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UNIVERSITY POSTS LARGEST FIRST DAY SPRING ENROLLMENT SINCE 1994

With nearly 10,000 students signed up for classes, the University posted its largest first day spring semester enrollment since 1994 (10,074). The 9,940 opening day tally is up 303 students (3.1 percent) from the 2000 spring semester opening day number (9,637).

The first day number is an early "snapshot" of the enrollment picture. Students are eligible to enroll in classes through Jan. 23, so the spring semester student count won't be finalized until Jan. 31, after the third week of classes. Historically, the enrollment grows during the three weeks after classes start. The final 2000 spring semester count was 10,061.

UND's fall semester enrollment reached 11,031, 441 students more than the 1999 semester. UND's spring semester count is always lower than that in the fall, in part because of Winter Commencement.

UND officials are pleased with the early enrollment and the overall outlook. "We're delighted with the first day numbers, which indicate continued growth," said President Charles Kupchella. He cited the growth in "new transfer student" numbers (214, up 42 from last year) as an example. Kupchella also said two years of large freshmen classes (1,751 this spring and 1,709 last spring) is having an effect, particularly at the sophomore level, which is up 230 students over last spring's first day numbers.

STRATEGIC PLAN TASK GROUP REPORTS ARE ONLINE

Task Group Reports from the Strategic Planning initiative have been presented to the Strategic Planning and Budget Committee. The reports, which are working documents constantly subject to revision, are:

Research and Creative Activity
Quality Curriculum

Campus Climate
Enrollment Management
Information Technology

They can be found at www.und.edu/stratplan.

EVENTS TO NOTE

ABBOTT CHEMISTRY LECTURES SET FOR JANUARY 11, 12

The 2001 Abbott Chemistry Lectures will be presented by Paul A. Wender of Stanford University. Wender's first lecture at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 11, in 138 Abbott Hall, will be "The 21st Century Economy and the Emerging Molecular Revolution." His second, "The Chemistry-Medicine Continuum: New Reactions, New Medicinal Leads and New Drug Delivery Systems," will be presented Friday, Jan. 12, at noon in 138 Abbott Hall.

Wender is a Bergstrom Professor of Chemistry and a member of the Program for Molecular and Genetic Medicine at Stanford University. His research involves a broad range of studies in chemistry, biology, and medicine. He focuses on synthesis and on the utilization of structural, mechanistic, and synthetic studies in order to examine biomedical and medicinal problems. His work in many areas has crossed boundaries of chemistry to include drug design, biochemical mode of action and clinical studies. Recently he has been researching the development of new strategies for the molecular delivery of drugs and probes into cells and tissues, allowing for compounds to be delivered to cells that they otherwise would not enter. This work has created new therapeutic opportunities for the treatment of cancer, asthma, cardiovascular disease, ischemia, psoriasis, and other conditions.

The George A. Abbott Lectureship was established in memory of longtime chemistry chair and professor George A. Abbott by a group of UND alumni in 1963. Abbott joined the teaching staff at the North Dakota Agricultural College (now North Dakota State University) after receiving his Ph.D. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1908. In 1910 he joined the UND faculty and was appointed professor and chair of the chemistry department. His contributions to science in North Dakota include serving as the only toxicologist in the upper Midwest for nearly 50 years, hosting a weekly science radio program for more than 20 years, and serving as a founder and charter member of the North Dakota Academy of Science. He retired from administration in 1948 and from teaching in 1952. He continued his toxicology work until 1970 and passed away in 1973.

Department of Chemistry.

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT PROGRAM GRADUATION EXERCISES WILL BE JAN. 12

All faculty and staff are invited to attend the UND School of Medicine and Health Sciences Physician Assistant Program graduation exercises to be held at 4 p.m. Friday, Jan. 12, at the Chester Fritz Auditorium. The speaker for the exercises will be Martha J. Adams, MS, PA, FNP. A reception and dinner will be held at the Westward Ho immediately following graduation. Reservations for dinner are required and can be made by calling Melissa at 777-3191.

