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Open Forums Set To Discuss Strategic Plan

Three open forums to discuss "A Strategic Plan for UND" will be held later this month and early February. The forums are sponsored by the Student Senate, Staff Senate, University Senate, Academic Affairs and the President's Office, and will be moderated by the President and the Provost. Although sponsored by a specific group, the forums will all cover essentially the same things, and people are welcome to attend any of the sessions.

Friday, Jan. 28, 9 to 11 a.m., Lecture Bowl, Memorial Union, sponsored by Staff Senate; **Tuesday, Feb. 8**, 3 to 5 p.m., 211 Rural Technology Center, sponsored by University Senate; and **Thursday, Feb. 10**, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., North Ballroom, Memorial Union, sponsored by Student Senate.

If you have any questions, please contact Pat Bohnet of the President's Office, or Stacie Varnson of the Provost's Office. — *Stacie Varnson, Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost.*

13th Annual Hultberg Lectureship To Be Held Feb. 1

Challenges for the New Millennium: "Adapting to Change, Lifelong Learning, and Information Overload" is the theme of the College of Business and Public Administration's 13th Annual Hultberg Lectureship **Tuesday, Feb. 1**, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. in the Fred Orth Lecture Bowl and River Valley Room of the Memorial Union. The Hultberg Lectureship is free and open to the public.

The panel will be moderated by First Lady Adele Kupchella and Kathy Jones. This year's panelists include:

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Strategic Planning Update Strategic Planning Surveys Due Jan. 28

The University is embarking upon a Strategic Planning process. This plan, when developed, will articulate our institutional priorities for the present and future. For more information, please see the web site at www.und.edu/stratplan. The plan is "top down, bottom up," and will feature involvement from all departments and as many individuals as possible. Please fill out the survey on the site, which asks your opinions of future trends, priorities for the University, and valued characteristics of UND. Just click on the survey portion at the bottom of the site, and return it to president@und.nodak.edu by **Friday, Jan. 28**.

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Did You Know?

An IBM computer course, the first on campus, began in 1962.

After frequent complaints, telephones were installed in each dorm room of Johnstone, Fulton and Smith Halls at the beginning of the 1963 academic year.

The East Side Dairy Queen advertised an 8 ounce sirloin steak with all the trimmings for \$1.35 in 1963.

13th Annual Hultberg Lectureship To Be Held Feb. 1, continued

- ♦ Kris Compton, a senior manager responsible for Customer Management, Marketing and Human Resources at First National Bank, Grand Forks. She earned a B.S. in Business Administration from UND.
- ♦ Victoria DeCora, an accountant for Excel, a subsidiary of Cargill, Salt Lake City, Utah. She graduated with a B.A., was recruited by Cargill and is currently doing accounting functions for both the Salt Lake City and Boise locations.
- ♦ Donna Mattson Scheck, the Chief Economic Analyst, Honeywell, Minneapolis. Scheck graduated with a B.B.A. with an economics major as well as a M.A. degree in economics and public policy, both from UND. She is a member of the National Association of Business Economists and the Minnesota Economics Association.
- ♦ Mary Wakefield, professor and director, Center for Health Policy and Ethics, George Mason University, Fairfax, Va. Wakefield received her M.S. in Nursing and her Ph.D. from the University of Texas at Austin. Her B.S. in Nursing is from the University of Mary at Bismarck. She served as chief of staff for Sen. Kent Conrad from 1993-96 and is currently serving on the Office of Rural Health Policy, Department of Health and Human Services Advisory Commission and a three-year term on the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission.

The Hans and Susanna Hultberg Lectureship was established by their daughter, Clara E. Anderson, through the University of North Dakota Foundation. Clara graduated from the College of Business and Public Administration in 1928. – *Ute Sartorius, Industrial Technology.*

Events to Note

Symphony Orchestra Will Hold Concert Jan. 28

Music From the Turning of Three Centuries is the theme for the Greater Grand Forks Symphony Orchestra's **Friday, Jan. 28**, concert at the Empire, 7:30 p.m. The evening features a world premiere of the "Concerto for Alto Saxophone and Orchestra" by Composer-in-Residence Linda Tutas Haugen. Vasili Kasatkin, the Russian-born saxophonist for whom the work was written, will perform with the Symphony under the direction of Conductor Timm Rolek. Also on the program are "Beethoven's Symphony no. 1 in C," Britten's "Sinfonietta," and Corelli's "Sonata da Chiesa."

