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UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA AT GRAND FORKS

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Meeting Of Faculty, Staff With Local Legislators Rescheduled For Dec. 14

Faculty and staff are invited to a rescheduled open discussion with the Grand Forks delegation to the 1999 North Dakota Legislative Session. A snowstorm postponed the originally scheduled meeting. This exchange with the local House and Senate members will provide an opportunity for them to express their views on issues that will be important in the next Legislature and to answer questions. The meeting will be **Monday, Dec. 14**, at 4 p.m. in room 210, Clifford Hall, preceded by refreshments and visiting. It sponsored by University Senate and the President's office. -- *Office of the President.*

Faculty Invited To March In Winter Commencement

Faculty are invited to march in academic regalia for the Winter Commencement ceremony **Friday, Dec. 18**, in the Chester Fritz Auditorium. Participating faculty will assemble for the procession at 1:30 p.m. in Wilkerson Hall. University Marshals will be on hand to direct you to your place in the procession. The ceremony will begin at 2 p.m.

This year doctoral candidates and their major advisors will also assemble in Wilkerson Hall. They will be seated on the stage with the other faculty members.

You are asked to contact Rita Galloway at 777-4194 if you plan to march in the procession so that we may estimate the number of seats to be reserved. We encourage the participation of faculty to help make this a memorable occasion for our graduates and their families and friends. -- *Kendall Baker, President.*

Presidential Briefing Scheduled For Wednesday

The next Presidential Briefing by UND President Kendall Baker will be **Wednesday, Dec., 9**, at 9 a.m. in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl. All are welcome. Second semester Presidential Briefings are scheduled for Jan. 6, Feb. 10, March 3, April 7, and May 5. -- *Peter Johnson, Office of University Relations.*

Did You Know?

The University seal bearing the sun on the horizon, a tree on the plain, a plow, an anvil and a hunting Indian along with the school motto, "Lux et Lex" was selected by a committee of faculty and students in 1908.

University Letter is also available electronically in the Events and News section of UNDInfo on the Web, <http://www.und.edu/dept/our/uletter.htm>

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FlexComp Open Enrollment Deadlines Are Approaching

The open enrollment period for the FlexComp program for the Plan Year of Jan. 1, 1999, through Dec. 31, 1999, is quickly coming to an end. Enrollment Agreements should be in the Payroll Office by Dec. 14 to allow for adequate processing time. **No enrollment agreements will be accepted after Dec. 31.** All benefitted employees have the opportunity to enroll or re-enroll in this fringe benefit opportunity. This program helps employees pay for medical and dependent care expenses with pre-tax dollars instead of after-tax dollars. If you have questions or need additional information, call Heidi Vogel, Payroll Office FlexComp Clerk at 777-4423. -- *Heidi Vogel, Payroll Office.*

Interactive Video Conference Monday Will Address Education's Y2K Challenges

A live, interactive teleconference on "Meeting the Year 2000 Computer Challenge: Schools, Colleges and the Millennium Bug" may be viewed **Monday, Dec. 7**, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl. It is presented by the U.S. Department of Education and is open to anyone, so feel free to invite others in your department or unit. You will be able to share in the discussion by calling or faxing questions to participants.

Topics covered will include steps for schools and colleges to take to address the Y2K challenge and develop an action plan, lessons learned from school and college officials already working on their systems, resources available to overcome the millennium bug, the U.S. Department of Education's Y2K progress with its own systems that affect schools and colleges, and upcoming opportunities to conduct tests with ED systems. -- *Desi Sporbert (Personnel Services), Member, UND Y2K Committee.*

Staff Senate Announces Meeting Dates

The University Staff Senate meets from 1 to 2 p.m. on the second Wednesday of every month. The date and location of the meetings follows: **Dec. 9**, Fred Orth lecture Bowl; **Jan. 13**, River Valley Room; **Feb. 10**, River Valley Room; **March 10**, River Valley Room; **April 14**, River Valley Room; and **May 12**, River Valley Room. -- *Joy Johnson (Affirmative Action), for UND Staff Senate.*

Presidential Search Committee Agenda Set

Following is the agenda for the UND Presidential Search Committee meeting of **Tuesday, Dec. 8**, at 3 p.m. in room 211, Rural Technology Center.

1. Approve of minutes of Nov. 17 meeting
2. Review of qualification rating form submitted by the subcommittee (the rating form will be faxed to members)
3. Matters arising

Other information:

- Feb. 2 - meet to narrow list to top 12 candidates
- Feb. 3 - meet to discuss top 12 candidates
- Feb. 4-10 - reference checks
- Feb. 10 - meet to select six candidates for campus visits.

-- *Harvey Knull, Chair, Presidential Search Committee.*

John A. Swenson To Be Honored By Student Health Renaming Tuesday

The Student Health Services will be renamed John A. Swenson, M.D. Student Health Services **Tuesday, Dec. 8**, in a ceremony at 11 a.m. The renaming and unveiling ceremony will take place in the lobby of Student Health Services in McCannel Hall and a reception will follow in the McCannel Hall lobby.

The resolution to rename Student Health Services was written by Residence Hall Senator Stephanie J. Larson to recognize Swenson's dedication and compassion for students, staff, and faculty and for the integral part he played in improving and maintaining high quality health care. The resolution was approved by the UND Student Senate Oct. 14, and a request to approve that action was approved by the North Dakota State Board of Higher Education in November.

Swenson came to UND in September 1970 as director of Student Health Services and associate professor of medicine. He continued those duties until June of 1988 when he voluntarily resigned as Student Health Services Director. He continues to work part-time at Student Health Services. Swenson has been instrumental in developing UND Student Health Services from a one-nurse infirmary to a full-service clinic, including laboratory, X-ray, and pharmacy. He also added a physician's assistant and nurse practitioner to meet the unique health concerns of women. He is known for his concern for the student patients he treats. He still calls the students he saw the day before to see how they are feeling.