James Brosseau, Chair, Community Medicine and Rural Health.

LEEPS LECTURES WILL CONSIDER GEOLOGY'S INFLUENCE; WORKSHOP TO DISCUSS ENGAGING STUDENTS IN CLASS

As part of the Leading Edge of Earth and Planetary Science (LEEPS) lecture series, Barbara Tewksbury of Hamilton College in Clinton, N.Y. will give a lecture at noon Friday, Jan. 12, titled, "Geology as an Underlying Influence on

Human Events - Examples from Egypt and the Sarara," in 100 Leonard Hall. From 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. the same day, she will give a workshop on "Practical Strategies for Actively Engaging Students in the Classroom and for Assessing Their Work." This workshop, held in 214 Leonard Hall, should draw an audience not only from Geology or Engineering but, as its methods are applicable across the disciplines, should attract an audience from many different departments. If you are interested in participating in the workshop, sign up in the Geology Office in person or call 777-2811. For further questions, please contact Dexter Perkins at 777-2991.

Gina Eastman, Geology and Geological Engineering.

PRESIDENT OF NORWEGIAN PARLIAMENT WILL LECTURE ON KEEPING PEACE

Gunnar Skaug, President of the Odelsting, the Norwegian Parliament, will deliver a lecture to the Norwegian-American and UND community on Tuesday, Jan. 16, at 4 p.m., Gamble Hall Lecture Bowl. The title of his talk is "Norway's Role in Peacemaking and Peacekeeping." President Charles Kupchella will deliver a welcome and make introductions. Rep. Earl Pomeroy (D-N.D.) will provide a welcome and make remarks as Co-Chair of the Friends of Norway Caucus in the U.S. Congress. The Friends of Norway Caucus is comprised of 35 U.S. senators and representatives who meet on Norwegian and Norwegian-American issues on Capitol Hill.

Norwegian students, Nordic Initiative members, and the public are encouraged to attend the free lecture. A social with Skaug and Pomeroy will follow at the J. Lloyd Stone Alumni Center at 5:30 p.m. Please encourage others to attend this educational presentation.

Skaug has served as the President of the Odelsting (larger house of parliament) since 1993, and he has been a member of Norway's Parliament since 1969. Prior to being elected to Parliament, Skaug was a journalist and editor. He represents the Ostfold region, southeast Norway, and was a founding director of the American College of Norway in Moss, which has strong ties to the University.

During his week-long, visit, Skaug will lecture in Political Science, History and Norwegian Language classes at UND. Titles of lectures include: "Parliamentary System in Nordic Counties," "Norway's Membership on the UN Security Council," "Norway's Non-EU Membership," and "Cooperation Between the Nordic Countries on International Peacekeeping." Skaug will meet with the Association of Norwegian Students Abroad (ANSA) on student exchange issues on Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. at the International Center. With about 100 Norwegian students studying in undergraduate and graduate disciplines, UND hosts more Norwegian students than any university in America.

Mr. Skaug's visit is sponsored by the UND Nordic Initiative, a committee of the UND Foundation to raise a significant endowment and sponsor educational, cultural, intellectual and business exchanges to develop the premier Nordic Studies program in the nation.

-- Bruce Gjovig (Center for Innovation), Chair, UND Nordic Initiative.

BODY IMAGE PANEL WILL BE PART OF "LOVE YOUR BODY WEEK"

Staff, faculty, and student advisors are invited to attend a Body Image/Eating Disorders Panel at 4 p.m. Monday, Jan. 22, in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl. The panel will provide information to assist you in working with students and co-workers who struggle with body image issues. The following issues will be addressed: signs and symptoms of eating disorders, disordered eating and body image issues, effective methods of intervention, available community resources, referral mechanisms, the role of advertising, and societal attitudes toward body image.

Panelists include: Lucy Ganje (Communication); Jan Goodwin (Nutrition and Dietetics); Alicia Haviland, Coordinator of the Adolescent Issues/Eating Disorders Clinic at Northwest Medical Center, Thief River Falls, Minn.; Judy Haynes (Counseling Center), Marsha McFarland (Counseling Center Clinical Director); and Kim Suda, Psychologist,

Department of Psychology and Behavior Medicine at Altru.

