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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:

Jan. 29: Community forum, 7 to 9 p.m. in the Grand Forks Herald community room. Greg Gagnon, associate professor of Indian studies, will discuss "The Setting of the American Indian Experience," exploring the history and common beliefs of and about American Indian culture.

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.

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Colloquium addresses forensic science and the media

"Forensic Science and the Media: Information or Entertainment?" will be presented Thursday, Jan. 29, at 4 p.m. in 116 Merrifield Hall. Phoebe Stubblefield will give the English department colloquium.

Dr. Stubblefield is a graduate of the University of Florida, where she reviewed and consulted in hundreds of cases as a forensic anthropologist at the C.A. Pound Human Identification Laboratory. She is an assistant professor in the anthropology department here, and director of the forensic science program, where she manages the human identification laboratory.

Dr. Stubblefield will discuss the recent boom in forensic science programming on prime-time television, which has prompted a similar boom in academic interest in the field. Although cable TV has a longer history of such programming, network television has had a greater role in portraying forensic science to the public. How well does the media, in either its fact- or fiction-based programs, inform the public about forensic science? She will review popular forensic programming and discuss how television shapes our understanding of what forensic science is.

– Joyce Coleman, English.

Cornell University scholar will present two lectures

J. Thomas Brenna, a candidate for a senior level appointment in the chemistry department that has significant collaborative research with the Grand Forks Human Nutrition Center, will present two lectures Thursday and Friday, Jan. 29 and 30. Dr. Brenna is internationally known for his work on the development of mass spectrometry instrumentation and for the application of that instrumentation to the determination of mammalian lipid biochemistry and physiology.

The first of his talks, Thursday noon in 138 Abbott Hall, will focus on analytical chemistry. The title of the talk is "Mass Spectrometry Complete and Incomplete. A Brief Tour Through Selected Aspects of Small Molecule, and High Precision Isotope Ratio, Mass Spectrometry."

The second of the talks, 1 p.m. Friday at the Grand Forks Human Nutrition Center, will focus on neurological topics. The title is "Is a Dietary Source of Docosahexaenoic Acid and/or Arachidonic Acid Required for Neural Development in Humans?"

Everyone is welcome to attend both lectures. For more information, please contact the chemistry department.

— Mark Hoffmann, chemistry, 777-2741.

Empire showcases musicians

The Empire Arts Center is starting a new monthly regional music showcase, Showtime @ the Empire. It will give local and regional musicians a chance to take the stage at the Center in front of a live audience. The first Showtime will be held Thursday, Jan. 29, at 8 p.m., with PeatMoss and Lee Barnum playing acoustic blues.

Showtime is designed to give local and regional musicians an opportunity to perform on a regular basis. Some musicians will be invited, others are invited to call and arrange their turn on stage. Performers are encouraged to do as much original material as possible; the format will be low tech and relaxed, acoustic performances are encouraged. Interested performers can call Mark at 746-5500 for more information.

Tickets for Showtime @ the Empire will be available at the door. Tickets are \$5 for general admission and \$4 for students. Future Showtimes are scheduled for Feb. 26 and March 25.

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

Australian scholar presents music lecture

On Friday, Jan. 30, at 3:15 p.m. in the Josephine Campbell Recital Hall, Hughes Fine Arts Center, Michael Noone will deliver a public lecture, "From Renaissance Manuscript to 21st Century CD: A Journey in Time and Sound."

Noone, an Australian scholar who is spending a year as a research fellow at Cornell, will talk about the process of resurrecting ancient music.

He is a graduate of Sydney University and King's College, Cambridge. His research has been on music in 16th-century Spain, where he has studied music in Toledo, Seville, and at the Royal Monastery of the Escorial. His research and discoveries have led to his conducting over 20 major professional choral performances in Australia, England, and Spain, and to his recording of five CDs, with three more on the way. He has published a book and a book-length edition, with two more editions in press; 18 journal articles, and entries in three international musical encyclopedias. Including smaller works, his output totals over 100 publications. He has held numerous research fellowships, and has taught at the University of Sydney, the University of Hong Kong, Canberra School of Music, and the University of New England (Australia).

Noone has lectured here once before, in 1993 when he was a Fulbright Scholar at Cornell.

— Gary Towne, professor and chair, Music Department.

Biology candidates present seminars

Two faculty candidates will present seminars Friday, Jan. 30, in 141 Starcher Hall.

At noon, Michael Jensen-Seaman will present "Molecular Insights into the Evolution of Humans and the African Apes." Dr. Jensen-Seaman is from the medical college of Wisconsin and is a candidate for the evolutionary biologist position.

At 3 p.m., Bradley Jones will present "Cell Fate Decisions in the Nervous System: To Be or Not to Be Glia." Dr. Jones is from the New York University School of Medicine and is a candidate for the developmental biologist position.

— Biology department.

