipe organ and are held at First Presbyterian. 5555 South Washington Street, 775-5545.

— Christopher Anderson (music)

Enjoy ExtravaBANDza! Nov. 21

Music will showcase the 12:00 Jazz Ensemble, the Wind Ensemble, and the "Pride of the North" Marching Band in their annual "UND ExtravaBANDza!" Monday, Nov. 21, at 7:30 p.m., Chester Fritz Auditorium. Tickets, available at the door, are \$5 for general admission, \$2 for students and senior citizens, or \$10 per family.

The 12:00 Jazz Ensemble, under the direction of Michael Blake, will open the concert with several selections, including "In Search of Birdland" by Mike Tomaro; "The Diver" by Matt Harris; and Dizzy Gillespie's classic "A Night in Tunisia."

The Wind Ensemble, conducted by James Popejoy, will present a program of dance music for concert band, including "The Washington Post" of John Philip Sousa; "The Solitary Dancer" by Warren Benson; Timothy Mahr's "When I Close My Eyes, I See Dancers;" and a new work by Jack Stamp, "Bandancing." Graduate conductor Melissa Kary will lead the Wind Ensemble in a performance of Alfred Reed's "Armenian Dances." Freshman Brittney Blake will also be featured as a solo dancer with the Wind Ensemble on two of the selections. She has recently been offered an entertainment position through Walt Disney World's College Program in Florida.

The "Pride of the North" Marching Band, directed by Robert Brooks with drum majors Chris Anderson and Mark Tyler Stolt, will present a showcase concert of the music from their field shows, including a collection of music written for *Cirque du Soleil*.

All three ensembles will combine at the end of the program to perform a medley of the traditional UND school songs and cheers.

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

— James Popejoy, director of bands

Reception will honor Nursing Fellow Loretta Heuer

Loretta Heuer has been selected as a Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing, the most prestigious honor bestowed upon a professional nurse.

The practice and role development department cordially invites you to join us for a reception honoring Dr. Heuer Tuesday, Nov. 22, in the College of Nursing lounge (368 Nursing) from 3 to 4 p.m., with a short program at 3:30 p.m.

We are extremely proud of Loretta's accomplishments and wish to thank her for her ongoing leadership and excellence in nursing practice, education, research and service. Dr. Heuer is an associate professor and chair of the practice and role development department at the College of Nursing.

– Chandice Covington, dean, nursing

Charity concert will benefit children in need

The wellness center's Natural High program presents "Stuff the Bus" charity concert in partnership with the Grand Forks Salvation Army, Tuesday, Nov. 22, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Memorial Union Loading Dock to collect new toys for underprivileged children this Christmas.

The concert is free and open to the University and Greater Grand Forks communities. Donations of new toys and/or money will be collected, along with providing participants an opportunity to decorate sugar cookies and design their own bracelets and necklaces for a dollar donation. The concert will showcase the acoustic sounds of Dustin Bosch, Jared Dion, Jarod Schell, and Bill Springer.

– Wellness center

Global Visions film series continues

Anthropology's Global Visions film series continues. Information on upcoming films can be found on the anthropology web page at www.und.edu/dept/anthro/.

The series brings films to students and community members that celebrate the vastness of the human experience around the world, and is the only venue in Grand Forks that presents international films. This season's films cover a wide variety of cultural locations that include Africa, England, Spain, Iran, and Latin America. All are feature-length, award-winning films from a variety of international festivals that include Golden Globe award and nominations for

Academy Awards. Movies are shown in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl at 7 p.m. Free and open to the public. Films are: Tuesday, Nov. 22, The Silence; Tuesday, Dec. 6, The Motorcycle Diaries.

– Marcia Mikulak, anthropology

"Pops" concert set for Nov. 28

Music will present a "Pops" concert Monday, Nov. 28, at 7:30 p.m. in the Memorial Union Ballroom. Featured will be the 1:00 Jazz Ensemble; the Steel Drum Band; and the University Band. Tickets, available at the door, are \$5 for general admission, \$2 for students and senior citizens, or \$10 per family. Free pop and popcorn will be provided.

The Steel Drum Band, directed by Michael Blake, will provide music prior to the event, as well as perform a featured set during the concert.

Robert Brook's 1:00 Jazz Ensemble will open the concert with an eclectic mix of popular music, including "Blue Bossa," "International Dixieland Jamboree," and the famous "Channel One Suite."

