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UNIVERSITY LETTER

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA AT GRAND FORKS

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Classes Canceled 1-4 P.M. Oct. 15 For Inauguration

Classes will be canceled from 1 to 4 p.m. **Friday, Oct. 15**, to provide an opportunity for faculty and students to participate in the inauguration of Dr. Charles E. Kupchella, the University's tenth president. Although classes will be canceled for the afternoon, the University will remain open.

The main ceremony will take place at 2 p.m. in the Chester Fritz Auditorium. Official participants representing various constituencies of the University and other invited guests will march to the site from Wilkerson Hall, across the street, in a processional beginning at 1:30 p.m. The inauguration and a reception following it in Wilkerson Hall are open to the public. The inaugural events highlight Homecoming festivities as a welcome to the new president and his wife, Adele. Also among events will be the President's Luncheon at noon Saturday, Oct. 16, in the Memorial Union Ballroom, and the UND Homecoming and Inaugural Party at 8 p.m. Oct. 16 in the Grand Forks Civic Auditorium.

-- Robert Boyd, Vice President Division of Student and Outreach Services, and Earl Strinden, Executive Vice President of the UND Alumni Association and Foundation, Co-Chairs, Inauguration Committee.

Faculty, Staff Invited To Inaugural Banquet

UND faculty and staff are invited to attend the Welcome and Inaugural Banquet **Saturday, Oct. 16**, in honor of the University of North Dakota's 10th president, Dr. Charles E. Kupchella. A full evening of fun is planned, including a musical performance by Dr. Kupchella and special guest from the past who will bring to life the early founding days of the University. Your \$15 banquet ticket includes a prime rib dinner and admission to the Homecoming and Inaugural Party. Enjoy a night of dinner, dancing and great entertainment at the Civic Auditorium, 6 p.m. social, 6:30 p.m. dinner. You won't want to miss this! Reservations for the banquet can be purchased through the UND Alumni Association at 777-2611.

For more information, please contact me. -- April Martin, Special Events Coordinator, Alumni Association, 777-3074.

Did You Know?

Not one of the more than 2,300 seats in the Chester Fritz Auditorium is more than 110 feet from the stage.

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Council Of College Faculties Rep Asks For Responses On Issues

At its regular monthly meeting Oct. 7, University Senate heard a report from Scot Stradley (Economics), one of the University of North Dakota's representatives to the statewide Council of College Faculties (CCF), on issues before the Council and the State Board of Higher Education. The report was a follow-up to the CCF conference in Fargo in mid-September.

Stradley noted that among issues before the CCF this year are the North Dakota Legislative Council's interim committee on higher education, the State Board's policy on intellectual property rights, and other proposed changes in the Board's policy manual.

He said Board proposed policy changes may be found on the Internet at www2.dsu.nodak.edu/users/blaman/ccf-con.htm. Information on the State Board's policy governance, which was also discussed at the CCF conference, may be found at www.carvergovernance.com.

Stradley asked that UND faculty responses to the proposed changes be forwarded to him by mid-November via e-mail at Stradley@prairie.nodak.edu with the notation "CCF Business" in the subject line.

Details on proceedings of the September meeting and other Senate information such as agendas, minutes of other meetings, and announcements, can be accessed under the UND Internet home page, Academics -- Senate <<http://www.und.nodak.edu>>. -- *Jim Penwarden, Office of University Relations.*

Events to Note

Assistant Secretary Of The Navy, Air Pollution, Model Trains To Be Featured On Studio One

Assistant Secretary of the Navy Carolyn Howland Becraft will appear on the **Thursday, Oct. 14**, edition of "Studio One" live at 5 p.m. on Channel 3 in Grand Forks. Becraft earned her bachelor's degree from UND in 1966 and served as a commissioned officer in the U.S. Army, attaining the rank of captain. In 1998 she assumed the position of assistant secretary of the Navy (manpower and reserve affairs). Becraft will discuss her role in the military, with an emphasis on quality of life programs.

The "Studio One" news team will explore the causes of air pollution, a major problem in many cities. Most people assume that smog is caused by automobiles, but many automobiles on the road today are cleaner than those of the past. The story explores how an increase in the number of automobiles, coupled with the problem of industry pollution, create problems that still need to be resolved.

"Studio One" also will look at model train collectors. The Thief River Falls Railroad Club, started in 1991, meets once a year. This is a time when model train enthusiasts can gather and show off their collections. Our feature story takes us into the lives of the people who are fascinated by these tiny machines.

"Studio One" is an award-winning news and information program produced at the University of North Dakota Television Center. The program airs live on UND Channel 3 on Thursdays. 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. Prairie Public Television airs "Studio One" on Saturday at 6 a.m. The program can also be seen in Fargo, Bismarck/Mandan, Minot, and Minneapolis. -- *Marla Johnson, UND Studio One Marketing Team.*

Chester Fritz Library To Hold Book Sale

The Chester Fritz Library will hold its annual book sale **Thursday, Oct. 14**, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. inside the Library's north entrance facing University Avenue. -- *Cynthia Shabb, Chief Bibliographer, Chester Fritz Library.*

Chemistry Department Hosts Annual Alumni Lecturer

UND alumnus Miles Koppang, who received his Ph.D. in analytical chemistry in 1985, will be the 1999 Chemistry Alumni Lecturer during Homecoming events. A Minnesota native, Dr. Koppang graduated from Climax High School. He then attended Mayville State College and received a bachelor's degree with a double major in math and chemistry. After a short postdoctoral period at Kansas State University, he joined the chemistry faculty at the University of South Dakota (Vermillion) in 1986. He currently holds the rank of associate professor and, in June 1995, became the department chair at USD.

There will be a reception in the new walkway between Abbott and McCannel Halls, beginning at 3:30 p.m. **Friday, Oct. 15**, to welcome Dr. Koppang back to campus as well as to honor the recipients of this year's undergraduate and graduate chemistry scholarship awards. The awards will be presented at 4 p.m. in 131 Abbott Hall, followed by Dr. Koppang's seminar.

The awards presentation and Dr. Koppang's seminar, titled "Electroanalysis of Electroinactive Analytes at Diamond Electrodes" are open to the public, and all are welcome to attend. -- *Department of Chemistry.*

Physics Plans Colloquium

B.A. Luther, Concordia College, will give a colloquium titled "Where Have All the Pions Gone?" **Friday, Oct. 15**. The Physics Department holds a different colloquium every Friday. Colloquiums are held at 3:30 p.m. in 209 Witmer Hall. Coffee and cookies are served at 3 p.m. in 215 Witmer Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend. -- *Physics Department.*

Breast Reconstruction Topic Of Talk By Renowned Plastic Surgeon And Alum

"Breast Reconstruction Advances: Scientific Vindication/Validation of the Silicone Gel Implant" is the topic to be presented **Friday, Oct. 15**, at the School of Medicine and Health Sciences by alumnus and renowned plastic surgeon Rod Rohrich of Dallas.