Vegan supper club meets Feb. 1

The monthly vegan supper club meets at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, Seventh-day Adventist Church, 3610 Cherry St. The theme is meat substitutes and casseroles, with a gluten-making demonstration at 3:45 p.m.

Come and bring your favorite dish, plus a copy of the recipe. Vegan foods do not contain meat, eggs, or dairy products.

We meet in an informal setting to share ideas for a healthy lifestyle. Bring your friends and family.

To RSVP or ask questions, contact me at 777-0842, brennakerr@mail.und.nodak.edu.

– Brenna Kerr, dietitian, student health and wellness center.

Graduate committee meets Monday

The graduate committee will meet Monday, Feb. 2, from 3:05 to 5 p.m. in 305 Twamley Hall. The agenda will include:

1. Approval of minutes from Jan. 26.
2. The kinesiology program puts forth the following requests:
 - Change in credits from 4 to 3 for Kinesiology 535, 536, 538, and 539;
 - A new course, PEXS 532, Advanced Exercise Physiology Lab.
3. The counseling program puts forth the following requests:
 - Change in Counseling 584, Internship in Counseling;
 - Create the following new courses:
 - Counseling 587, Internship in Addictions Counseling
 - Counseling 588, Internship in Rehabilitation Counseling
 - Counseling 589, Internship in School Counseling
4. Review of graduate faculty nominations.
5. Matters arising.

— Joseph Bennoit, dean, graduate school.

Series addresses spirituality in the workplace

Christus Rex will hold a series of discussions on “The ‘Hole’ in Holistic: Spirituality in the Workplace,” at noon Mondays at Christus Rex, 3012 University Ave. Join us for conversation on resolving issues of spirituality in the workplace with panel members from various professions.

The schedule follows: Feb. 2, communications; Feb. 9, political science/government; Feb. 23, engineering.

A free lunch will be provided; bring a friend.

– Christus Rex.

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 Ave. N. A free lunch is included; bring a friend.

The schedule follows:

Feb. 3, Mike Jacobs, editor, Grand Forks Herald, “How Does the Media Address Tolerance?”

Feb. 10, Rev. Gretchen Graf, First Presbyterian Church, “What is the Christian’s Call?”

Feb. 17, Erik Mansager, director, counseling center, “Where’s My Limit? Does It Change in the Context of Relationship?”

Feb. 24, Tom Petros and Cheryl Terrance, psychology, “What are the Psychological Limits? What are the Personal Limits?”

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.

Associate vice president for research candidate visits campus

Gary Findley, a candidate for the position of associate vice president for research, will be on campus for a second interview. An open forum for faculty to visit with him is set for Wednesday, Feb. 4, from 3:15 to 4:15 p.m. in 115 Odegard Hall, the main floor atmosphere.

– Vice president for research office.

Agenda listed for Feb. 5 U Senate meeting

The University Senate will meet Thursday, Feb. 5, at 4:05 p.m. in Room 7, Gamble Hall.

AGENDA

1. Announcements.
2. Minutes of the previous meeting and business arising from the minutes.
3. Question period.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

4. Annual report of the Senate legislative affairs committee, Steve Kelsch, chair.
5. Annual report of the Senate summer sessions committee, Stacie Varnson, chair.
6. Annual report of the Senate academic policies and admissions committee, Patrick Lubber, chair.

BUSINESS CALENDAR:

7. Report from the curriculum committee, Judy Bruce, chair.
8. Probation/suspension/dismissal policy, Eleanor Yurkovich, Senate academic policies and admissions committee.
9. Recommendation for an honorary degree, Kathy Sukalski.
10. Proposed revisions to the University Senate bylaws, Al Fivizzani and Jan Goodwin, Senate executive committee.
11. Proposed revisions in the University Senate standing rules, Al Fivizzani and Jan Goodwin, Senate executive committee.
12. Report from the ad hoc harassment policy and procedures review committee, Wendelin Hume, recorder.
13. Council of college faculties resolutions: (1) textbook policy, and (2) SBHE request for support for the economic development roundtable, Curt Stofferahn, Council of College Faculties.

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

Hultberg Lectureship set for Feb. 5

The 17th annual Hultberg Lectureship series, "Integrating Diversity into the Workplace," will be held from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, Lecture Bowl, Memorial Union. It is presented by the College of Business and Public Administration. The Hans and Susanna Hultberg Lectureship was established by their daughter, Clara E. Anderson, through the University of North Dakota Foundation. Clara, a Washburn native, graduated from the College of Business and Public Administration in 1928. This endowed lectureship was established because of the love and encouragement Clara received from her parents and her interest in stimulating both challenges and opportunities for women in business.

Each year prominent women alumni from the College of Business and Public Administration bring their leadership and experiences to the University community through this event. This year's topic, "Integrating Diversity into the Workplace," includes diversity issues that encompass more than just people of color; but include diverse ideas, beliefs, religions, sexuality, age, gender, those challenged physically or mentally, and others.