The University Band, led by James Popejoy and graduate conductor Melissa Kary, will present a "Summer in the Park" type of concert that will include a mixture of musical styles. Their program will feature the official march of the State of North Dakota, James Ployhar's "The Flickertail"; selections from the Broadway hit Wicked; a salute to the Armed Forces; a good old days sing-a-long with audience participation; and a rousing rendition of "Tiger Rag," featuring Professor Michael Blake as drum set soloist.

All three ensembles will combine for a unique arrangement of several holiday classics, titled "Christmas Latina."
For additional information, please contact the band department at 777-2815.

– James Popejoy, director of bands

Doctoral examination set for Kelly Durick

The final examination for Kelly Durick, a candidate for the Ph.D. degree with a major in microbiology and immunology, is set for 1 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 30, in Room 1360, Clifford Haugen Room, School of Medicine and Health Sciences. The dissertation title is "The Role of Boron in the Regulation of Inflammation: Studies in Vivo and in Vitro." David Bradley (microbiology) is the committee chair.

The public is invited to attend.

– Joseph Benoit, dean, graduate school

U2 lists workshops

Below are U2 workshops for December 1-15. Visit our web site for more. The winter U2 newsletter containing workshops for December through January will arrive soon. 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 workshop title and date, name, department, position, box number, phone number, e-mail address, and how you first learned of the workshop. Thank you for registering in advance; it helps us plan for materials and number of seats.

- GroupWise 6.5, Beginning: Dec. 1, 9 a.m. to noon, 361 Upson II. Students will navigate through the GroupWise environment, create and send messages, reply to and forward messages, use the address book, create a personal address book, create a mail group, work with calendar, schedule posted appointments and recurring events, work with junk mail folder and other mail handling features. Presenter: Heidi Strande.
- Excel XP, Intermediate: Dec. 5, 7, and 9, 10 a.m. to noon, 361 Upson II (six hours total). Prerequisite: Excel Beginning. Work with templates, filter and sort data, import and export data, work with advanced formulas, analyze and share data. Presenter: Heidi Strande.
- Records Disposal Procedures: Dec. 6, 9 to 10:30 a.m., 211 Skalicky Tech Incubator. Learn more about the process for destroying or transferring records that have passed their retention time limits. We'll review the forms used, discuss why it's necessary to document, and take part in a hands-on run-through of the entire process. It's fun to clean out, it's easier to do than you think, and now's the time to do it! Presenter: Chris Austin, records manager.
- A Season for Safety, The Christmas Holidays: Dec. 6, 11 a.m. to noon, Badlands Room, Memorial Union. This class will address issues concerning Christmas trees and holiday decorations and other safety issues so that your family will be prepared to have a safe holiday season. Presenter: Tim Lee.
- Defensive Driving: Dec. 6, 12:30 to 4:30 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. This workshop may also reduce your North Dakota insurance premiums and could possibly remove points from your driving record. Presenter: Jason Uhlir.
- Generations in the Workplace: Dec. 7 and 14, 1 to 3 p.m., 211 Skalicky Tech Incubator. Learn about the four generations that are presently employed in the UND workforce. Participants will study each of the generations and learn about the unique characteristics of each. Instruction will also include how to adapt your communications and supervisory techniques, based on the tendencies of each generation. Presenter: Laura Lowe, workforce development coordinator.
- Entering Final Grades on PeopleSoft: Dec. 14, 8 to 9 a.m., 211 Skalicky Tech Incubator, or Dec. 15, 4 to 5 p.m., Lecture Bowl, Memorial Union. This session will provide training on entering final grades online in PeopleSoft. Although open to anyone, it is intended for faculty who have not yet entered mid-term grades on PeopleSoft. Presenter: registrar's office.

— Julie Sturges, U2 program

Agenda items due for Dec. 2 IRB meeting

The institutional review board will meet at 3 p.m. Friday, Dec. 2, in 305 Twamley Hall to consider all research proposals submitted to research development and compliance before Tuesday, Nov. 22. Proposals received later will be considered only if a quorum has reviewed them and time permits.

Clinical medical projects must be reviewed by the clinical medical subcommittee before being brought to the full board.

Proposals for these projects were due in research development and compliance Tuesday, Nov. 15. Minutes from the meeting will be available in the RD&C approximately one week after the meeting.

