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## TOP STORIES

### Three provost candidates will visit campus

Three candidates for the position of provost and vice president for academic affairs will visit the University in February and March, according to Martha Potvin, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and chair of the search committee.

The three candidates, in the order they will visit campus are:

- Fredrick Dobney, professor of history at Western Michigan University, where he served as provost and vice president for academic affairs for two years;
- Susan Coultrap-McQuin, dean of social and behavioral sciences, Minnesota State University, Mankato;
- Sona Karentz Andrews, vice provost, academic affairs, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

#### **Fredrick John Dobney**

Ph.D., Rice University, 1970 (history)

B.A., Baylor University, 1966 (history)

A professor of history at Western Michigan University, Fredrick Dobney served as Western Michigan's provost and vice president for academic affairs (2000-2002), where he was responsible for all of the academic areas, including the seven academic colleges, the university libraries, registrar, admissions, financial aid, international programs, and academic collective bargaining. During his time at Western, Dobney initiated an extensive assessment effort designed to generate information for use in making decisions about curriculum and resource allocation.

Dobney's past experience includes serving as executive vice president and provost and professor of social sciences at Michigan Technological University (1993-2000) and as professor of history at Washington State University, Loyola University, and St. Louis University. From 1987-1993, he was vice provost for extended university services at Washington State University. At Loyola University he served as dean of City College, dean of continuing education, and director of special programs (1981-1986). Dobney held a number of administrative positions at Saint Louis University: director of man, technology, and society program (1973-1980), director of Copper Mountain summer school program (1977-1980),

and acting associate dean of the graduate school (1980-1981).

Dobney was a member of the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges Commission on Human Resources and Social Change (1994-2002). He was a consultant to the National Science Foundation and the National Endowment for the Humanities and has received over \$700,000 in grant support. He has provided service on the MITN Board of Directors for the state of Michigan and the telecommunications advisory committee for the state of Washington. His teaching fields include American technology and recent American history with publications involving United States presidential elections. In 1979 he received the Adult Education Teacher of the Year Award from the St. Louis Adult Education Council.

In addition to many papers, book reviews, proceedings, articles and co-writing a monograph on "Evaluation of the National Register Eligibility of the Inner Harbor Navigation Canal Lock in Orleans Parish, Louisiana," Dobney is the author of two books: *River Engineers on the Middle Mississippi* (Government Printing Office, 1978) and *Selected Papers of Will Clayton* (The Johns Hopkins Press, 1971).

### **Susan Coultrap-McQuin**

Ph.D., University of Iowa, 1979 (American Studies)

B.S., Iowa State University, 1969 (English and French)

Before coming to Minnesota State University, Mankato in 1995, Susan Coultrap-McQuin was a faculty member and administrator at the University of Minnesota, Duluth, where she served at various times as director of the study in England program, acting associate dean for the College of Liberal Arts, and head of the department of women's studies. She has also taught for the University of Maryland, European Division, and at Michigan State University.

She is the author and editor of many articles, book reviews and books on 19th century women writers, writers and publishers, feminist ethics, women's studies, and teaching. Her recent research and presentations focus on issues in higher education. Coultrap-McQuin has been awarded a number of awards and grants.

She has been a board member on the Minnesota Humanities Commission and the Minnesota Council on Economic Education. Currently she serves on the board of directors for the Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences, board of directors of the Collaboration for the Advancement of College Teaching and Learning, and the board of directors of Minnesota ACE/Network.

Coultrap-McQuin's professional interests include: 19th century women writers, authors and publishers, women's studies, American studies, higher education planning, collaborative leadership, technology and learning, faculty development, faculty roles and rewards, assessment, budgeting, study abroad programs, fund-raising, and external relations. She was a Peace Corps volunteer before she began graduate school.

### **Sona Karentz Andrews**

Ph. D., Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona, 1981 (geography)

M. A., Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona, 1977 (geography)

B. A., Worcester State College, Worcester, Massachusetts, 1975 (geography)

The vice provost for academic affairs at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee since 2003, Sona Karentz Andrews has served at UW-Milwaukee as associate vice chancellor of academic affairs (2001-2003), assistant vice chancellor of academic affairs (1995-2000), and as professor (1994-present) and associate professor (1988-1994) of geography. She spent 2000-2001 as an American Council on Education (ACE) Fellow at Carthage College in Kenosha, Wis. She served as an assistant professor of geography at the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, from 1981 to 1988.

At UW-Milwaukee, she is responsible for all campus personnel decisions, including faculty recruitment, hiring, and development. She initiated an employee professional development program and is credited for the University being ranked sixth best place for women to work by Milwaukee Magazine in 2003. She developed UW's first technology plan and has been instrumental in instituting practices that have helped the institution attract and retain diverse faculty and staff. She works closely with the deans of all schools/colleges on matters related to budget, curriculum, and new initiatives.

She has served as a board member for Wisconsin Women in Higher Education Leadership and is the state coordinator for the American Council on Education Fellows, has served on the editorial boards of academic journals in her field, and has received grants totaling more than \$630,000. Presently she is a committee member in Wisconsin Lt. Gov. Barbara Lawton's Fund Raising Task Force on Wisconsin Women = Prosperity Initiative.

Andrews is interested in interactive mapping, tactual mapping for people with sensory impairments, and Geographic

Information Systems (GIS). In addition to a number of publications, Andrews is the author of "Beyond Seeing and Hearing: Teaching Geography to Sensory Impaired Children, An Integrated Based Curriculum Approach," and cartographer for the "Minnesota Travel Companion : A Guide to History Along Minnesota's Highways" and "Wisconsin Travel Companion: A Guide to History Along Wisconsin's Highways."

Here's a look at the visit schedule:

Thursday, Feb. 19:

Fredrick John Dobney

9-10 a.m. — Meeting with department chairs and campus administrators, in 10-12 Swanson Hall.

3:30 p.m. — Open reception, talk and Q&A, North Dakota Museum of Art.

4:30 p.m. — Meeting with faculty, North Dakota Museum of Art.

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Thursday, March 4:

Sona Karentz Andrews

9-10 a.m. — Meeting with department chairs and campus administrators, TBA.

3:30 p.m. — Open reception, talk and Q&A, North Dakota Museum of Art.

4:30 p.m. — Meeting with faculty, North Dakota Museum of Art.

## Reminder to complete harassment training program

We thank those who have completed harassment training. If you have not yet completed the training, please do so immediately. This training is required for all faculty and staff, graduate students who teach, and students who supervise others in support of UND's efforts to promote a respectful campus community for everyone. If you have any questions regarding how to access the training program, please contact the Office of General Counsel at 777-6345. Thanks for your cooperation.

— Charles Kupchella, president.

## University begins work on its next strategic planning

Editor's note: This external news release announced the kick off of the University's new strategic planning effort.

Even as it continues to implement its current strategic plan, the University of North Dakota has initiated an 18-month process of developing the next one, due to be published in the summer of 2005.

The University's planning and budget committee has begun the environmental scanning process that typically starts the strategic planning process.

The new plan, "Building on Excellence," will not be an "update," said President Charles Kupchella. It will be a complete rethinking of the University's future in light of changing conditions since 1999, when the process of creating the current plan began.

A four item-questionnaire is being distributed to UND's internal and external stakeholders for their input on global, national and state trends, valued characteristics and mission elements of the University which must be protected in any plan, three to five top priorities for UND over the next five years, and three to five of the institution's strengths and weaknesses.

The questionnaire can be found on UND's Web site by using the strategic planning link at [www.und.edu](http://www.und.edu). All of the University's stakeholders are invited to participate, Kupchella said.

A series of forums exploring the same questions will be held on and off the campus. Responses will be analyzed by the committee in the spring as it identifies four to six priorities for the University. The draft statement of priorities will be distributed and discussed later in the spring before being narrowed down by the committee. Each of UND's 160-plus academic and administrative departments will then be asked to develop action plans for their units within that context,

while the planning and budget committee and its subcommittees will address these priorities on an institution-wide basis.

Writing of the detailed plans will occupy much of the 2004-2005 academic year, Kupchella said. The final printed document will be rolled out early in the fall of 2005.

In the meantime, Kupchella said the University will continue to aggressively implement its current plan, published in the fall of 2001 after a similar process.

The University is tracking its progress at both the macro and micro levels, he said.

For example, Kupchella says UND today has more of the characteristics of a national doctoral-research university, with more graduate students, new research infrastructure, and a growing level of externally funded research, scholarship and creative activity.

Sharpening of UND's enrollment management strategies, he said, has resulted in record numbers of students studying on campus and significant progress in the University's off-campus programs. The quality of UND's student body continues to increase, with even higher admissions standards set to go into effect for those who matriculate in the fall of 2005.

Thanks to flexibility granted by the State Legislature, UND has been the leader among the state's colleges and universities in reallocating additional dollars into faculty pay increases. Nothing is more critical than ensuring that the University retains its current faculty brainpower and hires outstanding newcomers as opportunities present themselves, Kupchella said. The action has slowed the downward competitive drift of UND's salaries and has begun to show an improvement.

Progress at the department level is being tracked through a unit annual reporting process that for the first time this year was required to be submitted electronically in a format allowing easier compilation and analysis.

For example, UND can easily track activities initiated at the campus level that are intended to improve the campus climate for living and learning – one of the seven major priority/action goals of the plan. Examples range from campus training programs on the subject of federally prohibited harassment to efforts to reduce bureaucracy wherever possible.

Priority actions areas – the broad goals – established in the current plan, titled "Pathways to the Future," include:

- \* Provide a quality curriculum with a solid liberal arts foundation for each field of study to prepare students for rich, full lives, productive careers, and civic leadership.
- \* Expand and strengthen the University's commitment to research and creative activity, both as a means of enriching the learning environment and as a driver for economic development.
- \* Serve the people of North Dakota and the world more effectively through applied and basic research, cultural experiences, and economic development programs as well as through a comprehensive array of educational offerings.
- \* Improve the campus climate for learning and living.
- \* Optimize and stabilize enrollment to achieve the desired number and mix of students appropriate to the University's mission.
- \* Optimize the use of information technology to improve student learning, research, and the administration of the University.
- \* In support of all of the above, ensure that the University has a well-prepared, enthusiastic faculty and staff, first-rate physical facilities, an adequate financial resource base and an appropriate, efficient organizational structure.