Speakers are:

Linda Butts, director of economic development and finance for the State of North Dakota, Bismarck. She is the first woman to hold the title of director of economic development and finance in North Dakota. Before entering state government, Butts was a small business owner in Carrington; her company was twice named Outstanding Woman-Owned Business. A certified public accountant, she worked as an auditor for Eide Helmeke and Charles Bailly in Fargo. In 1994 she served as co-chair for the state's delegation to the White House Conference on Small Business. She has served on several boards and commissions, including the Greater North Dakota Association. She and her husband, Alan, have two grown children and reside in Bismarck.

Sara Garland, president of the Greystone Group, Washington, D.C. She is a government relations and public affairs consultant with expertise in the federal appropriations process. A 27-year veteran of Capitol Hill, Garland's experience includes senior positions with Sen. Kent Conrad (D-ND), the late Sen. Quentin Burdick (D-ND), and former Congresswoman Margaret Heckler (R-Mass.). Garland received bachelor's and master's degrees from UND. She has served as a member of the advisory neighborhood commission of the District of Columbia and serves on the boards of the Council for a Livable World-PeacePAC, the Agency for Instructional Technology, and chairs the Energy and Environmental Research Center Foundation. A former television reporter and college instructor, Garland is a recipient of the American Society of Association Executives' Government Relations Award as part of a team representing America's public television stations, and is listed in Who's Who in American Politics. Married to Kim E. Uhl, she has three children.

Kim Lattu, vice president and director of corporate audit at Cargill, Minneapolis. Kim (Vossler) Lattu joined Cargill as an accounting trainee when she graduated from the University in 1978 with an accounting major. She has worked in numerous business and functional areas during her career at Cargill including corporate audit; corporate financial reporting; Cargill Steel and Wire – Brookville, Ohio; Cargill Ferrous International; Caprock Industries – Amarillo, Texas; human resources – compensation; travel services; and the controller's department. She was named the vice president and director of corporate audit in November 2002. Lattu is on the board of governors for the Twin Cities Chapter of the Institute of Internal Auditors. She is a CPA and CMA. She and her family reside in Chanhassen, Minn. Her husband, Steve, is also a Cargill employee and is the vice president and controller for Horizon Milling. They have two daughters. She grew up in Wishek, N.D.

Kay Walter, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP (PwC), Minneapolis. She attended the University from 1994 to 1998, earning a bachelor's degree in accountancy. She was hired by Coopers & Lybrand in October of 1997 and commenced her career with

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP (PwC) in September 1998, after the merger of Price Waterhouse and Coopers & Lybrand in July 1998. Since joining PwC, Kay has served numerous clients throughout the country in both audit and consulting capacities. She is a member of PwC's national consumer finance practice and specializes in serving lending organizations that originate mortgage, home equity and other consumer finance products. She also teaches various courses, including PwC's new hire training as well as industry specific classes. She graduated from Libertyville High School, Libertyville, Ill., in 1994 and resides in Minneapolis.

— College of Business and Public Administration.

U2 workshops listed for Feb. 9-20

Below are U2 workshops for Feb. 9-20.

Visit our web site for additional workshops in February. The spring U2 newsletter containing workshops for March through May will arrive soon.

Please reserve your seat by registering with U2 by phone, 777-2128; e-mail, U2@mail.und.nodak.edu; or online, www.conted.und.edu/U2/. Please include 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, Advanced: Feb. 9, 11, and 13, 9 a.m. to noon, 361 Upson II Hall. Prerequisite: Excel XP, Intermediate (nine hours total). Customize, link, share and protect workbooks, work with multiple data sources, enhance charts, work with Excel graphics. Presenter: Maria Saucedo.

Performance Evaluations and Progressive Discipline: Feb. 12, 9 to 11 a.m., 305 Twamley Hall. Supervisors will learn the fundamentals of conducting honest, fair, and consistent evaluations and receive guidelines for using a progressive discipline system. Presenters: Joy Johnson and Desi Sporbert.

Preventing Workplace Violence: Feb. 12, 10 a.m. to noon, 211 Rural Technology Center. Workplace violence occurs all too often. Communication and training can help to prevent and deal with employee and/or client violence. This workshop will identify underlying causes of workplace violence, warning signs, methods for heading off serious situations, as well as planning for prevention. Presenters: Duane Czapiewski and Jason Uhlir.

Communication in the Workplace: Feb. 18, 1 to 3 p.m., 305 Twamley Hall. Communication in the workplace can be the key to a successful department. Learn how to communicate with your supervisor and peers by exploring the communication process. Find out about nonverbal communication and how it can impact the message you are sending. Presenters: Joy Johnson and Desi Sporbert.

Use of Power and Hand Tools as Relates to Ergonomics: Feb. 18, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., facilities lunchroom. An innovative training session sponsored by the facilities and safety departments as a collaborative project. The class will focus on the correct use and selection of power and hand tools. Purpose, ergonomic principles and safety perspectives will be included. Trends in new tools will be identified. All are welcome whether it be for work or home interest. There will be an opportunity for audience participation. Presenters: Matt Heher, facilities and Claire Moen, safety.

