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UND POSTS LARGEST SPRING SEMESTER NUMBERS SINCE 1994

With nearly 10,500 students, the University of North Dakota has posted its largest spring semester enrollment since 1994 (10,682).

The 10,438 final spring tally is up 377 students (3.7 percent) over the 2000 spring semester final count (10,061), and up 752 students over the 1999 spring semester total (9,686).

Fall semester enrollment reached 11,031, an increase of 441 students over the 1999 fall enrollment. Spring enrollment is always lower than fall, in part because of Winter Commencement.

"We are very happy with these numbers, which continue to indicate growth," said President Charles Kupchella. He cited the growth in "new transfer student" numbers (263, up 25 from last year) as an example.

Kupchella also said the extra recruiting efforts of Don Piper, Associate Vice President for Enrollment Management, the staff of the Office of Enrollment Services, and UND faculty and staff in general have had a significant effect on stabilizing enrollment. He pointed to two years of large freshmen classes as contributing greatly to the growth.

FEIDLER RESIGNS POSITION WITH ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AND FOUNDATION

The UND Alumni Association and Foundation has announced that Robert Feidler resigned his position of Executive Vice President, effective Feb. 1, to pursue other interests. Dave Miedema has been named acting chief executive by the Board of Directors.

President Kupchella issued the following statement on Feb. 1: "The University of North Dakota extends its best wishes to Bob Feidler, who today announced his resignation as executive vice president of the UND Alumni Association. I enjoyed working with Bob, and appreciated his hard work on behalf of the University, and we wish him the best as he moves on with his professional life. The University anticipates no changes in its relationship with its independent Alumni Association and Foundation, which since the time of statehood has been a key player in the development of this great University."

FINAL FORUM SET TO DISCUSS STATUS OF STRATEGIC PLANNING EFFORT

Faculty, administrators and staff are invited to participate in the final of three open forums to discuss the current status of the strategic planning effort Tuesday, Feb. 13, from 8:30 to 10 a.m. in the Atmospherium in Odegard Hall. The latest draft of the Strategic Plan is now online at www.und.edu/stratplan

Charles Kupchella, President, and John Ettlting, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost.

EVENTS TO NOTE

NOTE CHANGE OF MTV BROADCAST DATE FEATURING AEROSPACE

The broadcast date of the program featuring UND Aerospace Foundation's (UNDAF's) Aerospace Physiology Training on MTV's "Senseless Acts of Video" has been changed to Sunday, Feb. 11, at 7:30 p.m. (C.S.T.).

Karen Ryba, UND Aerospace.

MUSEUM SPONSORS PUBLIC PAINTING SYMPOSIUM

The North Dakota Museum of Art is sponsoring a painting symposium for the general public at 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11, in the galleries of the Museum.

Three master painters will conduct the symposium: Douglas Kinsey, who had a solo exhibition in the Museum last year; Marley Kaul, whose painting graced the cover of the Autumn Art Auction catalog and who has shown in the Museum several times; and Walter Piehl, whose exhibition is currently on display.

Douglas Kinsey is a painter and printmaker who has exhibited in New York, Philadelphia, Washington, D.C., London and Cambridge in England, and Osaka, Japan. The monotype, a kind of printed painting, has become his printmaking specialty. Last year the North Dakota Museum of Art exhibited his monotypes for the book, "Eurydice's Song," published with poet William Borden. This is the 17th book he has illustrated, and he gave the complete set of 28 monotypes to the North Dakota Museum of Art for the permanent collection. Born in Oberlin, Ohio, in 1934, he has a B.A. from Oberlin College and an M.F.A. from the University of Minnesota. He is an emeritus professor at the University of Notre Dame, and he and his wife live in South Bend, Ind. Kinsey taught at UND for five years in the early 1960s. He exhibited 10 large paintings in his Grand Forks exhibition, two of which were purchased by the North Dakota Museum of Art.

Marley Kaul, a retired professor of art at Bemidji State University, is a senior artist in the region. Over the past decade, he has pursued a historic process whereby he paints with egg tempera on panels, on which an under-drawing is laid in India ink. This drawing continues to show through the initial layers of pigment. Since the pigment is translucent, a great deal of over-painting is required before the drawing recedes. Kaul's work is in such collections as the Wiesman Art Museum at the University of Minnesota; Luther College, Decorah, Iowa; the 3M Collection, St. Paul; and the North Dakota Museum of Art.

Walter Piehl is one of North Dakota's most highly regarded artists. He studied undergraduate art at Concordia College in Moorhead and received an M.A. from UND. He continued his studies in painting, drawing and printmaking at the University of Minnesota. Piehl is one of a few artists in the country to successfully create "cowboy art" in a contemporary mode. He grew up on a ranch near Marion, N.D., where his family raised rodeo stock, and began riding as soon as he could sit on a horse. He continues his interest in rodeo through his sons, both bronco riders. Piehl, while teaching at Minot State University, continues an active exhibition career. He has shown at the Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City and the C.M. Russell Museum in Great Falls, Mont. The North Dakota Museum of Art is planning a major retrospective of Piehl's work.

Kinsey is in Grand Forks to jury the UND Student Exhibition, which opens at 2 p.m. in the Museum's mezzanine gallery. The reception, open to the general public, continues until 4 p.m. when the painting symposium starts. All events are open to the general public without charge.

North Dakota Museum of Art.

GRADUATE COMMITTEE MEETS MONDAY

The Graduate Committee will meet Monday, Feb. 12, at 3:05 p.m. in 305 Twamley Hall. The agenda will include:

1. Subcommittee report on Nursing graduate program review
2. Discussion on proposal for an M.S. in Engineering
3. Discussion of health sciences programs in the School of Medicine
4. Matters arising
5. Graduate Dean Search Committee

Carl Fox, Interim Dean, Graduate School.

FACULTY LUNCH DISCUSSION WILL FOCUS ON TEACHING IN HONORS AND INTEGRATED STUDIES

On Tuesday, Feb. 13, the On Teaching faculty lunch discussion series continues with a session titled "Teaching in Honors and Integrated Studies."