Swenson was born in Jamestown, N.D., and was graduated from Jamestown High School in 1946. In 1950 he received the B.S. in Chemistry from Jamestown College. He earned a B.S. in medicine from UND in 1952 and his M.D. from the University of Nebraska, College of Medicine (Omaha), in 1954. He attended the University of Minnesota Graduate School, 1965-66. Before employment at UND, Swenson was an intern at St. Luke's Hospital in Fargo, N.D., a staff physician at the Jamestown Clinic, Ltd., and campus physician for Jamestown College. -- *Lillian Elsinga, Associate, Associate Vice President, Student and Outreach Services.*

President Baker To Pledge UND Support Of Guard, Reserve Personnel

President Kendall Baker will sign a statement of support for members of the Army National Guard, Air National Guard, Army Reserve, and Naval Reserve during ceremonies at 10 a.m. **Tuesday, Dec. 8**, in 305 Twamley Hall. The signing is part of a national campaign by the National Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve. Adjut. Gen. Keith Bjerke, North Dakota National Guard, will be at the signing. By signing the statement Baker will pledge that UND will not limit or reduce job or career opportunities because a person is in the Guard or Reserve. Consistent with existing laws, UND employees will be granted leaves of absence for military training in the Guard or Reserve.

"Whenever an organization as prominent as UND goes out of their way to sign a support statement is just great for the Guard and Reserve," said George Schubert, state chair for Employers Support of the Guard and Reserve. "The world has changed and the people of the Guard and Reserve have to be able to go on a moment's notice. They play an important role in the defense of our country, along with non-military functions." -- *George W. Schubert, Emeritus Professor, Communications Disorders, and Dean Emeritus, University College.*

UND Invited To Provide 'Enrichment Experiences' During South Middle School Move

Grand Forks students attending South Middle School will move from Red River High School to their new building in January 1999.

Teachers, staff, and administrators plan to spend **Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 4-5**, setting up classrooms, labs, and other facilities.

Principal Nancy Dutot hopes to provide enrichment experience for South Middle School students while teachers organize their classrooms.

Enrichment experiences may range from 30 minutes to two and one-half hours in length. They may include performances (e.g., story telling), presentations (e.g., what's up in space?), and hands-on activities (e.g., writer's workshops). Approximately 100 students will attend the two and one-half hour block of enrichment activities. Scheduled time blocks are from 9 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 3:30 p.m. on both Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 4-5.

UND faculty, staff, or students interested in providing an enrichment activity during one or more of the scheduled time blocks should contact Marj Bock, 777-2863, or mbock@sage.und.nodak.edu for additional information. Your help is greatly appreciated. -- *Marjorie Bock, Teaching and Learning.*

Employee Tuition-Free Course Enrollment Procedures Outlined

Employees who want to exercise their tuition-free enrollment in a second semester course should do so by **Dec. 31** (a \$4.17 per credit hour technology fee is applicable for courses taken for credit). An employee may take up to three academic courses each calendar year, for which release time is granted with approval of the employee's supervisor. Audit enrollment requires permission of the instructor.

These are the enrollment procedures under the employee tuition-free enrollment program:

1. Obtain admissions materials and Tuition Waiver Form at the Office of Admissions, 205 Twamley Hall, phone 777-3821) or at the Graduate School (414 Twamley, phone 777-2784).
2. Choose the course you want to take (note that prerequisites or other factors may affect registration).
3. Complete the forms, have your supervisor sign the Waiver Form, and return them to the proper office (Admissions or Graduate School).
4. Register according to the instructions in the *Time Schedule of Classes*. -- *Donna Bruce, Admissions Office.*

Rescheduled Meeting Describes Participation For UND's Regional Earth Science Applications Center

Interested faculty and students are invited to a meeting at 4 p.m. **Wednesday, Dec. 9**, in 111 Odegard Hall, which is a rescheduled meeting because the original one was canceled because of a blizzard. The meeting will describe opportunities for participation in a newly funded Regional Earth Science Applications Center (RESAC). The opportunities are broad and may appeal to life, physical, and geoscientists, to social scientists and economists, and to technical experts in computing and engineering.

UND is the prime contractor on a three-year, \$1.8 million grant to establish a RESAC. Befitting the need to serve the entire Northern Great Plains region (N.D., S.D., Mont., Wyo., and Idaho), the grant is shared among a consortium of seven other universities in five states. This particular grant comes atop two other multi-year, million-dollar category grants. The consortium, known as the Upper Midwest

Aerospace Consortium (UMAC), therefore has the opportunity to be a major regional center for distribution of environmental information; create a new style of education; nest itself within a national federation of Earth Science Information Partners; lead the region's representation in the U.S. Global Change Research Program; and build a state-of-the-art remote sensing/image processing/GIS laboratory.

UMAC's success is attributable to the consortium's innovations. So well received have these been that they point to a different future for higher education. Those who wish to help create that future are especially welcome to attend the Nov. 18 meeting. Among the successful attributes we seek to build upon are: consideration of Earth's environment as a single system; collaborations to build critical mass and to broaden the range of expertise; establishment of Learning Communities, in which all can be teachers and students; end-to-end partnerships, converting data to information, then to knowledge applicable to real-world problems, and eventually to wisdom; undertakings driven by public pull, that is, focused on providing benefits to society.

In short, we are building teams who can identify quality-of-life and economic problems, apply scientific data relevant to their solution, encourage policies that lead to adoption of the solutions, and, finally, help implement or engineer the policies.