TCC Listing (Transaction Classification Code Listing): Feb. 20, 9 to 10 a.m., River Valley Room, Memorial Union. This class

will show how to use TCC listings and provide clarification on how items should be coded. Presenter: accounting services.

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

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 Caribbean 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.

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

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/.

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

Graduate school requests participation in Scholarly Forum

Graduate students and faculty are encouraged to participate in the Scholarly Forum Tuesday through Thursday, March 2-4. The purpose of this forum is to allow the University to highlight scholarly activities and provide a venue to share creative activities and research with the campus community. Presentations, exhibits and/or performances from faculty and students are encouraged. There is an opportunity for students to present their research in poster presentations. The deadline for submission of abstracts is Monday, Feb. 16. For submission forms and guidelines, go to www.und.edu/dept/grad and look under "In the Spotlight."

There will be two keynote addresses this year. Mary Burgan, general secretary of the American Association of University Professors and former professor of Victorian literature and chair of English at Indiana University, will give a keynote address on Tuesday, March 2, at 3:30 p.m. A second keynote address by Kerry Emanuel, professor of meteorology in the program of atmospheres, oceans, and climate at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, will be held Wednesday, March 3, at 3:30 p.m. Both speakers will present in the Lecture Bowl, Memorial Union.

If you have questions, please contact the graduate school at 777-2786.

— Joseph Benoit, dean, graduate school.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

NDUS accountability report is online

The 2003 North Dakota University System accountability report is online at www.ndus.nodak.edu/reports/details.asp?id=465.

– North Dakota University System.

UND ConnectND newsletter available online

The ConnectND UND newsletter is available at www.und.nodak.edu/cnd. It will familiarize you with the ConnectND project at UND, and provides information and resources.

Ambassadors sought to help students in rural health careers

The UND representative of the National Health Service Corps, Mary Amundson, rural health, is seeking faculty members who are interested in becoming NHSC campus ambassadors. Campus ambassadors inspire, mentor and prepare the next generation of health care professionals to serve in areas of greatest need throughout the country.

Amundson helps students who aspire to work in health care in underserved communities through scholarships and loan repayment programs, career counseling, academic advising, clinical placements, and brings primary-care-oriented students together to foster discussion and share resources. Many students may qualify for the program, but don't know about it.

Other NHSC ambassadors on campus could assist in recruiting students in other fields, such as nursing. Information can also be found on the NHSC web site at <http://nhsc.bhpr.hrsa.gov>.

For more information contact me.

– Mary Amundson, rural health, 777-4018.

Presenters sought for Beyond Boundaries conference

Are you using technology to move beyond the boundaries of traditional classroom instruction? The University and the conference planning committee invite you to present at the third annual Beyond Boundaries: Integrating Technology into Teaching and Learning Conference Sept. 23-24, at the Memorial Union.

The conference planning committee is accepting proposals for concurrent sessions as well as technology tidbits, a five-minute demonstration featuring the latest technology used in classrooms. We encourage you to share your knowledge, research and experience with other faculty and administrators in the region by submitting a proposal.

For more information on how to submit a proposal, please visit www.beyondboundaries.info. You may also contact the office of conference services at 777-2663. All proposals must be submitted online and are due Wednesday, March 31.

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

– Jennifer Raymond, coordinator, conference services.

Timers sought for Feb. 18-21 NCC swim meet

Timers are needed for the NCC swim meet Feb. 18-21. Please inquire for times. Any team or organization on campus wanting extra money may contact Celeste at 777-2454.

– Celeste Putzier, athletics.

UND Aerospace awarded contract to provide HTMLeZ Internet software

The AeroSpace Network will provide its patent-pending HTMLeZ software to Education Development Center Inc.,

headquartered in Newton, Mass.

"HTMLeZ facilitates teaching and learning on the Internet. It helps instructors easily create and maintain a Web presence on their own, without programming or learning new computer applications," said Henry Borysewicz, director of ASN. Education Development Center, Inc. (EDC) is an international, non-profit organization dedicated to enhancing learning and promoting health. For more than four decades EDC has been a pioneer in bridging educational research, policy, and practice.

The North Dakota state Legislature has recently designated ASN as a Center of Excellence in Multimedia Technology. This designation provides state funding to stimulate local economic activity and job creation. "HTMLeZ has the potential to generate resources for UND and the region," said Borysewicz. North Dakota can become an educational software provider, rather than just a consumer." Although originally designed as an educational tool, the software has commercial applications as well. ASN is using the state funding to commercialize the software, and pursue other commercial activities.

Visiting scholars program focuses on test design and development

Faculty and staff interested in minority graduate education: You may be interested in the Educational Testing Service (ETS) visiting scholars program that offers a four-week summer fellowship session at the ETS campus in Princeton, N.J. Scholars study issues related to test design and development, and learn to write and review test questions and related materials. Scholars also attend sessions and provide reviews that focus on issues related to fairness in testing, from question conception through test administration and research. ETS encourages applications from members of under-represented groups.