## **UND posts record spring enrollment of 12,355**

The University of North Dakota has posted its largest-ever spring semester enrollment with 12,355 students. The spring record is up 434 (3.6 percent) from the 2003 final spring count of 11,921 (the previous top spring count). The all time record enrollment and 2003-04 official student tally of 13,034 was posted in the fall. The spring numbers are always lower, in part because of winter commencement.

Driving this spring's increase is the 216 (12.4 percent) jump in the number of graduate students – particularly the number of doctoral students. All told, 1,957 students are enrolled in UND's graduate school. Of those, 426 – an increase of 50 percent (142) – are doctoral students. Another 1,275 (an increase of 7.1 percent, or 84) are master's level students.

"We are pleased by our steady enrollment growth and by the fact so many students continue to be attracted to the myriad

educational opportunities and the high quality of the faculty at the University of North Dakota," said President Charles Kupchella. "It is the result of a solid effort by our faculty and staff to help meet the University's goals in our strategic plan." Part of that plan calls for growth in the graduate school, which will have ramifications in other areas of the University, such as enhancing UND's research enterprise.

Kupchella also singled out the increase in the number of nursing students, up 11 percent (71). "Dr. Elizabeth Nichols, dean of our College of Nursing, recently gave a talk on the state of the nursing profession and she reminded us that the country will face critical nursing shortages in the future in part because of such factors as the large number of retiring nurses and the increased workload demanded by a graying population. We are pleased to be doing our part in educating a quality nursing workforce," Kupchella said.

The total undergraduate enrollment is up 229 from last year (9,968 compared to 9,739). Students come from just about every state and some 50 other countries. The growth came from just about everywhere, but particularly in the number of students from North Dakota (up 170) and Minnesota (up 185). Other recent spring enrollments include 11,224 in 2002, 10,438 in 2001, 10,061 in 2000, and 9,686 in 1999.

## Faculty, researchers sought for UND experts directory

President Charles Kupchella is asking faculty and researchers to help "populate" the newly redesigned online UND experts directory. Created by the Office of University Relations, the web site is one of several ways in which UND will showcase its expertise and at the same time provide access to service. It will also be a resource that will allow colleagues, the media, and the public in general to connect to expertise on campus. The UND Experts Directory can be accessed at <http://www.und.edu/experts>. The site currently spotlights academic units and stand-alone research centers, but it will soon be modified to include non-academic service units.

The retooled web site now features a searchable database. For example, type in "gene" and the following names (added during various test phases) pop up in the database: David Bradley, Ann Flower, Mahesh Lakshman, John Martsof, Peter Meberg, Roger Melvold, Darrin Muggli, Matthew Nilles, Kevin Young.

The process for getting into the database is simple. The online submission form is designed to allow faculty and researchers to cut and paste from their vita, or, if you prefer, type in fresh material. In addition to basic information (name, title, contact information, etc.), the form allows you to include information under the following categories:

- Education Publications Consulting
- Research Grants Special
- Presentations Patents Works in Progress

To participate, faculty and researchers can go to <http://www.und.edu/experts/submit> and begin filling in the form. Note that you will be asked to provide your NAID number (which will be kept confidential). This will allow you to modify your entry at a later date. Faculty members, for example, may want to update their entries when they provide their October supplements.

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## EVENTS TO NOTE

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### Mathematics candidate presents colloquium

Huizhen Guo will present a colloquium, "Inference on Quantiles of Some Parametric Models," Friday, Feb. 13, at 3:30 p.m. in 309 Witmer Hall. Refreshments will be served in 325 Witmer Hall at 3 p.m. Ms. Guo is a doctoral candidate in statistics at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette and a candidate for a mathematics faculty position.

– Bruce Dearden, mathematics.

### Museum hosts Valentine's Day celebration

Break the winter blues and come to the North Dakota Museum of Art for champagne, chocolates, music, poetry and stories at a special Valentine's Day celebration Saturday, Feb. 14, from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

Local musicians and writers including President and First Lady Charles and Adele Kupchella, Barbara Crow, Hal and Kathy Gershman and a few surprise performers will be included in the roster of entertainers.

Everyone – singles, couples, and families – is welcome to this light, bright-spirited and heart-warming event. Admission is \$10. For more information, please phone the Museum at 777-4195.

– North Dakota Museum of Art.

## **Lotus Center presents Valentine's talk**

"Understanding and Living Love," a Valentine's Day-inspired talk, will be Sunday, Feb. 15, from 3 to 4 p.m. at the Lotus Meditation Center. The talk will be given by Patrick Anderson, a former Buddhist monk in the Thai Theravada Forest tradition. It is free and open to all.

– Lotus Meditation Center, 2908 University Ave.

## **Graduate committee will not meet Monday**

The graduate committee will not meet Monday, Feb. 16, due to the Presidents Day holiday.

– Joseph Benoit, dean, graduate school.

## **Lee delivers Faculty Lecture Series talk Feb. 17**

Randy Lee, professor of law, will present "Pandering to the Risk-Averse in These Entrepreneurial Times: The Legislatures Choose Sides," Tuesday, Feb. 17, as the next talk in the faculty lecture series. The lecture begins at 4:30 p.m. in the Fred Orth Lecture Bowl, Memorial Union. A reception begins at 4 p.m., and a question and answer period follows the lecture.

The North Dakota Bar Foundation Professor of Law, Randy H. Lee received his J.D. summa cum laude from Washington and Lee University School of Law in 1969. During law school, he was business manager of the Washington and Lee Law Review and was elected to the Order of the Coif. He is also a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

During the six years between graduation and joining the faculty, he was engaged in large firm private practice and service as an assistant attorney general in Maryland. He was the first general counsel of the Maryland Port Authority.

Lee is a member of the Joint Committee on Attorney Standards of the North Dakota Supreme Court and the State Bar Association of North Dakota. He has served the United States District Court in North Dakota in several appointed roles, including as a Special Master. In 1991, the law schools of the United States and Canada elected him a trustee of the Law School Admission Council, and he chaired that board's audit committee for two years during his five years on the board. Lee teaches business associations, professional responsibility, conflict of laws, workers' compensation, and labor law. He is licensed to practice law in North Dakota and Maryland. In 1999 he received the Distinguished Service Award from the State Bar Association of North Dakota.

One other speaker will deliver a faculty lecture series talk this semester: Katie McCleery, professor of art, who will talk about "Carved in Brick: Outsider Art From Inside the University," Tuesday, April 13, 4:30 p.m. in the Fred Orth Lecture Bowl, Memorial Union with a 4 p.m. reception.

The Faculty Lecture Series was active from 1954 to 1988 and was resurrected in 1997. More than 200 faculty members have delivered talks about their work to colleagues, students and friends as a part of the University's most venerable lecture series. The goal is to enhance UND's academic atmosphere by showcasing the scholarly lives of several faculty selected from across campus. The lectures aim to present, with depth and rigor, the scholarly questions and goals of the individual faculty members.

The series is funded through the Office of the President.

## **Student chapter of Amnesty International plans events**

The UND chapter of Amnesty International will sponsor a series of events on the juvenile death penalty to mark International Week of Student Action, Feb. 17-20. On Tuesday, Feb. 17, at 6 p.m., "Dead Man Walking" will be shown in 8 Robertson/Sayre Hall; a discussion will follow. On Wednesday, Feb. 18, at 4 p.m. in the Loading Dock at the Memorial Union, a faculty panel will discuss the juvenile death penalty. On Friday, Feb. 20, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. resources and petitions will be available at a booth in the Memorial Union.

– Jeanne Anderegg (honors), advisor, UND chapter, Amnesty International.

## Campus Ministry series addresses tolerance

The Campus Ministry Association is launching "Tolerance: There's Trouble in the Neighborhood" in its Theology for Lunch series Tuesdays at noon, Wittenberg Lutheran Chapel, 3120 Fifth Avenue North. A free lunch is included; bring a friend.

The schedule follows:

Feb. 17, Tom Petros and Cheryl Terrance, psychology, "What are the Psychological Limits? What are the Personal Limits?"

Feb. 24, Erik Mansager, director, counseling center, "Where's My Limit? Does It Change in the Context of Relationship?"

This series is sponsored by the Campus Ministry Association, with St. Thomas Aquinas Newman Center, Christus Rex, Lutheran Campus Center, Wittenberg Lutheran Chapel, and United Campus Ministry.

– Tom Petros, psychology, for the Campus Ministry Association.

## Leadership workshops held through March 3

The Memorial Union leadership workshop series will continue Wednesday, Feb. 18, at 3 p.m. in the Memorial Union Leadership Inspiration Room. Amanda Anderson will present "Effective and Efficient Meetings." Additional workshops will be held in the Leadership Inspiration Room (Room 115) each Wednesday at 3 p.m. through March 3. Topics include: Feb. 25, "The Art of Caring Leadership," Gordon Henry; March 3, "Thinking Outside the Box," Steve Edwards.

For more information, e-mail [leadership@und.nodak.edu](mailto:leadership@und.nodak.edu) or call 777-2898.

— Memorial Union.

## Alum, Xavier prof lectures Feb. 19

Carol Winkelmann, author of a new book published by SUNY Press, *The Language of Battered Women*, will give a lecture under the same title at 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 19, in 300 Merrifield Hall. The lecture is co-sponsored by the English Department Lecture Series and the Philosophy and Religion Department Lecture Series. Winkelmann is an associate professor at Xavier University in Cincinnati. She holds a doctorate from the University of Michigan and a master's in English from UND.