– Kara Wettersten, chair, institutional review board

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Applications sought for honors program director

The University invites applications for director of the undergraduate honors program. The director will provide leadership in coordinating all honors initiatives across campus, teach courses in the honors program, and report directly to the vice president for academic affairs and provost.

Administrative responsibilities include: recruit, retain, and advise students, develop curriculum in coordination with academic departments, administer the program budget, appoint and supervise instructional and office staff, foster the development of an active learning community within the honors program including on the honors residence hall wings, coordinate undergraduate honors research and senior honors thesis programs, and coordinate annual program review, assessment of student learning, and strategic planning.

Desired qualifications: earned doctorate or terminal professional degree, teaching experience in a four-year college or university, record of creative scholarship, excellent oral and written communication skills, strong commitment to interdisciplinary undergraduate education, ability to work with diverse faculty, staff, students, and administrators, excellent organizational skills, demonstrated team leadership, experience in teaching honors courses, and/or in directing an honors program or a program for highly motivated students is preferred, record of academic administrative and leadership experience in a college or university, and knowledge of current pedagogical trends in undergraduate and honors education.

Interested candidates should submit a letter of application, curriculum vita, and contact information for at least three references to: Ellen Erickson, assistant provost, University of North Dakota, PO Box 8176, Grand Forks, ND 58202-8176. Review of applications will begin Jan. 15, and continue until the position is filled.

UND is an equal opportunity/affirmative action institution.

– Vice president for academic affairs and provost

Myron Veenstra named counseling center director

Myron Veenstra has been named director of the University Counseling Center effective Nov. 7. Dr. Veenstra joined the counseling center staff as a licensed psychologist in September 2004 and has been serving as interim director since May 2005. He graduated from UND in 1971 with a double major in psychology and sociology. He earned a master's degree in counseling psychology at the University of Notre Dame in 1976 and a doctorate in counseling psychology at the University of Maryland, College Park in 1986.

Prior to joining the counseling center, he worked at Northeast Human Service Center in Grand Forks for 19 years. Dr. Veenstra also worked in mental health while in the military when stationed in Washington State and Hawaii.

– Lillian Elsinga, associate vice president for student services

Heuer named Fellow in The American Academy of Nursing

All new employees and all current employees who previously have not completed the mandatory harassment training program are required to do so as a condition of employment. This training is to be completed within the first month of employment.

Benefited faculty and staff, graduate teaching and research assistants who teach or supervise, and part-time faculty who teach at least one class each semester are required to take the online harassment training. The module you take depends on job responsibilities. Deans and department heads take und-fm; administrators and managers take und-m; faculty and graduate students take und-f; and staff take und-e. Instructions are on the affirmative action web site at

<http://www.und.edu/dept/aao/newharassmentinstructions.htm>.

All temporary and part-time, non-benefited staff, graduate service assistants and graduate assistants who do not teach or supervise are required to read the harassment training information and acknowledge their understanding. After reading the information, send your signed acknowledgement to the affirmative action office at Box 7097. If you have not received a packet yet, obtain one by downloading from the affirmative action web site or call 777-4171.

Please note that work study students or institutionally employed students are not required to take either training.

Thank you for your cooperation.

– Affirmative action office and general counsel office

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ew student profile available online

The 2005-2006 student body profile, which details enrollment statistics, is available at www.und.edu/profile.

— Jan Orvik, University relations

Intro to University Life course has changed departments

Introduction to University Life, UNIV 101, has changed department and course number effective Spring 2006. UNIV 101 replaces EHD 250A. U-Life is a two-credit, letter-graded course and topics will include time management, study skills, effective communication, health, wellness, and diversity, with emphasis on navigating UND resources. Students also participate in a common reading, Tuesdays with Morrie. U-Life is appropriate for the following students:

- First semester freshmen
- Second-semester freshmen who did not enroll in the course during the fall semester
- Transfer students with less than 24 credits completed

For additional information contact Sommer Bjercknes at 777-3273 or sommerbjercknes@mail.und.nodak.edu.

— Sommer Bjercknes, coordinator, Introduction to U-Life, student academic services

Holiday hours listed for Thanksgiving weekend

Thanksgiving Day is holiday

In accordance with State Board of Higher Education directives, Thursday, Nov. 24, will be observed as Thanksgiving Day by faculty and staff members of the University. Only those employees designated by their department heads will be required to work on this holiday.