In this session, faculty will have the opportunity to learn more about these two programs from faculty who have participated in them and from program directors Jeanne Anderegg (Honors) and Tami Carmichael (Integrated Studies). Whether you are interested in teaching in one of these programs or just want to learn more about how they work and how students benefit from them, come join us for lunch and conversation.

The session will be held from noon to 1 p.m. in the Pembina-Roosevelt Room, Memorial Union. To register and reserve a free box lunch, call Jana Hollands (777-4998) by noon Friday, Feb. 9.

Libby Rankin, Director, Office of Instructional Development.

MAC PRESENTS CANDLELIGHT AND COMEDY VALENTINE'S DAY

Are you looking for something different to do on Valentine's Day? Come enjoy an after dinner dessert with a little

"Candlelight and Comedy," 6 to 10 p.m. Valentine's Day, Feb. 14, in the Memorial Union Ballroom. Dean Edwards, featured on HBO, Showtime, and MTV, and Michael jr. will perform. This event is sponsored by the Multicultural Awareness Committee, and is free and open to the public. For more information, call 777-4378.

-- Multicultural Awareness Committee.

"DO BUCKLE, DON'T BOOZE" PRESENTATION SET AT UNION

A "Do Buckle, Don't Booze" campaign presentation is scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 14, at 11:30 a.m. on the main floor of the Memorial Union. Approximately one hour in length, the presentation will touch on the changes in state laws, as well as contain personal testimony from someone who lost a loved one in a drunk driving accident. A short video will be shown on binge drinking and alcohol poisoning. Informational materials and specialty items will also be available.

Some 23 percent of college students, most of whom are underage, drink alcohol frequently and in large quantities; in fact, they drink 72 percent of all alcohol consumed by college students, according to the US Department of Health and Human Services. About 86 percent of those who live in a fraternity house and 80 percent of those who live in a sorority house report binge drinking (consuming five or more drinks in a row). About 57 percent of the students who are frequent, heavy drinkers report driving after drinking.

Concerned about these statistics, the "Do Buckle, Don't Booze" campaign will host presentations in colleges and universities statewide. The "Do Buckle, Don't Booze" campaign was implemented more than two years ago through a collaborative effort of the North Dakota Department of Transportation, Peace Officers Association, law enforcement agencies, and traffic safety programs. The goal of the campaign is to heighten public awareness of the importance of safety belt usage and dangers of driving impaired. The theme and logo for the campaign include the "Click It or Ticket, Booze It & Lose It" messages to emphasize the enforcement effort.

The "Do Buckle, Don't Booze" campaign is committed to saving lives and preventing serious injuries. Please join us in our discussion of these issues affecting college students statewide. Together, we can make a difference!

Karin Walton, Coordinator, Substance Abuse Prevention, Counseling Center.

JANE KURTZ TO SPEAK ON AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL FICTION

Jane Kurtz (English) will give a talk, "Choosing to Be Exposed: Writing Autobiographical Fiction," in 116 Merrifield Hall Thursday, Feb. 15, at 4 p.m.

Kurtz, who has published 14 books, will talk about her new novel, which draws on her childhood growing up in East Africa, and about the joys and pains of rooting fiction in one's real life.

Sponsored by the English Lecture Series, the presentation is free and open to the public.

Martha Meek, Coordinator, English Lecture Series.

RECITAL SERIES WILL DEDICATE NEW PIANO

A dedicatory recital series will offer audiences the opportunity to hear the new Bosendorfer Imperial grand piano. The Music Faculty Trio, composed of Anne Christopherson, soprano; Elizabeth Rheude, clarinet; and Sergio Gallo on piano, will perform at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15, in the Josephine Campbell Recital Hall, Hughes Fine Arts Center. For more information, contact Anne Christopherson at 777-2835 or Sergio Gallo at 777-2839.

Department of Music.

RECEPTION WILL HONOR CHERYL DANDURAN

Cheryl Danduran, Manager of Human Resources at the Energy and Environmental Research Center, will retire March 2. She has been at UND for more than 16 years, and at EERC for over 10 years. In honor of her retirement, EERC will host an open house reception Thursday, Feb. 15, at 3:30 p.m. in the EERC lobby. Please feel welcome to stop by and wish Cheryl well.

Cheryl Quamme, Energy and Environmental Research Center.

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS WILL HOST THURSDAY NIGHT EVENT

The Office of International Programs holds Thursday night events each week at 7 p.m. at the International Centre, 2908 University Ave. The Feb. 15 program will feature Norway. Everyone is welcome.

International Programs.

PAUR MEMORIAL LECTURES WILL CONSIDER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

The Biology Department presents the Glenn Allen Paur Memorial Lectures, hosted by the UND Wildlife Society. W. Dan Svedarsky, University of Minnesota-Crookston, will present two lectures. The first is titled "Resource Management in the New Millennium: The Future Ain't What It Used to Be!" at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15, in 105 Starcher Hall. The second is titled "National Status and Management of the Greater Prairie Chicken" at 4 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, in 141 Starcher Hall.

Dr. Svedarsky received his Ph.D. in Wildlife Biology from the University of North Dakota, and his M.S. (Botany) and B.S. (Biology) from the University of Missouri, Columbia. Svedarsky has been awarded many honors, most recently, the Minnesota Award Minnesota Chapter of Wildlife Society, 1999, and the University of Minnesota Academy of Distinguished Teachers 1998.

Glen Paur received his B.S. degree from the Biology Department in 1978. He died in a boating accident while working on a research project just a few days after graduation.

Please plan to join us.

Biology Department.

LAMONT JOHNSON SPEAKS AT UND

Master actor/director Lamont Johnson will be the guest artist for Drama Day, sponsored by the Theatre Arts Department. The Department invites everyone to a free showing of his film, "One on One," at Burtness Theatre Friday, Feb. 16, at 7 p.m. After the film, Mr. Johnson will discuss his direction of it and then field general questions from the audience about his Hollywood career.