Visiting Scholars will receive a \$3,500 honorarium for the four-week session. ETS pays for expenses associated with travel to Princeton and for hotel accommodations in the area. Additional information and a short application form are available on the ETS web site at www.ets.org/visitingscholars. The deadline for applications is Thursday, Feb. 5.

– Joseph Benoit, dean, graduate school.

Staff members named to new positions at medical school

Jean Altepeter and Corey Graves have joined the medical school.

Altepeter, the first human resource manager located at the school, began in December. She administers human resource and payroll functions for staff and student employees at the school, and coordinates education and professional development seminars for supervisors and staff employees.

An alumna of UND, Altepeter holds a bachelor of science degree in business administration. She began working at UND in 1982 in the then-Medical Center Rehabilitation Hospital and in 1989 moved to the office of grants and contracts. Before joining the medical school, she was business manager at the USDA Grand Forks Human Nutrition Research Center.

Graves, who began last week, is the first grants and contracts officer at the school. He holds a joint appointment with the office of grants administration where he has been employed since 1999. Prior to joining UND, he worked at Suburban Propane in Rochester, Minn., and Grand Forks. He holds a bachelor of science degree in business administration, with concentrations in management and marketing, from Minnesota State University-Mankato.

— School of Medicine and Health Sciences.

Be alert for fraudulent cardholder e-mails

The University's purchasing and travel cards are serviced by U.S. Bank, which sent the following message to card program administrators:

"We have had reports from cardholders receiving requests via e-mail that appear to come from U.S. Bank. The e-mail claims that the recipient's accounts have been blocked and asks the recipient to enter his or her account number and other personal information.

"According to U.S. Bank's fraud prevention and investigation area, this is a fraudulent e-mail which did not come from U.S. Bank. Their instructions to recipients are DO NOT REPLY to this e-mail under any circumstances and do not click on the link in this e-mail.

"U.S. Bank will not contact cardholders directly under any circumstances to verify account numbers or personal

information. This is an excellent time to remind cardholders that if they ever receive a request like this via e-mail or telephone, they should not respond.

"We would also like to assure all clients that there has been no fraudulent activity reported and no cards have been suspended as this e-mail suggests. There was no breach of any secure account information. These e-mails are random and are being sent using a spam list that includes individuals who in many cases do not even have U.S. Bank accounts. Similar e-mail fraud campaigns have been reported using names of other banks too.

Reporting fraudulent e-mail

"U.S. Bank and the FBI are working to stop these illegal activities. To help track these cyber-criminals, the U.S. Bank fraud department is requesting that anyone who has received a suspicious e-mail send a copy of it to fraud_help@usbank.com, along with their responses to the questions below. Do you have an account relationship with U.S. Bank? What Internet Service Provider (ISP) do you use? What type of connection do you use to access the Internet? Cable, dialup, DSL or other? Do you have a firewall installed on your computer?"

— Allison Peyton, accounting services.

Incentive program rewards cost-cutting ideas

As a North Dakota state employee, you can receive an award up to \$2,000 for making suggestions that cut costs of state government. This program was approved by the 1993 North Dakota Legislature, NDCC 54-06-24.

Submit your idea on the employee suggestion form (SFN 19291) available from your agency, the suggestion incentive award committee, or online at www.state.nd.us/eforms. The committee will review your suggestion. If approved, it will be forwarded to your agency administrator, who will make the final decision.

If your idea is approved, you will receive 20 percent of the first years savings realized, up to a maximum of \$2,000. The cash award will be received 12 months after your idea has been implemented.

Submit recommendations to: Jim Poolman, chair, suggestion incentive committee, Office of Insurance Commissioner, 600 East Blvd. Ave., 5th floor, Bismarck, ND 58505, phone: (701) 328-4638, e-mail: jpoolman@state.nd.us

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Scholarly activities proposals due Feb. 17

The fourth deadline for submission of applications to the Senate scholarly activities committee (SSAC) is Tuesday, Feb. 17. Research/creative activity and publication grant applications as well as applications for new faculty scholar awards will be considered; no travel applications will be considered.

The fifth deadline for submission of applications is Monday, May 3. Travel applications will be considered only for travel that will occur between May 4, 2004, and Sept. 15, 2004. No other applications will be considered.

The committee reminds applicants to carefully prepare proposals and be specific and realistic in budget requests. The proposal should be written with a multidisciplinary readership in mind. Avoid technical jargon and undefined abbreviations. Although the SSAC encourages submission of research/creative activity proposals and travel/publication requests, the committee takes into consideration the most recent SSAC (or FRCAC) award granted to each applicant. Priority will be given to beginning faculty and first-time applicants. Requests for research/creative activity awards may not exceed \$2,500.