– Kathy Dixon, English.

## Empire lists events

Following is the schedule for the Empire Arts Center.

Thursday, Feb. 19, Lewis and Clark Elementary School program, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 21, movie, "Royal Wedding," starring Fred Astaire and Jane Powell, 2:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 24, Tuesday Night Live, Red River comedy group, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 26, Showtime @ the Empire, monthly local music, 8 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 28, "Vagina Monologues," UND Public Relations Student Society of America, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, March 1, Red River High School Jazz Bands concert, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 7, Greater Grand Forks Youth Symphony Orchestra concert, 3 p.m.

Thursday, March 11, Leon Russell concert, 7:30 p.m., tickets available through Chester Fritz box office at 777-4090.

Events coming soon include Valley and Schroeder Middle School musicals, movies, concerts, UND Writers Conference and more Showtime @ the Empire. Our schedule is subject to change. Please call 746-5500 if you have any questions about the Empire or our events.

– Jan Orvik, editor, for Mark Landa, Empire Arts Center.

## Biology candidate presents seminar

On Friday, Feb. 20, at noon in 141 Starcher Hall, Kathryn Curtin will present "Using *Drosophila* to Study Metastasis." Dr. Curtin, from Yale University, is a candidate for the developmental biologist position in the biology department.

— Biology department.

## Geography candidate gives talk

Lu Wang will present "Consumption in a New Home: An Investigation of Chinese Immigrant Consumer Behaviour in Toronto, Canada" at 9 a.m. Friday, Feb. 20, in 366 Clifford Hall. Dr. Wang is from York University, Toronto, and is a faculty candidate for the human geography position in geography. All are welcome.

— Devon Hansen, assistant professor, geography.

## Bright and Brassy comes to the Fritz

The Grand Forks Symphony presents Bright and Brassy, its annual concert for young audiences featuring Quadre, a French horn quartet. Guest conductor Dianne Pope will join the symphony along with Caroline Nicolas, the winner of the 2004 International Young Artist Competition, and The Greater Grand Forks Youth Symphony. Concert time is Friday, Feb. 20, at 7:30 p.m., Chester Fritz Auditorium. For ticket information and prices contact the box office or charge by phone at 777-4090.

### About the Featured Artists

- Quadre, a new French horn quartet from San Francisco, is acclaimed as an ensemble that "zaps the myth that classical stuff's stuffy" (Birmingham News). Their performances have captivated audiences at the Music Academy of the West, Manhattan School of Music, Southeastern Horn Conference, and throughout the Bay Area where they have been educational artists in residence with the San Francisco Symphony. The musicians, Carrie Campbell, Nathan Pawelek, Meredith Brown, and Daniel Wood, are excited about their work in arts education, and while they are in Grand Forks will visit local classes in elementary and secondary schools.
- Fifteen-year-old Caroline Nicolas, the winner of GGFSO's 2004 Young Artist Competition, was born in Winnipeg, where she began her cello studies with Adeline Muller at the age of two. In 2003, she spent eight months in Shanghai, China under the guidance of Professor Liu Mei Juan. Caroline has won numerous prizes, including seven silver medals from the Royal Conservatory of Music as well as the Ruth Gordon memorial trophy. She studies with Paul Marelyn in the Preparatory Division of the University of Manitoba, and will play the final movement from Elgar's acclaimed Cello Concerto in E minor, Op. 85.
- Guest Conductor Dianne Pope has served as music director of the Mankato Symphony Orchestra since 1983. Pope has commissioned works for soloists Eduardus Halim and Carter Brey and has conducted at the Mankato Civic Center with many popular artists including Vince Gill, the Fifth Dimension and the Moody Blues. She received her musical education in this country and in Austria, where she studied at the Academy of Music in Vienna, and the Salzburg Festival. In the United States she has conducted artists Sherrill Milnes and Simon Estes. In addition to her duties in Mankato, Ms. Pope is in demand as speaker, clinician and adjudicator.
- The Greater Grand Forks Youth Symphony, under the direction of Eric Lawson, is now in its ninth season as the area's only regional orchestra program for advanced student musicians. The 65-member ensemble includes high school and college students from Thief River Falls, Crookston, Fosston, Oslo, Alvarado, Emerado, the Grand Forks Air Force Base, Gilby, Cooperstown, Thompson, Arvilla and Mayville, as well as Grand Forks and East Grand Forks. The orchestra will play Scott Joplin's "Ragtime Dance," and will join the Symphony in Beethoven's "Prometheus Overture."

In addition to the evening performance, the concert will be performed twice during the day (at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.) for school and community groups. Tickets for these special performances include group discounts and must be reserved in advance from the Greater Grand Forks Symphony office at 777-3359.

This year's young audience concert has been made possible through a grant from the Myra Foundation. The week-long residency by Quadre has been supported through a generous grant from the Xcel Corporation.

— Jennifer Ettling, executive director, Greater Grand Forks Symphony Orchestra.

## Sociology candidates present seminars

Daphne Pedersen Stevens will present "His, Hers or Ours: A Contagion Model of Work and Family Cohesion" at 3:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20, in 101 Gillette Hall. Dr. Pedersen Stevens was granted the Ph.D. from Utah State University. The second presentation is Monday, Feb. 23, in 303 Gillette Hall. Abdallah Badahdah will present "Helping a Friend with AIDS: A Test of Weiner's Theory of Attribution in Saudi Arabia." Dr. Badahdah was granted the Ph.D. from Iowa State University. Both speakers are candidates for a position in social psychology and family in the sociology department.

– Kathleen Tiemann, professor of sociology.

## Feast of Nations tickets on sale

The 42nd annual Feast of Nations will be held Saturday, Feb. 21, at the Alerus Center. This year's celebration will feature Rockalypso, a Carribean band, and Hispanic Dance Theater, both from the Folk Arts Council of Winnipeg. We will also have a variety of entertainment by the international students and a performance by the Red River Valley Gymnastics Acro Team. Don't miss our special international cuisine.

Tickets for the event are on sale now at the International Centre, 2908 University Ave., across from the Memorial Union. The cost is \$15 for non-students and \$10 for students and children; reserve your tickets by calling 777-4231. Credit card payment is needed to reserve tickets by phone; we accept Visa, Discover, MasterCard and American Express. You can also reserve a table of eight by paying for 10. The additional two tickets will be given to student performers and other volunteers.

For more information, call the Centre at 777-4231 or visit our web page at [www.und.nodak.edu/dept/oip/feast.htm](http://www.und.nodak.edu/dept/oip/feast.htm).

— Fr. Ty, coordinator, Feast of Nations, international programs.

## Forums will focus on "The American Indian Experience"

Beginning this month and leading up to the 35th annual University of North Dakota Indian Association powwow in April, UND has scheduled a series of book discussions and forums on the topic of "Exploring the American Indian Experience."

The events, sponsored by UND's American Indian Programs Council and a number of campus and community entities, are free of charge and open to the public. The schedule:

- Feb. 23: Discussion of *The Dull Knives of Pine Ridge: A Lakota Odyssey* by Joe Starita, 7 to 9 p.m. in UND's Barnes & Noble University Bookstore. Birgit Hans, associate professor of Indian studies, will discuss this account of four generations of an American Indian family from South Dakota that, according to critics, offers a unique glimpse into Lakota culture from the 1870s to the 1990s.
- March 1: Community forum, 7 to 9 p.m. in the Grand Forks Herald community room. Jim Grijalva, associate professor of law, will discuss "Current Issues in Indian Country," which range from state-tribal jurisdictions and demographics to treaties and gambling casinos.
- April 1: Community forum, 7 to 9 p.m. in the Chester Fritz Auditorium. Brian Gilley, assistant professor of Indian studies, and Russ McDonald, associate research director of the National Resource Center on Native American Aging at UND, both of whom will be involved in the UNDIA powwow on April 2-4 at the Hyslop Sports Center, will explain the role of tradition in modern powwows. Dancers and musicians will perform and explain the significance of various aspects of the powwow and of American Indian dancing.

More information about the events and the availability of the Starita book is available at [www.conted.und.edu/AIE](http://www.conted.und.edu/AIE).

## U2 workshops listed for Feb. 23-27

Below are U2 workshops for Feb. 23-27. The spring U2 newsletter containing workshops for March through May will be arriving soon.

Please reserve your seat by registering with U2 by phone, 777-2128; e-mail, [U2@mail.und.nodak.edu](mailto:U2@mail.und.nodak.edu); or online, [www.conted.und.edu/U2/](http://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.

Excel XP, Intermediate: Feb. 23, 25, and 27, 9 a.m. to noon. Prerequisite: Excel XP, Beginning (nine hours total). Work with templates, filter and sort data, import and export data, work with advanced formulas, analyze and share data. Presenter: Maria Saucedo.

Better Safe Than Sorry: Feb. 24, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., 211 Rural Technology Center. This awareness workshop will cover those general safety issues that all employees should be familiar with regardless of their position. Topics will include: fire safety, incident reporting, safe lifting, ergonomics, hazardous materials, personal protective equipment, and reporting emergencies. Presenter: Jason Uhlir.

Accounting Services Policies and Procedures: Feb. 25, 9 to 11:30 a.m., River Valley Room, Memorial Union. Review of accounting policies and procedures and any recent changes or updates. Presenter: accounting services.

Defensive Driving: Feb. 25, 12:30 to 4:30 p.m., River Valley Room, Memorial Union. This workshop is required by state fleet for all UND employees who drive state fleet vehicles on a regular (monthly) basis, received a traffic violation, or had an accident while operating a state fleet 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.

Resolving Campus Conflict Through Mediation: Feb. 26, 9 to 11 a.m., River Valley Room, Memorial Union. Great workshop for any UND staff, faculty, or even students to attend! To begin, a presentation of what mediation is about and how it can improve relationships, both working and personal, as well as the overall campus climate will be presented. Information on the "when, why, and who" can use this free service will follow. Presenters: Kristine Paranica and Cheryl Stolz.