The concert marks the first performance of a commissioned work under the sponsorship of the Meet The Composer Residency Program. Last year, the Greater Grand Forks Symphony became the lead organization in a partnership that also includes the Grand Forks and East Grand Forks Public Schools, Lutheran Social Services and North Valley Arts Council. During the three-year residency, Haugen will write commissioned work for members of the partner organizations, help development programs in composition and music education, and visit different community organizations to talk about her work and the art of composing.

For additional information about the concert or the composition workshop, call or visit the Symphony office, 162 Hughes Fine Arts Center, 777-3359. Tickets for the Jan. 28 concert are available from the Empire Box Office at 746-5500, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday and until 7 p.m. on Thursdays. -- *Jenny Etling, Greater Grand Forks Symphony Orchestra.*

Graduate Committee Meets Monday

The Graduate Committee will meet **Monday, Jan. 31**, at 3:05 p.m. in 305 Twamley Hall. The agenda will include:

1. Consideration of the nominations to Graduate Faculty.
2. Matters arising.

– *Harvey Knull, Dean, Graduate School.*

Seminar Series Will Discuss Inflammatory Disease

The Spring Seminar Series sponsored by the Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology is following the theme of "Inflammation and Inflammatory Disease." The program continues with a presentation **Monday, Jan. 31**, by John Finley, Research Chemist, USDA-ARS Grand Forks Human Nutrition Research Center. He will speak on "Selenium Biochemistry and the Immune System: Excitement of Recent Findings." All Anatomy and Cell Biology seminars are open to the University community and are held at noon in the Frank Low Conference Room, B-710, Edwin C. James Medical Research Facility, School of Medicine and Health Sciences. – *Curtiss Hunt, Seminar Series Coordinator, Adjunct Professor Anatomy and Cell Biology.*

M.F.A. Exhibition By Flynn Runs Through Feb. 17

"Mixed Media," a Master of Fine Arts exhibition by Laura Lee Flynn, horse artist, will open **Monday, Jan. 31**, at the Col. Eugene E. Myers Art Gallery, Hughes Fine Arts Center. The exhibition will run through Thursday, Feb. 17, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. A reception will be held **Friday, Feb. 4**, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Myers Art Gallery. – *Jan Orvik, Editor, University Letter; for the Department of Visual Arts.*

Leadership Workshop Series Set

The Leadership Inspiration Center in the Memorial Union is proud to present the Spring 2000 Leadership Workshop Series. This is the 18th semester the Series has been offered to the UND community. It is held Monday afternoons from 3 to 4 p.m. in the Leadership Inspiration Center, third floor of the Memorial Union. The calendar for the Series follows:

Jan. 31, "Leading with Soul: The Power of Ethical Leadership," Robert Boyd, Vice President, Student and Outreach Services;

Feb. 7, "Leadership and Vision," Dennis Elbert, Dean, College of Business and Public Administration;

Feb. 14, "Generation X Leadership," Sarah Hellekson, Business Services Team Leader, Job Service North Dakota;

Feb. 28, "Public Speaking: Conquering the No. 1 Fear," Lana Rakow, Professor, School of Communication;

March 6, "Leadership Through Tough Times," Lynn Stauss, Mayor, East Grand Forks;

March 20, "The Path with Heart: Personal Motivation," MaryAnne Lustgraaf, Director, Memorial Union;

March 27, "Understanding Conflict as a Leader," Kristine Paronica, Director, Conflict Resolution Center.

Students, faculty, and staff are invited to attend any part of the Leadership Workshop Series. There is no fee to attend, and pre-registration is not necessary.

-- *Cynthia Thompson, Coordinator, Leadership Development and Programming, Memorial Union.*

International Programs Planned

The International Organization and International Programs will hold a video review and group discussion on "Great Decisions 1999 - Global Finance in Crisis: America's Pocketbook in Peril?" from noon to 1 p.m. **Tuesday, Feb. 1**, in the Leadership Inspiration Center, third floor, Memorial Union.

On **Wednesday, Feb. 2**, from 4 to 4:30 p.m., a Study Abroad Info Session will be held for students interested in exploring study abroad opportunities at the International Centre, 2908 University Ave.

"Take a Journey Into Germany" will be presented at 7 p.m. **Thursday, Feb. 3**, in the International Centre, 2908 University Ave. The event is free and open to anyone who wishes to participate.

– *Barry Stinson, International Program Coordinator.*

University Senate Meets Feb. 3; Agenda Listed

The University Senate will meet **Thursday, Feb. 3**, at 4:05 p.m. in Room 7, Gamble Hall.

AGENDA

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

CONSENT CALENDAR:

- 4) Annual Report of the Summer Session Committee (tabled from 1/13/00 Senate meeting). Mary Askim, Chair.