Everyone is welcome to attend the free lecture which begins at noon in the Keller Auditorium of the school's Karl Christian Wold, M.D., Bio-Information learning Resources Center at 501 N. Columbia Road.

Rohrich, who graduated from the UND School of Medicine in 1977, is recognized internationally for his work in plastic and reconstructive surgery. A native of Zeeland, N.D., he heads the department of plastic and reconstructive surgery at the University of Texas, Southwestern Medical Center, in Dallas. The department is one of only three in the country.

He will also present an address, "The Life of a Plastic Surgeon: Importance of North Dakota Roots," as part of the school's Postgraduate Review Course at the Wold Center **Saturday, Oct. 16**, at 10:50 a.m.

Rohrich has received many prestigious awards including "Innovator of Plastic Surgery," from the Plastic Surgery Education Foundation, *(next page)*

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which is given to one person annually. He has been featured on the TV news magazine, "Prime Time Live," for his pioneering work in plastic surgery in the area of liposuction. He was the first to find a method of ridding the body of fat cells through a technique called "ultrasound-assisted liposuction."

After completing the B.S. medical degree at the UND School of Medicine, Rohrich went on to earn the M.D. degree at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston in 1979. He took residency training at the University of Michigan Medical Center and Oxford University in England. He completed a fellowship at Massachusetts General and Harvard Medical School in 1985 and joined the University of Texas in 1986.

Rohrich will accept the Sioux Award, the highest honor bestowed by the UND Alumni Association and Foundation. -- *H. David Wilson, Dean, School of Medicine and Health Sciences.*

Medical School Will Hold Postgrad Review Course

The School of Medicine and Health Sciences Homecoming '99 Postgraduate Review Course will be held **Saturday, Oct. 16**, in Clifford Haugen lecture Hall, School of Medicine and Health Sciences. The objective of this conference is to provide family and primary care physicians, as well as other interested health care providers, with current information on the following topics:

7:30 a.m., Dean's Breakfast and Registration, Vennes Atrium; 8:30 a.m., Welcome and Introductions by H. David Wilson, Dean, School of Medicine and Health Sciences; 8:45 a.m., "Evidence-Based Medicine," presented by William Mann, associate professor and chair of family medicine; 9:20 a.m., "Suicide During Childhood and Adolescence," presented by Abe Fosson, professor pediatrics, Infant-Toddler Evaluation Center, University of Kentucky College of Medicine, Lexington, Ky.; 9:55 a.m., Refreshment Break; 10:15 a.m., "Carotid Endarterectomy," presented by Wayne Swenson, professor of surgery, Bismarck; 10:50 a.m., "The Life of a Plastic Surgeon: Importance of North Dakota Roots," presented by Rod Rohrich, professor and chair, Department of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, Texas; 11:25 a.m., "Therapeutic Management of Parkinson's Disease," presented by Manuchair "Mike" Ebadi, professor and chair of Pharmacology and Toxicology, School of Medicine and Health Sciences.

The School is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to sponsor continuing medical education for physicians. The course is designated for a maximum of four credit hours in Category 1 of the Physician's Recognition Award of the American Medical Association. Each physician should claim only those hours of credit that he/she actually spend in the educational activity. Registration is \$35 (no charge to students) at the Dean's Office, School of Medicine and Health Sciences, 777-2514. -- *H. David Wilson, Dean, School of Medicine and Health Sciences.*

Anatomy And Cell Biology Will Hold Seminar

The Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology fall seminar series continues. Manuchair Ebadi (Pharmacology and Toxicology) will present "Ubiquinone and Mitochondrial Oxidative Disorders of Aging" at noon **Monday, Oct. 18**, in B710, Edwin C. James Medical Research Facility, School of Medicine and Health Sciences. -- *Jon Jackson, Series Coordinator, Anatomy and Cell Biology.*

North Dakota Clothesline Project Will Be Displayed

The Women's Center will host the fifth annual display of the North Dakota Clothesline Project **Monday through Thursday, Oct. 18 to 21**, in the Memorial Union South Ballroom. Display hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. each day. Everyone is welcome.

The Clothesline Project is a visual display of shirts with written messages and illustrations that graphically demonstrate the impact of violence against individuals. Survivors of violence, their families and/or friends design these shirts. The purpose is to educate the public, mourn those who have died as a result of this violence, and bear witness to the courage to survive and heal.

The Clothesline Project honors survivors as well as children who have been affected by intimate violence. A survivor is any person who has experienced personal violence and lived to tell about it. The term victim is reserved for those who did not survive. Any person who has experienced domestic violence or sexual assault, at any time in his or her life, is encouraged to come forward and design a shirt. Victim's families and friends are also invited to participate. If you or someone you know would like to decorate a shirt to be added to the North Dakota Clothesline Project, please call Kay or Jill at the Women's Center, 777-4300, for more information.

Ellen Snortland, author of the book, "Beauty Bites Beast: Awakening the Warrior Within Women and Girls," will speak **Wednesday, Oct. 20**, at 7 p.m. in the Lecture Bowl of the Memorial Union. Her presentation is titled "Awaken Your Inner Warrior." Her book is available through the UND Bookstore, Waldenbooks, and B. Dalton.

The Take Back The Night Rally and March has been scheduled for **Thursday, Oct. 21**, at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge, second floor, Memorial Union.

Sponsors include: UND Women's Center, Community Violence Intervention Center, N.D. Council on Abused Women's Services, and the Memorial Union. For more information about the week's events, please call the Women's Center at 777-4300. -- *Kay Mendick, Interim Coordinator, Women's Center.*

Speaker Will Discuss Role Of Philosophy In Law

On **Tuesday, Oct. 19**, at 7 p.m. in the Baker Courtroom of the School of Law, Father Phillip J. Brown of the St. Wenceslaus Church of Dickinson will present a lecture on the role of philosophy in legal thinking and its relationship to interpretation and ethics. While not advocating a particular philosophical system, he seeks to raise an awareness of the contributions that philosophy and philosophical ways of thinking have to offer the field of law today. He asserts that philosophy cannot be evaded in the legal context because it is not possible not to operate out of a philosophy, whether one does so intentionally or by default. Thus, he recommends a conscious awareness of the inevitability of philosophy in relation to law and that conscious, intentional choices be made regarding the philosophical framework out of which one operates. When all is said and done, Dr. Brown asserts that the relevance and the implications of these issues for legal interpretation and, in particular, for legal ethics should be obvious.