– Greg Weisenstein, vice president for academic affairs and provost, and Diane Nelson, director, human resources

- Chester Fritz Library:
Hours of operation for the Chester Fritz Library over the Thanksgiving holiday are: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Thursday, Nov. 24 (Thanksgiving Day), closed; Friday, Nov. 25, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 26, 1 to 5 p.m.; Sunday, Nov. 27, 1 p.m. to midnight.

– Chester Fritz Library
- Law library:
The law library Thanksgiving hours are: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Thursday, Nov. 24 (Thanksgiving Day), closed; Friday, Nov. 25, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 26, noon to 5 p.m.; Sunday, Nov. 27, noon to 11 p.m.

– Jane Oakland, circulation manager, Thormodsgard Law Library
- Health sciences library:
The Harley E. French Library of the Health Sciences hours for the Thanksgiving holiday are Wednesday, Nov. 23, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Thursday, Nov. 24 (Thanksgiving Day), closed; Friday, Nov. 25, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 26, 1 to 5 p.m.; Sunday, Nov. 27, 1 p.m. to midnight.

– Health Sciences library
- ITSS:
Information technology systems and services will close for the Thanksgiving Day holiday at midnight Wednesday, Nov. 23, and will reopen at 5 a.m. Friday, Nov. 25.

– Craig Cerkowniak, associate director, ITSS
- Memorial Union:
The Memorial Union and all its facilities will be closed Thursday, Thanksgiving Day, Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 24, 26-27. The schedule follows.
 - Administrative office: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
 - Athletic ticket office: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, closed.
 - Barber shop: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, closed.
 - Computer labs: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 7:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
 - Craft center: Wednesday, Nov. 23, noon to 4:30 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, closed.
 - Credit union: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 - Dining center – Terrace: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, closed.
 - Food court – Old Main Marketplace: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
 - Great Clips: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, closed.
 - Health promotion office: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
 - Info center: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 - Internet Café and pub area: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 - Lifetime sports center: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 - Parking office: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
 - Post office: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
 - Service center/copy stop: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 - Sign and design: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, closed.
 - Stomping Grounds: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, closed.
 - Student academic services: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
 - U card office: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, closed.
 - U Turn C Store: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, closed.
 - University learning center: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
 - Building hours: Wednesday, Nov. 23, 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 25, 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- Marsha Nelson, Memorial Union

Campus Connection demo available for faculty/staff

Are your students uncertain about how to register for classes in the new student portal, Campus Connection? Do they have questions about navigating through the financial aid information? Did they forget their ID or password? Or are you curious to learn more about the student portal to better assist the students with whom you work?

We have a new tool to help! A student-led demo of the registration and financial aid features of Campus Connection is available on the student academic services web site, <http://sas.und.edu/>. Click on Campus Connection Information, and

on the Student Financial Aid Office web site, www.financialaid.und.edu under the Campus Connection logo.

Each demo is packed with valuable information to help you and your students navigate Campus Connection. Check it out!

– Lisa Burger, student academic services

ADA advisory committee meets monthly

The ADA advisory committee meets the third Thursday of every month from 3 to 4 p.m. in 305 Twamley Hall. The campus community is welcome to attend any and all meetings. The agenda is posted on our web site at <http://www.und.edu/dept/aao/newtimesandlocation.htm>.

– Phyllis Vold, affirmative action office

Proposals sought for public scholarship funding

Proposals are now being accepted from UND faculty for research and creative activity projects involving public or community partners in North Dakota. This is the second year of the public scholarship fund, supported by the vice president for research office and hosted by the Center for Community Engagement.

Public scholarship, also known as public policy research, action research, community-based research, participatory research, and public interest research, usually is concerned with addressing community needs by involving public members in research projects and making research results broadly accessible. The public scholarship committee, co-chaired by Doug Marshall and Barbara Handy-Marchello, encourages multi-disciplinary projects, attention to the particular needs of North Dakota, and the involvement of students.

A total of \$15,000 is available for projects. Two types of projects are eligible for consideration: 1. Research funds of up to \$5,000 to support projects addressing a significant public need in North Dakota involving two more faculty members from more than one department and at least one public or community partner, and 2. Pre-research funds of up to \$1000 per project to support faculty members to locate community partners for future collaborative research. Application deadline is 4:30 p.m. Dec. 1.