BUSINESS CALENDAR:

- 5) Recommendations from the Honorary Degrees Committee for honorary degrees. Elizabeth Hampsten, Chair.
- 6) Report from the following committees (followed by recommendation from the Senate) regarding selected Board of Higher Education policies: Standing Committee on Faculty Rights, Legislative Affairs, and Compensation (continued from 1/13/00 Senate meeting). John Bridewell, Senate Chair.
- 7) Resolution (following) from the Senate Legislative Affairs Committee regarding future policy and procedural changes (continued from 1/13/00 Senate agenda). Robert Kweit.

We propose that this resolution be forwarded to the Council of College Faculties for consideration on behalf of the CCF schools and that it be copied to the Board of Higher Education.

The University of North Dakota Senate hereby resolves that the State Board of Higher Education should post in a timely manner any issues, agendas, or information relating to higher education policies, procedures and budgets under consideration by the Board or Legislature on a Web site yet to be designated. The Senate further resolves that the Board should utilize faculty expertise and resources in both developing the web site and posting information thereon.

- 8) Board of Higher Education Policy Revisions, Summary of Board Actions to 12/99 (continued from 1/13/00 Senate agenda). Peggy Lucke.

– *Carmen Williams (Interim Registrar), Secretary, University Senate.*

U Senate Will Continue Meeting If Necessary

The University Senate will continue its meeting **Thursday, Feb. 10**, at 4:05 p.m., in Gamble Hall 7, only if discussion on BHE policy changes is not completed at the Thursday, Feb. 3, Senate meeting. -- *John Bridewell (Aviation), University Senate Chair.*

Faculty Will Discuss "What Our Syllabi Say to Our Students"

The next "On Teaching" faculty box lunch discussion will be held **Thursday, Feb. 3**, in the Memorial Room of the Memorial Union. Dan Sheridan (English) will lead a discussion on syllabi and what they say to our students. Participants should bring along a copy of a course syllabus they're using this semester. To register for the seminar and reserve a free box lunch, call Jana Hollands at 777-4998 by noon Tuesday, Feb. 1. – *Libby Rankin, Director, Office of Instructional Development.*

Sociology Honorary Will Meet Feb. 3

Alpha Kappa Delta, the International Sociological Honor Society, will hold its first organizational meeting of 2000 **Thursday, Feb. 3**, at 6 p.m. in the Memorial Room of the Memorial Union. Faculty are asked to announce the meeting in class, if appropriate. The meeting will also serve as a membership drive for new members. Those interested in joining AKD need to meet certain academic requirements. For further information about AKD and becoming a member, please contact me at 777-4125. – *James L. Foster, GTA, Sociology.*

Seminar Will Discuss Virtual Universities

You are invited to attend "Virtual Universities: Online and On Target?" via satellite from 1:30 to 3 p.m. **Thursday, Feb. 3**, in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl.

Few issues in higher education are more hotly debated than the role of virtual universities. Are they fulfilling their mission, or falling short? Can a meaningful, academically sound college degree really be provided at a distance? And even if virtual universities are successful now, are they viable for the future? Clearly a market for online education exists. Find out how leading virtual institutions are using different approaches to capture that market. Panelists will provide the latest information on their virtual institutions, from governance structure to measures of academic effectiveness. You'll have a chance to compare and evaluate their strategies, ask your own questions, even issue challenges.

Topics to be covered: Why and how they are launched; governance structure; niche in higher education as a whole and among other virtual universities; how students enroll, work through courses, are evaluated and tested, and receive student services; relative courses of students and the technology required to enroll and participate; academic effectiveness and the data used to evaluate it; overall viability and the criteria used to assess it; and what the near future holds.

This is the third of four live satellite events which will explore issues in higher education and the Internet. These four programs will explore how the Internet has changed teaching and learning, the classroom, and libraries. The events are produced by Dallas Telelearning and the Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, the Chester Fritz Library, the Center for Instructional and Learning Technologies, Continuing Education, and the Computer Center.

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Seminar Will Discuss Virtual Universities, continued

The final event in the series which will also be offered on the UND campus is: "How to Customize an Online Course."

See <http://www.pbs.org/als/programs/live/virtual.htm> for dates and additional information.

-- Dorette Kerian, Interim Director, Computer Center, and James Shaeffer, Dean of Outreach Programs.