Father Brown is a Roman Catholic priest and doctor of canon law. He is also a civil attorney and member of the State Bar Association of North Dakota admitted to practice in all courts of North Dakota, state and federal, the Eight Circuit Court of appeals and the United States Supreme Court. Dr. Brown practiced civil law in Bismarck for a number of years after completing his J.D. at UND before studying for

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Speaker Will Discuss Role Of Philosophy In Law, continued

the priesthood at the Catholic University of America and Theological College in Washington, D.C. He remains active in SBAND with particular interest in First Amendment law, interpretation, and legal ethics.

All faculty, staff, students, and friends of the University are welcome.
-- *School of Law.*

Counseling Seminar Examines Divorce Education Program

Jacqueline Gray, assistant professor of counseling, will present a Topics Seminar on "Effectiveness of Court-Mandated Divorce Parent Education Program" **Tuesday, Oct. 19**, from 12:30 to 1:45 p.m. in Montgomery Hall, Room 316. All interested persons are invited to attend. -- *Jane Hull and Sue Jacobs, Department of Counseling Psychology.*

Group Will Discuss Getting Students To Take Writing Seriously

The topic for the October meeting of the Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC) discussion group will be "Getting Students to Take Writing Seriously." The group will meet **Wednesday, Oct. 20**, from noon to 1 p.m. For more information or to sign up to attend, please call 777-3600 or respond by e-mail to hawthorn@badlands.nodak.edu.
-- *Joan Hawthorne, WAC/WC Coordinator.*

International Centre Lists Events

The International Centre, 2908 University Ave., will host "Celebrating the Culture of Poland" through food and festivities at 7 p.m. **Thursday, Oct. 21**, at the Centre.

On **Thursday, Oct. 28**, at 7 p.m. the Centre will host "View the Magic of Malaysia," an in-depth look at the culture of Malaysia. All events are free and open to everyone. Please join us. -- *International Centre.*

Free TIAA-CREF Teleconference Offered

TIAA-CREF will hold a free national satellite teleconference, "Financial Strategies for a New Century," for UND employees and spouses **Friday, Oct. 22**, from noon to 1:30 p.m. in 210 Clifford Hall.
-- *Maria Saucedo, Payroll.*

Nursing Honor Society Plans Collaborative Conference

Sigma Theta Tau International, the Honor Society of Nursing at UND, Moorhead State University, Concordia College/North Dakota State University Nursing Consortium, and Jamestown College, will hold a Collaborative Nursing Research Conference **Friday, Oct. 22**, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Holiday Inn in Grand Forks.

Nursing researchers from North Dakota are conducting work that contributes to the science of the nursing profession and promotes the health of individuals, families and the community. Their work has brought recognition and honor to North Dakota and nursing in both the national and international research communities. Nursing Honor Society chapters from our local areas, Eta Upsilon and Xi Kappa Chapter At Large, are co-sponsoring their biennial research conference to highlight and share this work.

The conference includes a broad range of research topics and issues. The keynote speaker, Angela McBride, will address the changing climate of nursing and health care in "Sustaining Optimism in Changing Times." Conference topics include complementary therapies, ethical issues in nursing, women's health, family issues, cultural issues in health care, genetics, and nursing practice issues presented by distinguished local and regional nurse researchers. Diane Langemo and her colleagues from the UND College of Nursing, recipients of both the Regional and International Research Dissemination Awards from Sigma Theta Tau International, will present some of their distinguished work on pressure ulcers. Research activities of area nursing students will be featured in poster presentations.

The conference is open to all interested individuals and groups. Pre-registration is available for full day with lunch (\$60 for non-students, \$15 for students) or half day without lunch (\$30 for non-students, \$10 for students). On-site registration is available for \$70 for non-students. For additional information or questions, please call me. -- *Myra Thompson, College of Nursing, 777-4530.*

AAUW Will Hold Used Book Sale

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) will hold a used book sale at the South Forks Plaza **Friday, Oct. 22**, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and **Saturday, Oct. 23**, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. -- *Wanda Weir, Publicity Chair, AAUW, 775-9468.*

Master Chorale Presents Shakespeare Celebration

The Grand Forks Master Chorale will share the stage with three local actors in "A Golden Age: Words and Music from the Time of Shakespeare," at 8 p.m. **Saturday, Oct. 23**, at Holy Family Catholic Church, 1001 17th Ave. S. The program will combine spoken word and song in a tribute to one of the richest artistic periods of the past millennium.

"A Golden Age" is being presented in collaboration with the Fire Hall Theatre. Guest artists Liz Brocker, Darin Kerr and Kevin Moberg will present readings from Shakespeare's plays and sonnets. James Rodde (Music) will direct.

The music ranges from sacred to secular works of the Renaissance and includes three madrigals by Shakespeare's contemporary, Thomas Morley. The Chorale will also sing 20th Century music based on Elizabethan writings. One of these selections, Ralph Vaughan Williams' "Serenade to Music," uses a text from Act V of "The Merchant of Venice," "How sweet the moonlight sleeps upon this bank. Here will we sit and let the sounds of music creep in our ears."

Tickets are \$10 for general admission and \$5 for students, and are available at the door. The event is sponsored by US West. -- *Ruth Marshall, Grand Forks Master chorale.*

Sharon Lambeth Walk/Run For Breast Cancer Awareness Set For Oct. 23

The sixth annual Sharon Lambeth Walk/Run for Breast Cancer, set for **Saturday, Oct. 23**, at University Park, raises funds to provide free mammograms to women in need. The event is sponsored by the local chapter of the American Medical Women's Association (AMWA).

Registration begins at 11 a.m., with the two-mile walk and four-mile run set to begin at noon. The cost, \$15, includes a T-shirt for participants. In case of poor weather, the event will be held in the Engelstad Arena on campus.

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Prizes will be awarded to the first-, second- and third-place finishers, as well as to the individual and team raising the most money. Many door prizes will be given away at the end of the event; registered participants must be present to win.

Proceeds from the event are donated to the Grand Forks Breast Cancer Coalition to provide free mammograms to women who cannot otherwise afford them. The event is held in honor of the memory of Sharon Lambeth, an associate professor of nursing at UND who died of breast cancer. She was active in promoting good health and encouraging her students to become involved in the community. Her husband, David Lambeth, is a professor of biochemistry and molecular biology at the School of Medicine and Health Sciences.

For more information, contact Maria Loerzel at 746-0318. -- *Jan Orvik, Editor, for Maria Loerzel (Medical Student), AMWA Public Relations Office.*

AIDS Memorial Quilt Will Be Displayed

The AIDS Memorial Quilt, "Threads Through the Heartland" will be displayed from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. **Sunday through Wednesday, Oct. 24-27**, in the Memorial Union Ballroom. Admission is free and open to the public. Following are events associated with the Quilt. All events are in the Memorial Union Ballroom unless otherwise indicated.