— Julie Sturges, U2 program assistant, University within the University.

## **Robinson lecture is Feb. 24**

The librarians and staff of the Chester Fritz Library invite all members of the UND community to attend the 13th annual Elwyn B. Robinson Lecture Tuesday, Feb. 24, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the East Asian Room of the Chester Fritz Library (fourth floor). Kathleen McLennan will present "The Proof of the Pudding: Theatre Research and Performance." UND ensemble Vivo will provide music, and a reception will follow the presentation.

Dr. McLennan, chair and associate professor of theatre arts, holds a doctorate in theatre history and criticism from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She has published articles on 19th and 20th Century American theatre and teaches classes in theatre history, playwriting, and dramatic criticism. While at UND, McLennan has directed *Buried Child* by Sam Shepard, *Wit* by Margaret Edson, *Hedda Gabler* by Henrik Ibsen, and *Dancing at Lughnasa* by Brian Friel. She has begun a new area of research in Jacobean playwrights and is preparing a presentation on John Webster's *The Duchess of Malfi* for the upcoming Mid-America Theatre Conference.

The Robinson Lecture series began in 1991 on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of Professor Elwyn B. Robinson's publication, *A History of North Dakota*. Professor Robinson, whose career spanned 35 years at UND, was a distinguished member of the history faculty. The lecture, together with the library's compilation of faculty and staff publications and presentations, is designed to recognize the scholarly accomplishments of the UND community.

— Chester Fritz Library.

## **Doctoral examination set for Ronald Ferguson**

The final examination for the Ph.D. degree with a major in teaching and learning: research methodologies, is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 24, in Room 104, Education Building. The dissertation title is "How Mom and Dad Use Crayons: A Study of How Parents Perceive and Negotiate Racial Identity with their Black and White Biracial Children." Kathleen Gershman (educational foundations and research) is the committee chair.

The public is invited to attend.

— Joseph Benoit, dean, graduate school.

## **NASA astronauts, one an alum, visit campus**

In celebration of National Engineers Week, NASA astronauts Sandra H. Magnus and Karen L. Nyberg (School of

Engineering and Mines alumna) will visit the School of Engineering and Mines (SEM) Wednesday, Feb. 25. Magnus will give a presentation on the International Space Station at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25, in 100 Leonard Hall. Nyberg will address the SEM Engineers' Week awards banquet that evening. In addition to UND events, the astronauts will make presentations to students at Red River High School and South Middle School. To view their biographies, go to [www.jsc.nasa.gov/Bios/astrobio\\_activemgmt.html](http://www.jsc.nasa.gov/Bios/astrobio_activemgmt.html).

For further information, please contact me at 777-3390.

– Cheryl Osowski, outreach coordinator, School of Engineering and Mines.

## **Noted researcher to speak at geography forum**

Darrell E. Napton, professor of geography at South Dakota State University and researcher with the USGS EROS Data Center in Sioux Falls, S.D., will present a seminar at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25, in the Fred Orth Lecture Bowl, Memorial Union, with a social beginning at 3:30 p.m. Dr. Napton's talk, "Land Use Dynamics in the Forested Southeast," is presented as part of the geography department's seminar series, the forum for contemporary geographic issues. Dr. Napton's research is land use dynamics, historical geography of land use and land cover changes, and environmental consequences of land use changes. All are welcome to attend.

Dr. Napton's visit is part of the visiting geographical scientist program, a joint program of the Association of American Geographers and Gamma Theta Upsilon.

– Bradley Rundquist, geography.

## **Founders Day banquet tickets now on sale**

Tickets for the 2004 UND Founders Day banquet are now on sale. This year's event will be held Thursday, Feb. 26, in the Memorial Union Ballroom, with a theme that commemorates the visits of U.S. presidents to UND. The pre-banquet social and music by the Faculty Brass Quintet will begin at 5:45 p.m., with the banquet at 6:30 p.m.

The Founders Day program features the recognition of faculty and staff with 25 years of service to UND; retired and retiring faculty and staff with 15 or more years of service to the University will also be honored. Awards for outstanding teaching, research, advising, and service will be presented to faculty members and departments.

Tickets for the banquet can be purchased via campus mail. Every benefited UND employee recently received a flyer describing the Founders Day celebration and ticket purchase procedure; please use the order form from that flyer to purchase tickets. Departments may reserve tables by using the order form or by calling the number listed on the flyer. Tickets are \$12.50 each. A limited number of seats are available, so reserve tables and order tickets soon.

Please call Tanya Northagen in the Office of the Vice President for Student and Outreach Services at 777-2724 if you have questions or if you would like an additional copy of the ticket order form. The order form can also be accessed at [www.und.edu/dept/divsos/foundersday/](http://www.und.edu/dept/divsos/foundersday/).

— Fred Wittmann, Office of the Vice President for Student and Outreach Services.

## **Wellness center event set for Feb. 26**

UND students and their families are invited to take part in UND Natural High, Thursday, Feb. 26, from 7 p.m. to midnight. Family time will be 7 to 9 p.m.; faculty and staff and their families are also welcome.

Activities will include: henna tattoos, inflatable games, movies in the pool, quickball (indoor wiffleball), intellectual challenges, and various competitions where you can win door prizes.

Come enjoy an exciting night at the University without the assistance of alcohol. All events are free.

– Scott Bosler, coordinator of recreation and special events, wellness center.

## **PRSSA presents benefit performance**

The Public Relations Student Society of America will give a benefit production of Eve Ensler's "The Vagina Monologues" as part of the V-Day 2004 college campaign at 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 28, Empire Arts Center, downtown Grand Forks.

V-Day is a worldwide movement to stop sexual violence against women and girls, and to proclaim Valentine's Day as the

day to celebrate women and demand the end of abuse.

For more information on this event, please contact Tiffany Dunn at [tiffany4927@hotmail.com](mailto:tiffany4927@hotmail.com) or Shelle Michaels at [shellemichaels@msn.com](mailto:shellemichaels@msn.com).

— Jan Orvik, editor, for PRSSA.

## **Graduate school invites you to participate in scholarly forum**

It's not too late to put an abstract in for the graduate scholarly forum being held Tuesday through Thursday, March 2-4. Presentations, exhibits, and/or performances from faculty and students are welcomed. The deadline to submit an abstract is Tuesday, Feb. 17.

Two nationally recognized scholars, hosted by the departments of English and atmospheric sciences in recognition of their designation as UND's best research departments at last year's Founders Day ceremony, will provide keynote addresses during the forum. Mary Burgan, general secretary of the American Association of the University Professors and former professor of Victorian literature and chair of English at Indiana University, will give a keynote address Tuesday, March 2, at 3:30 p.m., titled, "Literature and Everyday Life: Pianos, Maps, and Microbes." Kerry Emanuel, professor of meteorology in the department of Earth, atmospheric and planetary sciences at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, will present the second keynote address Wednesday, March 3, at 3:30 p.m. in the Lecture Bowl, Memorial Union. The title of his talk is "Hurricanes and Climate." For up-to-date information about the scholarly forum, consult the graduate school's web site at [www.und.edu/dept/grad](http://www.und.edu/dept/grad).

— Joseph Benoit, dean, graduate school.

## **Agenda items due for March 4 U senate meeting**

The University senate will meet Thursday, March 4, at 4:05 p.m. in Room 7, Gamble Hall. Agenda items for this meeting are due in the registrar's office by noon Thursday, Feb. 19. They may be submitted electronically to [Nancy.Krogh@mail.und.nodak.edu](mailto:Nancy.Krogh@mail.und.nodak.edu). It is recommended that some detail be included.

— Nancy Krogh (registrar), secretary, University senate.

## **Teleconference series addresses strategies, approaches**

The National Resource Center for the First-Year Experience and Students in Transition 2004 teleconference series is scheduled for March and April. The teleconference series is sponsored by student outreach services, career services, and TRIO programs. The topics, dates, times, and locations for the series are listed below.

"Promoting the Public Good: Fulfilling Higher Education's Civic Mission," March 4, noon to 2 p.m., United Hospital Room, Medical School Building (south entrance). Does your campus value the civic purposes of higher education? Is service integrated into the academic curriculum? Are you encouraging your students to look beyond the classroom and become vital participants in their communities? Does civic engagement play a role in your intentional student experience? This teleconference will take you on a journey that explores the moral, social, and political aspects of these concepts. Join our national panel as they begin the teleconference conversation by discussing the importance of civic engagement in today's society, sharing successful programs, and providing guidance in creating campus and community partnerships.

"Creating Engaged Learning Environments for Today's Students," March 25, noon to 2 p.m., United Hospital Room, Medical School Building. Are your students disengaged academically? Is there a disconnect between teaching and learning? As educators, these questions are at the heart of our personal mission — promoting student success in the classroom. As our student population changes, research has shown that innovative instructional strategies are crucial in helping students succeed. This teleconference focuses on proven pedagogies that work in the classroom. Recognizing that change may be difficult, our panel of experts discusses strategies for securing broad-based institutional support. As they offer examples of good practice, they also explore the role assessment plays when student learning is the intended outcome.

"Rethinking Retention," April 8, noon to 2 p.m., United Hospital Room, Medical School Building. With demands for accountability increasing and campuses trying to fulfill their missions and serve more students with reduced financial support, retention remains the focal point of many campus discussions. Helping students succeed is both a financial imperative and a professional and ethical obligation. Join our experts as they reframe our thinking on retention while offering new approaches and strategies based on best practices and empirical research. They focus this conversation on creating pathways for students by looking vertically, from middle school through college matriculation and graduation, and

horizontally, across campus departments and units, to find new approaches to our longstanding problems.