Johnson began his career acting and directing more than 50 years ago. One of the early pioneers of television, he appeared in the old Studio One, Philco/Goodyear Playhouse & Playhouse 90 series and directed many of the first

Twilight Zone episodes. He has appeared on Broadway in Lillian Hellman's "Montserrat" and Michael Redgrave's production of "Macbeth" and has directed many films, including "The Last American Hero" with Jeff Bridges, "Lipstick" with Anne Bancroft and Mariel Hemingway, and "The Execution of Private Slovik" with Martin Sheen (the project which launched Sheen's career.) He has directed Burt Lancaster, Kirk Douglas, Charlton Heston, Charles Durning, Mary Tyler Moore, Sam Waterston, Richard Chamberlain, Jeff Goldblum, Cloris Leachman, Jean Stapleton, Elliot Gould, Carol Burnett, Rod Steiger, Amanda Plummer, and more.

Theatre Arts Department.

COWBOY POETRY AND SONG COMING TO MUSEUM

Poetry and songs of cowboy life on the prairie will fill the North Dakota Museum of Art galleries when cowboy poets Shadd Piehl and D.W. Groethe tell and sing their stories on Sunday, Feb. 18, at 2 p.m. The second event in the Museum's Readers Series for the season, it is free and open to the public.

Piehl is a fifth-generation North Dakotan and a third-generation rodeo cowboy. An exhibition of the art work of Piehl's father, well-known Dakota artist, Walter Piehl Jr., is currently showing in the Museum.

Shadd Piehl was born in Dickinson, grew up in rural Minot, and now lives in Fargo. He has been a warehouse "lumper," a rodeo cowboy, a horse breaker, a high-school teacher, a hog-hide skinner, a private investigator, a columnist, a bartender, and a ranch hand - though, he adds, "not necessarily in that order." His poetry reflects these experiences and his attachment to the Dakota landscape, past and present. Among his influences are the great Dakota poets: Sitting Bull, Badger Clark, and Thomas McGrath. He is enrolled in the Master's of Fine Arts creative writing program at Minnesota State University, Moorhead. He attended Minot High School and North Dakota State University.

His poetry performances include a combination of readings and recitations of his own work and that of poets he admires, including Stephen Vincent Benet, Thomas McGrath, Robert Bly, and Paul Zarzyski.

Piehl has twice been selected a featured poet at the annual Cowboy Poetry Gathering in Elko, Nev. His poetry has been included in the anthologies, "Maverick Western Verse" by Gibbs Smith, and "Between Earth and Sky: Poets of the Cowboy West," published by W.W. Norton. In 1999 he published a chapbook of poems, "Towards Horses," with Aluminum Canoe of Fargo.

The cowboy poetry songs of D.W. Groethe, of Bainville, Mont., can be heard on his newest recording, There's A Place, on the Chairmaker's Rush label. The songs on There's a Place tell tales of "long hard rides, late prairie nights and heartbreakin' cowgirls, tales of a cowboy's life." The lyrics of "A Cowboy's Prayer" say, "I hope it ain't much trouble, but it'd put my heart at ease if when it's time to call me home, there's badlands there for me." "Prairie Anthem" extols, "As the sun begins to rise over blue Dakota skies, as the breeze begins to sighin' thru the valley below, from these hills I look around and know I'm not alone. She calls me, my wild prairie home."

D.W. Groethe is a participant in the Library of Congress's Local Legacies project and he has contributed poetry to the Library's collections. He also spends time on the home quarter his grandparents homesteaded in Williams County, N.D., in 1903.

Groethe holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in directing from UND. "I worked a couple of seasons in professional theater until I figured it was easier to starve as a musician," he says. He has made his home in Bainville for the last 10 years and says, he's been "a sometime musician, sometime cowboy, full-time whatever-it-takes-to-keep-the-wolves-from-the-door kinda guy." His CDs and tapes will be on sale at the reading.

For more information, please call 777-4195. You may also visit our web site at www.ndmoa.com.

North Dakota Museum of Art.

ANNUAL MATH TRACK MEET SET FOR FEB. 19

Middle and high school students will meet at Witmer Hall to compete in this year's Math Track Meet on Presidents Day, Monday, Feb. 19.

Students participating in the track meet come from the Grand Forks area and surrounding communities. They are tested on their math skills as individuals and on teams. Testing runs from 9:15 a.m. to 1:35 p.m., with an awards ceremony from 2 to 3 p.m. in 116 Witmer Hall. The basic format is 15-minute individual tests followed by 25-minute team tests.

The event is sponsored by the Department of Math with funding from the Alumni Association and the Office of the President.

Department of Mathematics.

TICKETS FOR FOUNDERS DAY 2001 NOW ON SALE

Tickets for the annual Founders Day Banquet are now on sale. This year's event is set for Thursday, Feb. 22, in the Memorial Union Ballroom. The doors will open at 5:45 p.m., the UND Steel Drum Band will begin performing at 6 p.m., and the banquet will begin at 6:30 p.m. The Founders Day program features 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 to the University of North Dakota.

For the first time ever, tickets for the banquet can be purchased through campus mail. Every UND employee recently received a bright blue flyer outlining the ticket purchase procedure. Please use the order form to order your tickets, or those for your departmental tables. Tickets are \$7 each, and a limited number of seats are available.

Please call Sherri Korynta in the Office of the Vice President for Student and Outreach Services at 777-2725 if you have any questions or if you need an additional copy of the ticket order form.

Fred Wittmann, Director of Project Development, Office of the Vice President for Student and Outreach Services.

PSYCHOLOGY COLLOQUIUM WILL DISCUSS CHILDREN, FORENSIC INTERVIEWS

The Psychology Department will hold a colloquium in which Matthew Scullin, general/experimental faculty applicant, will present "Children's Suggestibility in Forensic Interviews: Development and Validation of a Suggestibility Scale for Children," at 3:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23, in 302 Corwin/Larimore Hall. Everyone is welcome.