Sunday, Oct. 24: noon, Opening Ceremony for Quilt Display; 1:30 p.m., "Jeanne White: The Legacy of Ryan White," Lecture Bowl, Memorial Union. Jeanne White, founder of both the Ryan White Foundation and the Ryan White Foundation for Medical Treatment, has dedicated her life to helping others by building upon the legacy created by her son, Ryan.

Monday, Oct. 25: noon, "Sex Under the Influence" presented by Joel Goldman, Campuspeak, Memorial Union Lecture Bowl. As a person living with HIV, Joel uses humor, personal experiences, and interactive exercises to help students better understand how sexual decisions made under the influence of alcohol can dramatically affect their lives.

Tuesday, Oct. 26: noon, "HIV/AIDS: Personal and Professional Perspectives," presented by Patrick Moore, Altru Clinic; Julie Bruhn, Valley AIDS Network; Betty and Ray Workin, and Dorothy Wilson, in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl. This is a discussion of the emotional, psychological, and physical challenges of HIV infection; 3:30 p.m., "Teens Teaching AIDS Peer Education" with the Julie Bruhn and the Fargo-based Valley Aids Network's peer ed youth program; 4:30 and 9 p.m., film, "And the Band Played On," Memorial Union Lecture Bowl.

Wednesday, Oct. 27: noon, "History and Goals: the AIDS Memorial Quilt," an overview and history of the AIDS Memorial Quilt presented by Patrick Lombardi, the NAMES Project Foundation, Memorial Union Lecture Bowl; 8 p.m., Quilt Display closes; 8:15 p.m., Closing Ceremonies for Quilt Display.

To contribute a panel as a personal tribute for a friend or loved one, a member of your organization, or someone you have only heard of, please contact Bonnie Solberg at 777-2898.

Volunteers are needed for set-up, quilt monitors, merchandise, information, greeters, readers, and breakdown. Please contact the Student Organizations Center at 777-4200 or e-mail ahlers@badlands.nodak.edu.

The Quilt is sponsored by the Memorial Union, University Program Council (UPC), and UND Student Government, with major contributions by GGF HIV/AIDS Network, UND School of Medicine and Health Sciences: Department of Community Medicine and ND AIDS Education and Training Center, UND Student Health Services, UND Women's Center, St. Michael's Church, Merck Pharmaceutical, Brad Gibbens, and Grand Forks Public Health Department. -- *Susan Johnson, Coordinator, Student Organizations.*

Faculty Lectures Continue Oct. 26

Jody Rada's "Bringing Myopia into Focus: Insights from Animal Models" will be the next presentation in the Faculty Lecture Series. Rada's talk is scheduled for **Tuesday, Oct. 26**, in the North Dakota Museum of Art. A reception starts at 4 p.m. and the lecture begins at 4:30 p.m.

Rada joined the School of Medicine and Health Sciences as assistant professor in anatomy and cell biology in July 1995. She had held an appointment as assistant professor in the department of ophthalmology and an adjunct appointment in the department of cell biology at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine prior to accepting the position at UND.

Rada's area of primary teaching responsibility has been in the program in gross anatomy for medical and for graduate students. A recognized expert in the field of experimental ocular myopia, she was an invited speaker at the XII International Society for Eye Research meeting in Yokohama, Japan, in 1996. Rada was also invited to organize a platform session at the XII International Congress of Eye Research in Paris, France, in July 1998.

Rada currently holds a five-year competitive renewal of her NIH grant, which she received after her arrival at UND. She lists some 12 full-length publications in peer-reviewed journals and other publications in her bibliography.

The next Faculty Lecture will be presented by Stephen Markovich **Wednesday, Dec. 1**, a change from the previously announced date. Markovich's talk, "Striving for Democracy in the 'Yugoslav' States," will be at 4:30 p.m. in the North Dakota Museum of Art. A reception starts at 4 p.m.

Born in Schumacher, Ontario, Markovich received the Honors B.A. degree from the University of Western Ontario (London) in 1959 and was awarded the Ph.D. from the University of Virginia in 1968. He came to the University of North Dakota in 1965 as an assistant professor and is presently professor of political science and public administration.

Markovich's teaching fields have been primarily in comparative politics and international relations and his research interests have focused on the political systems of Eastern Europe, particularly Titoist Yugoslavia and the new 'Yugoslav' states. He received an Outstanding Teaching Award at UND in 1969 and lectured at the University of Zagreb in 1995 as a Fulbright Scholar.

Markovich's research has been published in a variety of books and periodicals, most recently six chapters on South Slav states in *World Political Systems and Parties* in 1999 and an article titled "Democracy in Croatia: Views From the Opposition" in the *East European Quarterly* in 1998.

Open House Will Honor Lorna Berge

The Division of Continuing Education will host an open house to honor Lorna Berge on her retirement from the University **Tuesday, Oct. 26**, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in the Conference Room at Gustafson Hall. Lorna has been the program coordinator for noncredit correspondence for the past 15 years and is planning to retire at the end of October. Everyone is invited to attend. -- *Nancy Martin, Program Manager, Department of Continuing Education.*

Flu Shots Available For UND Employees

Student Health Services will give flu shots free to employees with Blue Cross/Blue Shield Insurance. Please bring your policy number with you. Dates and times for the shot clinics follow:

Tuesday, Oct. 26, 7 a.m. to 2 p.m., Facilities Lunch Room; **Thursday, Oct. 28**, 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., McCannel Hall Atrium; **Thursday, Nov. 4**, 8 to 10 a.m., 111 Odegard Hall; **Thursday, Nov. 4**, 10:45 a.m. to 1 p.m., 305 Twamley Hall; **Thursday, Nov. 4**, 1:45 to 3:45 p.m., Energy and Environmental Research Center Conference Room, second floor.

Federal employees will be billed individually. -- *Sue Bartley, Student Health Services.*

Agenda Items Due For November U Senate Meeting

The University Senate will meet **Thursday, Nov. 4**, at 4:05 p.m. in Room 7, Gamble Hall. Agenda items for this meeting are due in the Office of the Registrar by 4 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 21. It is recommended that some detail be included in the agenda items submitted. -- *Carmen Williams (Interim Registrar), Secretary, University Senate.*

Workshop Will Aid Small Businesses With Tax Returns

A business tax update workshop, Tips for Improving Your 1999 Business Tax Returns for Small Businesses, is set for **Monday, Nov. 18**, at Bremer Bank, 3100 S. Columbia Road. The cost is just \$15. In case of inclement weather, cancellations will be broadcast on KCNN 1590 AM Radio.

Topics to be covered include: how your record-keeping systems can meet IRS guidelines; what changes have taken place in federal and state employment tax withholding requirements; who needs to complete W2, W3, W2c, and W3c forms, and how to do it correctly; how to prepare tax reports that will ensure you meet compliance regulations; why sales and use tax regulations affect you; how you can plan for 1999/2000 income tax changes; how to prevent and detect workers compensation fraud; and what you can do to manage your business' tax liability.