The Body Image/Eating Disorders Panel is part of "Love Your Body" week, which runs from Tuesday, Jan. 16, to Monday, Jan. 22. Activities include:

All week, UND aerobics program kick-off. Free morning, noon, and evening aerobics for students, faculty and staff, Hyslop Dance Studio. Call Jenni Sargent at 777-4337 for details. Sign up for an entire semester of aerobics for a nominal fee.

Free fitness assessments sponsored by GUESS (Graduate and Undergraduate Exercise Science Students). Call PEXS at 777-4324 for an appointment.

Tuesday, Jan. 16, Free Love Your Body Kits, Main Floor, Memorial Union, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 17, Free Love Your Body Kits, Main Floor, Memorial Union, 10 a.m. to noon.

"Still Killing Us Softly: Advertising's Image of Women," lunch and video discussion with Lucy Ganje (Communication), noon, Women's Center, 305 Hamline St.

"Celebrate Being Female" with Kathy King, author of Wannabe, 7 p.m., Women's Center, 305 Hamline St.

Thursday, Jan. 18, Free self-defense boundary setting class, 6 to 9:30 p.m., Memorial Union. Call the Women's Center at 777-4302 to register.

Friday, Jan. 19, Free massage, Bob Steers, Body Balance Therapeutic Massage, 8 a.m. to noon, Memorial Union Fireside Lounge/River Valley Room. Space is limited. Call 777-2097 for an appointment.

Monday, Jan. 22, Body image/eating disorders panel discussion, 4 p.m., Memorial Union Lecture Bowl.

"Health of the Soul," Alicia Haviland, 7 p.m., Memorial Union Lecture Bowl. Love your Body Week is sponsored by the Women's Center and Student Health, in partnership with Healthy UND 2001 and Beyond. For information call UND Student Health/Health Promotion Office at 777-2097 or the Women's Center at 777-4302.

Jane Croeker, Health Promotion Advisor, Student Health Services.

MEMORIAL UNION OFFERS NOON ENTERTAINMENT

The Memorial Union will offer noon entertainment on the main floor throughout this semester.

"Because It's the Union," spring events are: Thursday, Jan. 18, Heidi Gluck (w/Joe Bailey); Tuesday, Jan. 30, Debby Middleton (solo vocalist); Thursday, Feb. 15, Jazz on Tap; Friday, March 2, NDSU Bop Sax Quartet (tentative); Tuesday, March 20, Linus (of Urban Hillbilly Quartet); Tuesday, April 3, Chiara Quartet; Wednesday, April 18, UND Jazz Band. Cynthia Thompson, Memorial Union.

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS PLANS 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 Jan. 18, program will be Sri Lanka Cultural Night. Everyone is welcome.

International Programs.

UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY INVITED TO REMEMBER DAN SHERIDAN JAN. 22

The University community is invited to remember Dan Sheridan at a gathering in the North Dakota Museum of Art on Monday, Jan. 22, at 3 p.m. A reception will follow the event. Dr. Sheridan, Professor of English and Associate Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, died Dec. 24. A full obituary appeared in the Jan. 5 University Letter, which is available online at <http://blogs.und.edu/uletter/>.

Following are some memories of Dan which were not able to be published in last week's obituary:

"The English Education Program was Dan's pride and joy," said Susan Koprince (English). "A dedicated teacher himself, he took special pleasure in preparing our English majors to teach in the public schools. For Dan, teaching was a noble profession."

"Dan Sheridan was a steadfast colleague and sensitive and fun-loving friend," said Sara Hanhan (Associate Provost and Early Childhood Education). "He was a kind and gentle man who was able to see everyone's perspectives on an issue, and then weigh in diplomatically on the basis of strong principle. We all counted on him for leadership in choosing the most ethically sound course of action, and will miss him greatly here at the University and in our daily lives."