Anybody who has an interest in learning about the environment, teaching/communicating about it, teaching those who will teach about it, or doing something about it would be a useful participant at this meeting. -- *George Seielstad, Associate Dean, John D. Odegard School of Aerospace Sciences.*

Library South Entrance To Be Closed By Construction

Plant Services will begin work on the fourth floor mechanical room at the Chester Fritz Library AFTER final exams. The equipment in this room was damaged during Blizzard Hannah in April 1997. In order to replace the equipment, the roof of the mechanical equipment room will need to be removed. To undertake this work, the South, or Quad, Entrance will be periodically closed. Faculty, staff, and patrons will be asked to use the North or University Avenue Entrance during the construction period. The Chester Fritz Library will be open while repairs are being made. Every effort will be made to keep construction disruptions to a minimum. -- *Frank D'Andraia, Chester Fritz Library.*

Promotion, Tenure Packages Available For Reviewing

The President's Advisory Council on Women (PAC-W) maintains several excellent examples of promotion and tenure packages. These packages can be reviewed in the Office of Instructional Development. They cannot be photocopied. For additional information, contact me. -- *Jan Zahrl, Management, 777-4697.*

Campus Passport Office Moving To Memorial Union

Effective **Dec. 16**, the Campus Passport Office will move from Gamble Hall to the Memorial Union lower level. At this office, students, faculty, and staff may obtain their Campus Passport I.D. card, deposit funds into their Passport debit accounts, and obtain Passport debit account contracts. For more information, call the Passport office at 777-2071 or visit the website at <http://www.operations.und.nodak.edu/Op/passport/>. -- *Jane Lunseth, Finance and Operations Division.*

Traffic Office Relocating To Memorial Union

Effective **Dec. 16**, the Traffic Office will move from the Auxiliary Services Building to the Memorial Student Union lower level. At this office, students, faculty and staff may obtain campus parking permits, obtain visitor passes, and pay parking tickets. Temporary parking permits are available for \$1 per week. For more information, call 777-3551. — *Jane Lunseth, Finance and Operations Division.*

Student Evaluation Forms Available

All colleges have received UND Student Evaluation Forms for evaluating Fall 1998 courses, and departments have been notified that they can ask for copies at their respective deans' offices. Departments have received directions on how faculty are to administer the forms and how students are to complete them. Faculty are reminded to inform students to fill in the numbers for the course call number. If you are unsure of the call number, check with your department. Completed forms should be sent to Computer Operations, Box 9041, by the end of the semester. If you have questions about any procedures related to the evaluation forms, contact the Office of Institutional Analysis at 777-4358. -- *Dean Schieve, Office of Institutional Analysis.*

Library Announces Schedule For Finals, Holidays

Following is the operating schedule for the Chester Fritz Library for final examinations period and the holidays.

FINAL EXAMS: Dec. 11 (Reading and Review Day), 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Dec. 12, 1-5 p.m.; Dec. 13, 1 p.m.-midnight; Dec. 14-17, 8 a.m.-midnight; Dec. 18, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

HOLIDAYS: Dec. 19-20, closed; Dec. 21-23, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Dec. 24, 8 a.m.-noon; Dec. 25-27, closed; Dec. 28-31, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Jan. 1-3, closed; Jan. 4, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Jan. 5, resume regular hours. -- *Karen Cloud, Chester Fritz Library.*

University Letter Holiday Schedule Set

University Letter will not be published the final two weeks of December. The last issue before that will be the one dated Dec. 18, for which the deadline for submitting items is 1 p.m. Dec. 15. The next *University Letter* to be published after that will be the one dated Jan. 8, for which the deadline for submitting items is 1 p.m. Jan. 5. -- *Jim Penwarden, Office of University Relations.*

Suggestions Invited For Campus Map Updates

The UND campus map will undergo its occasional routine reprinting in the next two weeks or so. You are invited to submit changes in office and department locations, name changes, etc., for consideration for inclusion in the updated map to Jim Penwarden, Office of University Relations, Box 7144, phone 777-4311. Changes should be received no later than Dec. 14. -- *Jim Penwarden, Office of University Relations.*

Staff Senate Seeks Logo Ideas

The UND Staff Senate is conducting a logo design contest. All UND staff are invited to participate. The Senate wants a logo for its home page, publications, and promotions. Prizes will be awarded. Please watch for a flyer in your intracampus mail that includes the Staff

Senate Fact Sheet and the logo application form. All staff senators are also eligible to submit an entry but they will not be allowed to judge or vote if their entry is active. Deadline for the contest is Jan. 31. — *Kathy Spencer, Staff Senate Public Relations Chair.*

Research Participants Sought

Participants are needed for research projects dealing with language and memory. You must be over 55 years of age to participate. All projects take less than one hour, are conducted on campus, and participants will receive \$10 for their time and effort. If interested, please call me. -- *F. Richard Ferraro, Psychology, 777-2414.*

Instructional And Learning Technologies Faculty Workshop Sessions Announced

The Center for Instructional and Learning Technologies still has some seats available for its faculty workshop sessions:

Monday, Dec. 7, 9 to 10:30 a.m., Scanning Images; 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Slide Scanning; 4 to 5 p.m., Digital Camera Orientation; and 4 to 5 p.m., Orientation to Smart Classrooms.

Tuesday, Dec. 8, 9 a.m. to noon, Intermediate Features of Photoshop; 9 a.m. to noon, Preparing Power Point Lectures for the Web.

Wednesday, Dec. 16, 1 to 3 p.m., The Multimedia Development Process.

Thursday, Dec. 17, 9 to 10:30 a.m., Scanning Images; 1 to 2:30 p.m., WI: Supplemental Course materials on the WWW.