For application guidelines, see www.communityengagement.und.edu. Applications will be reviewed by a faculty committee with decisions to be made by Jan. 1. For more information, contact Lana Rakow, Box 8254, public scholarship program, 321 O'Kelly Hall, 777-2287, lanarakow@mail.und.nodak.edu.

– Lana Rakow, Center for Community Engagement

Nominations sought for Martin Luther King Jr. awards

The Office of Multicultural Student Services is accepting nominations for the ninth annual Martin Luther King Jr. awards. Students, faculty, and staff are eligible to make nominations and to receive the awards, as are all Grand Forks and Grand Forks Air Force Base community members. Nomination forms are available at the Era Bell Thompson Cultural Center and the student government office. All nominations must be received by Monday, Dec. 5, at 4:30 p.m. For more information, please contact Linda at 777-4259, or stop by the Center at 2800 University Ave. (across from the Memorial Union).

– Multicultural student services

Honorary degree nominations sought

Members of the University Council are invited to nominate outstanding individuals for an honorary degree. The deadline for submitting nominations is Monday, Dec. 5. Qualifications include, but are not limited to, the following State Board of Higher Education criteria (see SBHE, Policy 430.1):

1. The candidate should have had an association with the State of North Dakota. This association may be by virtue of birth, of residence, of education, of service to the state, the Board, or one of the institutions governed by the Board.
2. The candidate must have achieved a level of distinction which would merit comparable recognition in his or her profession or area of excellence.
3. The renown of the candidate should reflect favorably on the Board, the institutions it governs, and the State of

North Dakota.

In order to avoid any embarrassment, no suggestion shall be made to any person to be so honored until the State Board of Higher Education has acted on the nomination.

Institutional criteria and standards for the awarding of honorary degrees at the University of North Dakota have been established by the University Senate. It is recommended that the following criteria be used in considering persons for an honorary degree:

1. Achievement of distinction in scholarship, or in comparable professional or creative achievement.
2. Recognized and outstanding service to the nation, to the state, or to the University of North Dakota.
3. Attendance at or graduation from the University of North Dakota, except as the individual is outstanding with reference to the preceding criteria 1 and 2.
4. Non-membership on the faculty of the University of North Dakota.
5. Scholarship specialization in an area in which the university normally grants an earned degree.

Procedures:

1. Nominations may be made by any member of the University Council.
2. Nominations must be accompanied by a factual dossier providing evidence that the nominee meets the criteria and standards established by the University Senate (Nos. 1-5 above). Factual compilation should include the following, in the order listed:
 - a. A brief biography
 - b. A list of scholarly writings, research and publications
 - c. Description of public service and achievements
 - d. List of offices and positions held
 - e. Other factual justifications for consideration
3. The nominee's scholarship will be evaluated by the departmental faculty in the area of the nominee's specialization, such evaluation to be a part of the dossier presented to the honorary degrees committee.
4. A nominee will not be informed that he/she is being considered until the nomination has been approved at the SBHE level.
5. The titles of honorary degrees shall be distinct from those of earned degrees at UND.
6. No honorary bachelor's or master's degrees will be awarded.

On behalf of the honorary degrees committee, nominations and all supporting materials may be sent to the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, 302 Twamley Hall. The dateline for submitting nominations is Monday, Dec. 5.

— Greg Weisenstein, provost

Proposals sought for NSF major research instrument program

The National Science Foundation (NSF) has issued a solicitation for proposals to its major research instrumentation program (MRI). The MRI program assists in the acquisition or development of major research instrumentation that is, in general, too costly for support through other NSF programs. Proposals may be for a single instrument, a large system of instruments, or multiple instruments that share a common or specific research focus. Computer systems, clusters of advanced workstations, networks, and other information infrastructure components necessary for research are encouraged. Awards for instrumentation will range from \$100,000 to \$2 million. Lesser amounts will be considered in proposals from the mathematical sciences or from the social, behavioral and economic science community. Approximately \$90 million is available for fiscal year 2005.

An institution may submit up to three proposals to the MRI program. Up to two proposals may be for instrument acquisition. If an institution submits three proposals, at least one of the three proposals must be for instrument development. However, two or all three proposals may be for instrument development. An institution may also be included as a member of a legally established consortium submitting a separate proposal, clearly labeled as such in the proposal's title.