"Campus Activities: Creating Intentional Connections for Student Learning," April 29, noon to 2 p.m., River Valley Room, Memorial Student Union. Do educators on your campus still view campus activities as only the "fun and games" part of campus life? Today, campus activities provide an invaluable opportunity for student engagement and learning. This teleconference discussion centers on the evolution of campus activities from merely providing entertainment to embracing student learning outcomes. Our experts lead a conversation on the crucial role co-curricular and extra-curricular activities play in student success. They explore lessons learned from assessment and share proven strategies that make a difference in our students' college experience.

— Joan Jorde, TRIO programs.

## **Geography candidate presents seminar**

Jason Janke will present "Integration of DEM Variables, ETM+ Land Cover Data, and GIS Modeling Techniques to Predict Front Range Permafrost Occurrence" at noon Friday, March 5, in 366 Clifford Hall. Mr. Janke is ABD from the University of Colorado-Boulder and is a faculty candidate for the environmental geography position in the geography department. All are welcome.

— Bradley Rundquist, geography.

## **Agenda items due for March 5 IRB meeting**

The institutional review board will meet at 3 p.m. Friday, March 5, in 305 Twamley Hall to consider all research proposals submitted to research and program development before Tuesday, Feb. 24. 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 are due in ORPD Tuesday, Feb. 17.

Notes from the meeting will be available in the ORPD approximately one week after the meeting. — John Madden (communication sciences and disorders), chair, institutional review board.

## **Golf seminar scheduled for March 5-6**

The Dakota Chapter of the P.G.A. will hold the 2004 Dakota P.G.A. Golf Seminar, Friday, March 5, from 1 to 5 p.m., and Saturday, March 6, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Hyslop Sports Center. The seminar is presented in cooperation with UND and benefits the Fighting Sioux golf team.

The Dakota Chapter Golf Professionals have designed this seminar to accommodate players of all skill levels, including beginners. All golfers will benefit from the emphasis on sound swing fundamentals, golf coaches will improve their teaching skills, and young players will learn the rules of golf as well as course management skills.

Seminar coordinators are Leo Marchel, P.G.A. professional, and Rob Stiles, UND men's golf coach. The seminar will include basic swing fundamentals, short game techniques, iron game, individual video tape session, "Rules of Golf" class, equipment and course management class, and sand trap and putting. In addition, there will be a specific curriculum designed especially for golf coaches. This program will help coaches deal with common problems experienced by their team members. We will "teach the coaches to teach."

For questions or further information, call Leo Marchel at 772-3912 or Rob Stiles at 777-2155. The registration fee is \$30 for students, \$40 for adults. UND students may take the seminar for one credit, course number 63321, golf 206.

— Rob Stiles, men's golf coach.

## **Public meeting will address storm water prevention plans**

The Federal Clean Water Act established storm water requirements to control the direct discharge of pollutants into waters of the state. Under delegation from EPA and the North Dakota Department of Health, the City of Grand Forks, University of North Dakota and Grand Forks County have been given responsibility for regulating the discharge of storm water from their jurisdictions to the Red River and the English Coulee which flows through the City of Grand Forks.

A public meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Monday, March 8, at City Hall Council Chambers, 255 N. Fourth St., at the regularly

scheduled council meeting.

This notice has been issued to inform the public about the upcoming meeting so that they may provide comments on the storm water pollution prevention plans. Specific questions on any aspect of the city's, county's, or University's storm water pollution prevention plan may be directed to the contacts listed below.

For further information about the city plan, contact Mike Shea, environmental coordinator, City of Grand Forks, P.O. Box 5200, Grand Forks, ND 58206-5200, (701) 746-2713. For the county plan, contact Carol McMahon at 780-8412, and for the University plan contact Paul Clark at 777-3005.

## **BRIN sponsors April 30 grant writing seminar**

The North Dakota Biomedical Research Infrastructure Network (BRIN) is sponsoring a grant writing seminar Friday, April 30, in Fargo for science faculty interested in submitting grants to the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and National Science Foundation (NSF).

The eight-hour seminar will be held in conjunction with the North Dakota Academy of Science Annual Meeting April 29-30 at the Ramada Plaza Suites and Conference Center in Fargo.

Conducted by grant writing consultant David C. Morrison of Grant Writers' Seminars and Workshops, Los Olivos, Calif., the GWSW seminar comprehensively addresses both practical and conceptual aspects important to the proposal-writing process.

The registration deadline is April 1. The \$50 registration fee includes a copy of "The Grant Application Writer's Workbook" version with the NIH's PHS 398 (Revision 5/01) application kit. The workbook includes an insert that allows transposition to meet the requirements of a standard NSF application.

To register for the seminar, please contact Kimberly Hansen, ND BRIN administrative assistant, at 777-6376 or e-mail her at [khansen@medicine.nodak.edu](mailto:khansen@medicine.nodak.edu)

Students from participating BRIN institutions are encouraged to present during the NDAS annual meeting. For information on this event, please contact Jon Jackson, NDAS secretary-treasurer, at 777-2101 or e-mail him at [Jackson@medicine.nodak.edu](mailto:Jackson@medicine.nodak.edu).

Additional information on the grant writing seminar and NDAS annual meeting is available on the North Dakota BRIN web site at [www.medicine.nodak.edu/brin](http://www.medicine.nodak.edu/brin).

— Patrick Miller, North Dakota Biomedical Research Infrastructure Network.

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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### **Comments sought on equal opportunity/ affirmative action statement**

In the spring of 2003, the University senate passed a resolution asking that a committee be formed to review the UND equal opportunity/affirmative action policy statement and procedures for complaints of discrimination or harassment. Committee members are: Leigh Jeanotte (American Indian student services), chair; Wendy Hume (criminal justice and women studies), recorder; Leif Bergerud (student representative); M.C. Diop (multicultural student services); Julie Evans (legal counsel); Kay Mendick (women's center); Sally Page (affirmative action); and Faythe Thureen (languages). Since October 2003, this committee has been reviewing the document and suggesting changes, with the goal of making it more effective and accessible.

The purpose of this message is to invite members of the university community to examine the document and provide input into the revision process.

The document, "Procedures for Complaints of Discrimination or Harassment," can be found in the Code of Student Life and the Faculty Handbook. It can also be accessed and downloaded at [www.und.edu/dept/aao/Pol.htm](http://www.und.edu/dept/aao/Pol.htm)

Thank you in advance for your assistance in reviewing a policy that responds effectively to the needs of UND's growing

community.

Please respond by Monday, March 1, to Leigh Jeanotte, American Indian Student Services, Box 8274, 777-3296, leigh.jeanotte@und.nodak.edu

— Leigh Jeanotte, chair, and Wendy Hume, recorder, ad hoc harassment policy and procedure review committee.

## **Feb. 27 is last day to remove fall incompletes**

Friday, Feb. 27, is the last day to submit a removal of incomplete grade form to the registrar's office for all students who received a grade of incomplete in the fall 2003 semester. Unless an administrative procedures petition form or a report of incomplete grade form requesting an extension is filed with the registrar's office by Feb. 27, incomplete grades will be converted to an "F."

— Nancy Krogh, University registrar.

## **Environmental Training Institute has moved to old Arena loft**

The Environmental Training Institute (ETI) has moved from the auxiliary services building to the old Engelstad Arena foyer and loft.

ETI is using this space to develop and present training programs for those involved in varying aspects of hazard detection and environmental controls along with health and safety training.

You are invited to stop by and see the new training facility or visit our new web site, [www.eti.und.edu](http://www.eti.und.edu), to find out more about ETI and what types of training we offer.

If your department uses ETI for training please note the following new contact information:

Office: (701) 777-0ETI

Fax: (701) 777-2717

Box: Box 8273

— Linda Rohde, director, Environmental Training Institute.

## **MLK award nominations due Feb. 16**

The deadline for submission of nominations for the Martin Luther King Jr. Awards is Monday, Feb. 16. A total of eight awards will be presented in April 2004 for the following categories: (1) service to the Greater Grand Forks community, (2) service to the Grand Forks Air Force Base, (3) service to UND, (4) contribution to the spiritual life of the Greater Grand Forks community, (5) contribution to the spiritual life of the grand Forks Air Force Base community, (6) service to the spiritual life of UND, (7) service to humanity, and (8) service to the state of North Dakota.

Nominations can be made online at <http://www.und.nodak.edu/dept/erabell>. The awards luncheon will be held Thursday, April 1, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., River Valley Room, Memorial Union. For further information, please contact Cheryl Saunders at 777-4390 and/or MC Diop at 777-4259.

— Cheryl Saunders, director, learning center.

## **Scholarship applications available**

The African American Cultural Association (AACA), Grand Forks Air Force Base, announces the release of its 2004 scholarship package for high school seniors who plan to attend college or university this fall. A scholarship will be made available to a selected son or daughter of an active duty or retired military member. Applications may be obtained from local area high schools, the University Learning Center at the UND Memorial Union, the base education center, library, or family support center. Deadline for submission is April 15. For more information, please contact me.

— Cheryl Saunders, director, learning center.

## **Holiday hours listed for Presidents Day holiday**

### **Presidents Day, Feb. 16, is holiday**

In accordance with State Board of Higher Education directives, Monday, Feb. 16, will be observed as Presidents 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.

– John Ettling, vice president for academic affairs and provost, and Diane Nelson, director, human resources.

**Chester Fritz Library:**

Chester Fritz Library hours of operation for Presidents Day weekend are: Saturday, Feb. 14, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday, Feb. 15, closed; Monday, Feb. 16 (Presidents Day), 1 p.m. to midnight. – Karen Cloud, Chester Fritz Library

**Health sciences library:**

Library of the Health Sciences hours over the Presidents Day holiday are: Friday, Feb. 13, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, Feb. 14, 1 to 5 p.m.; Sunday, Feb. 15, 1 to 5 p.m.; Monday, Feb. 16, 1 p.m. to midnight. – April Byars, health sciences library.

**Law library:**

Presidents Day weekend hours for Thormodsgard Law Library are: Saturday, Feb. 14, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sunday, Feb. 15, 10 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Monday, Feb. 16, 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. – Jane Oakland, circulation manager, Thormodsgard Law Library.