You may register online at <http://www.cilt.und.nodak.edu/services/index.html> or by calling 777-4150. -- *Lynn Weiner, Administrative Assistant, Center for Instructional and Learning Technologies.*

New Media Technologies Across The Curriculum Is Subject For This Week's Focus On Faculty

The Focus On Teaching Session this week will be **Friday, Dec. 4**, from noon to 1:30 p.m. in Room 210, Clifford Hall Auditorium, and is an interactive video conference titled, "New Media Technologies Across the Curriculum." The conference is an opportunity to explore how using new tool and creative techniques invigorate familiar material and transform the learning process. -- *Kathy Smart, Director, Center for Instructional and Learning Technologies.*

Church Of Scientology, Airline Escort Fee For Children Are Studio One Topics

Scientology parishioners Don and Cathy Brown will explain the principles of the Church of Scientology and discuss the opposition that surrounds their practice on the **Thursday, Dec. 3**, edition of "Studio One" live at 5 p.m. on Channel 3 in Grand Forks.

The word scientology means "the study of knowledge." The religion was founded in 1951 by science fiction author L. Ron Hubbard. The practice of Scientology strives to increase an individual's awareness of themselves and the knowledge they possess. The church's goal is a civilization without insanity, criminals and war.

Airline fees for unescorted children will increase this holiday season. Continental, Northwest and Delta Airlines have increased their ticket prices for children traveling alone. This new fee increase could raise the cost of a ticket up to \$120. "Studio One" reporter Derek Walters will explore the financial strain of the added escort fee during the holiday season.

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Studio One Lists Events, continued

"Studio One" is an award-winning news and information program produced at the University of North Dakota Television Center. The program airs live on Channel 3 on Thursdays. Rebroadcasts can be seen Thursdays and Fridays at 7 p.m., Saturdays at 10 a.m. and noon, as well as Monday through Wednesday at 7 p.m. "Studio One" also airs in Fargo, Bismarck/Mandan, Minot, and Minneapolis. --

Stephanie Larson and Angela Welman, UND Studio One Marketing Team.

Chemistry Seminar Is On Airplane Coatings

Mark Soucek of the Department of Polymers and Coatings at North Dakota State University, will present a seminar titled "UniCoat Airplane Coatings System: Corrosion Resistant Ceramer Coatings" at noon **Friday, Dec. 4**, in 138 Abbott Hall. Soucek received the B.S. degree from Eastern Illinois University, the M.S. degree from Illinois State University, and the Ph.D. degree from the University of Texas at Austin. His research interests include waterborne epoxies, core-shell latex, UV-curable, polyurethane, alkyds, and inorganic/organic hybrid coatings. Everyone is welcome to this seminar. -- *Chemistry Department.*

James Dean, N.D. Theme Included In Varied Wind Ensemble, Band Concert

A concert of varied material will be presented by the UND Wind Ensemble and University Band Sunday, Dec. 6, at 2 p.m. at the Empire Arts Center in downtown Grand Forks. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$2 for UND students. Junior and senior high students will be admitted on their student ID card.

The program will include a poignant dedication to the actor James Dean, Gustav Holst's "First Suite in E-flat" (one of the century's first great works for band), the world premieres of Michael Wittgraf's "Fanfare on a North Dakota Theme," and James Fry's "Impulse" (both are UND faculty), and David Gillingham's inspired "Concertino for Four Percussion and Wind Ensemble," which features student soloists Jason Kihle, Mark Leonard, Steve Lesmeister, and Kecia Peters.

Join us for over 100 years of band tradition at UND. Future concerts will feature the new Pride of the North athletic band and a finale concert dedicated to all who served in the armed forces. -- *Gordon Bock, Director of Bands.*

'Mud And Roses: Aftermath Of 1997 Flood' Opens This Weekend

The public is invited to the grand opening of the second part of the North Dakota Museum of Art's flood exhibition. Following part one, the summer exhibition, "Under the Whelming Tide," part two includes major work commissioned by the Museum. Included is "Floodsongs," an original multi-channel video projection by well-known New York video artist Mary Lucier. Lucier, along with Lois Johnson of Philadelphia, Modern Man of Fargo and Ann Braaten also of Fargo, will be present at the Grand Opening **Saturday, Dec. 5**, from 6 to 8 p.m., and again Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m. for the family opening, complete with cookies and an art scavenger hunt.

Five other original works of art commissioned by the Museum will be displayed as part of the total exhibition, called "Mud and Roses: The Aftermath of the 1997 Flood of the Red River of the North."

These pieces, whose purpose is to place the community's flood experience in a larger context, are "Ebb Tide" by Barton Lidice Benes; "Ravaged by the Flood" by Fargo artist Ann Braaten, "WATERMARKS . . . TIME LINE" by Lois Johnson, "Hx Oooh no" by Modern Man of Fargo, and "Memories of the Flood" by Mitzuo Toyazaki.

The works were commissioned by Museum director Laurel Reuter, with support from the John S. And James L. Knight Foundation, the Henry Luce Foundation and Charlene and Shelly Schjeldahl. -- *Marsy Schroeder, North Dakota Museum of Art.*

Anatomy Plans Seminar

The Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology will hold a seminar at noon **Monday, Dec. 7**, in B710, Frank Low Conference Room, School of Medicine and Health Sciences. John Schabb (Biochemistry and Molecular Biology) will present "Cyclic AMP Dependent Protein Kinase - How to Get Specificity of Action Out of a Multifunctional Enzyme." -- *Bryon Grove, Anatomy and Cell Biology Fall Seminar Series Coordinator.*

International Centre Lists Events

The International Centre, 2908 University Ave., will hold a graduation celebration at 7 p.m. **Thursday, Dec. 10**. This is an opportunity to celebrate with graduating students, and say farewell to friends. All are welcome to attend. -- *Chaminda Prelis, Programs Coordinator, International Centre.*

Holiday Art, Craft Fair Is Friday, "Gingerbread" Workshop Scheduled

The 20th Annual Holiday Art and Craft Fair will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. **Friday, Dec. 4**, in the Memorial Union Ballroom. Admission is free and door prizes will be given. Exhibitors from the UND community and the surrounding area will have handcrafted items for sale. Choose from photography, ceramics, jewelry, woodworking, fabric items, holiday decorations, florals and more. The event is sponsored by the University Craft Center and the Memorial Union.