Psychology Department.

ANNUAL FEAST OF NATIONS FEATURES CELTIC MUSIC OF THE DUST RHINOS

The 39th Annual Feast of Nations will be presented by the International Organization at 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, at the Grand Forks Civic Auditorium, 615 First Ave. N.

The Feast of Nations is a multicultural extravaganza which features world vignettes, a candlelight dinner, intercultural entertainment, and international attire.

The highlight of the evening will be a performance by the Dust Rhinos, a Celtic band from Winnipeg. The group has

produced three albums of high energy Celtic rock. Comprised of five members, the group will perform a variety of traditional Celtic favorites as well as a significant portion of their own music.

UND students from around the world will host the event and showcase traditional song and dance. The dinner will include the following dishes: Istanbuly Polo and Ghaymeh (Turkey), Wonton Soup (China), and French bread. The featured dessert will be Arroz con Leche (Spain), and the beverages will include Columbian coffee and Asian Tropical Punch.

Tickets for the event are \$8 for students and children and \$17 for adults. For ticket information and reservations call 777- 4231.

Barry Stinson, Director, International Centre.

AGENDA ITEMS DUE FOR MARCH 1 UNIVERSITY SENATE MEETING

The University Senate will meet Thursday, March 1, at 4:05 p.m., in Room 7, Gamble Hall. Agenda items for this meeting are due in the Office of the Registrar by noon, Thursday, Feb. 15. It is recommended that some detail be included in the agenda items submitted.

- Nancy Krogh (University Registrar), Secretary, University Senate.

RESEARCH PROPOSALS DUE SOON FOR INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD CONSIDERATION

The Institutional Review Board will meet at 3:30 p.m. Friday, March 2, in 305 Twamley Hall, to consider all research proposals submitted to the Office of Research and Program Development (ORPD) before Tuesday, Feb. 20. Proposals received later will be considered only if a quorum has reviewed them and time permits.

Clinical medical projects must be reviewed by the Clinical Medical Subcommittee before being brought to the full Board. Proposals for these projects are due in the Office of Research and Program Development Tuesday, Feb. 13.

Notes from the meeting will be available in ORPD approximately one week after the meeting.

-- Sue Jacobs (Counseling), Chair,

Institutional Review Board. *****

NIH REGIONAL SEMINAR WILL TAKE PLACE IN HOUSTON

The Spring 2001 Regional Seminar for the National Institutes of Health (NIH) will be held Thursday and Friday, March 15-16, in Houston, Texas.

Sponsored by the University of Texas, the NIH Regional Seminar provides an opportunity for participants to learn about NIH policies and procedures through a series of presentations targeted to faculty, university administrators, new researchers, and trainees. Program directors, grants officers, policy staff, and other NIH personnel will attend and be available for questions.

To obtain the seminar agenda and registration information, please visit the seminar web site at <http://www.mdanderson.org/nihseminar>. Hotel information is also on that web site.

Faculty and research staff interested in attending the NIH Regional Seminar who need assistance in meeting travel costs should contact Sally Eckert-Tilotta, Office of Research and Program Development (ORPD), at 777-2049 or sally_eckert-tilotta@mail.und.nodak.edu.

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

OF ACADEMIC INTEREST

SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE MAKES AWARDS

The Senate Scholarly Activities Committee received 36 requests for domestic travel funds and one request for foreign travel funds in the January call for proposals. The following awards were made at the Committee meeting Jan. 24:

Harmon Abrahamson, Chemistry, \$400; Mary Askim, Information Systems and Business Education, \$400; B. P. Bandyopadhyay, Mechanical Engineering, \$400; Daniel Biederman, Economics and Public Affairs, \$400; Anne Louise Christopherson, Music, \$400; Don Daughtry, Counseling, \$400; Sergio Gallo, Music, \$400; Jacqueline Gray, Counseling, \$400; Bryon Grove, Anatomy and Cell Biology, \$400; James Haskins, Accounting and Finance, \$400; Mohammad Hemmasi, Geography, \$400; Arthur Hiltner, Accounting and Finance, \$400; Eva Houston, Counseling/Social Work, \$400; Xiaozhao Huang, English, \$380; Terry Huffman, Sociology, \$250; Rosanne Hurley, Nursing, \$400; Bette Ide, Family and Community Nursing, \$400; Cindy Lee Juntunen-Smith, Counseling, \$400; Kathleen Coudle King, English/Women's Studies, \$289; Jeong Wan Lee, Accounting and Finance, \$400; Seong-Hyun Nam, Information Systems and Business Education/Management, \$400; Kimberly Porter, History, \$314; Elizabeth Rheude, Music, \$325; Bradley Rundquist, Geography, \$400; William Schwalm, Physics, \$400; Joann Segovia, Accounting and Finance, \$400; William Semke, Mechanical Engineering, \$400; Jan Stube, Occupational Therapy, \$400; Amy Wenzel, Psychology, \$400; Kara Wettersten, Counseling, \$400; David Whitcomb, Counseling, \$244.50; Harold Wilde, Accounting and Finance, \$400; Michael Wittgraf, Music, \$400; Seounmi (Katie) Han Youn, School of Communication, \$400.

-- Garl Rieke (Anatomy and Cell Biology), Chair, Senate Scholarly Activities Committee.

NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR HUMANISM IN MEDICINE AWARD

The School of Medicine and Health Sciences is seeking nominations for an award which recognizes both a faculty member and fourth-year medical student for compassion and sensitivity in the delivery of care to patients and their families.

Nominations, due March 15, will be accepted from medical school faculty members and senior medical students for the 2001 Humanism in Medicine Award, a program of The Healthcare Foundation of New Jersey.

UND has been selected as one of 85 medical schools to participate in the award program. The school's Student Performance and Recognition Committee will review nominations and select winners who will each receive a \$2,000 award, provided by the foundation. Criteria for the nomination and selection of award-winners may be obtained through the Office of Student Affairs and Admissions, School of Medicine and Health Sciences, P.O. Box 9037, or call the office at 777-2840.