**ITSS:**

Information Technology Systems and Services will close for the Presidents Day holiday at 1 a.m. Monday, Feb. 16, and will reopen at 5 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 17. – Marv Hanson, associate director, ITSS.

**Memorial Union:**

Memorial Union operating hours for Presidents Day weekend are:

Administrative office: Friday, Feb. 13, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 14-16, closed.

Barber shop: Friday, Feb. 13, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 14-16, closed.

Computer labs: Friday, Feb. 13, 7:30 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.; Saturday, Feb. 14, 11:45 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.; Sunday, Feb. 15, 11:45 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.; Monday, Feb. 16, 11:45 a.m. to 1:45 a.m.

Craft center: Friday, Feb. 13, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 14-16, closed.

Credit union: Friday, Feb. 13, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 14-16, closed.

Dining center: Friday, Feb. 13, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 14-16, closed.

Food court: Friday, Feb. 13, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday, Feb. 14, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Sunday, Feb. 15, noon to 6 p.m.; Monday, Feb. 16, closed.

Internet café and pub area: Friday, Feb. 13, 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday, Feb. 14, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday, Feb. 15, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Monday, Feb. 16, 11 a.m. to midnight.

Lifetime sports: Friday, Feb. 13, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday, Feb. 14, noon to 5 p.m.; Sunday, Feb. 15, noon to 5 p.m.; Monday, Feb. 16, noon to 11 p.m.

Parking office: Friday, Feb. 13, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 14-16, closed.

Passport I.D.s: Friday, Feb. 13, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 14-16, closed.

Post office: Friday, Feb. 13, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 14-16, closed.

Stomping Grounds: Friday, Feb. 13, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 14-16, closed.

Student academic services: Friday, Feb. 13, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 14-16, closed.

U Snack C-Store: Friday, Feb. 13, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, Feb. 14, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, Feb. 15, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Monday, Feb. 16, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Union services: Friday, Feb. 13, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, Feb. 14, noon to 5 p.m.; Sunday, Feb. 15, noon to 5 p.m.; Monday, Feb. 16, noon to 9 p.m.

University learning center: Friday, Feb. 13, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 14-16, closed.

Building hours: Friday, Feb. 13, 7 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, Feb. 14, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday, Feb. 15, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Monday, Feb. 16, 11 a.m. to 2 a.m.\*

\*Normal operating hours resume Tuesday, Feb. 17. Late night access resumes Monday, Feb. 16.

— Marsha Nelson, Memorial Union.

## Software license updates due June 18

The last day for submitting site license software requests for this fiscal year is June 18.

Below are the yearly product renewal cycles.

ESRI products run from July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005.

AutoCAD/desk run Oct. 15, 2004 through Oct. 14, 2005.

SAS-PC: The current year's contract expires Feb. 28, 2004. Beginning March 1, 2004, you will be able to order new or renew your current PC-SAS licenses.

New and renewed licenses must be ordered on the regular ITSS software licensing order form at

<http://www.und.edu/dept/itss/software.html>

If you have questions regarding software licensing issues, please contact me at [Carol.hjelmstad@mail.und.nodak.edu](mailto:Carol.hjelmstad@mail.und.nodak.edu) or 777-3171.

— Carol Hjelmstad, information technology systems and services.

## Nominations sought for staff senate

Staff senate is currently accepting nominations in all job bands for terms beginning in May 2004. Staff senate is an excellent opportunity to work with colleagues across the campus, with 50 elected staff senators representing professional, technical/paraprofessional, office support, crafts/trades, and services bands. More detailed information about staff senate is available at [www.und.nodak.edu/org/undss](http://www.und.nodak.edu/org/undss).

If you or someone you know is interesting in taking this opportunity to have a voice on campus, place the name of the interested staff member on a nomination form. If you are nominating someone else, please obtain their permission before submitting their name. If you didn't receive a nomination form or need another copy, please contact me at 777-2732 or by e-mail at [ta.Anderson@mail.und.nodak.edu](mailto:ta.Anderson@mail.und.nodak.edu). The nomination form should be mailed to Tammy J. Anderson, University Relations, Box 7144. The deadline for nominations is Wednesday, Feb. 18.

— Tammy J. Anderson, Staff Senate bylaws/elections committee chair

## Presenters invited for family connections conference

Professionals who serve children with special needs and their families are invited to submit ideas for presentations at the new North Dakota Family Connections Conference: When Children Have Special Needs. It will be held June 10-12 at the Doublewood Inn, Fargo. Proposals are due Monday, March 1.

This first-time conference seeks to build new ties and enhance family support by bringing together families with children who have delays, disabilities and chronic health needs and the professionals who support those families.

Professionals who serve kids with special needs and their families are invited to present, including: educators, early interventionists, family support specialists, social workers, childcare workers, child developmental specialists, legislators, administrators, counselors and other professionals who provide support to families.

All of the suggested topics will contribute to a broad discussion of this year's theme: "Building New Ties and Enhancing Family Support." Topics need to be relevant for both families and professionals as they have the option to attend the same sessions. Presenters at the ND Family Connection Conference should focus on the following strands/topic areas:

1. Disabilities
2. Early intervention
3. Education
4. Self-determination

5. Family support

6. Health

You may submit a proposal online at [www.conted.und.edu/connections](http://www.conted.und.edu/connections).

Concurrent session presenters receive a compensation of \$100 (travel reimbursement is not provided). Two-hour intensive session presenters receive a compensation of \$200 (travel reimbursement is not provided).

All accepted presenters also receive a complimentary full conference registration. This allows the presenter to receive admittance to all sessions and exhibits, continental breakfasts, lunch, refreshments, CEUs (except graduate credit, if approved) and the family fun night banquet.

For more information on how to submit a proposal, please visit [www.conted.und.edu/connections](http://www.conted.und.edu/connections). You may also contact UND Office of Conference Services at 777-2663 or toll free at 866-579-2663. All proposals must be submitted online and are due March 1.

Please share this information with your colleagues. We look forward to reviewing your proposals.

– Jennifer Raymond, coordinator, conference services, Division of Continuing Education.

## Members sought for wellness task groups

The healthy UND coalition invites all students, faculty, and staff to join in making this a “healthy campus” by 2010. The coalition is a campus-wide organization whose goal is to promote wellness in all seven dimensions. At its Oct. 30 meeting, members decided to focus on three of the 10 leading health indicators from the report, “Healthy Campus 2010.” The areas chosen were physical activity, mental health, and overweight and obesity.

Task groups are now being formed to address each of these areas. The role of each task group will be to plan and implement activities that will focus awareness and education on these topics for students and the rest of the campus community.

A fourth task group is being formed to look at worksite wellness. This task group will develop a concept paper on how the University could design a program to address wellness in the workplace.

We invite you to take action to promote wellness on our campus by joining one of the task groups, which will meet about every two weeks. The task groups are being coordinated and supported by the wellness department, student health, and the counseling center.

Please e-mail Megan Rice to volunteer for one of the task groups: physical activity, mental health, overweight and obesity, or worksite wellness. Her e-mail address is [meganrice@mail.und.nodak.edu](mailto:meganrice@mail.und.nodak.edu).

— Wellness center.

## Nursing center offers home visits to expectant parents

The nursing center offers home visiting services to families expecting a new baby through their expectant family program during the spring semester. UND nursing students will visit clients and offer assessments, education, and referrals; students are supervised by nursing faculty. This program is free of charge and offered as a joint community service and student learning experience. Contact the nursing center at 777-4147 to enroll.

– College of Nursing.

## Counseling center begins new support group

The counseling center is offering a new support group, a mood group. Participants will learn to understand their emotions through sharing and giving feedback to each other. Focused issues will include depression, anxiety, sadness, grief, anger, shame, guilt, etc., for UND students only. Please contact me if you are interested.

– Shu-Fen Shih, counseling center, 777-2127.

## Free psychological services available

The psychological services center was established in advance of the psychology department clinical training program accreditation in 1969, and serves individuals in the Greater Grand Forks community. Individuals from the UND family (students, faculty, staff, and their family members) are eligible for free mental health services.

If you would like help or more information about trouble concentrating, sleeping, getting along with friends or family, or feeling depressed, anxious, nervous, or irritable, we have competent trained staff to meet with you. Or, if you work with students or others who may express these concerns, we are happy to accept referrals.

The PSC offers a wide array of services including assessment, individual and family therapy, as well as consultation, education, research, and outreach services. We also provide affordable services to the surrounding community on a sliding scale basis. Adults, adolescents, and children are welcome. All services are provided in a confidential atmosphere.

Individuals often seek our services for depression, anxiety, interpersonal problems, child behavioral problems, ADHD, social anxiety, trauma-related issues, and other personal concerns.

PSC is the training clinic for the psychology clinical graduate students. Each student is supervised by a licensed faculty psychologist.

PSC offers flexible hours and scheduling and is located in 210 Montgomery Hall. Please call 777-3691 for further information or to schedule an appointment.

— Margo Adams Larsen, director, psychological services center.

## Bookstore café has new items

Fair Trade Certified coffee is now available at the University Bookstore Tower Café. Stop by and pick some up. Enjoy all new sandwiches, new wraps, side salads, veggie trays, soups of the day, desserts, fruit bowls, and our happy hour specials from 9 to 11 a.m. and 5 to 7 p.m.

— University Bookstore Tower Café.

## Stomping Grounds offers Valentine's Day specials

Bring your sweetie or treat yourself to gourmet Valentine's Day desserts at Stomping Grounds Coffee Shop in the Memorial Union. Enjoy a decadent slice of passionberry cheesecake and large coffee or homemade hot chocolate for only \$2.95. Chocolate lovers may indulge in an eight-inch chocolate chip cookie which can be personalized. Other treats include heart shaped cookies and cream puffs. Specialty coffee drinks will warm your heart and soul. Stomping Grounds is located on the first floor of the Memorial Union and is operated by dining services.