John Ettlting, Provost.

"SCENARIOS OF CULTURAL GLOBALIZATION" IS TITLE OF FOURTH FACULTY LECTURE SERIES, SET FOR JAN. 23

"Scenarios of Cultural Globalization: An Interdisciplinary Exploration" is the next talk in the 2000-2001 Faculty Lecture Series. Marwan Kraidy, assistant professor of communication and director of graduate studies, will deliver the talk Tuesday, Jan. 23, at the North Dakota Museum of Art. The reception starts at 4 p.m., with the lecture beginning at 4:30 p.m. Kraidy is an award winning researcher who has been honored by several communication organizations recently. He has received the 1998 Ralph Cooley Award for Top Paper in International and Intercultural Communication from the National Communication Association; the 2000 Prosser/Sitaram Award for Excellence in International Communication Theory, offered jointly by the International Communication Association, the Association of Educators in Journalism and Mass Communication, and the Broadcast Education Association. One of Kraidy's 1999 articles also received the Outstanding Scholarship Award for best article in international and intercultural communication published in 1999, from the National Communication Association.

With primary research interests in cultural globalization, international media, and critical theory, Kraidy teaches international communication, popular culture, theories of technology, and graduate theory and cultural globalization courses in the School of Communication. Kraidy, who received his Ph.D. from Ohio University in 1996, has published in a variety of leading communication and interdisciplinary journals such as *Critical Studies in Mass Communication*, *Transnational Broadcasting Studies*, *Journal of Broadcasting and Electronic Media*, and *Journalism and Mass Communication Quarterly*, in addition to several book chapters on film theory and transnational popular culture. Kraidy sits on the editorial boards of the *American Communication Journal* and *Languages and Intercultural Communication*. He is currently writing a book-length manuscript on the ontology of cultural globalization.

The Faculty Lecture Series seeks to cultivate a stronger academic atmosphere on the University campus by showcasing the scholarly lives of several faculty selected across the disciplines. The Lecture Series aims to present with some depth and rigor the scholarly questions and goals of the individual faculty. In presenting the products of their scholarship, the lecture will share the enthusiasm and dedication that sustains their creative efforts.

Here is a look at the upcoming faculty lectures for this series. Each event will start with a 4 p.m. reception and will be followed by a 4:30 p.m. lecture. A question and answer period will follow each presentation. All upcoming lectures will be held at the North Dakota Museum of Art.

Tuesday, Feb. 20 -- "University Days, and What I Do On My Winter Summer Stays in Uruguay," Elizabeth Hampsten, Chester Fritz Distinguished Professor of English.

Tuesday, April 10 -- "Research on the Treatment of Bulimia Nervosa," James E. Mitchell, professor and chair of the department of neuroscience.

AGENDA ITEMS DUE FOR FEB. 1 UNIVERSITY SENATE MEETING

The University Senate will meet Thursday, Feb. 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, Jan. 18. It is recommended that some detail be included in the agenda items submitted.

Nancy Krogh (Registrar), Secretary, University Senate.

CAMPUS VIOLENCE SUMMIT SET FOR MARCH

North Dakotans Working in Education Against Violence (ND WEAV) and North Dakota Counsel on Abused Women's Services (ND CAWS) are sponsoring a campus violence summit addressing violence against women on campus, on Wednesday and Thursday, March 21 and 22, in Bismarck. The summit is open to all students, faculty, and staff of all North Dakota institutions of higher education. Topics to be covered include peer education, curriculum infusion, campus security and safety, judicial board issues, victim support and services, and campus policies and procedures.

For more information, contact Renee Stromme at CAWS, 418 E Rosser, #320, Bismarck, ND 58501, (701) or (888) 255-6240.

This project supported by Grant No. 1999-WA-VX-0014 awarded by the Violence Against Women Office, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice.

Janet Nelson, Community Violence Intervention.

IN REMEMBRANCE

REMEMBERING ROBERT MCKINNON

Robert Norris McKinnon, retired press operator at the Printing Center, died Jan. 7 in Grand Forks. He was 85.