Application forms are available at the office of research and program development, 105 Twamley Hall, 777-4279, or on ORPD's home page (www.und.edu under "Research"). A properly signed original and seven copies of the application must be submitted to ORPD on or prior to the published deadline. Applications not prepared in accordance with the directions on the forms will not be considered. Please feel free to contact any current SSAC committee member for information or guidance when preparing your application. Their names, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses are available on ORPD's home page or by calling ORPD at 777-4279.

— James Hikins (communication), chair, Senate scholarly activities committee.

NIH sponsors regional funding, grants seminars

Two regional seminars covering topics related to NIH extramural program funding and grants administration will provide information about the entire funding process, from opportunity identification and application preparation through post award administration. Presentations are targeted toward researchers new to NIH, research administrators, post docs and trainees. Informal interaction between seminar participants and NIH program, grants management, review and grants policy staff at the seminar to address individual issues is highly encouraged.

Hands-on computer training in NIH electronic research administration will be offered in conjunction with each seminar. There will be a lab targeted toward grants administrators, another for principal investigators, and a third specifically on the preparation of electronic financial status reports.

The seminars will be held:

May 6-7, in Miami, hosted by the University of Miami and Florida A&M University, College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences (hands-on computer labs offered May 5)

June 24-25, Seattle, hosted by the University of Washington School of Medicine (hands-on computer labs offered June 23)

A draft program and logistical information for the seminars are posted at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/seminars.htm>.

Questions regarding registration or logistics should be directed to the host universities at the address provided on the web sites. Questions on the program content may be directed to Megan Columbus, NIH regional seminar coordinator, at 301-435-0937, megan.columbus@nih.gov.

The host institutions will accept registrations soon. Until then, you are encouraged to join the mailing lists to be notified when registration does become available by using the contact information for the host institution at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/seminars.htm>. Both the seminars and the computer labs tend to fill to capacity, so register early!

Faculty and research staff interested in attending the NIH Regional Seminar who need assistance in meeting travel costs should contact me. — Will Gosnold, research and program development (ORPD), 777-4280, will.gosnold@mail.und.nodak.edu.

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.

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AMERICAN EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATION (AERA)

Research Grants Program—Support for quantitative policy and practice-related research on U.S. education using large-scale, nationally representative NCES and NSF data sets. Eligible applicants are faculty at institutions of higher education, postdoctoral researchers, and other doctoral-level researchers. Deadline: 3/10/04. Contact: Jeanie Murdock, 805-964-5264; jmurdock@aera.net; <http://www.aera.net/grantsprogram/subweb/RGFly-FR.html>.

AMERICAN STATISTICAL ASSOCIATION (ASA)

ASA/SRS-NSF Research Program—Support for “hands-on” access to Division of Science Resources Statistics (SRS) data. Topic areas include, but are not limited to: challenges related to collection of establishment data; methodological research in survey mode differences; analytic research related to education, workforce, and innovation data; issues relating to longitudinal analysis, trend estimation, or estimates of change; innovative graphical displays and analyses of data; and novel approaches to questionnaire development, evaluation, and testing. Deadline: 3/12/04. Contact: American Statistical Association, 703-684-1221; farp@amstat.org; http://www.amstat.org/research_grants/.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY (DOE)

Natural and Accelerated Bioremediation Research Program (NABIR)—Support to provide fundamental science to serve as the basis for development of cost-effective bioremediation of radionuclides and metals in the subsurface at DOE sites. Research encompasses both intrinsic bioremediation by naturally occurring microbial communities, and accelerated bioremediation through use of nutrient amendments (inorganic, organic, or enzymatic) or microbial amendments. Deadline: 3/9/04. Contact: Paul Bayer, 301-903-5324;

paul.bayer@science.doe.gov;

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-31331.htm>.

DR. SCHOLL FOUNDATION

Support in the following areas: general charitable programs, including grants to hospitals and programs for children, developmentally disabled, and senior citizens; and civic, cultural, social services, health care, economics, etc. UND may submit only one application to this Foundation per year; therefore, please contact ORPD (7-4278 or shirley.griffin@mail.und.nodak.edu) if you are interested in applying. Deadline: 3/1/04. Contact: Dr. Scholl Foundation, 847-559-7430; <http://www.drschollfoundation.com/>.

EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR NUCLEAR SCIENCE

Leonard M. Rieser Research Fellowship in Science, Technology, and Global Security—Funding for undergraduate students to explore issues at the intersection of science, public policy, and global security. Deadline: 3/8/04. Contact: Stephen Schwartz, 773-702-2555; bulletin@thebulletin.org; <http://www.thebulletin.org/fellow/>.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA)

Environmental Professional Student Intern Training Program—Support for undergraduate and graduate students to acquire environmental training experiences at EPA and other venues. Deadline: 3/1/04. Contact: Linda Smith, 202-564-2602; smith.linda@epa.gov; <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/environmentaljustice/interns/pdf/intern-training-2004-rfa-final.pdf>.