— Dining services.

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# GRANTS & RESEARCH

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## ORPD moves to new research database

We are approaching the end of our conversion from the Sponsored Programs Information Network (SPIN) system to Community of Science (COS). COS, which has been provided by the North Dakota State Board of Higher Education for all campuses, offers more extensive search capabilities than SPIN in addition to a variety of other services. The following text from the COS home page offers a brief description of the system:

"Community of Science, Inc. (COS) is the leading Internet site for the global R&D community. COS brings together the world's most prominent scientists and researchers at more than 1,600 universities, corporations and government agencies worldwide. COS provides tools and services that enable these professionals to communicate, exchange information and find the people and technologies that are important to their work.

"These services include: COS Expertise, the database of detailed, first person profiles of more than 480,000 R&D professionals; COS Funding Opportunities, the largest source of grant information on the Web; COS Abstract Management System, an online publishing solution for universities and professional societies; and customized access to a range of professional reference databases including U.S. patents, MEDLINE, AGRICOLA, and GeoRef, among others."

For many years, ORPD staff have selected representative samples from funding opportunities for a variety of academic areas from the SPIN and COS systems, and we have published them in the University Letter. However, the number of funding opportunities that are available greatly exceeds the number we can publish each week. We are concerned that faculty seeking research opportunities may miss them simply because they do not see something of interest in the University Letter. Consequently, as of July 1, 2004, we will change from listing a few samples of opportunities to encouraging faculty to subscribe to COS to receive announcements by e-mail or to conduct frequent searches for research opportunities using the COS system. For faculty who would like help transitioning to COS, ORPD will offer regularly scheduled workshops in the use of COS beginning in March 2004. Please check the University Letter for the time and place for the workshops. A set of instructions for using COS can be found on the ORPD web page:

<http://www.und.edu/dept/orpd/>. To access the instructions, select funding search instructions on the web page.

— Will Gosnold, interim director, research and program development.

## Preproposals sought for minority Bridges programs

The National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS) has issued solicitations for its Initiative for Minority Students: Bridges to the Doctorate ([grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-02-083.html](http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-02-083.html)) and Initiative for Minority Students: Bridges to the Baccalaureate ([grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-02-084.html](http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-02-084.html)). The program goals are to increase the number of underrepresented minority biomedical scientists by improving the ability of educational institutions to train/graduate minority students in the biomedical sciences (including behavioral, physical, and quantitative sciences). Funding will be provided for development of partnerships that facilitate transition of minority students to a doctoral program (PAR-02-083) or a baccalaureate program (PAR-02-084).

Because UND may submit only one application to each program in the same fiscal year, a committee will be set up to conduct an internal review of preproposals. The NIGMS deadline is May 14. Preproposals should address the following points:

- A clear statement of the goals for the program and the participating institutions.
- A set of measurable objectives for tracking progress toward these goals.
- A plan for evaluating whether the objectives are met.
- A measure of the efficacy of specific interventions.
- A two-page CV.

Preproposals (an original plus five copies) should be no more than five pages in length (excluding the cover page and CV) using a reasonable format (one-inch margins, font size 11, single-spaced). All preproposals are due in research and program development by 4:30 p.m. Monday, March 8. Criteria used for reviewing preproposals will conform to the guidelines included in the program announcement. Investigators will be notified of the review results as soon as possible in order to allow time to prepare a final proposal for submission.

— William Gosnold, interim director, research and program development.

## Preproposals sought for K-12 education fellows

The National Science Foundation (NSF) has issued a solicitation for its Graduate Teaching Fellows in K-12 Education (NSF 04-533) program (<http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2004/nsf04533/nsf04533.htm>). This program supports fellowships and associated training that enable graduate students and advanced undergraduates in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics to serve in K-12 schools as resources knowledgeable about both the content and applications of these disciplines. Awards support fellowship activities. Expected outcomes include improved communication and teaching skills transferable to a variety of occupations, and enhanced ability to function within and capitalize on working partnerships and teams for the fellows, enriched learning by K-12 students, professional development opportunities for K-12 teachers, and strong partnerships between institutions of higher education and local school districts.

As an agency-wide activity, the program supports projects from the full spectrum of National Science Foundation (NSF) disciplines including the social, behavioral and economic sciences, mathematical and physical sciences, biological sciences, engineering, computer and information science, and the geosciences. Awards are for initial projects of up to three years

(Track 1, initial track) with the potential to apply for a follow-on project of up to five years (Track 2, follow-on track).

Because UND may submit only one application to this program each year, a committee will be set up to conduct an internal review of preproposals. The NSF letter of intent deadline is May 5; full proposals are due on June 2.

**Preproposals should address the following points:**

- A clear description of how you will integrate research and education.
- A clear description of how diversity will be integrated into NSF programs, projects and activities.

**Briefly address:**

- Expected benefits to Fellows, UND, K-12 schools, and GK-12 teachers.
- Team composition and extent of collaboration between UND and the participating K-12 school district(s).
- Effectiveness of the plans and procedures for recruitment and selection of GK-12 fellows and GK-12 teachers, including attention to diversity.
- Quality of planned education and training activities for GK-12 fellows and GK-12 teachers.
- Consistency of project designs with mathematics and science standards established by national organizations, states, and school districts.
- Importance of the disciplinary activity theme, including its effectiveness as an intellectual focus for the project.
- Excellence of the proposed outreach activity as reflected in the major outreach efforts.
- Appropriateness of the administrative plan and organization structure in assuring fair and effective allocation of group resources.
- Appropriateness of the plans for evaluation of project performance, including longitudinal and process data.
- Sustainability of the project activities beyond the period of NSF funding.
- A two-page CV.

Preproposals (an original plus five copies) should be no more than five pages in length (excluding the cover page and CV) using a reasonable format (one-inch margins, font size 11, single-spaced). All preproposals are due in research and program development by 4:30 p.m. Monday, March 8. Criteria used for reviewing preproposals will conform to the guidelines included in the program announcement. Investigators will be notified of the review results as soon as possible to allow time to prepare a final proposal for submission.

– Will Gosnold, interim director, research and program development.

## **Research, grant opportunities listed**

Following are research and grant opportunities. For additional information, contact the Office of Research and Program Development at 777-4278 or Shirley.griffin@mail.und.nodak.edu.

Portions of the following data were derived from the Community of Science's COS Funding Opportunities™ which is provided for the exclusive use of the University of North Dakota and may not be republished or made available outside the University of North Dakota in any form except via the COS Record Share™ on the COS website.

### **AGENCY FOR HEALTHCARE RESEARCH AND QUALITY (AHRQ)**

Practice-Based Research Networks (PBRNS) and the Translation of Research into Practice—Support for research projects of primary care practice-based research networks (PBRNS) to evaluate scientifically-based strategies for translating evidence into sustainable improvements in clinical practice and outcomes; and/or develop, improve, and/or validate research dissemination methods applicable to cancer control in primary care practice. Contact: David Lanier, 301-427-1567; dlanier@ahrq.gov; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-04-041.html>. Deadline: 4/13/04.

### **COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS INSTITUTE (CAI) RESEARCH FOUNDATION**

Byron Hanke Fellowship—Applicants must be enrolled in a master's, doctoral, or law program, but may be from any discipline provided

their studies relate to community associations generally and to the topic of the candidate's proposed community associations research project. Projects may focus on applied or theoretical research, and may address management, institutions, organization and administration, public policy, architecture, as well as political, economic, social, and intellectual trends in community association housing.. Contact: Amanda Perl, 703-548-8600; [aperl@caionline.org](mailto:aperl@caionline.org); <http://www.cairf.org/schol/hanke.html>. Deadline: None.

#### DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA)

Washington Internships for Native American Students (WINS)—Support for a 10-week learning experience for future Native American leaders. College students who will be sophomores or juniors as of May, and who have a Grade Point Average of 2.5 or above are eligible for the program. Deadline: None. Contact: Washington Internships for Native Students, 202-895-4967; <http://www.usda.gov/da/employ/99InternWeb3.htm#WINAS>.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA)

Greater Research Opportunities: Persistent Bioaccumulative Chemicals—Support for research relevant to reduction of risks to human health and the environment from current and future exposure to persistent bioaccumulative toxic pollutants. Deadline: 3/23/04. Contact: Nora Savage, 202-564-8228; [savage.nora@epa.gov](mailto:savage.nora@epa.gov); [http://es.epa.gov/ncer/rfa/2004/2004\\_gro\\_bioaccum.html](http://es.epa.gov/ncer/rfa/2004/2004_gro_bioaccum.html).

#### HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (HRSA)

Maternal and Child Health Minority Research Infrastructure Support Program—Support to increase the capacity to conduct rigorous maternal and child health applied research addressing issues relating to health disparities. Deadline: 3/26/04. Contact: Hae Young Park, 301-443-2207; [hpark@hrsa.gov](mailto:hpark@hrsa.gov); <http://fedgrants.gov/Applicants/HHS/HRSA/GAC/HRSA-04-052/Grant.html>.

#### NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE (NCI)

Cancer Research Small Grant Program—Support for developmental research in chemoprevention agent development, biomarkers, early detection, and nutrition science. Deadlines: 3/22/04, 7/20/04. Contact: Sudhir Srivastava, 301-496-3983; [svrivasts@mail.nih.gov](mailto:svrivasts@mail.nih.gov); <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-02-176.html>.

#### NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES (NEH)

Fellowships support advanced research in the humanities that contributes to scholarly knowledge or to the general public's understanding of the humanities. Applicants may be faculty or staff members of colleges, universities, primary or secondary schools, or independent scholars or writers. Deadline: 5/1/04. Contact: See the complete announcement at <http://www.neh.fed.us/grants/guidelines/fellowships.html#program>.