The annual "Gingerbread" workshops are scheduled from 1 to 2:30 p.m. or 3 to 4:30 p.m. **Sunday, Dec. 6**, at the Craft Center. These "Gingerbread" houses are constructed from graham crackers using a milk carton base and are a great activity for adults and children to do together. Kits provided contain all materials needed. Registration deadline is Friday, Dec. 4. Registration forms may be obtained by calling 777-3979 or at the Craft Center, Memorial Union third floor. -- *Bonnie Solberg, Craft Center Coordinator.*

Book Sale Friday Supports Speech, Debate

A book sale is scheduled this **Friday, Dec. 4**, to raise funds to send students to speech and debate competitions next spring. The Adelphi Society (speech and debate) is the sponsor.

All categories of books are offered in the sale, which will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Sioux Room of the Memorial Union. -- *Joanne Gabrynowicz, Adelphi Society Advisor.*

Graduate Committee To Meet Dec. 7

The Graduate Committee will meet **Monday, Dec. 7**, at 3:05 p.m. in 305 Twamley Hall. The agenda will include:

1. Consideration of a request by the School of Communication to:
 - a. Change the title of *Comm 545* to *Advocacy and Communication*, and change the course description.
 - b. Change the title of *Comm 520* to *Criticism and Communication*, and change the course description.
 - c. Change the title of *Comm 525* to *Interpersonal Relations and Communication*, and change the course description.
 - d. Add a new course, *Comm 504, Semiotics and Visual Communication*.
 - e. Add a new course, *Comm 507, Communication, Technology, and Culture*.
 - f. Add a new course, *Comm 512, Law and Ethics in Communication*.
 - g. Add a new course, *Comm 521, Perspectives on Media Writing*.
 - h. Add a new course, *Comm 530, Gender, Culture, and Communication*.
 - i. Add a new course, *Comm 550, International and Global Communication*.
 - j. Add a new course, *Comm 555, Film/Video as Communication*.
2. Consideration of the suspension of the Business and Vocational Education program.
3. Consideration of a request by the History department to change the program requirements for the Doctor of Arts degree.
4. Matters arising.

-- Harvey Knoll, Dean, Graduate School

Winter Survival Kits Available For Travel

With the early arrival of winter to the area, the hazards of winter driving must be taken seriously. Winter Survival Kits are available when State Fleet vehicles are checked out at the Transportation Department. Drivers who will be traveling long distances, or out of town, are encouraged to check out a kit. The kits include: emergency heaters, matches, high-energy food, flashlights w/batteries, emergency blanket, rope, and a bright colored cloth (for signaling help). In addition to these kits, drivers are encouraged to check weather reports before departing, bring along boots, a hat and gloves, warm clothing and a cellular phone. -- Jason Uhler, *Safety and Environmental Health*.

Museum Flood Book Targeted For Holiday Sales

Under the Whelming Tide: The 1997 Flood of the Red River of the North has been selected by the Fargo Barnes & Noble bookstore as their entry in a national contest for holiday sales. Sponsored by the corporate office of Barnes & Noble, all 500-plus stores in the country are invited to select one book as their holiday choice each period. The book is available in the Museum Shop for \$29.95 for buyers who pick it up in the Museum. Otherwise, it sells for \$38 at retail outlets. -- Marsy Schroeder, *North Dakota Museum of Art*.

Sick Leave Sought For Mildred Wagendorf

Employees who wish to donate sick leave for Mildred Wagendorf, Wilkerson Dining Center, who has cancer, may obtain a Donation of Hours slip from Payroll. Employees can either donate up to 5 percent of their accrued sick leave or annual leave as long as they retain 40 hours. The signed slips must be returned to Payroll. -- Lola Conley, *Account Technician, Dining Services*.

Christmas Tree Safety Regulations Cited

You can prevent most holiday fires by careful selection and safe handling of the Christmas tree. Following are some basic safety tips for maintaining a safe tree. Artificial trees are acceptable for decorating purposes. Live trees must have prior approval from the UND Safety Office and must be treated to comply with fire codes. They need to have a tag attached to say they have been treated with a fire retardant. If you plan to have a real tree, contact the Safety Office at 777-3341 for instructions before purchasing it. Select a location that is away from heat and drying sources, such as registers or radiators. Do not place the tree so that it blocks a doorway, corridor or exit. After the holidays, the sooner you get rid of your Christmas tree and decorations the better. The longer it stays up the more of a fire hazard it becomes.

Inspect lights and other electrical decorations before you use them. For tree decorating purposes, only a reasonable number of miniature lights shall be used. Look for frayed or bare wires, cracked sockets, loose connections, and damaged insulation. When you leave the office for home, be sure to unplug all of your decorative lighting. -- Jason Uhler, *Safety Office (per Max Allard, Grand Forks Fire Marshal)*.

Dec. 11 Is Green And White Day

Friday, Dec. 11, has been designated by President Baker as a Green and White Day. Members of the University community are invited to wear green and white in honor of hockey, UND vs. University of Wisconsin; women's basketball, UND vs. Minnesota-Morris and Jamestown College; and men's basketball, UND vs. Minnesota-Morris. -- Jim Penwarden, *University Relations*.