Support for research in the area of Corporate Environmental Behavior: Examining the Effectiveness of Government, with a focus on analyzing motivators that influence corporate environmental behavior and examining effectiveness of governmental interventions and voluntary initiatives to improve corporate environmental performance. Contact: Matthew Clark, 202-564-6842; clark.matthew@epa.gov; http://es.epa.gov/ncer/rfa/2004/2004_corporate.html. Deadline: 3/10/04.

EPILEPSY FOUNDATION

Behavioral Sciences Postdoctoral Fellowships, Health Sciences Student Fellowships (for predoctoral training students in the health sciences), and Behavioral Sciences Student Fellowships (for graduate and undergraduate students) provide support for behavioral scientists to teach appropriate psychosocial intervention techniques used in working with people with epilepsy, and for behavioral research in epilepsy. Deadline: 3/10/04. Contact: Epilepsy Foundation of America, 301-459-3700 or 1-800-332-1000; grants@efa.org; <http://www.epilepsyfoundation.org/research/grants.cfm>.

Fritz E. Dreifuss International Travel Program—Support for travel to a foreign institution to exchange information and expertise on epilepsy. Deadline: None. Contact: See above.

KAISER FAMILY FOUNDATION, HENRY J.

Kaiser Media Fellowships in Health—Support for print, television, and radio journalists interested in health policy, health financing, and public health. Deadline: 3/12/04. Contact: Penny Duckham, 650-854-9400; pduckham@kff.org; <http://www.kff.org/about/mediafellowships.cfm>.

KRESGE FOUNDATION

Kresge Challenge Grants support construction of facilities; renovation of facilities; purchase of major equipment or integrated systems at a cost of at least \$300,000; and purchase of real estate. UND may submit only one application to this foundation per year; therefore, please contact ORPD by February 29, 2004, if you are interested in applying (7-4278 or shirley.griffin@mail.und.nodak.edu). Deadline: Open. Contact: Elizabeth C. Sullivan, 248-643-9630; http://www.kresge.org/programs/bricks_mort.htm.

Science Initiative—Support to upgrade and endow scientific instrumentation and laboratories in colleges and universities, teaching hospitals, medical schools, and research institutions. UND may submit only one application to this foundation per year; therefore, please contact ORPD by February 29, 2004, if you are interested in applying (7-4278 or shirley.griffin@mail.und.nodak.edu). Deadline: Open. Contact: Marlies H. Parenti, 248-643-9630; http://www.kresge.org/programs/science_ini.htm.

NATIONAL ACADEMIC ADVISING ASSOCIATION (NACADA)

Research Grants support proposals intended to contribute to the field of advising-related research, particularly documentation of outcomes of different advising models or projects concerned with developing, conducting, and reporting empirical studies; evaluation or analysis of advising practices, models, or systems; development, evaluation, or analysis of advising-based theory; studies of the history, evolution, and future of the field; empirical research related to the advising process (inter- and intra-personal dimensions); and qualitative research on advising practices. Deadlines: 3/8/04 (Draft); 6/7/04 (Final Application). Contact: NACADA Executive Office, 785- 532-5717, nacada@ksu.edu; http://www.nacada.ksu.edu/Awards/Grant_Guidelines.htm.

NATIONAL HEART, LUNG AND BLOOD INSTITUTE (NHLBI)

Competing Continuation Awards of SBIR Phase II Grants for Heart, Lung, Blood, and Sleep Disorders—Support to continue assessing and improving devices or conducting preclinical studies of products or devices that ultimately require: clinical evaluation, approval by a Federal regulatory agency, and continuing refinements to durable medical equipment (DME) designs such as cost reduction, testing for safety, durability, and reliability, and meeting or establishing standards.

Contact: Suzanne Goldberg, 301-435-0532; goldbergsh@mail.nih.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-04-028.html>. Deadlines: 4/1/04, 8/1/04, 12/1/04.

Functional Tissue Engineering for Heart, Vascular, Lung, Blood, and Sleep Disorders and Diseases (SBIR/STTR) —Support for research and development of new approaches, technologies, tools, methods, devices, cells, biomolecules, and biomaterials that can be used to engineer functional tissues in vitro for implantation in vivo as a biological substitute for damaged or diseased tissues and organs or to foster tissue regeneration and remodeling in vivo for repairing, replacing, maintaining, or enhancing organ function. Deadline: 3/12/04. Contact: Christine A. Kelley, 301-435-0513; kelleyc@nhlbi.nih.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-01-006.html>.

Overweight and Obesity Control at Worksites—Support for research to test innovative interventions that emphasize environmental approaches or a combination of environmental and individual approaches at worksites to prevent or treat obesity in adults, in order to determine whether worksite interventions that include environmental strategies are successful in preventing or controlling obesity. Deadline: 3/12/04. Contact: Charlotte Pratt, 301-435-0382; prattc@nhlbi.nih.gov; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-HL-04-006.html>.