Physics Plans Spring Colloquium

The Department of Physics will hold a colloquium **Friday, Feb. 4**, in which A. Goldman, University of Minnesota, will present "The Two-Dimensional Superconductor-Insulator Transition." Coffee and cookies will be served prior to the presentation at 3 p.m. in 215 Witmer Hall; the colloquium begins at 3:30 p.m. in 209 Witmer Hall. Everyone is welcome. -- *Department of Physics.*

Free Defensive Driving Course Offered

A free Defensive Driving Course for UND employees and a member of their family will be held **Wednesday, Feb. 9**, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at 211 Rural Technology Center. This course may reduce your North Dakota insurance premiums and could possibly take away points from your driving record. Please call the Safety Office at 777-3341 to register and for directions. -- *Corrinne Kjelstrom, Safety Office.*

Medical Students To Host Science Day For Elementary Students

Members of the American Medical Student Association (AMSA) will host the annual AMSA Elementary School Science Day **Saturday, Feb. 12**, at the School of Medicine and Health Sciences. The event, which stresses "hands-on" learning in science and health, is open to fifth- and sixth-grade students for a non-refundable fee of \$1 per person. Registration deadline is Feb. 4.

In each session, topics are designed to stimulate children's interest in science. They will focus on human health and anatomy, use of computers in medicine, awareness of the dangers of tobacco use, various science projects, and the STATS (Students Teaching AIDS to Students) project.

In order to accommodate as many children as possible, two sessions will be offered. Registration will be from 8 to 8:45 a.m. with the program from 8:45 a.m. to noon; 1 to 1:45 for the afternoon session, with the program concluding at 5 p.m. Participants should preregister and plan to attend the morning or afternoon session. Parents and teachers are welcome, but not required to attend. Adult supervision is provided throughout the day, and refreshments will be provided.

The School of Medicine and Health Sciences is located at 501 N. Columbia Road in Grand Forks, the former St. Michael's Hospital. Participants may park and enter at the south side. For more information or to register for the event, contact me. -- *Rachel Hansen, Second-Year Medical Student, 777-4305 or 777-9155.*

Announcements

Support Available For Attendees Of Research Conference

A National Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Conference will be held Feb. 27 to March 1, in Biloxi, Miss. ND EPSCoR has a special \$1,500 SBIR allocation from the National Science Foundation to underwrite the advanced registration fee of \$195 and a \$100 travel voucher for five to seven persons.

The deadline for applying to ND EPSCoR is Wednesday, Feb. 2. Please send your request for registration assistance and travel voucher to David Givers, givers@badlands.nodak.edu, 701-231-7516 (voice), 701-231-9466 (fax) as soon as possible, but no later than Feb. 2. Advance registration closes Feb. 14, after which the cost rises to \$245. Hotel room reservation cut-off date is Feb. 7. For more information on the Biloxi conference please visit: <http://www.zyn.com/sbir/>. -- *Sally Eckert-Tilotta, Associate Director, Office of Research and Program Development.*

Founders Day Banquet Tickets Are On Sale At 411 Twamley Hall

Tickets for the annual Founders Day Banquet may be purchased in University Relations, 411 Twamley Hall, beginning **Monday, Jan. 31**. This year's event is set for 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 24. The program will feature the presentation of awards for teaching, research and service, as well as the recognition of faculty and staff with 25 years of service and retired and retiring faculty and staff with 15 or more years of service. Tickets are \$5 each. -- *Fred Wittmann, Vice President for Student Outreach Services Office.*

Salary Correction Form Changed See Attachment

The Request for Salary Correction form has been updated with some minor changes. It has been changed to reflect our department name change and to be consistent with signatures required on Appointment Revision Forms. The form should be used for all salary corrections for grants, cooperative agreements or contracts. A copy of the form is attached to this newsletter. -- *David Schmidt, Grants and Contracts Administration.*

U2 Lists February Classes

Classes for the University Within the University (U2) Program follow. All computer classes are held in 361 Upton II Hall.

Facilities

NEW CLASS: Do You Want to be a Keyholder? Feb. 9, 10 to 11:30 a.m., Lecture Bowl, Memorial Union, Registration at 9:30 a.m. Learn how to process key requests, how to complete a key inventory, billing procedures for unaccountable keys, about responsibility for lost or stolen keys.

Computer Center

GroupWise 5.5 Beginning, Feb. 8, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.
Exploring the Web Using Netscape, Feb. 15, 8:30 to 10 a.m.
GroupWise 5.5 Intermediate, Feb. 17, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.
Creating a Web Page Using HTML, Feb. 23 and 25, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

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U2 Lists February Classes, continued

Windows 98, Feb. 1 and 3, 8:30 a.m. to noon; Feb. 29 and March 2, 1 to 4:30 p.m.

E-mail using Eudora, Feb. 22, 8:30 to 10 a.m.