Dakota Science Center Hiring For Four New Positions With \$330,000 Grant

The Dakota Science Center is hiring for four new positions, thanks to a new grant from the Bush Foundation. The Dakota Science Center has been notified that it will receive \$330,000 over two years from the Bush Foundation. The Dakota Science Center will receive \$75,000 for renovations to the historic First Presbyterian Church building, which the Center purchased last fall, and \$255,000 "for operating support for a science museum and education center."

The four new positions that have been approved include an assistant director, membership and public relations director, development director, and a secretary/bookkeeper. The Center has begun advertising for two of the positions and hopes to have three of the four filled by mid-winter, and the fourth by June 1. The Bush Foundation is a regional grant making foundation with a history of supporting projects in arts and humanities, education, health, human services, and in leadership development. -- Mary Beth Kelly Lowe and Vera Uyehara, *Dakota Science Center*.

Grants and Fellowships

Request For Applications: NIH IDeA Seed Grants

Deadline: 15 January 1999

Description. A major goal of the North Dakota NIH IDeA award is to encourage the submission of grant proposals to the National Institutes of Health. To that end, ND EPSCoR invites applications from faculty at UND and NDSU campuses for the purpose of supporting research that will lead to a successful grant application to the National Institutes of Health. These grants are similar to the seed grants offered through various programs at NDSU, UND, and NRI or through ND EPSCoR. However, we require recipients to submit a grant proposal to NIH by the February 1, 2000 (R01) deadline (note: proposal deadlines differ slightly for R15, etc.). Two categories of proposals are solicited: Intra-institutional and inter-institutional. Intra-institutional proposals may be submitted by individual PI's at either UND or NDSU; inter-institutional proposals must propose a collaborative effort involving Co-PI's from both UND and NDSU campuses. The total funding available for this seed grant program is approximately \$60,000. The funding limit for inter-institutional proposals is \$15,000; a maximum of two such awards will be made. The funding limit for intra-institutional proposals is \$5,000; as few as six such awards will be made. Funds can be requested for any purpose (e.g., student support; summer salary for proposal writing; supplies; equipment; preliminary data collection) relevant to the production of an NIH research proposal.

Review Process. We want to move quickly on proposals, hence all reviews will be done locally. We plan to gather comments and make funding decisions within 2-3 weeks of proposal submission. Review criteria are indicated in the application instructions, below.

Eligibility. Eligibility criteria are similar to those used for EPSCoR awards, except that all proposals must be from tenure track faculty and must be in research areas relevant to the National Institutes of Health. Applicants with current NIH grant support may use seed grants to support activities leading to the submission of competitive renewals or to proposals in a different research area.

Budgets. Your entire budget must be spent by 7/15/99.

Matching. No match is required.

Application Format for NIH IDeA Seed Grants. Please provide five copies of the following:

1. An Abstract and Specific Aims section of an R01 (or other NIH-type) proposal in NIH format. These sections should preview your subsequent proposal to NIH.
2. The name(s) of the institute(s) within NIH that fund(s) this type of research.
3. A detailed budget for your seed grant using an NIH budget page.
4. Your research plan for the seed grant (no more than 3 pages). Detail your proposed activities (e.g., data collection, data analysis, pilot experiments, writing time, consulting visits, etc). This must be in sufficient detail for reviewers to gauge feasibility. Inter-institutional proposals must specifically address the necessity (and/or desirability) of inter-institutional collaboration.
5. A signed statement that the PI(s) will submit a proposal to NIH by 2/1/00.
6. A current copy of the PI's Vita(s) in NIH format (2 pages).

Applications should be submitted to the ND EPSCoR office (Rm 258 Dunbar Hall, NDSU campus; Rm 415 Twamley, UND campus) by the deadline (15 January 1999).

-- Sally Eckert-Tilotta, Assistant to the Director of Research and Program Development.

Research, Grant Opportunities Listed

Following are research and grant opportunities. For more information, contact the Office of Research and Program Development at 777-4278.

AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR ENGINEERING EDUCATION (ASEE)

The U.S. Navy Summer Faculty Research Program provides \$1,250-\$1,750/week for 10 weeks to enable engineering and science faculty members to pursue research at U.S. Navy laboratories during the summer break. Applicants must be U.S. citizens who hold a teaching or research position at a U.S. college or university and are eligible for a Defense Department Security Clearance of Secret. To qualify for an appointment as a Senior Fellow, the applicant must have at least 6 years of research experience in his/her field of expertise since earning the Ph.D. or equivalent, and must present a significant record of research accomplishments and publications, particularly in refereed journals and books. A limited number of appointments as Distinguished Fellows are available for faculty members who are preeminent in their field, e.g. hold a senior appointment at a leading research university and are internationally recognized for their research achievements. The program is designed to engage university faculty members in research programs of the Navy laboratories, develop the basis for continuing research of interest to the Navy at the faculty member's institution, establish continuing relations among faculty members and their professional peers in the Navy, and enhance research interests and capabilities of science and engineering faculty members. Areas of interest include, but are not limited to: space science, plasma physics, acoustics, radar, fluid dynamics, chemistry, material science, optical sciences, radiation sciences, electronics, information technology, underwater acoustics, oceanography, marine geoscience, marine meteorology, numerical analysis, communications systems, signal processing, hydrodynamics, underwater propulsion, ocean sciences/technology, computer systems, mechanical systems, aircraft design and performance, life support and human factors engineering, electro-optics, computer software, ship construction and propulsion, electromagnetics, signal detection and propagation, biotechnology, solid state physics and engineering, energetics, applied mathematics, superconductivity, image processing, civil engineering, computer modeling, geotechnology, environmental compliance, construction technology, manpower systems, instructional technology, organizational systems, neurosciences, equal opportunity, psychology, sociology, demography, business (leadership and human resources), computer technology for training, epidemiology, neurological assessment and cognitive performance, aerospace medicine, environmental medicine, biochemistry, microbiology, physiology, immunology, parasitology, auditory science, vision, and biomedical sciences. **Deadline:** 1/15/99. **Contact:** Shannon Johnson, 202/331-3525; fax 202/265-8504; projects@asee.org; <http://www.asee.org>.