To assure adequate quantities of handouts and training materials, please pre-register. For more information call 772-8502, e-mail ndsbdc@sage.und.nodak.edu or visit our web site at <http://www.und.nodak.edu/dept/ndsbdc/> -- *Small Business Development Center.*

Of Academic Interest

Spring 2000 Time Schedule Of Classes Now Available

The Time Schedule of Classes for spring 2000 is now available on the UND web site at www.und.edu, under Registrar's Office.

The Time Schedule of Classes for spring 2000, to be used by departments for advising purposes, will be available for pick-up in the reception area of the Office of the Registrar, beginning at 9 a.m. **Tuesday, Oct. 19**. Call 777-2711 for more information. -- *Veriena Garver, Admissions and Records Officer, Office of the Registrar.*

Student Evaluation Forms Available

All colleges have received Student Evaluation Forms for evaluating fall 1999 courses, and departments have been notified that they can ask for copies at their respective deans' office. 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, please check with your department. Completed forms for fall 1999 must be sent to Computer Operations, Box 9041, by the end of the semester, which is Dec. 17. If you have questions about any procedures related to the evaluation forms, please feel free to contact the Registrar's Office at 777-4358. -- *Carmen Williams, Interim University Registrar.*

Applications Due For 2000-2001 Developmental Leaves

Eligible faculty and staff who wish to apply for developmental leave projects during academic year 2000-2001 may submit proposals to the faculty member's chair and dean or the staff member's administrative supervisor according to the announced schedule. After review, recommendations and prioritizing at the college and/or administrative supervisory level, all proposals will then be forwarded on or before **Monday, Nov. 8**, for review by the vice president for academic affairs and provost. Following presidential approval, applicants will be given notice of an approved or disapproved developmental leave. Confirmed and final approval of the proposals will depend upon the University's 2000-2001 salary budget being approved by the State Board of Higher Education.

As in the past, developmental leaves which are approved must be funded within existing departmental and college resources. Thus, it is likely that some very sound proposals may not be approved for budgetary reasons. Faculty and staff who expect to submit requests for developmental leaves should discuss plans with their chairpersons, deans, and/or supervisors prior to formally submitting their proposals.

Developmental leave applications and copies of the State Board of Higher Education Policy 701.2 governing developmental leaves are available in the Office of Academic Affairs, 302 Twamley Hall. -- *John Ettling, Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost.*

Doctoral Exam Set For Pauline Burthwick

The final examination for Pauline Burthwick, a candidate for the Ph.D. degree with a major in teaching and learning/research methodologies, is set for 10:45 a.m. **Tuesday, Nov. 2**, in Room 208, Education Building. The dissertation title is "The Spiritual Dimension of Social Work Practice In and Through Research, Education, and Life Experience." Richard Landry (Educational Foundations and Research) is the committee chair.

Members of the Graduate Faculty are invited to attend. -- *Harvey Knoll, Dean, Graduate School.*

Announcements

Safety And Environmental Health Restructuring Complete

The restructuring of the Occupational Safety and Environmental Health Office has been completed.

Following the departure of Safety Director John "Jack" Glass in July 1997, a committee was formed to review the structure and function of the office and provide recommendations to the vice president for finance and operations. Based on the recommendations of this restructuring committee, changes have been made to the Occupational Safety and Environmental Health Office.

Jason Uhlir has been named director of environmental health and safety. His areas of responsibility include occupational safety, fire/building codes, Workers Compensation risk management, accident investigation, biological safety and loss control. Jason can be reached by calling 777-3341 or at jason_uhlir@operations.und.nodak.edu.

Greg Krause has been named director of radiation and chemical safety. His areas of responsibility include radiation safety, chemical safety and hazardous waste disposal. Greg can be reached by calling 777-3341 or at greg_krause@operations.und.nodak.edu.

Uhlir and Krause share responsibilities relating to respiratory protection, laboratory safety, training and emergency response. Jason and Greg look forward to working with the University community to maintain a safe campus and welcome your comments and suggestions. -- *Peggy Lucke, Interim Vice President for Finance and Operations.*

Money-Saving Suggestions May Qualify For Cash Rewards

The Employee Incentive Program, created by the 1993 Legislative Assembly and modified by the 1999 Assembly, encourages state employees to make suggestions to reduce expenditures within their agencies. An employee whose suggestion is approved can receive 20 percent of any savings realized, including those related to other agencies, up to a maximum of \$2,000. All supervisors are encouraged to bring this program to the attention of their employees and to encourage them to submit suggestions. Information on the program will be sent to all UND employees. Here is how it works.

All state employees, except agency heads, administrators or any management-level supervisors, are eligible to participate in the program. An added requirement is that the recommendation or proposal must be beyond the reasonable expectation of job performance for the employee who made the suggestion.

Under the program a state employee may submit a recommendation or proposal (suggestion) to reduce expenditures within his or her agency to the Suggestion Incentive Committee. This committee, appointed by the governor, will review the suggestion to determine if (1) the suggestion has been previously submitted and rejected, (2) implementation is desirable and feasible, and (3) implementation of the suggestion will continue to provide the quality of services presently provided by the state agency.

The committee will return any suggestion it approves to the state agency head of the employee submitting the suggestion. The state agency head will review and determine whether a suggestion approved by the committee is capable of implementation. The state agency head will make the final decision on acceptance or rejection of a suggestion.

A state employee whose suggestion is approved by the Suggestion Incentive Committee and approved for implementation by the state agency head is entitled to receive 20 percent of any savings realized, up to a maximum of \$2,000. The agency savings must relate directly to the employee's proposed change. The suggestion incentive must be computed on the actual savings for a 12-month period, beginning with the time that the proposed change is instituted. The employee is entitled to the suggestion incentive payment at the end of that 12-month period in a lump sum from funds of the employing state agency that realized the savings. Employees who qualify for the suggestion incentive are entitled to an award for the first year's savings only, and not for any subsequent years.

We encourage all UND employees to make suggestions on how the University can save money and still provide the same — or even better — level of service. Supervisors, please alert your employees to this program and encourage them to submit suggestions. -- *Peggy Lucke, Interim Vice President for Finance and Operations.*

Steam Heat Project Progresses

The steam heat project is nearing completion for the fall. The good news is that almost all of the steam heat line pipe for this year's round of the project is in the ground. Only a few pieces near the Energy and Environmental Research Center need to yet be buried.

The better news is that the process to tie the new line into campus buildings begins next week with the following buildings: Law, Babcock, Merrifield, Upson 1 and 2, Laird Core and Sample Library, Leonard, Witmer, Abbott Addition, Memorial Student Union, O'Kelly, McCannell and the Chester Fritz Library.