Award recipients will be recognized during the school's M.D. Class of 2001 commencement awards luncheon in May.

School of Medicine and Health Sciences.

MIDTERM STUDENT FEEDBACK PROCESS (SGID) AVAILABLE TO FACULTY

The SGID process for obtaining midterm student feedback is available to all faculty through the Office of Instructional

Development. Faculty who are working on teaching for any reason because they're developing new courses, thinking about changes to existing courses or curricula, or simply interested in the teaching and learning process may find this particularly useful. The midterm student feedback process is appropriate for class sizes ranging from very small to very large and to levels from first year through graduate. It can be adapted for unusual teaching situations (e.g., distance education, team teaching, etc.)

To schedule an SGID for spring semester, call Jana Hollands at 777-4998. For questions about the process (how it works, how long it takes, appropriateness in a specific situation, etc.), contact me at 777-6381 or joan_hawthorne@und.nodak.edu.

Joan Hawthorne, University Writing Program.

SUMMER INSTRUCTIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROFESSORSHIPS NAMED

The following faculty have been awarded Summer Instructional Development Professorships for 2001:

Gayle Baldwin (Philosophy and Religion), "Early Christian Traditions/Christianity in the Modern World"; Tony Borgerding, Lothar Stahl, David Pierce, Thomas Ballintine (all Chemistry), "Development of a Laboratory Manual Specifically Designed for Chemistry 121/122 at UND"; Lynda Kenney, (Communication), "Development of an Honors Program Course: Photo Stories and Essays"; Steven Light (Political Science), "Race, Gender, and the Law: A New Course in Political Science and the Honors Program"; Patrick O'Neill (Economics), "Honors Colloquium on Capitalism"; Kathryn Rand, (Law), "Update and Revision of Constitutional Law I & II: Incorporating Online Resources and the Supreme Court's 2000 Presidential Election Decisions"; Ty Reese (History), "Globalizing the History Curriculum: Creating An African History Course"; Bradley Rundquist (Geography), "Development of Web-Based Exercises for Geography 275: Remote Sensing of the Environment"; Janet Schauer (Family and Community Nursing), and Gail Bass (Occupational Therapy), "Development of the Course Collaboration for Early Intervention"; William Schwalm and Mizuho Schwalm (both Physics), "Revising Second Semester Physics Laboratory Manual and Computer Interfacing Experiments."

-- Dexter Perkins (Geology and Geological Engineering), Chair, Faculty Instructional Development Committee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DON PIPER ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT

Donald Piper, Associate Vice President for Enrollment Management, will retire May 31, after 27 years of service to the University. A former professor and chair of Educational Administration, Dr. Piper helped establish the UND Graduate Center in Bismarck, and served as its first director. He served as Director of Summer Sessions from 1994-2000, and as Associate Vice President for Enrollment Management for the last two years.

"It is difficult to catalogue all the contributions Dr. Piper has made to UND. He is an outstanding professor and administrator and a visionary who gets things done. We will miss his commitment and competence," said Robert Boyd, Vice President for Student and Outreach Services.

COPIES OF "UND DIMENSIONS" AVAILABLE AT UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

Because of a printer's overrun, extra copies are available of the winter issue of "UND Dimensions," the University's new three- times-a-year tabloid size publication. Departments that could use copies for recruitment packages, special mailings, etc., are encouraged to contact the Office of University Relations at 777-2731.

Dave Vorland, Director of University Relations.

MOST WEB SITES WILL MOVE TO NEW SERVER

The server that runs UND's home page and UND home pages for most departments on campus (www.und.nodak.edu or www.und.edu) is being moved to a new SUN computer, which is larger and faster. The change is to take effect Wednesday, Feb. 28. Although user names and passwords will remain the same, your help is needed to test the new server. Web directories and files as of Jan. 28 have been moved to the new machine. Please check your web information on the new server to be sure everything is working as it should. Instructions for testing as well as general information about the move and sage.und.nodak.edu are located at <http://www.und.nodak.edu/dept/CC/newserver/>.

Please direct your questions to the Computer Center Help Desk at 777-2222 or cc_helpdesk@mail.und.nodak.edu.

Doris Bornhoeft, computer Center.

ART OF WALTER PIEHL ON EXHIBIT AT MUSEUM

Large Paintings, an exhibition of one of North Dakota's most prominent and popular artists, Walter Piehl, well-known for his Sweetheart of the Rodeo series, is showing at the North Dakota Museum of Art until March 11. The 16 paintings, with the bold strokes, bright colors and powerful movement associated with a Piehl artwork, include several from his on-going series that deals with Western Americana. The oldest is the Sweetheart of the Rodeo. In this, Piehl deals with the dynamics of rodeo action through the bucking horse; "the real sweetheart of the rodeo." Another, The Cowgirl Suite, portrays proud cowgirls, real and imagined, posing on their horses in the manner of commonly seen photographs of the past and present. The most recent group is the Coloring Book Series which, Piehl says, "addresses that anathema of art, the ubiquitous coloring book of our youth." The artwork on exhibit addresses the action and energy of the horse and rider in conflict, a theme that has always interested Piehl.

One of a few artists in the country to successfully create "cowboy art" in a contemporary mode, Walter Piehl was born and raised on a ranch near Marion, N.D., where his family raised rodeo stock. He has a Bachelor of Arts degree from Concordia College, Moorhead, Minn., and a Master of Arts Degree from the University of North Dakota. He is currently a Professor of Art at Minot State University, where he has taught since 1970.

Piehl has exhibited widely in the region and nationally including at the Eiteljorg Museum, Indianapolis, Ind.; National Cowgirl Hall of Fame, Hereford, Texas; Philbrook Museum of Art, Tulsa, Okla.; Scottsdale Center for the Arts, Scottsdale, Ariz.; Enger Gallery, University of Findley, Findley, Ohio; the North Dakota Museum of Art, Grand Forks, and the University of Arizona, Tucson, Ariz.