As a result of the limited number of proposals that can be submitted, UND will conduct an internal review of preproposals. Preproposals should consist of the following sections:

- Cover page listing the project name, collaborators, contact person, total budget amount
- Instrument(s) to be purchased or developed and its (their) function(s)
- Impact on the research program of the collaborators, department(s), and college(s)
- Impact on the university's mission as a whole
- Detailed budget (including expected cost share amounts and sources)

Preproposals should be no more than five pages in length using a reasonable format (1-inch margins, font size 11, single-spaced). Preproposals are due in research development and compliance (RD&C) by 4:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 2. Criteria used for reviewing preproposals will include appropriateness to the goal of the program; probability for funding by NSF; reasonableness of budgetary requests; and impact of the request on the university and the academic units involved. Investigators will be notified of the review results as soon as possible in order to provide as much time as possible to prepare a final proposal for submission.

Contact RD&C, 777-4278 or shirley.griffin@mail.und.nodak.edu for the complete NSF MRI announcement, or download it at <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2004/nsf04511/nsf04511.htm>.

— Barry Milavetz, associate vice president for research

Nominations sought for 2006 Alan T. Waterman Award

The Alan T. Waterman Award, the highest honor awarded by the National Science Foundation (NSF) was established in August 1975 to mark the 25th anniversary of the National Science Foundation and to honor its first director. The annual award recognizes an outstanding young researcher in any field of science or engineering supported by the National Science Foundation. In addition to a medal, the awardee receives a \$500,000 nonrestrictive grant over a three-year period for continued research.

- Candidates must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents and must be 35 years of age or younger or not more than seven years beyond receipt of the Ph.D. degree by Dec. 31, 2005.
- Candidates should have demonstrated exceptional individual achievements in scientific or engineering research of sufficient quality to place them at the forefront of their peers. Criteria include originality, innovation, and significant impact on the field.

The complete announcement is available at: <http://www.nsf.gov/nsb/awards/waterman/waterman.htm>. For complete information regarding nomination procedures, go to <http://www.fastlane.nsf.gov/honawards/>. For questions concerning the award, contact Ann Noonan, honorary awards specialist, anoonan@nsf.gov or (703) 292-8096.

The deadline for submission of nominations is Nov. 30. The deadline for reference letters is Dec. 31.

— Barry Milavetz, associate vice president for research

Facilities will begin charging via PeopleSoft

The interface from Famis to PeopleSoft has been completed and you will begin to see charges posted to your PeopleSoft funds as of Nov. 8. The charges will be broken down month-by-month until they are current; at that point the charges will be posted to your funds twice per month. The charges posted on Nov. 8 reflect the activity that occurred in July 2005.

The charges that are posted to PeopleSoft are very summarized. The detailed information will be accessed by your department using Discoverer reports. Many departments have already submitted names of people to be trained to retrieve this information. University within the University will contact those people to set up a time. If your department did not sign up for access to Discoverer reports, please contact Karen at 777-2597 and she will work with you to complete the necessary security form. Once we've received your security paperwork we'll arrange for training. Thanks for your patience in getting the facilities charges posted to PeopleSoft.

— Laura Thoreson, facilities

New directory/phone book available

The new 2005-06 UND directory/phone book is now available. Department copies may be purchased through the charge system or with cash at the University Barnes & Noble Bookstore. Locations at which cash purchases may be made are the Memorial Union, Wilkerson, Squires, and Walsh Convenience Stores. Cost is \$1.25.

The book lists names, addresses, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses of faculty and staff, and names, phone numbers, and addresses of students. The book also contains administrative, academic, and student governance personnel; residence hall and fraternity and sorority housing information; an overview and capsule history of the University; research and service agency information; the campus map; city map; events calendars; organization chart; emergency and disaster reaction procedures; campus and city bus schedules; political divisions and voting sites for Grand Forks; and campus mailing procedures.

— University relations

Note directory change

Please make this change to the UND directory: Dianne Stam, administrative secretary, University Learning Center, office telephone should be 777-4406.

Donated leave requested for Rich Roberts

Annual and sick leave donations are sought for Richard Roberts, senior systems administrator, information technology systems and service, due to a serious medical condition. Roberts and his family thank you for your generosity.

Please send a donated sick leave form to Carol Hjelmstad (ITSS), Box 9041, if you are interested in donating leave. For a form go to www.und.edu/dept/payroll, then click on forms.