Short-Term Courses in Research Ethics—Support to develop, conduct, evaluate, and disseminate short-term courses on ethical issues in research, particularly those involving human participants. Contact: Lawrence Friedman, 301-496-9899; lawrence_friedman@nih.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-01-143.html>. Deadline: 3/12/04.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SCIENCES (NIEHS)

Resequencing of Mouse Genome—Support to identify the DNA sequence of the nuclear genomes of 15 commonly used strains of inbred laboratory mice. Deadline: 3/18/04. Contact: Jo Ann Lewis, 919-541-2712; lewisj@niehs.nih.gov; <http://www.niehs.nih.gov/dert/rcb/data/04-02/rfp04-02.htm>.

Support for Studies of Chemical Disposition in Mammals (RFP-NIH-ES-04-01). Contact: David Sedgley, 919-541-4027; sedgley@niehs.nih.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-ES-04-002.html>. Deadline: 3/19/04.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF GENERAL MEDICAL SCIENCES (NIGMS)

Centers for Innovation in Membrane Protein Production—Support to establish centers for multidisciplinary and non-hypothesis-driven technology development of innovative tools and methods for the expression, solubilization, stabilization, reconstitution, and purification of membrane proteins. Contact: John C. Norvell, 301-594-0533; norvellj@nigms.nih.gov; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-GM-04-004.html>. Deadlines: 2/5/04 (Letter of Intent); 3/11/04 (Application).

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF STANDARDS AND TECHNOLOGY (NIST)

Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowships (SURF)—Support for hands-on research experience in Ceramics, Metallurgy, Polymers, Neutron Condensed Matter Science and Materials Reliability. Deadline: 2/17/04. Contact: Christine Mister, 301-975-4355; christine.mister@nist.gov; <http://www.msel.nist.gov/surf.html>.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON AGING (NIA)

Banking Genetic Samples from NIA-Funded Studies through the NIA Aged Cell Bank—Support for preparation of transformed cell lines from blood samples and all related quality control; preparation of DNA for use by study investigators; expansion and cryopreservation of cell lines; preparation of DNA for archiving and sharing; and sharing of cell lines and DNA by inclusion in the Aged Cell Bank catalog. Contact: Nancy L. Nadon, 301-402-7744; nadonn@nia.nih.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-AG-04-002.html>.

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH)

Interdisciplinary Health Research Training: Behavior, Environment, and Biology—Support to establish programs to provide formal coursework and research training in a new interdisciplinary field to individuals holding advanced degrees in a different discipline. NIH is especially interested in programs integrating behavioral or social sciences with the more traditional biomedical sciences. Contact: Nancy L. Desmond, 301-443-3563; ndesmond@nih.gov; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-RM-04-010.html>. Deadlines: 2/11/04 (Letter of Intent); 3/11/04 (Application).

Interstitial Cystitis/Painful Bladder Syndrome: Epidemiology—Support to establish a 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; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DK-04-009.html>. Deadlines: 2/23/04 (Letter of Intent); 3/22/04 (Application).

National Institutes of Health Director's Pioneer Award—Support for exceptionally creative scientists to pursue innovative, unexplored avenues of research that may carry a relatively high potential for failure, but also possess a greater potential to produce tomorrow's conceptual and technological breakthroughs. Research must be relevant to the NIH mission, but need not be related to conventional biomedical or behavioral disciplines. Investigators at early stages of their careers as well as established investigators are eligible. Nomination of biomedical, behavioral, social, physical, chemical, and computer scientists; engineers; and mathematicians is encouraged. Deadline: 4/1/04. Contact: pioneer@nih.gov; <http://nihroadmap.nih.gov/highrisk/initiatives/pioneer/faq.asp>.

Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Awards for Individual Predoctoral Fellows support predoctoral training. Each Institute has different program goals and initiatives; therefore, please see the complete announcement at the website below for areas of interest, etc., of the participating agencies. Contact: Laurie Foudin, 301-443-0912; Lfoudin@nih.gov; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-04-032.html>. Deadlines: 4/5/04, 8/5/04, 12/5/04.

Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) Grant Programs—Support for small businesses to engage in Research/Research and Development (R/R&D) with potential for commercialization. Deadlines: 4/1/04, 8/1/04, 12/1/04 (SBIR/STTR); 5/1/04, 9/1/04, 1-2-05 (AIDS and AIDS-related SBIR/STTR). Contact: Michael-David Kerns, 301-496-9322; mk417e@nih.gov; <http://grants2.nih.gov/grants/funding/sbir.htm#sbir>.

Training for a New Interdisciplinary Research Workforce—Support to develop and implement novel training programs focused on new interdisciplinary science. Programs will support a variety of new and innovative didactic and research activities designed to provide students with the knowledge and research experience necessary to apply interdisciplinary solutions to complex biomedical and health problems. Contact: Terry Rogers Bishop, 301-594-7726; tb232j@nih.gov; <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-RM-04-015.html>. Deadlines: 2/10/04 (Letter of Intent); 3/10/04 (Application).

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

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