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

Short-Term Visiting Fellowships provide up to \$2,000 to promote scholarly use of the Library's research collections by helping defray expenses in traveling to/from and residing in Princeton, NJ for one

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month. The department of Rare Books and Special Collections in the Harvey S. Firestone Library has substantial holdings pertaining to the western world and the Middle East from antiquity to the present. The Rare Book Division is especially strong in classical Latin texts, American history and literature, English history and literature, and French, German, and Latin American literature. The Manuscript Division holds Medieval and Renaissance manuscripts and codices, and American and English literary and historical manuscripts. The Visual Materials Division services the Graphic Arts, Historic Maps, Theatre and Numismatic Collections. The Seeley G. Mudd Manuscript Library holds the public policy papers and the university archives. The Marquand Library of Art and Archaeology and the Gest Oriental Library and East Asian Collections are also located on the University campus. **Deadline:** 1/15/99. **Contact:** 609/258-3166; delaney@princeton.edu; <http://www.princeton.edu/~rbsc/fellows.html>.

OAK RIDGE INSTITUTE FOR SCIENCE AND EDUCATION (ORISE)

Alexander Hollaender Distinguished Postdoctoral Fellowships are provided for research at Department of Energy (DOE) laboratories in energy-related life, biomedical, and environmental sciences. Appropriate disciplines and research training include, but are not limited to, biomedical sciences, environmental sciences, life sciences, related scientific disciplines including global change, and human and microbial genome. Appointments are tenable at the following laboratories: Ames, Argonne, Brookhaven, Ernest Orlando Lawrence Berkeley, Idaho National Engineering and Environmental, Lawrence Livermore, Los Alamos, Lovelace Respiratory Research Center, Oak Ridge, Pacific Northwest, and Sandia. Eligible applicants must have received a doctoral degree within the last 2 years. Awards are for one year, renewable, and provide \$37,500 the first year. **Deadline:** 1/15/99. **Contact:** Linda Holmes, 423/576-3192; fax 423/576-3643; holmesl@orau.gov; <http://www.orau.gov/orise.htm>.

The Postgraduate Environmental Management Research Participation Program supports individuals who have completed an associate's, bachelor's or graduate degree within the last 3 years, for research in environmental programs at the U.S. Army Environmental Center and other approved locations. Duration is one year, renewable for a second year, with stipend based on research area and degree. Research involves restoration, compliance, conservation, pollution prevention, validation, demonstration, transfer, quality assurance and quality control, training, information management and reporting, and related resource management and planning. Studies may be in the physical sciences, environmental sciences, life sciences, health sciences, engineering, or related scientific disciplines. **Deadline:** None. **Contact:** 423/241-2875; fax 423/576-3643; <http://www.orau.gov/orise.htm>; or Joanne Rasnake, 410/436-7257; joanne_rasnake@chppm-ccmail.apgea.army.mil.

The Postgraduate Research Program at the National Center for Toxicological Research (NCTR) provides support for recent postgraduates to initiate and conduct independent or collaborative research that complements U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) projects at NCTR. Awards are for one year, renewable. Stipends are based on research area and degree. Opportunities are available for research in biological effects of potentially toxic chemicals and deriving solutions to toxicology problems that have a major impact on human health and the environment. Appropriate disciplines for

research activities include toxicology, pharmacology, chemistry, biological sciences, mathematics, computer science, medicine, and other related scientific disciplines. Eligible applicants must have completed a graduate degree in an appropriate discipline within the last 3 years of the desired starting date; others are considered on a case-by-case basis. **Deadline:** None. **Contact:** Linda McCamant, 423/576-1089; mccamanl@orau.gov; <http://www.orau.gov/orise.htm>.

The Postgraduate Research Participation Program at St. Louis U.S. Army Corps of Engineering provides support to postgraduates for research in applied anthropology in a federal setting, including research concerning federal legislation and American archaeology; the history and status of collections curation at national, regional, and Army installation levels; and the developing role of Native Americans, Hawaiians, and Alaskans in federal legislation. Projects may include the physical sciences, environmental sciences, life sciences, engineering, and related scientific disciplines. Eligible applicants are U.S. citizens or permanent residents who received a bachelor's or graduate degree within the past 3 years. Stipends are based on research area and degree. Award duration is one year, renewable for a second. **Deadline:** None. **Contact:** Sharon Kern, 423/576-9361; kerns@orau.gov; <http://www.orau.gov/orise.htm>.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE (AAAS)

Mass Media Science and Engineering Fellows participate for 10 weeks during the summer as reporters, researchers, and production assistants in mass media organizations (radio and television stations, magazines, newspapers) nationwide, communicating complex scientific issues to non-specialists. Eligible applicants are students enrolled in the natural or social sciences or engineering. A weekly stipend and travel expenses are provided. Students in English, journalism, science journalism, or other nontechnical fields are not eligible. **Deadline:** 1/15/99. **Contact:** Anne King, 202/326-6670; fax 202/371-9849; aking@aaas.org; <http://www.aaas.org>.