Robert McKinnon was born April 23, 1915, to Dan and Nina (Torgerson) McKinnon, in Fosston, Minn. After graduating from high school in Bemidji, he served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He married Julette Jacobson on Sept. 28, 1941, in Bagley, Minn. He graduated from the State School of Science in Wahpeton.

He worked for UND as a pressman for 30 years, retiring in 1979.

He is survived by his wife; a daughter, Roberta (Joe) Zahradka, a lecturer in the Department of Art at UND, Grand Forks; a son, Clark, Grafton; two grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. He was preceded in death by a son, Larry.

Jan Orvik, Editor, with information from the Grand Forks Herald.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FEE PAYMENT SET FOR JAN. 18, 19

Spring 2001 fee payment will be conducted Thursday and Friday, Jan. 18 and 19. If you are consulting with an individual who needs one-on-one assistance from the Business Office staff, please refer the individual to the Memorial Union Ballroom Business Manager's table on those days. The Business Office in Twamley Hall will be closed these two days. Your assistance is appreciated.

Wanda Sporbert, Business Office.

ENTRIES SOUGHT FOR MERRIFIELD COMPETITION

The Chester Fritz Library and the Alumni Association and Foundation will sponsor the Ninth Merrifield Competition for the most outstanding scholarly research paper submitted by a UND undergraduate or graduate student. A grant from the Alumni Association and Foundation enables the Library to recognize outstanding scholarly research utilizing primary source materials held in the Elwyn B. Robinson Department of Special Collections. This recognition is provided through a scholarship award of \$1,500.

Papers will be juried by Sandy Slater (Special Collections), Walter Ellis (History), Glinda Crawford (Sociology), Douglas Peters (Psychology), and Douglas Munki (Geography). Deadline for submission of papers is Friday, April 27. Brochures which outline the competition and award guidelines are available at the Chester Fritz Library Reference Desk, Administrative Office, or the Elwyn B. Robinson Department of Special Collections.

Sandy Slater, Head, Elwyn B. Robinson Department of Special Collections, Chester Fritz Library.

PROPOSALS SOUGHT FOR STUDENT TECHNOLOGY FEE FUNDS

The Student Technology Fee Committee is seeking proposals for Fall 2001 technology fee dollars. Proposal forms are available on-line at www.und.edu/org/stf or you may request one via e-mail (stacie_varnson@mail.und.nodak.edu). Please be sure to use the current form.

Proposals are due in the Office of the Provost by Wednesday, Feb. 28. Please note that your dean or director may have an earlier deadline. If you have questions, feel free to call me at 777-4901.

Stacie Varnson, Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost.

NATIVE MEDIA CENTER OPEN TO ALL

Please pass the word that all staff and students are invited to use the Native Media Center and its many resources, including publication in Native Directions, an award-winning, student-produced magazine. We have Macintosh computers with various software available for your use at the Native Media Center in 231 O'Kelly Hall. We're open Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Native Media Center works to improve media coverage standards of Native people and issues. The special mission of the Native Media Center staff is: To help make multiculturalism a growing reality by promoting American Indian perspectives, values and culture; To create a safe and comfortable environment for all students; To emphasize communication as a career because all people are enriched by awareness and understanding of other cultures.

Native Directions is published by the School of Communication's Native Media Center and funded by the Board of Student Publications (BOSP). It was established as a forum for Native American perspectives on issues and events as they affect Native communities. Our vision is that Native Directions will foster a deeper understanding of Native American experiences for Native peoples as well as for people of all races. Through telling our stories in our own voices, people will come to understand us as we are, not as how other people may see us. We always need storytellers, photographers, artists, reporters, people with vision. No experience is required. The next meeting will be at 4 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 18, in the Native Media Center. Please pass the word.

Lynda Kenney, Director, and Holly Annis, Assistant Director, Native Media Center, 777-2478.