Facilities Director Larry Zitzow said there will be "minimal outage" for each building during tie-in process, but he said the change-over "shouldn't affect operations." He said the process will take a few hours for each building, but said employees won't be able tell when the change takes place. Zitzow said Facilities "will notify building occupants ahead of time if they'll be affected in some way (such as not having access to hot water)."

Instructional And Learning Technologies Faculty Workshop Sessions Announced

The Center for Instructional and Learning Technologies will offer the following faculty workshop sessions next week: **Monday, Oct. 18**, 10 a.m. to noon, Intermediate Photoshop; **Wednesday, Oct. 20**, 1 to 3 p.m., Adobe Acrobat; and **Friday, Oct. 22**, 10 a.m. to noon, Y2K Workshop. You may register online at <http://www.cilt.und.nodak.edu/services/index.html> or by calling 777-4150. -- *Lynn Weiner, Center for Instructional and Learning Technologies.*

UND Telephone Book/Directory For 1999-2000 Is Now Available

The new 1999-2000 UND Telephone Book/Directory is on sale at the University Bookstore. Office copies may be purchased through the departmental charge system at the Bookstore. The 232-page book lists names, addresses, phone numbers, and, in many cases, e-mail numbers of faculty and staff, and names, phone numbers, and addresses of students. The book also contains much other information, including administrative, academic, and student governance personnel; residence hall and fraternity and sorority housing information; an overview and capsule history of the University; research and service agency information; the campus map; city map; events calendars; organization chart; emergency and disaster reaction procedures; campus and city bus schedules; political divisions and voting sites for Grand Forks; and mailing procedures. The Directory, on sale for \$1.25 per copy, is edited by the Office of University Relations and is compiled with information from a variety of sources. -- *Jim Penwarden, Office of University Relations.*

Volunteers Sought For Osteoporosis Study

Osteoporosis impairs the quality of life for one out of every two women over age 50. Does extra protein help or hurt? Volunteers are sought for a new study at the Grand Forks Human Nutrition Research Center, which will measure the effects of a high meat diet on the amount of calcium the body retains and absorbs. Ready-to-heat and eat food will be provided for 16 weeks; the menu has little meat for eight weeks and ample meat for eight weeks. A calcium tracer, urine collections, and blood draws will be used to determine how much calcium is absorbed or excreted.

Ladies, here is your chance to take part in important research on bone health. The study will run from Jan. 10 to May 1, with applications being accepted now. You must be a healthy, non-smoking, postmenopausal woman, not taking any medication (except for hormone replacement therapy), of average weight for your height, and under 75 years old.

For your effort, you will get 16 weeks of free food and \$1,680. You will also have the satisfaction of knowing you helped increase our understanding of how changing what we eat may help prevent osteoporosis.

You can get more information and an application by calling Cody at 795-8155 or e-mail enielsen@gfhnrc.ars.usda.gov. -- *Emily Nielsen, Community Studies Coordinator, Grand Forks Human Nutrition Center.*

Nominations Sought For "Who's Who Among Students"

The University is seeking student nominations for the "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges" program, which honors outstanding students on campuses all across the country.

The selection committee, composed of UND faculty, staff, and students, evaluates each applicant on scholarship ability, participation, leadership in academic and extracurricular activities, citizenship, service to UND and potential for future achievements.

Each applicant must be currently enrolled at UND and must be receiving a degree between September 1999 and August 2001. Both graduate and undergraduate students are eligible for the yearly , and past recipients may reapply.

For further information about the nomination or application process, call Cynthia Thompson at 777-4076. Nominations must be sent to Cynthia Thompson, Leadership Inspiration Center, Box 8385, and received by 4:30 p.m. **Friday, Oct. 29.** -- *Maria Kannianen, Project Coordinator for Leadership Development, Memorial Union.*

UPC Will Host "The Rave" Dance Party

Join the University Program Council in celebrating UND's Homecoming 1999 as we host the first-ever "The Rave" Dance Party. Come and dance the night away **Friday, Oct. 15,** at the Memorial Union Ballroom. "The Rave" will feature Inebriation and a live DJ. It is sponsored by UPC and is provided free of charge to all UND students. -- *Tara Wilkens, UPC Public Relations.*

Grants and Fellowships

Free E-mail Alerts Available For Grant Information Updates

Investigators seeking regular updates on grant-related issues can subscribe to free e-mail alerts that provide information pertaining to their disciplines. Alert messages are weekly or monthly and may include information on new programs and announcements, job opportunities, current funding trends, or organizational news. Subscribers designate the e-mail address where the alert messages will be sent, and these services can be stopped at any time by an "unsubscribe" e-mail message back to the host computer. Some alert systems are described below:

Grantsnet: Provides funding information on training opportunities in the biological and medical sciences. URL: <http://www.grantsnet.org>.

NIH Guide TOC: A list of the NIH Guide Table of Contents with embedded URLs to access specific listings. URL: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/listserv.htm>.

NSF Custom News: Customer-designed subscription of program announcements, press releases, other announcements relating to NSF and disciplines supported by NSF. URL: <http://www.nsf.gov/home/cns/start.htm>.

Philanthropy News Digest: A weekly newsletter on philanthropy news, funding trends, new foundations, and other information on funding from private sources. URL: <http://fdncenter.org/>.

NEH Outlook: News from the National Endowment for the Humanities. URL: http://www.neh.fed.us/html/hot_topi.html.

Earth Science Enterprise: Sponsored by NASA, provides updates on programs related to earth system science. URL: http://www.earth.nasa.gov/nra/mailling_list.html.

NCERQA E-lists: US EPA maintains separate lists supporting the 17 different research areas. Investigators may sign up for any or all to receive funding, program, and other announcements. URL: <http://es.epa.gov/ncerqa/elists.html>.

-- *Sally Eckert-Tilotta, Associate Director, Office of Research and Program Development.*

Instructional Development Grant Recipients Named

The following faculty were awarded Faculty Instructional Development Committee (FIDC) grants in September:

Michael Anderegg (English), "Shakespeare on Screen: A Centenary Conference," \$400; **Luke Huang** (industrial technology), "Materials Science Workshop: Standard Experiments in Engineering Materials, Science, and Technology," \$587; **William Gosnold Jr.** (Geology and geological engineering), "Geological Society of America Short Course on Digital Mapping Methods," \$677; **Shirley Greves** (teaching and learning), "Northern Rocky Mountain Educational Research Association 17th Annual Conference," \$595; **Chang-Hyun Jo** (computer science), "ACM 1999 Conference on Object-Oriented Programming Systems Languages and Applications," \$660; **Evelyn Labun** (family and community nursing), "American Psychiatric Nurses Association 13th Annual Conference Psychiatric Nursing 2000: Toward a Global Perspective," \$775; **Myrna Olson** (teaching and learning), "GTA Training Enhancement," \$500; **Marcel Robles** (business and vocational education), "ARMA International Conference: Bridging Records, Information, and Knowledge," \$654; and **David Yearwood** (industrial technology), "National Association of Industrial Technologist Conference," \$672.