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

Senior and Postdoctoral Fellowships provide a stipend of \$27,000 plus allowance, for up to 12 months of research at Smithsonian facilities and archives in the following areas: American history; American material and folk culture; the history of music and musical instruments; history of science and technology; history of art, design, crafts, decorative arts; anthropology, archaeology, linguistics, ethnic studies; evolutionary, systematic, behavioral, environmental, and conservation biology; earth, mineral and planetary sciences; materials characterization and conservation. Appropriate members of the Institution's professional staff must be willing to serve as principal advisor or host to the fellow, and space and facilities must be available to accommodate the proposed research. Tenures must begin between 6/1/99-3/1/01. Eligible applicants for Senior Fellowships must have held the Ph.D. degree for more than 7 years. **Deadline:** 1/15/99. **Contact:** 202/287-3271; siofg@sivm.si.edu; <http://www.si.edu/youandsi/studies/ofg/sifell.htm>.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DoD)

The Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program (SERDP) Office is soliciting proposals for research focusing on the areas of Cleanup, Compliance, Conservation and Pollution Prevention technologies. The aim is to competitively fund research and develop-

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ment for innovative and new environmental technologies in the following areas: In-Situ Treatment Technologies for Perchlorate Contaminated Groundwater, Bioavailability and Long-Term Stability Issues Associated with Metals in Soils, Better Understanding of Aerobic and Anaerobic Transformation of cis-Dichloroethene and Vinyl Chloride, Distribution and Environmental Fate of Energetics on DoD Munitions Test and Training Ranges, Fate and Impact of Copper and Zinc in Harbors and Estuaries, Riparian Zone Rehabilitation to Restore Terrestrial and Aquatic Ecosystem Functions, Natural Resource Management Control of Non-Indigenous Invasive Species, SEMP/Ecological Disturbance in the Context of Military Landscapes, and Alternative Technologies to Hard (Wet) Chrome Electroplating. The Program Announcement can be found at <http://www.SERDP.gov/baa-nonfederal/>. No request for proposals, solicitation, or other announcement of this opportunity will be made. To be eligible, readers wishing to respond to this announcement must submit a preproposal white paper. Based upon the preproposal evaluation, a submitter may be contacted for further information and encouraged to submit a full proposal. **Deadlines:** 1/8/99 (white paper); 3/19/99 (full proposal). **Contact:** Cleanup--Ms. Catherine Vogel, P.E., 703/696-2118, vogelc@acq.osd.mil; Compliance, Conservation, and Pollution Prevention--Dr. Robert W. Holst, 703/696-2125, holstrw@acq.osd.mil.

ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATION

Humanity Fellowships—Ecological Conservations: Gender, Science provide support to engage the creativity generated by the convergence of women's and ecological movements around the globe. Of special interest during the first year of conversation are proposals from scholars who are already working on issues of gender and ecology or ecofeminism. Each year's theme will balance questions of theory and practice, encompassing epistemological questions and concrete investigations. Proposals that deal with basic epistemological, theological, philosophy of science and interpretive questions are welcome, as well as those that explore particular problems such as environmental illness, male sexuality, fertility, geographical displacement or the interrelationships between human histories and nonhuman history. Fellowship terms vary from year to year. **Deadline:** 2/1/99. **Contact:** 212/869-8500, <http://www.rockfound.org>; or Sandra Morgen/Irene Diamond, Center for the Study of Women in Society, University of Oregon, 541/346-5015, fax 541/346-5096.

Humanities Fellowships—Center for Study of Race & Ethnicity support scholars conducting research on ethnic identity in an international frame. Eligible applicants include junior, senior and independent scholars of any nationality who are conducting research on the transnational aspects of race and ethnicity anywhere in the world. Projects on the ways in which migration, economic restructuring, transnational media and social movements are altering ethnic and racial identities are especially welcome, as are inquiries into the ways in which cultural practices related to religion, language, sexuality and gender serve to reflect, inflect, reinforce and subvert ethnic and racial categories. Research emphasizes the complex processes that produce social identities, ways in which identities change over time and interactive, relational and mutually constitutive processes by which groups and individuals define themselves and others. **Deadline:** 1/15/99. **Contact:** 212/869-8500, <http://www.rockfound.org>; or Ramon A. Gutierrez, Department of Ethnic Studies, University of California, San Diego, Center for the Study of Race and Ethnicity, 619/534-3276, fax 619/534-8194, rgutierrez@ucsd.edu.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF NURSING RESEARCH (NINR)

The Management of Symptoms at the End of Life program supports research concerning the clinical management of symptoms and syndromes associated with life-limiting illness, such as pain, dyspnea, delirium, cachexia, nausea, fatigue, and depression. The purpose is to stimulate research that will lead to improved quality of life for those at the end of life and decreased distress for their caregivers. The mechanisms of support will be the National Institutes of Health (NIH) research project grants (R01). **Deadline:** 2/1/99, 6/1/99, 10/1/99. **Contacts for Agencies Supporting the Program:** June R. Lunney, Ph.D., RN, Division of Extramural Activities, 301/594-6908, fax 301/480-8260, Lunneyj@nintr.nih.gov, <http://www.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-98-019.html>; Claudette G. Varricchio, National Cancer Institute, 301/496-8541, fax 301/496 8667, varriccc@dcpcenp.nci.nih.gov; Fred Batzold, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, 301/402-0143, fax 301/402-3171, fb10c@nih.gov; Benedetto Vitiello, National Institute of Mental Health, 301/443-7281, fax 301/443-9719, Bvitiell@nih.gov; Richard L. Nahin, Office of Alternative Medicine, 301/496-4792, fax 301/480-3519, Richard_Nahin@nih.gov.

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