– Carol Hjelmstad, ITSS

Studio One lists features

Here a pilot's story of survival in an emergency crash landing on the next edition of Studio One on Channel 3 in Grand Forks. UND flight instructor Paul LeHardy was on a research mission earlier this fall when his plane went down 70 miles outside of Fairbanks, Alaska. LeHardy will explain how he used his experience in aerospace to save the lives of three others as well as himself.

Also on Studio One this week, see how a group of entrepreneurs runs a booming business from an unlikely place. The women that started Originals Casual Wear will share the secrets to small town business success. 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.

Volunteers sought for selenium study

The Grand Forks Human Nutrition Research Center is seeking men and women, age 18 and over, for a year-long study that will determine the effects of lower doses of selenium in raising blood plasma selenium concentrations. Selenium is a mineral, similar to sulfur, found in almost all foods, but in higher concentrations in fish, meat, and wheat products.

Results of studies with animal tumor models and human clinical trials suggest that selenium can prevent tumors if consumed at levels greater than nutritional requirements. Current trials in the U.S. and Europe are evaluating the anti-carcinogenic potential of long-term supplementation of 200 micrograms of selenium per day.

If it is possible to increase plasma selenium concentrations with less than 200 micrograms of selenium per day, then supplementation might be accomplished through diet rather than a pill.

Participants will live at home and continue to enjoy their favorite foods and drinks (with minor restrictions) and they could earn up to \$300.

During the course of the study, participants will take a daily pill containing 0, 50, 100, or 200 micrograms of selenium. Every month, they will stop by the Nutrition Center to get weighed and to pick up supplements. Every three months, they will have blood drawn, provide a urine sample, get weighed and return a questionnaire.

The study is open to smokers and non-smokers. Women must not be pregnant or lactating. Individuals must not have chronic liver or kidney disease and have not taken nutritional supplements containing more than 100 micrograms of selenium within the last six months. They also are not allowed to give plasma donations during the study. Prescription medication during the study will be decided on an individual basis.

If you would like an application for this study, please call Dorothy Olson at (701) 795-8396 or (800) 562-4032; or apply online by going to <http://ars.usda.gov/npa/gfhnrc>.

— Brenda Ling, Grand Forks Human Nutrition Research Center

Submit FlexComp agreements by Nov. 30

The open enrollment period for the FlexComp program for the plan year of Jan. 1, 2006 through Dec. 31, 2006, is here. During this time all benefited employees will have the opportunity to enroll or re-enroll in this fringe benefit opportunity. This program helps employees pay for medical and dependent care expenses with pre-tax dollars instead of after-tax dollars.

Enrollment agreements must be returned to the payroll office by Nov. 30. No enrollment agreements will be accepted after 4:30 p.m. Nov. 30.

No exceptions will be made for mail delays; so, if the deadline date is approaching, it is advised that you hand-deliver your form directly to the payroll office to assure meeting the deadline.

If you misplaced the original enrollment form mailed Oct. 17, you may pick one up at 314 Twamley Hall or print one from the payroll web page located under forms (<http://www.und.nodak.edu/dept/payroll/>).

If you have any questions call me.

– Roxanne Miller, payroll office FlexComp specialist, at 777-4423

Calling cards sought for hurricane survivors

Staff Senate is collecting calling cards for the University of Southern Mississippi/Gulf Coast campus until Nov. 23; collection points are in the Memorial Union, facilities and Twamley Hall, or give calling cards, no checks or cash, to a Staff Senate member. Calling cards are available at UND convenience stores.

– Dennis Stangl (TRIO programs), publicity chair for Staff Senate

UND license plates feature choice of logos

Drive with UND pride and support the University of North Dakota by signing up for your North Dakota/UND license plate now for just \$25. Your vehicle plates will feature your choice of the UND logo or the Fighting Sioux logo, and have five alpha numeric digits. Vanity plates are also available. Your vehicle plates will be sent to you and the state will return \$15 from each plate sold to the UND Foundation to support the University. A minimum of 400 paid registrants are needed or your payment will be refunded in full.

For more information or to sign up, log on to www.undalumni.org, or call Nancy at 777-3678. Get ready to Drive with Pride today!

– Alumni Association and Foundation

Fleece on sale at UND Bookstore

Barnes & Noble at UND is featuring all Champion fleece and hats at 25 percent off. The sale runs through Monday, Nov. 21. Hours of operation are Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Sunday, noon to 5 p.m. Shop early for best selection.

– UND Bookstore



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