THERE'S STILL TIME FOR FLU SHOTS

It's not too late to receive a flu shot. Because of shortages, flu vaccine arrival was late, but there's time for a vaccination before the flu season peaks. Student Health Service will hold flu shot clinics daily through Friday, Jan. 19, in the McCannel Hall Atrium, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The flu shot clinics are for faculty, staff, and students. No cash payment will be accepted. Cost for students is \$6; insurance will be billed for employees.

HOLIDAY HOURS LISTED

JAN. 15 IS HOLIDAY

In accordance with State Board of Higher Education directives, Monday, Jan. 15, will be observed as Martin Luther King 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, Personnel Services.

CHESTER FRITZ LIBRARY:

Martin Luther King weekend hours for the Chester Fritz Library are: Saturday, Jan. 13, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday, Jan. 14, closed; Monday, Jan. 15 (Martin Luther King Day), 1 p.m. to midnight.

Karen Cloud, Chester Fritz Library.

MEMORIAL UNION:

Memorial Union operating hours for the Martin Luther King Jr. weekend are: Lifetime Sports Center: Friday, Jan. 12, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 13-15, noon to 6 p.m.

Info/Service Center: Friday, Jan. 12, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 13-15, noon to 5 p.m.

Copy Stop: Friday, Jan. 12, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 13-15, closed.

Union Convenience Store: Friday, Jan. 12, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 13-15, closed.

Subway and TCBY/Juice Works: Friday, Jan. 12, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, Jan. 13, noon to 3 p.m.; Sunday and Monday, Jan. 14- 15, noon to 5 p.m.

Little Caesars/GrabaBite: Friday, Jan. 12, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, Jan. 13, noon to 3 p.m.; Sunday and Monday, Jan. 14-15, noon to 5 p.m.

Administrative Office: Friday, Jan. 12, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 13-15, closed.

Craft Center/Sign and Design: Friday, Jan. 12, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 13-15, closed.

Dining Center: Friday, Jan. 12, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 13-15, closed.

Barber Shop: Friday, Jan. 12, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 13-15, closed.

University Learning Center: Friday, Jan. 12, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 13-15, closed.

Credit Union: Friday, Jan. 12, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 13-15, closed.

Traffic Division: Friday, Jan. 12, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 13-15, closed.

Passport ID's: Friday, Jan. 12, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 13-15, closed.

Computer Lab: Friday, Jan. 12, 8 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.; Saturday, Jan. 13, 11 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.; Sunday, Jan. 14, noon to 5:45 p.m.; Monday, Jan. 15, 11 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.

Building Hours: Friday, Jan. 12, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday through Monday, Jan. 13-15, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Marsha Nelson, Facilities Coordinator, Memorial Union.

COPY FROM UND ACADEMIC CATALOG BEING SENT TO FACULTY, STAFF FOR BIENNIAL UPDATING

Certain faculty and staff members are reminded that they are receiving copy from the current UND Academic Catalog (undergraduate and graduate) for biennial updating. The new version of the catalog is scheduled for completion in June. Depending upon the section of the catalog, the sources of the copy being sent are the Registrar's Office, the Graduate School Office, or the Office of University Relations. Deadline for returning this copy is Feb. 1. Certain changes will not be possible by that time, and the sources will work with faculty and staff to incorporate those kind of alterations. The index of the catalog is also being sent to deans and chairs requesting their input.

- Nancy Krogh, University Registrar.

SUBMIT 2000 FLEXCOMP CLAIMS BY MARCH 23

You are reminded that if you have money remaining in your FlexComp medical spending account and/or dependent care spending account for the plan year ending 12/31/00, you have until 3/30/01 (90 day IRS Regulation) to submit any claims incurred in the 2000 plan year (1/1/00-12/31/00). After that time, any remaining balances will be forfeited.

Vouchers should be received in the Payroll Office no later than Friday, March 23, 2001, for adequate processing time. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to call me at 777-4423. Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Heidi Strande, Payroll Office.