FIDC grant proposals may be used to purchase instructional materials, travel to teaching-related conferences, or for other projects related to teaching. To submit a proposal, call the Office of Instructional Development (OID) for guidelines and materials or find the necessary information on the OID web site (listed under "Academics" on the UNInfo page.)

Proposals may be submitted at any time during the academic year and are reviewed on a monthly basis by the Faculty Instructional Development Committee. The next deadline for proposals is Friday, Oct. 15.

Instructional or professional development projects that fall outside FIDC guidelines may qualify for funding through OID's Flexible Grant program. For further information, or to discuss ideas and drafts before submitting a final proposal, contact me. -- *Libby Rankin, Director, Office of Instructional Development, 777-3325 or rankin@badlands.nodak.edu.*

Proposals Sought For Major Research Instrumentation Program (MRI)

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

An institution may submit up to three proposals: two proposals for instrument acquisition or development, plus a third solely for instrument development. In addition, an institution may be included as a member of a legally established consortium submitting a separate proposal.

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

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

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

Additional information on the MRI Program is available from ORPD or the NSF Homepage at <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/1999/nsf99168/nsf99168.htm>.

-- *Sally Eckert-Tilotta, Associate Director, Office 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.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Under the 2000 Solicitation for Investigator-Initiated Research Program, applicants may submit proposals to explore a wide range of research and evaluation topics relevant to criminal justice policy or practice, supporting NIJ's broad portfolio of both basic and applied studies. The following broad criminal justice areas are current priorities: rethinking justice and the processes that create just communities; understanding the nexus between crime and its social context; breaking the cycle of crime by testing research-based interventions; creating the tools, evaluating new and transferable techniques and procedures for improving the effectiveness and efficiency of the criminal justice system; and expanding the horizons, moving beyond traditional definitions of crime and criminal relationships. This solicitation specifically requests proposals in topical areas that are not covered by other NIJ solicitations. Wherever possible, applicants interested in conducting research on such topics as violence against women or science and technology development should apply to directed solicitations targeting these particular areas of research. The program announcement and application forms may be downloaded from <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/nij/funding.htm>. **Deadline:** 1/18/00. **Contact:** Department of Justice Response Center, 800/421-6770.

ALPHA OMEGA ALPHA HONOR MEDICAL SOCIETY

Up to 40 Student Research Fellowships of \$3,000 each will be awarded to students in their first, second, or third year of medical school for research in clinical investigation, basic research, epidemiology, and social sciences/health services research. An additional \$500 will be provided to the faculty supervisor to meet expenses incurred
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in support of the student's project. Applications must be submitted to the Alpha Omega Alpha Chapter councillor by 12/15/99. The councillor will then select one application to be submitted to Alpha Omega Alpha by 1/5/00. There are no citizenship restrictions. Schools may nominate only one candidate. **Deadline:** 12/15/99. **Contact:** 650/329-0291; c.kuckein@alphaomegalpha.org; <http://www.alphaomegalpha.org>.

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH BUREAU (MCHB)

Healthy Start: Infrastructure/Capacity Building Projects provide support to build infrastructure/capacity in targeted communities/areas of the state where racial disparities in perinatal indicators exist. The estimated project period is 2 years. Funding would be made available to up to 15 communities to support the development of local plans to fill gaps in and/or expansion of data systems to identify and monitor perinatal outcomes, training of personnel and strengthening of local reporting systems, establishment of networks and links to other systems, assistance in needs assessment, consortium/coalition development. Funding priorities will be given to communities with significant racial/ethnic disparities in perinatal indicators for the past 3 years for which data is available; communities applying as or on behalf of an existing community-based consortium, which have infant mortality reduction initiatives already underway; and States with (national) border counties. Current Healthy Start implementation grantees are not eligible. **Deadlines:** 2/28/00, 3/15/00. **Contact:** Maribeth Badura, 301/443-0543; mbadura@hrsa.gov.

HENRY A. MURRAY RESEARCH CENTER

The Visiting Scholars Program provides support to investigate some aspect of women and social change or the study of lives over time. The Center's data archive, a national repository for social science data on human development and social change, particularly the changing life experiences of American women, may be used to formulate or refine research questions, develop research instruments or coding schemes, or conduct reanalyses, longitudinal follow-ups, or replication studies. Scholars come from a wide range of fields including psychology, psychiatry, anthropology, political science, sociology, and history. They must have received a doctoral degree or terminal professional degree prior to the time of application, but may be of any nationality. An important goal of the Center is to promote the use of its archival data for new research. The Center's programs are focused around the theme "Character and Competence: Exploring Pathways of Development Across the Life Span." Work related to the Center's theme would be especially welcome, as is research concerned with the life experiences of racially or ethnically diverse populations. Strong preference is given to researchers utilizing the center's data resources. Applicants should contact the Center for information and assistance in identifying resources which may be pertinent to their projects. **Deadline:** 2/1/00. **Contact:** Grants Administrator, Visiting Scholars Program, Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study, 617/495-8140; fax 617/496-3993; mrc@radcliffe.edu; <http://www.radcliffe.edu/murray/grants/visitsch.htm>.

SOROS FOUNDATION

Open Society Institute—Individual Project Fellowships support individuals pursuing research, writing, or other efforts to promote an open society in the U.S. or internationally. Fellowships support efforts to counteract: the intrusion of marketplace values on profes-

sional standards and values in law, medicine, journalism, and other inappropriate areas; social and economic inequities brought about by market fundamentalism, such as unequal educational or employment opportunities for inner-city youth; the unintended negative consequences of perhaps well-intended policies, such as the excessive reliance on a criminal justice approach to combating drug abuse, which has led to a negative impact on public health. Other concerns include, but are not limited to, care of the dying, access to justice, campaign finance reform, reproductive health and rights, and fair treatment for immigrants. Soros is also open to other projects that explore and advance the values of open society. Eligible applicants are writers, scholars, and others from a wide variety of professions. Fellowships range from \$15,000-\$100,000 for up to 18 months. **Deadlines:** 12/15/99. **Contact:** 212/548-0119; fellows@sorosny.org; http://www.soros.org/individual_fellows.