Piehl's association with the North Dakota Museum of Art has been a long one, and his paintings have always been included in the Museum's Annual Gala Benefit Dinner Art Auction.

- North Dakota Museum of Art.

"IN THE NEWS WILL BE PUBLISHED SOON

"In The News," a compendium of faculty achievements, publications, and service, will be published soon in University Letter. These listings are used in a variety of initiatives. Please send submissions to me at jan_orvik@mail.und.nodak.edu

Jan Orvik, Editor, University Letter.

ADELPHI SOCIETY SELLS VALENTINE'S DAY SUCKER BOUQUETS

The Adelphi Society is selling Valentine's Day sucker bouquets, an assortment of four suckers arranged in a bouquet, for a dollar Monday through Wednesday, Feb. 12-14, in Gamble Hall from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, contact Jennifer at 746-5236. Fundraiser proceeds will benefit the Adelphi Society Speech and Debate Team.

Jan Orvik, Editor, for Adelphi Society.

ITEMS FOR SALE TO PUBLIC ON BIDS

The University is offering for sale to the public on a sealed high-bid basis the following items: single-door, green and gold refrigerators. These may be seen at the Central Receiving warehouse on the southwest corner of the campus. Bids will be taken between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday, Feb. 12-15.

Lee Sundby, Central Receiving.

HOLIDAY HOURS LISTED

PRESIDENTS DAY, FEB. 19, IS HOLIDAY

In accordance with State Board of Higher Education directives, Monday, Feb. 19, will be observed as Presidents Day by faculty and staff members of the University. Only those employees designated by their department heads will be required to work on this holiday.

John Ettling, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, and Diane Nelson, Director of Personnel Services.

CHESTER FRITZ LIBRARY:

Chester Fritz Library hours for the Presidents Day holiday are: Saturday, Feb. 17, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday, Feb. 18, 1 to 5 p.m.; Monday, Feb. 19 (Presidents Day), 1 p.m. to midnight.

Karen Cloud, Chester Fritz Library.

HEALTH SCIENCES LIBRARY:

Library of the Health Sciences holiday hours are:

Presidents Day: Monday, Feb. 19, 8 a.m. to midnight.

Spring Break: Saturday, March 10, 1 to 5 p.m.; Sunday, March 11, 1 to 5 p.m.; Monday through Friday, March 12-16, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday, March 17, 1 to 5 p.m.; Sunday, March 18, 1 to 5 p.m.

Easter: Thursday, April 12, 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Friday, April 13, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, April 14, 1 to 5 p.m.; Sunday, April 15, closed; Monday, April 16, 8 a.m. to midnight.

April Byars, Library of the Health Sciences.

MEMORIAL UNION:

Memorial Union operating hours for the Presidents holiday weekend are:

Lifetime Sports Center: Friday, Feb. 16, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 17-19, noon to 6 p.m.

Info/Service Center: Friday, Feb. 16, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 17-19, noon to 5 p.m.

Copy Stop: Friday, Feb. 16, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 17-19, closed.

Union Convenience Store: Feb. 16, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 17-19, closed.

Subway/TCBY/Juiceworks: Friday, Feb. 16, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 17-18, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Monday, Feb. 19, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Little Caesars/Grababite: Friday, Feb. 16, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 17-18, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Monday, Feb. 19, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Administrative Office: Friday, Feb. 16, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 17-19, closed.

Craft Center/Sign & Design: Friday, Feb. 16, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 17-19, closed.

Dining Center: Friday, Feb. 16, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 17-19, closed.

Barber Shop: Friday, Feb. 16, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 17-19, closed.

University Learning Center: Friday, Feb. 16, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 17-19, closed.

Credit Union: Friday, Feb. 16, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 17-19, closed.

Traffic Division: Friday, Feb. 16, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 17-19, closed.

Passport ID's: Friday, Feb. 16, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 17-19, closed.

Computer Lab: Friday, Feb. 16, 8 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.; Saturday, Feb. 17, 11 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.; Sunday, Feb. 18, noon to 5:45 p.m.; Monday, Feb. 19, 11 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.

Building Hours: Friday, Feb. 16, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Feb. 17-19, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Normal operating hours resume Tuesday, Feb. 20.

Marsha Nelson, Facilities Coordinator, Memorial Union.

PERC LISTS CLASSES

The Parent Education Resource Center (PERC), 500 Stanford Road, offers the following programs. Call 795-2765 to register or for more information. Child care is offered for all daytime programs; all classes are held at PERC unless otherwise noted.

Five-Week Book Study, "The Seven Secrets of Successful Parents," Tuesdays, Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27, and March 6, 1 to

2:30 p.m.

Parent Study Group, "Raising Responsible Children," Wednesdays, Feb. 7, 14, 21, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Parent Study Group, "Common Sense Parenting, Wednesdays, Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28, 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Parent Study Group, "Possibility Parenting," Thursdays, Feb. 8, 15, 22, and March 1, 6:30 to 9 p.m.

Family Story Hour featuring Virginia Trzynka, Tuesday, Feb. 12, 6:30 to 7:15 p.m.

Seminar, "Living with Your Middle Schooler," Monday, Feb. 12, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Parent Study Group, "Strengthening Your Stepfamily," Mondays, Feb. 12, 19, 26, and March 5, 12, 7 to 8:30 p.m.

One-Hour Seminar, "101 Ways to Tell Your Child 'I Love You'," presented by Beth Randklev, principal at Ben Franklin Elementary School, Tuesday, Feb. 13, 10 a.m.

Parent Study Group, "Adolescent Development," Tuesdays, Feb. 13, 20, 27, and March 6, 7:30 to 8:45 p.m.

Seminar, "Childhood Fears," Wednesday, Feb. 14, 7 to 8 p.m.

Lunch Box Special, "Improve Your Child's Ability to Make Decisions," presented by Linda Hendrickson, Conflict Resolution Center, Thursday, Feb. 15, 12:10 to 12:50 p.m.