LEAVE DONATIONS SOUGHT FOR KATHLEEN TABER-PIETRON

Leave donations are sought for Kathleen Taber-Pietron (Cook, Squires Hall), who was in a car accident Dec. 7. She will be unable to work for three or more months, with a broken hip and back problems. If you wish to donate leave, please fill out a leave donation slip at the Payroll Office, 313 Twamley Hall. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Lola Conley, Dining Services.

CONVENIENCE STORE OPENS IN THE MEMORIAL UNION

UND students, faculty and staff are encouraged to stop by the new Union Convenience Store open on the first floor of the Memorial Union. Pepsi and Coke products as well as a variety of snacks, magazines, school supplies, and health and beauty aids are available. Hours of operation will be Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Watch for Grand Opening specials later in January.

The convenience store will carry as many items as possible within the guidelines of the contracts between Subway and the Barnes & Noble Bookstore.

Orlynn Rosaasen, Director of Dining Services.

UPCOMING U2 WORKSHOPS LISTED

Please pre-register by calling Staci at the U2 office, 777-2128 or use e-mail at U2@mail.und.nodak.edu, for the following workshops.

Lunch Express - Jan. 19, noon to 12:30 p.m., Hyslop Dance Studio, Hyslop Sports Center. This class is perfect for those who are looking for a quick workout during their lunch break. This 30-minute class will include a three to five minute cool-down.

Decisions, Decisions, Decisions - Jan. 23, 10 to 11 a.m., Sioux Room, Memorial Union. Every day is packed full of choices, big and small. Good decision making skills are necessary in all aspects of our lives.

Substance Abuse and the Workplace - Advanced Version - Jan. 24, 8:30 to 10 a.m., River Valley Room, Memorial Union. Explore causes of poor morale, identify "toxic" personality patterns, and discuss strategies to improve morale.

Access 00 Level II - Jan. 22, 24, and 26, 9 to 11:30 a.m., 361 Upson Hall II.

Creating a Web Page Using HTML - Jan. 23 and 25, 8:30 to 11 a.m., 361 Upson Hall II.

E-mail Using Mulberry - Jan. 24, 1:30 to 3 p.m., 361 Upson Hall II.

Staci Matheny, Continuing Education.

DISCOUNTED AEROBICS CLASSES OFFERED TO UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY

You are invited to join the new UND Aerobics Program, which kicks off on Tuesday, Jan. 16, in the Hyslop Dance Studio. Classes are open to all UND students, faculty, and staff. Thirteen morning, noon, and evening aerobics classes will be offered each week throughout the semester. Classes include: step aerobics, toning, interval training, and kickboxing. Free classes will be offered from Tuesday through Friday, Jan. 16-19, as part of "Love Your Body Week." Semester passes may be purchased at a cost of \$10 for students and \$20 for faculty and staff. Memberships include unlimited access to classes for the entire spring semester. For more information, please contact Jenni Sargent at 777-

4337. The UND Aerobics Program is sponsored by Student Health Services, Physical Education and Exercise Science, Intramurals, and Student Government.

Jenni Sargent, Student Health Services.

LIFETIME SPORTS OFFERS SPECIAL STUDENT NIGHTS

The Student Government and the Memorial Union are sponsoring an alternative for UND students on Thursday and Friday nights. Beginning Thursday, Jan. 18, students with a valid UND student ID will be able to play FREE foosball, pool, and ping pong in the Lifetime Sports area in the lower level of the Memorial Union every Thursday and Friday Night from 8 to 11 p.m. For more information, please contact Student Government at 777-4377.

Susan Johnson, Coordinator, Student Organizations, 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 offered for all daytime programs; all classes are held at PERC unless otherwise noted.

"Parenting the Strong-Willed Child," Fridays, Jan. 12, 19 and 26, 9 to 11 a.m.

Family Story Hour featuring Renee Moon, Tuesdays, Jan. 16, 23 and 30, 6:30 p.m.

Four Week Book Club Study, "Take Back Your Kids: Confident Parenting in Turbulent Times," by William Doherty, began Tuesday, Jan. 9, and continues Jan. 16, 23, and 30, 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Lunch Box Special, "Let's Build a Nutritional Community for Our Children!" presented by Julie Tunseth and Melanie Metz, Child Nutrition Program, Grand Forks Public Schools, Thursday, Jan. 18, 12:10 to 12:50 p.m.