Word 97 Level I, Feb. 1 and 3, 1 to 4:30 p.m.

Power Point 97 Level I, Feb. 14, 16, and 18, 8:30 to 11 a.m.

Word 97 Level II, Feb. 15 and 17, 1 to 4:30 p.m.

WordPerfect 8.0 Level I, Feb. 22 and 23, 1 to 4:30 p.m.

WordPerfect 8.0 Level II, Feb. 24 and 25, 1 to 4:30 p.m.

Power Point 97 Level II, Feb. 28, March 1 and 3, 8:30 to 11 a.m.

Personnel Services

Promoting Change in the Workplace, Feb. 2, 8:30 to 10 a.m., Memorial Union Lecture Bowl.

- Identify changing trends in society and the workplace
- understand factors associated with staff resistance to change
- learn effective approaches to introducing change

25 Ways to Manage Frustration, Feb. 2, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Memorial Union Lecture Bowl.

- Understand causes of frustration in everyday life
- understand responses to frustration
- learn how to appropriately manage frustration
- discuss factors that influence and individuals frustration level

How to deal with difficult people, Feb. 10, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m., 211 Rural Technology Center.

Legal Issues in Employment, Feb. 24, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m., 211 Rural Technology Center.

Progressive Discipline in the Workplace, Feb. 29, 9:30 to 11 a.m., 211 Rural Technology Center.

Accounting Services

Employee and Nonemployee Travel Policies and Procedures and Food Purchase Approvals, Feb. 3, 9 to 11 a.m., Memorial Union Lecture Bowl.

Mainframe Computer Usage and Printouts, Feb. 10, 9 to 11 a.m., 361 Upson II Hall.

Payments to Non Resident Aliens, Feb. 8, 9 to 11 a.m., Memorial Union Lecture Bowl.

Accounting Services and Purchasing Training Session, Feb. 23, 8 a.m. to noon, Sioux Room, Memorial Union.

To register, please call me at 777-2128. – *Staci Matheny, University Within the University.*

Community Music Program Expanded

The Community Music Program has expanded this year to include various lessons and classes for secondary students and adults. These offerings include private lessons in voice, piano, harpsichord, and organ. Dr. Christopher Anderson (harpsichord and organ) has degrees in Organ Performance and Performance Practice from Southern Methodist and Duke Universities respectively. Sergio Gallo, one of several piano teachers in the Community Music Program, earned a D.M.A. from the University of California, Santa Barbara and has an active international performance career. Paul Mortenson (Voice) has an M.M. in Vocal Performance from UND as well as additional study with Oren Brown at Julliard and Elizabeth Mannion at University of California Santa Barbara. He is a veteran of numerous stage and choral productions and has had experience teaching students of all ages, abilities, and interests.

Programs for elementary students include voice classes (grades 2-7),

private voice lessons, piano class (ages 5-7), private piano lessons, and Level III Musiktanz. Pre-school children and their parents may sign up for Levels I or II of Musiktanz, a program involving singing, moving, playing instruments, creating, and listening to music.

All classes meet in the Hughes Fine Arts Building for 12 sessions. Most classes are either on Thursday nights or Saturday mornings. Private lessons are arranged with the individual teacher. For more information or to request a brochure please call the Community Music Office at 777-2830 or the Music Office at 777-2644. The spring semester of classes begins Jan. 29, and early registration is advised. -- *Barbara Lewis, Associate Professor of Music.*

Valentine's Day Serenade To Be Held By University Musicians

Several musicians from the UND Wind Ensemble will host a Valentine's Serenade **Monday, Feb. 14**. The event is being held as a fundraiser for the UND Wind Ensemble's upcoming tour of London, Ireland, and Scotland. All proceeds will help pay for the students' travel expenses. Talented musicians from all majors will comprise small ensembles which will travel to homes, businesses, schools, etc. to send a special musical message for Valentine's Day. Each message will cost \$20 and includes live music, a Valentine's Day card, and a long-stemmed rose. UND musicians will travel to any location in the Grand Forks or East Grand Forks area. All orders should be placed by phone to Wendy McCallum at 777-2788, and must be prepaid by Feb. 13. Please order soon, time and space are limited. – *UND Wind Ensemble.*

Dakota PGA Plans Golf Seminar

The Dakota chapter of the Professional Golfers Association (PGA) presents the 2000 Dakota P.G.A. Golf Seminar **Friday and Saturday, March 10 and 11**, from 1 to 5 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, at the Hyslop Sports Center. The seminar is held in cooperation with UND and benefits the Fighting Sioux Golf Team.