#### NATIONAL HUMAN GENOME RESEARCH INSTITUTE (NHGRI)

Technologies to Find Functional Elements in Genomic DNA—Support to develop new technologies for efficient, comprehensive, high-throughput identification and verification of all types of sequence-based functional elements, particularly those other than coding sequences for which adequate methods do not currently exist. Deadlines: 2/20/04 (Letter of Intent); 3/23/04 (Application). Contact: Elise Feingold, 301-496-7531; [Elise\\_Feingold@nih.gov](mailto:Elise_Feingold@nih.gov); <http://grants2.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-HG-04-001.html>.

#### NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF DIABETES AND DIGESTIVE AND KIDNEY DISEASES (NIDDK)

Interstitial Cystitis/Painful Bladder Syndrome: Epidemiology—Support to establish a study group to develop and conduct epidemiologic investigations using a population-based sampling strategy to identify and characterize patients with symptoms consistent with interstitial cystitis or painful bladder syndrome. Contact: Paul W. Eggers, 301-594-8305; [pe39h@nih.gov](mailto:pe39h@nih.gov); <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DK-04-009.html>. Deadlines: 2/23/04 (Letter of Intent); 3/22/04 (Application).

Progression of Cardiovascular Disease in Type I Diabetes—Support for basic and clinical studies to enhance our understanding of effects of type 1 diabetes and its metabolic complications on early development and fast progression of cardiovascular disease in these patients. Contact: Cristina Rabadan-Diehl, 301-435-0550; [rabadanc@nhlbi.nih.gov](mailto:rabadanc@nhlbi.nih.gov); <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-HL-04-013.html>. Deadlines: 2/24/04 (Letter of Intent); 3/24/04 (Application).

#### NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON AGING (NIA)

Intervention Testing Program Proposals for Compounds to Test for Anti-Aging Activity in Mice—Support to investigate diets and dietary supplements purported to extend lifespan and/or delay the onset of disease and disability. Deadline: 3/1/04. Contact: Huber Warner, 301-496-6403; [warnerh@nia.nih.gov](mailto:warnerh@nia.nih.gov); <http://grants2.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-AG-04-003.html>

Nathan Shock Centers of Excellence in Basic Biology of Aging—Support for research and training activities related to basic biology of aging. Deadlines: 4/16/04 (Letter of Intent); 5/20/04 (Application). Contact: Huber R. Warner, 301/496-4996; warnerh@nia.nih.gov; <http://grants2.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AG-04-010.html>.

Support for Alzheimer's Disease Core Centers and Alzheimer's Disease Research Centers to serve as shared research resources to facilitate research on Alzheimer's disease (AD) and related disorders, distinguish them from the process of normal brain aging and mild cognitive impairment, and lead to better diagnostic and treatment strategies. Deadlines: 4/15/04 (Letter of Intent); 5/18/04 (Application). Contact: Creighton H. Phelps, 301-496-9350; phelpsc@nia.nih.gov; <http://grants2.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AG-04-012.html> and <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AG-04-011.html>.

#### NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON DRUG ABUSE (NIDA)

Medications Development for Cannabis-Related Disorders—Support for research focused on the identification, evaluation, and development of safe and effective pharmacological treatments for cannabis-related disorders (CRDs), such as cannabis abuse or dependence, and cannabis-induced disorders (e.g., intoxication, delirium, psychotic disorder, and anxiety disorder), and their comorbidity with other medical and psychiatric disorders (e.g., depression), with special interest in the treatment of children and adolescents. Contact: Iván D. Montoya, 301-443-8639; imontoya@mail.nih.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DA>. Deadlines: 2/20/04 (Letter of Intent); 3/23/04 (Application).

Prevention Research for the Transition to Adulthood—Support for research projects focused on this transitional period that test efficacy of interventions to prevent or reduce drug use, abuse, and related problems including HIV-risk behaviors. Deadlines: 2/20/04 (Letter of

Intent); 3/12/04 (Application). Contact: Susan E. Martin, 301-402-1533; smartin@nida.nih.gov; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DA-04-013.html>.

#### NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH)

Dynamic Assessment of Patient-Reported Chronic Disease Outcomes—Support for individual research proposals, with added concept proposals for network-wide collection of self-report data on specific domains of patient-reported outcomes, symptoms, or quality of life in large and diverse samples; and proposals for a statistical coordinating center to serve as a data repository, conduct analyses, and develop a computerized system to administer, collect, and report PRO data. Contact: Deborah N. Ader, 301-594-5032; aderd@mail.nih.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-RM-04-011.html>. Deadlines: 2/22/04 (Letter of Intent); 3/22/04 (Application).

High Throughput Molecular Screening Assay Development—Support for development and adaptation of biological assays for automated screening. Funding will be provided to transform assay protocols by demonstrating the responsiveness and robustness required for use in HTS. Deadlines: 3/8/04 (Letter of Intent); 3/26/04 (Application). Contact: Jill Heemskerk, 301-496-1779 (e-mail preferred); assays@mail.nih.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-RM-04-012.html>.

Mechanisms of Orofacial Pain: Anatomy, Genomics and Proteomics—Support omic and proteomic approaches and imaging techniques to clarify molecular events involved in: acute orofacial pain, transition from unrelieved acute pain to chronic pain, neuronal hyperexcitability as manifested by hyperalgesia and allodynia, and chronic orofacial pain disorders of an inflammatory and neuropathic origin. Deadlines: 4/19/04 (Letter of Intent); 5/14/04 (Application). Contact: John W. Kusiak, 301-594-7984; kusiakj@mail.nih.gov; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DE-05-004.html>.

Metabolomics Technology Development—Support to develop innovative and sensitive tools for identifying and quantifying cellular metabolites and their fluxes at high anatomical, spatial, and temporal resolution. Deadlines: 2/24/04 (Letter of Intent); 3/24/04 (Application). Contact: Maren R. Laughlin, 301-594-8802; laughlinm@extra.niddk.nih.gov; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DK-04-001.html>.

Multidisciplinary Clinical Research Career Development Programs—Support for early career development of clinical researchers from a variety of disciplines engaged in all types of clinical research, including patient-oriented research, translational research, small- and large-scale clinical investigation and trials, and epidemiologic and natural history studies. Deadlines: 2/23/04 (Letter of Intent); 3/23/04 (Application). Contact: Robert Star, 301-594-7717; Robert.Star@nih.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-HD-04-006.html>.

Updated Guidelines for Support for Conferences and Scientific Meetings can be found on the NIH Conference Grant Website at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/r13/index.htm>. This site includes contact information for participating NIH Institutes, Centers and Offices and links to detailed information regarding specific interests and funding parameters. The

site and related links are updated frequently and interested parties should check periodically for the most current information. Deadlines: 4/15/04, 8/15/04, 12/15/04. Contact: Linda M. Stecklein, 301-402-7989; LS41G@nih.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-03-176.html>.

#### NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF)

Grants for Improving Doctoral Dissertation Research (NSF 01-113)—Funds for items not normally available through the university, to undertake significant data-gathering projects conduct field and archival research in settings away from campus that would not otherwise be possible. Deadline: Varies. See complete announcement at the website below. Contact: <http://www.nsf.gov/cgi-bin/getpub?nsf01113>.

National Nanotechnology Infrastructure Network—Support to establish an integrated national network of user facilities to support future infrastructure needs for research and education in the nanoscale science and engineering field. Deadlines: 4/7/04 (Letter of Intent); 5/16/04 (Full Proposal). Because UND can propose inclusion of the same facility capabilities in only one network proposal, please contact ORPD if you are interested in submitting a proposal to this program. Contact: Lawrence S. Goldberg, 703-292-8339; [lgoldber@nsf.gov](mailto:lgoldber@nsf.gov); <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2003/nsf03519/nsf03519.txt>.

#### THIRD WAVE FOUNDATION

Reproductive Health and Justice Grant—Support for activities to expand reproductive justice and promote reproductive health for young women. UND may submit only one application to Third Wave Foundation per year; therefore, please contact ORPD (7-4278 or [shirley.griffin@mail.und.nodak.edu](mailto:shirley.griffin@mail.und.nodak.edu)) if you are interested in applying. Deadlines: 4/1/04, 10/1/04. Contact: Third Wave Office, 212-.675-0700; [info@thirdwavefoundation.org](mailto:info@thirdwavefoundation.org); [http://www.thirdwavefoundation.org/programs/repro\\_rights.html](http://www.thirdwavefoundation.org/programs/repro_rights.html).

#### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY (DOE)

Climate Change Research—Support for research to provide data that will enable an objective assessment of the potential for, and the consequences of, human-induced climate change at global and regional scales, and/or data and models to enable assessments of mitigation options to prevent such a change. Contact: 301- 903-3281; [energy.biosciences@science.doe.gov](mailto:energy.biosciences@science.doe.gov). Deadline: None.

Energy Biosciences—Support for research on fundamental biological mechanisms in plants and microorganisms with emphasis on understanding biological processes that will be the foundation for technology developments related to DOE's mission to achieve environmentally responsible production and conversion of renewable resources for fuels, chemicals, and other energy-enriched products. Deadline: None. Contact: 301/903-2873; [energy.biosciences@science.doe.gov](mailto:energy.biosciences@science.doe.gov).

#### U.S. BANCORP FOUNDATION

General Operating Grants—Funding to improve educational and economic opportunities of low- and moderate-income individuals and families; and enhance cultural and artistic life of communities with a U.S. Bank or Firststar office. Deadline: None. Contact: Varies depending on applicant's location. See the website below. [http://www.usbank.com/about/community\\_relations/grant\\_guidelines.html](http://www.usbank.com/about/community_relations/grant_guidelines.html).

#### WHITAKER FOUNDATION

Conference Awards support conferences that contribute to development of the field of biomedical engineering in a significant way. Deadline: None. Contact: P. Katona, 703-528-2430; [katona@whitaker.org](mailto:katona@whitaker.org); <http://www.whitaker.org/grants/conf.html>.

-- William Gosnold, interim director, research and program development.

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