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF EDUCATION (NAE)/SPENCER FOUNDATION

The 2000-2001 Postdoctoral Fellowships are designed to promote scholarship in the U.S. and abroad on matters relevant to the improvement of education in all forms. Applicants must have received their Ph.D., Ed.D., or equivalent research degree between 1/1/94 and 12/31/99. They may be from the fields of education, the humanities, the social and behavioral sciences or other disciplines, provided they describe research relevant to education. Up to 30 awards will be made, \$45,000 for one year of research or \$22,500 for each of two contiguous years, working half time. Applications will not be sent after 11/18/99. **Deadline:** 12/1/99. **Contact:** NAE, 212/998-9035; www.nae.nyu.edu.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education—Special Focus Competition (Invitational Priority: Institutional Cooperation and Student Mobility in Postsecondary Education Among the U.S., Canada and Mexico). The program purpose is to provide support to improve postsecondary education opportunities by focusing on problem areas or improvement approaches in postsecondary education. Awards are estimated to range from \$20,000-25,000 for FY 2000; \$185,000-\$205,000 for the 4-year duration of grant. Priority will be given to proposals designed to support formation of educational consortia of American, Canadian and Mexican institutions to encourage cooperation in the coordination of curricula, exchange of students and opening of educational opportunities throughout North America. The invitational priority is issued in cooperation with Canada and Mexico. Criteria for selection include: Significance of the project, quality of design, adequacy of resources (including potential for continued support after FIPSE/HDRC/SEP funding ends), and quality of project personnel. **Deadline:** 11/19/99. **Contact:** FIPSE, 732/544-2504 (fax on demand); 202/358-3041 (voice mail); FIPSE@ED.GOV (include name of competition, your name and address); <http://www.ed.gov/offices/OPE/FIPSE> (applications); <http://www.ed.gov/news.html> (announcement).

BIBLIOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA (BSA)

Short-Term Fellowships support bibliographical inquiry as well as research in the history of the book trades and publishing. Scholars of any nationality are eligible. Fellows will be paid \$1,500/month for 1-2 months. Eligible topics may concentrate on books and documents in any field, but should focus on the book or manuscript as historical

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evidence. They may include establishing a text or studying the history of book production, publication, distribution, collecting or reading. Enumerative listings do not fall within the scope of this program.

Deadline: 12/1/99. **Contact:** BSA Executive Secretary, 212/452-2710; fax 212/452-2710; BSA@bibsocamer.org; http://www.bibsocamer.org/fellows.htm.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON DRUG ABUSE (NIDA)

The Research on the Origins and Pathways to Drug Abuse program supports research exploring the origins of and pathways to drug abuse and addiction. The R01, R03, R21, P01, P30, P50, and P60 mechanisms will be used. Of particular interest are multidisciplinary, integrative, and developmental approaches. Researchers are encouraged to use biological, sociocultural, psychological, and developmental perspectives in both cross-sectional and longitudinal studies to investigate the origins of and pathways to drug abuse. Multifactorial and multidimensional research is needed to determine: the interactions and cumulative impact of factors from the various domains (genetic, neurobiological, psychological, social and cultural, and environmental factors and processes); the role of intermediary factors and processes; the interaction of predispositional and protective factors, processes, and systems; and the various potential stages and transitions of drug involvement (initiation, escalation, resistance to drug involvement and escalation, continuation, discontinuation, relapse, and recovery from drug abuse and dependence). Researchers are encouraged to recognize and investigate the effects of gender, culture, age throughout the life span, racial/ethnic minority group membership, sexual orientation, and other crosscutting influences on the various aspects, patterns, stages of and predisposition to and/or protection from drug abuse. Particularly encouraged are studies focusing on determinants of individual differences in drug involvement and the development of different drug abuse patterns, as well as studies of correlates and markers of these individual differences. Proposals which rigorously respond to the objectives while minimizing expenditure of resources and long delays (e.g., studies which piggyback onto already ongoing projects) are particularly encouraged. **Deadlines:** 2/1/00, 6/1/00, 10/1/00. **Contact:** Meyer D. Glantz, 301/443-6543; mg115g@nih.gov; http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-99-168.html.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA)

Strengthening Awards provide funding to faculty members at small and mid-sized U.S. institutions that previously have had limited institutional success in obtaining grants under any Federal competitive research grants program. North Dakota is one of the EPSCoR states eligible to apply. Proposed research must be in one of the current areas of USDA interest: Natural Resources And The Environment; Nutrition; Food Safety; and Health; Animals; Biology and

Management of Pests and Beneficial Organisms; Plants; Markets, Trade, and Rural Development; Enhancing Value and Use of Agricultural and Forest Products; and Agricultural Systems Research. Proposals should be submitted to the appropriate research program by the designated deadline date for that particular program. Research Career Enhancement Awards provide funding to faculty members for sabbatical leave, with one year's salary plus supplies, as an opportunity to enhance their research capabilities. Collaborative arrangements are encouraged. Seed Grants provide up to \$75,000 over two years for investigators to collect preliminary data in preparation for applying for a research grant from the USDA. Equipment Grants are provided for the purpose of strengthening the research capacity of eligible institutions. Awards will provide one major piece of equipment within the cost range of \$10,000-\$250,000; the amount requested shall not exceed 50% of this cost or \$50,000, whichever is less. Requests for computer equipment will be considered only if the equipment is to be used specifically for scientific purposes and is carefully justified. This program is intended to help fund items of equipment that will upgrade the institution's research infrastructure, rather than to replace requests for equipment in individual research projects. Arrangements for sharing equipment among faculty are encouraged; however, it must be evident that the principal investigator is a principal user of the requested equipment. The requirement for matching funds is waived if the equipment costs no more than \$25,000 and has multiple uses within a single research project or is usable in more than one research project. **Deadline:** 11/15/1999. **Contact:** 202/401-5048; psb@reeusda.gov; http://www.reeusda.gov/nri.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON AGING (NIA)

The Health and Effective Functioning in the Middle and Later Years program supports projects designed to specify how psychosocial processes, interacting with biological processes, influence health and functioning in the middle and later years of life. It is supported by the following award mechanisms: Research Grant (R01), Program Projects (P01), and Fellowships (F32, F33). The goal is to encourage basic research studies of those mechanisms and conditions that can extend the productive middle years of life by preventing, postponing, or reversing disabilities of old age. Appropriate research areas include: work and retirement; health institutions; social support; health behaviors and attitudes; personality and self concept; family and household; cultural, demographic, and socioeconomic variation; and methodological studies of the processes that influence health and functioning in the middle and later years. **Contact:** Ronald P. Abeles, 301/496-3136; fax 301/402-0051; ra20x@nih.gov; http://www.nia.nih.gov. **Deadlines:** 12/5/99, 4/5/00, 8/5/00 (F32); 6/1/00, 2/1/00, 10/1/00 (R01, P01); 12/5/99, 4/5/00 (F33).

-- Sally Eckert-Tilotta, Associate Director, Office of Research and Program Development.