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

Seminar coordinators are Leo Marchel, P.G.A. Professional, and Rob Stiles, UND Mens Golf Coach. The schedule follows: Friday, noon to 1 p.m., registration; 1 to 5 p.m., small group sessions; Saturday, 8:30 to 9 a.m., check in; 9 to 11:30 a.m., small group sessions; 11:30 a.m. to noon, general questions and answers. The registration fee is \$30 for students, \$40 for adults.

The seminar includes basic swing fundamentals, short game techniques, iron game, individual video tape session (bring your own VHS tape and take your swing home), "Rules of Golf" class, equipment and course management class, individual club fitting session (each student will go through our club fitting program and will be provided with club specification recommendations).

The Coaches' Clinic, a specific curriculum designed especially for golf coaches, will help coaches deal with common problems experienced by their team members. We will "teach the coaches to teach."

All instructors are members of the Dakota Chapter of the P.G.A. of America. For questions or further information, call Leo Marchel at 772-3912 or Rob Stiles at 777-2155. – *Rob Stiles, Golf Coach.*

Employees Eligible For Disney Discounts

UND employees are eligible to become Magic Kingdom Club members. Membership benefits include discounted admission and meals at Disney Parks (Disney World and Disney Land), special resort room rates, merchandise discounts at Disney Stores, and other travel discounts. A valid membership card is required at the time of purchase to take advantage of Club benefits. All employees are eligible and membership is free. **Memberships must be renewed on an annual basis.** Application/renewal forms are available from the UND Payroll Office, 313 Twamley Hall, and a limited supply has been sent to each department. Employees requesting membership or renewal of a previous membership should complete a form and mail it directly to the address listed on the form. – *Pat Hanson, Director of Payroll/Risk Management.*

Grants and Fellowships

Research, Grant Opportunities Listed

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

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA)/ NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF)

Environmental Statistics, a grant program co-sponsored by EPA and NSF, seeks to increase understanding of the physical and human dimensions of environmental policies and issues by supporting the development of innovative statistical methods and models for environmental research. Although primarily geared to the statistical sciences, this competition invites proposals from qualified researchers across the statistical, social, behavioral, and physical sciences. Because problems in environmental research are complex and often require a deep understanding of both substantive issues and possible statistical approaches, multidisciplinary collaborations involving statisticians and researchers from the social, behavioral, and physical sciences are especially welcome. Proposal submission is through NSF. Approximately \$2 million will be available for 8-10 awards. **Deadline:** 3/1/00. **Contact:** EPA: Chris Saint, saint.chris@epamail.epa.gov, 202/564-6909. NSF: General Questions--Keith Crank, kcrank@nsf.gov, 703/306-1885; Statistical Questions--James L. Rosenberger, jrosenbe@nsf.gov, 703/306-1883; Social Science Questions--Cheryl Eavey, ceavey@nsf.gov, 703/306-1729.

NEWBERRY LIBRARY

Lester J. Cappon Fellowships in Documentary Editing support work on historical editing projects based on Newberry Library materials and carried out in residence at the library. Applicants must hold the Ph.D. or equivalent. Monthly stipends are \$1,200. Tenure ranges from one week to 2 months.

Audrey Lumsden-Kouvel Fellowships in Renaissance Studies are provided to post-doctoral scholars to carry on extended research in late medieval and Renaissance history and literature. Applicants must anticipate being in continuous residence for at least 3 months; preference is given to those who wish to come for longer periods during the academic year or use the fellowship to extend a sabbatical. The award carries a monthly stipend of \$1,200.

The Library's collections concern the civilizations of western Europe and the Americas from the late middle ages to the 20th century. Included are materials on American history and literature; European history and literature; history of cartography; history and theory of music; history of printing; and early philology and linguistics. Other focuses include: European discovery, exploration, and settlement of the Americas; the American West; local history, family history, and genealogy; literature and history from the Midwest, especially the Chicago Renaissance; Native American histories and literatures, the Renaissance; the French Revolutionary Era; and Portuguese and Brazilian history. **Deadline:** 3/1/00. **Contact:** research@newberry.org; <http://www.newberry.org/nl/research/fellinfo.html>.