Parent Study Group, "Communicating Effectively with Children at All Stages," Fridays, Feb. 16, 23, and March 2, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Family Story Hour featuring Virginia Trzynka, Tuesday, Feb. 19, 6:30 to 7:15 p.m.

Seminar, "We're Out of Control: Setting Limits and Sticking to Them," Tuesday, Feb. 20, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Seminar, "What's a Family Meeting?" Wednesday, Feb. 21, 7 to 8 p.m.

Lunch Box Seminar, "Myths and Realities: Winter Blues, Cabin Fever, Seasonal Affective Disorder," presented by Earl Beal, director of the Family Support Center, Grand Forks Air Force Base, Thursday, Feb. 22, 12:10 to 12:50 p.m.

Family Story Hour featuring Virginia Trzynka, Tuesday, Feb. 26, 6:30 to 7:15 p.m.

Seminar, "Don't Go Mommy! Dealing with Separation Anxiety," Monday, Feb. 26, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Seminar, "Beating Procrastination," Wednesday, Feb. 28, 7 to 8 p.m.

Jan Orvik, Editor, for the Parent Education Resource Center.

GRANTS AND RESEARCH

ORPD CONGRATULATES DECEMBER GRANT RECIPIENTS

The Office of Research and Program Development would like to congratulate the following UND faculty and staff who were listed as principal or co-principal investigators on awards received during the month of December:

Anthropology: Dennis Toom, Duane Klinner; EERC: Steven Benson, Charlene Crocker, Daniel Daly, Bruce Dockter, Grant Dunham, Thomas Erickson, Kurt Eylands, Jay Gunderson, Debra Haley, David Hassett, Melanie Hetland, John Hurley, Edwin Olson, Debra Pflughoeft-Hassett, Lucia Romuld, Edward Steadman, Michael Swanson, Ronald Timpe,

Christopher Zygarlicke; Education and Human Development: Gregory Gagnon; Law School: B. J. Jones; Medical School Administration and Finance: Randy Eken; Pharmacology, Physiology and Therapeutics: Manuchair Ebadi, Eric Murphy; Teaching and Learning: Lynne Chalmers.

Sally Eckert-Tilotta, Interim 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.

DEFENSE ADVANCED RESEARCH PROJECTS AGENCY (DARPA)

The Advanced Technology Office (ATO) is soliciting proposals for innovative concepts relating to advances in maritime, communications, early entry/special operations, covert close-quarters activity, and space technology. The objective is to enable revolutionary advances in warfighting capability. To achieve this objective, offerors should emphasize radical concepts that may contain high technical risk but if enabled would have commensurate high military payoff. The first phase of the effort proposed (base) should support technical feasibility of the concept. Offerors should propose follow-on phases leading toward technology development. Based upon the success of the base efforts, a subset of selected proposals may have options exercised to initiate technology development. As much as \$8,000,000 may be available in FY 2001 to fund research and development under this announcement. Some particular interests within the focus areas include: insertion of sensors into denied areas and facilities; data exfiltration from denied areas and facilities; improved antenna technology for wideband, low profile operations; low power signal detection and classification in dense signal environments; improved sensors, propulsion, and communication; protection of space assets; development of ideas to integrate space capability to the lowest echelon; micro- and nanosatellite technology; exploitation of ambient space environment for power, propulsion, or situational awareness; and network of distributed platforms with integrated functionality. Contact: William Jeffrey, BAA01-21@darpa.mil; Fax: 703/696-9780; <http://www.darpa.mil/baa/>. Deadline: 9/28/01.

PFIZER, INC.

The mission of the ARA Program is to support outstanding investigators at the early stages of their careers in academic research. The Program will support research into basic mechanisms of disease that may broadly involve one of the following areas: lipid metabolism and/or vascular biology; HMG-CoA reductase pathways; or novel effects of statins. Projects may be in neuroscience, cardiovascular medicine, diabetes, endocrinology, inflammation/immunology, and oncology. A maximum of 20 grants will be awarded at \$50,000/year with potential funding for 2 years. Deadline: 3/15/01. Contact: Grant Coordinator, ARAwards@mindspring.com; 208 East 51st Street, PMB 173, New York, NY 10022-6501.

MARCH OF DIMES

The Year 2002 Research Program invites applications for research grants directed at the prevention of birth defects. Appropriate research subjects include basic biological processes governing development, genetics, clinical studies, studies of reproductive health, environmental toxicology, and social and behavioral studies. For social and behavioral studies, priorities are applications relating to changing behavior to prevent birth defects, such as the avoidance of tobacco and alcohol during pregnancy. Letters of intent summarizing the proposed studies must be addressed to the Vice President for Research. Full applications will be requested by the advisory committee if the members are interested in funding the project. Contact: Instructions for letter of intent are available in ORPD or by contacting Michael Katz, Vice President for Research, 914/428- 7100; katzmi@pipeline.com or mkatz@modimes.org. Deadline: 4/30/01.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN BUSINESS CLUBS (AMBUCS)

Scholarships for Therapists provide support to undergraduates and graduate students for professional training in the following fields of therapy: physical or occupational; speech language pathology and hearing audiology. Awards are made for one school year at a time and generally range from \$500-\$1,500. Contact: 336/869-2166, ambucs@ambucs.com; <http://www.ambucs.com/Ascholars.htm>. Deadline: 4/15/01.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON DRUG ABUSE (NIDA)

The NIDA encourages new directions in behavioral treatment and services research in Therapeutic Communities (TCs) that provide treatment for drug abuse and addiction. As scientific knowledge on the TC has evolved, research interest has shifted from whether the TC works, to how it works and how it can be improved through a better understanding of the treatment processes involved, a better blending of research-based interventions with TC treatment practices, and increased understanding of organizational and management strategies to deliver more effective and efficient treatment services. This announcement encourages research aimed at improving the therapeutic efficacy and efficiency of TCs. Research on therapeutic approaches that include behavioral treatments, alone or in combination with pharmacotherapies, is encouraged. In addition, this announcement encourages studies on TC treatment processes, research to integrate new research-based interventions into TC treatment, and research on TC organizational and managerial processes. NIDA intends to commit approximately \$2.0 million in FY 2001 to fund approximately 4-6 awards. The research project (R01) and exploratory/developmental grant (R21) mechanisms will be used. Deadlines: 3/19/01 (Letter of Intent), 4/19/01 (Proposal). Contact: Lisa Onken, 301/443-0107, lo10n@nih.gov; Bennett W. Fletcher, 301/443-4060, bfletche@nida.nih.gov, <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DA-01-015.html>.

NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE (NCI)

In a new, extraordinary research opportunity, the NCI invites exploratory/developmental grant applications (R21) to exploit molecular targets for drug discovery. The purpose of this announcement is to reorganize the "front end" or gateway to drug discovery. Investigators are being asked to identify a novel molecular target, validate the target as a basis for cancer drug discovery, or develop an assay for the target. New insights into our understanding of cancer cell biology provide a new opportunity for a fundamental re-ordering of approaches to cancer drug discovery. Current research in carcino-genesis has identified many enzymes, genetic lesions, and their cellular constituents associated with inhibition and progression of pre- cancers to invasive disease. Rather than depending on in vitro and in vivo screens for antiproliferative activity, investigators can now focus on new molecular targets and pathways essential for development and maintenance of the cancer phenotype. As a result, the NCI is reorganizing its drug development programs from early drug discovery phases to the conduct of clinical trials in order to bring forward new types of agents based on strong rationales. The plan also involves changes in the clinical evaluation of new agents that will include appropriate measurements to verify target modulation. Deadlines: 5/17/01 (Letter of Intent), 6/14/01 (Proposal). Contact: John A. Beisler, Developmental Therapeutics Program, 301/496-8783, beislerj@exchange.nih.gov; Winfred F. Malone, Chemopreventative Agent Development Research Group, 301/594-0460, malonew@mail.nih.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-01-045.html>.

CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION (CDC)

Funds are available to support research on the relationships between overtime, long hours of work, or demanding work schedules and risks to worker safety or health. Studies on the impact of work schedule re-design on the occurrence of traumatic injuries, musculoskeletal and cardiovascular diseases, and workplace stress are also appropriate. There is a

need to know which occupations and industries currently use overtime extensively, what the health and safety risks of such practices are, and how such schedules affect the general well-being of workers. Knowledge of how extended work periods might interact with other workplace factors to affect worker safety and health through increased risks of injury or social-behavioral effects is also needed. The mechanism of support will be the individual research project grant (R01). Approximately 4-5 awards will be made, at a maximum of \$250,000 total cost each (direct plus facilities and administration) per year for up to 4 years. Deadlines: 3/1/01 (Letter of Intent), 4/18/01 (Proposal). Contact: Pervis Major, 304/285-5979; Pmajor@CDC.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-OH-01-006.html>.

Applications are invited for standard research grants (R01) for research on the implementation and effectiveness of occupational injury prevention technologies, strategies, and programs. Priorities with specific relevance to this announcement are: traumatic injuries, intervention effectiveness research, control technology and personal protective equipment. By focusing on implementation and evaluation, research will be conducted in work place settings, thereby increasing the likelihood of changes that will lead to reductions in injuries. Approximately \$1,350,000 is available in FY 2001 to fund 5-6 awards. The maximum amount that may be requested is \$250,000 total costs (direct plus facilities and administration) per year. Awards will be made for a 12-month budget period within a project period up to 4 years. Deadlines: See above. Contact: Gwendolyn Cattledge, 404/639-2378, gcattledge@cdc.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-OH-01-005.html>.

HILL MONASTIC MANUSCRIPT LIBRARY

Research Grants for Scholars provide research stipends to undergraduate, graduate, or postdoctoral scholars to conduct research using materials from the Hill Monastic Manuscript Library at St. John's University. Stipends of up to \$1,500 are available to assist with research costs during a 2-week to 6-month residency. Contact: Committee on Research, 320/363-3514, hmml@csbsju.edu; <http://www.hmml.org/resources/stipend.html>. Deadlines: The Committee grants awards every 6 months, on April 15 and October 15, for studies occurring between January and June or between July and December.

U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY (USGS)

The goal of the National Spatial Data Infrastructure Cooperative Agreements Program is to implement an infrastructure that will improve the ability and efficiency of organizations to discover, share, maintain, and utilize geospatial data in carrying out their business. Specific areas of interest include: meta-data documentation, clearinghouse establishment, framework development, standards implementation and geographic information system (GIS) organizational coordination. A total of \$1,000,000 is available for FY 2001. The projects will be funded for one year. Deadline: 3/15/01. Contact: Patricia Masterson, 703/648-7356, pmasters@usgs.gov; www.usgs.gov/contracts/index.html.

NORMAN FOUNDATION, INC.

The Foundation supports efforts that may: promote community-based economic development efforts that try out new ownership structures and financing mechanisms; work to prevent disposal of toxics in communities, and link environmental issues with economic and social justice; and promote civil rights by fighting discrimination and violence and working for equity. Letters of inquiry are accepted through-out the year, but the reviewing of proposals and grantmaking will be by issue area. Contact: 212/230-9830; info@normanfdn.org; <http://www.normanfdn.org/guidelines.html>. Deadlines: Environmental Justice issues, 1/15; Economic Justice/Economic Development issues, 3/1; Civil Rights issues, 9/1.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DOD)

The DoD Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program (SERDP) Office is interested in receiving proposals for research focusing on the area of cleanup technologies. Funding is available for research and development for innovative and new environmental technologies that meet the focus areas set forth in Appendix B to the SERDP Program Announcement. It is expected that awards, in the form of contracts, grants or cooperative agreements, will total approximately \$800,000. Deadline: 3/13/01. Contact: Brenda Batch, 703/696-2127; <http://www.SERDP.org/sp-baa-nonfederal>.

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

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