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH)

The Research on the Development of Interventions for Youth Violence Program (OD-00-005) seeks applications from interested investigators to conduct timely, innovative, developmental, or methodological behavioral research, pilot projects, or feasibility studies that support creative, novel youth violence intervention research. Studies may include process evaluation and model testing, methodology development and validation, and piloting of an intervention prior to large scale testing. The objective is to encourage necessary initial development to provide a basis for important future youth violence intervention research. Investigators who wish to adapt new methods or techniques established in other fields to study scientific avenues in youth violence intervention research are encouraged to apply. Also encouraged are collaborations between investigators of risk factors for youth violence and behavioral interventionists from related fields. This program will use the exploratory/developmental research (R21) award mechanism and is a one-time solicitation. Participating institutes intend to commit approximately \$3 million in total costs (direct plus Facilities and Administrative) in FY 2000 to fund 10-12 new grants. Awards are expected for \$200,000 in direct costs/year for up to 3 years. **Deadlines:** 3/1/00 (Letter of Intent), 4/14/00 (Full Proposal). **Contact:** Farris Tuma, National Institute of Mental Health, 301/443-5944, ftuma@nih.gov; Margaret Feerick, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, 301/435-6882, feerickm@mail.nih.gov; Lynda Erinoff, National Institute on Drug Abuse, 301/402-1972, LERINOFF@NIDA.NIH.GOV; Susan Martin, National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, 301/443-8767, smartin@willco.niaaa.nih.gov.

Various institutes of the NIH have announced the availability of grants from the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and the Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) Programs. Awards support collaborations between small businesses and non-profit research institutions to conduct research and development in areas of interest to the individual institutes. The goal is to stimulate and foster scientific and technological innovation, including commercialization of products from federally funded research and development. While eligible applicants for the SBIR program are small businesses, universities may partner in this program. Universities are eligible to apply for STTR awards. Both awards provide \$100,000 for Phase I of a three-phase project. Phase I allows for evaluation of the scientific merit and feasibility of an idea. See individual institutes for areas of interest (www.nih.gov). Duration varies with institute but is generally 6 months-1 year. **Contact:** PHS SBIR/STTR Solicitation Office, 301/206-0385, <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/sbir.htm>. **Deadlines:** 4/1/00, 8/1/00, 12/1/00.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DoD)

The Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program (SERDP; BAA-00-002) is interested in receiving proposals for research focusing on the areas of Cleanup, Compliance, Conservation and Pollution Prevention technologies under the SERDP Exploratory Development (SEED) program. DoD/SERDP intends to competitively fund research and development for innovative and new environmental technologies that test proof-of-principle concepts during a one-year effort and meet the focus areas set forth in Appendix B to the Program Announcement (found on the DoD/SERDP Home Page at <http://www.SERDP.org/seed-nonfederal/>). Projects will be funded up to \$100,000; duration may be up to one year. No request for proposals (RFP), solicitation, or other announcement concerning this opportunity will be made. Submission of proposals is not restricted in any way to any particular entity. Before preparing a proposal, potential proposers should read information provided in the Program Announcement. Proposals will be evaluated against the following factors listed in descending order of importance: 1) SERDP relevance (pass/fail as to whether the submission responds to high-priority, mission-relevant, DoD and DOE environmental requirements as described in the SON); 2) the approach, objective(s) and overall scientific and technical merits of the proposed project; and 3) potential for transition of the proposed research. **Deadline:** 3/7/00. **Contact:** Brenda Batch, Technical POC, 703/696-2127; Deborah Giordano, Non-Technical POC, 703/428-7153.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF)

The Engineering Directorate announces a research initiative on Engineering the Transport Industries. Nations depend upon transport systems that are reliable, efficient, safe and environmentally sustainable. In the broadest sense, creation of wealth depends on the transport of people, goods, energy and information, and it is these modes of transport that are addressed in this initiative. This initiative includes systems as diverse as highways, railways, air transport, shipping, gas-, fuel-, and water-distribution pipelines, electrical power distribution grids, and communication networks. The primary objective is to foster development of a science base for the transport industries. Approximately \$3 million is expected to be awarded for 15-25 new grants. The full announcement can be downloaded at <http://www.nsf.gov/cgi-bin/getpub?nsf0042>. **Deadlines:** 3/10/00 (Letter of Intent), 4/13/00 (Full Proposal). **Contact:** Clifford J. Astill, Civil and Mechanical Systems, 703/306-1362, castill@nsf.gov; Marija Ilic, Electrical and Communication Systems, 703/306-1339, milic@nsf.gov; Lawrence M. Seiford, Design, Manufacturing and Industrial Innovation, 703/306-1395, lseiford@nsf.gov.

The Engineering Sciences for Modeling and Simulation-Based Life-Cycle Engineering Program is a collaborative research program between the NSF and Sandia National Laboratories to fund research projects focused on advancing the fundamental knowledge base needed to support advanced computer simulations. Advances are needed in the following broad classes of technical development: fidelity of simulation models, experimental discovery necessary for determination of models and their validations, uncertainty quantification of the resulting computations, and computational techniques for the solution of simulation models on high performance computing platforms. The proposed effort should address only one of the focus areas and be related to either validation of models intrinsic to high performance computing or to the development of modeling protocols and computational procedures which materially accelerate and

improve such computations relative to their specific focus area. Projects can be up to 3 years in duration. The typical annual budget is about \$80,000, but budgets up to \$300,000/year are possible if well justified. **Deadlines:** 3/31/00 (Required Abstract), 5/19/00 (Full Proposal). **Contact:** General Questions or Thermal Transport: Stefan T. Thynell, CTS Division, NSF, 703/306-1371, sthynell@nsf.gov or Thomas C. Bickel, Sandia National Laboratories, 505/845-9301, tbickel@sandia.gov; Solid Mechanics: Ken P. Chong, CMS Division, NSF, 703/306-1361, kchong@nsf.gov, or Clifford Astill (geotechnical problems), CMS Division, NSF, 703/306-1362, castill@nsf.gov, or E. P. Chen, Sandia National Laboratories, 925/294-2334, epchen@sandia.gov; Design and Operation of Engineering Systems: George A. Hazelrigg, DMII Division, NSF, 703/306-1330, ext. 5299, ghazelri@nsf.gov or David R. Martinez, Sandia National Laboratories, 505/844-1457, drmarti@sandia.gov.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON AGING (NIA)

The Transitional Career Development Award/Women's Health Research (RFA OD-00-003) provides support for career development experiences leading to independence for clinical investigators interested in patient-oriented or population-based research related to women's health. The program will provide an opportunity for investigators to develop solid clinical research skills during 2 years of study and research within the environment of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Intramural Research Programs (IRP) followed with a 2-year period of salary and research support at an academic institution of the candidate's choice. The program is designed to facilitate transition to a position as an independently funded investigator at an extramural institution. Diseases of women of particular interest include therapeutic areas identified at the Beyond Hunt Valley Conference sponsored by the ORWH, which designed a research agenda for women's health in the 21st century. Projects should investigate the presentation, clinical course and/or management of any of the cardiovascular, cancer, metabolic, gastroenterologic, urologic, musculoskeletal, neuroendocrine, mental, infectious, or autoimmune diseases or any other medical conditions which occur with higher prevalence in women. Applicants should possess aptitudes for independent, patient-oriented or population-based research (e.g. epidemiology, behavior, or disease prevention); be able to demonstrate a commitment to the study of diseases that occur in women; must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents; and must have a health-professional doctoral degree or its equivalent. The K22 award mechanism will be used. **Deadline:** 3/20/00. **Contact:** Robin A. Barr, Office of Extramural Affairs, 301/496-9322; fax 301/402-2945; rb42h@nih.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-OD-00-003.html>.

NATIONAL INST. OF NEUROLOGICAL DISORDERS AND STROKE (NINDS)

The major focus of the Neurobiology of Diabetic Complications (RFA NS-00-002) program is to apply recent advances in the neurosciences to the study of the neurological complications of diabetes. Research should be aimed at understanding the mechanisms by which diabetes results in painful, disabling peripheral neuropathy, autonomic neuropathy, impaired counterregulation and hypoglycemia unawareness, and other neurological complications. The intent is to attract basic neuroscientists to the study of diabetic neuropathy and neurobiology relevant to diabetes, and enhance interdisciplinary approaches to research in this area. Investigators with diverse scientific interests are invited to apply their expertise to basic and applied research to

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enhance understanding of the pathogenesis of diabetic neuropathy, to develop appropriate models relevant to understanding and treating these complications, and to develop innovative strategies to prevent, limit, or reverse these complications. The R01 and R21 award mechanisms will be used. **Deadline:** 3/24/00 (Letter of Intent), 4/25/00 (Full Application). **Contact:** Paul L. Nichols, 301/496-9964; fax 301/402-2060; pn13w@nih.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-NS-00-002.html>.

**SOCIETY FOR THE PSYCHOLOGICAL
STUDY OF SOCIOLOGICAL ISSUES (SPSSI)**

Four Clara Mayo Grants of up to \$1,000 each are available to support master's theses or pre-dissertation research on aspects of sexism,

racism, or prejudice. Eligible applicants are individuals who have matriculated in graduate programs in psychology, applied social science, and related disciplines, who seek support of their master's thesis or pre-dissertation research. Studies of the application of theory or the design of interventions or treatments to address these problems are welcome. Preference is given to students enrolled in a terminal master's program. **Deadline:** 3/31/00. **Contact:** 734/662-9130; fax 734/662-5607; spssi@umich.edu; <http://www.umich.edu/~sociss>.

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