"Hidden Keys to Loving Relationships" series is a video based/discussion format, Thursdays, Jan. 18, 25 and Feb. 1, 8, 15, and 22, 7 to 9 p.m.

Video Series, "Understanding Learning Disabilities and Social Skills," featuring Richard Lavoie, Monday, Jan. 22, 7 p.m.

"How to Protect Your Child from Sexual Abuse" video and discussion, Wednesday, Jan. 24, 1 to 2 p.m.

Lunch Box Special, "Dealing with Midwinter 'Blues,'" presented by John Jarman, counselor in private practice in Grand Forks, Thursday, Jan. 25, 12:10 to 12:50 p.m.

"Super Parents Don't Exist," Monday, Jan. 29, 1 to 2 p.m.

Video Series, "Understanding Learning Disabilities and Discipline," featuring Richard Lavoie, Monday, Jan. 29, 7 p.m.

Jan Orvik, Editor, for Parent Education Resource Center.

STAFF SENATE RAFFLE WINNERS NAMED

The 31 Days of Glory Staff Senate raffle winners are:

Dec. 1, Monica Larivee; Dec. 2, Cyndy Langerud; Dec. 3, Sharon Morgan**; Dec. 4, Ardell Byzewski; Dec. 5, Audrey Pearson; Dec. 6, Joanne Durkin; Dec. 7, John Meagher; Dec. 8, Larry Humble; Dec. 9, Julie Reissour; Dec. 10, Jeff Gerszewski**; Dec. 11, Marilyn Fundingsland; Dec. 12, Chris Runge; Dec. 13, Dennis Hogan; Dec. 14, Odella Fuqua; Dec. 15, Brenda McCauley; Dec. 16, Joann Albrecht; Dec. 17, Terry Mertz**; Dec. 18, James Allard; Dec. 19, Gail Sullivan; Dec. 20, Beth Kasprick; Dec. 21, Roy Lillfors; Dec. 22, Myron Halvorson; Dec. 23, Bev Ford; Dec. 24, Peggy Vanyo**; Dec. 25, Jerry Stoldorf; Dec. 26, Lori Kaiser; Dec. 27, Liz Westacott; Dec. 28, Dean Kirkeby; Dec. 29, Harold Lee; Dec. 30, Janice Miller; Dec. 31, Frank Argenziano.

** ** \$500 Winners

Staff Senate.

U COMMUNITY INVITED TO TAKE PART IN HEALTHTRIP 2001

HealthTrip 2001 is about to begin! A 113-day exercise incentive program held every year in the greater Grand Forks area, HealthTrip is designed to promote a healthy mind, body, and spirit through regular exercise. It not only encourages physical fitness and fun but nutrition and stress management as well. You can join as an individual or as a team. You have an opportunity to win prizes all through HealthTrip in addition to your half-way goodie and the coveted HealthTrip T-shirt you receive when you finish. Grand prize this year is a trip for two to Medora.

The HealthTrip 2001 Kickoff will be Tuesday, Jan. 16, at Century Elementary School, 5 to 7 p.m. Enjoy some food as you take in the health fair, exercise demonstrations, and door prize drawings. The cost to register for HealthTrip is \$16. For more information call 772-7271, 775-2586, or 780-5658.

Patsy Nies (Enrollment Services/University Relations), for HealthTrip 2001.

GRANTS AND RESEARCH

REGULATED WASTE POLICY LISTED

In order to ensure that "regulated waste" is disposed of properly, the Institutional Biosafety Committee requires that all members of the University community who generate "regulated waste" have in place a disposal plan which conforms with federal regulations. Regulated waste as defined by the federal government includes but is not limited to human body fluids and tissues and items contaminated with human body fluids or tissues such as needles, syringes, and scalpels, whether generated during medical procedures, research or teaching. Anyone generating "regulated waste" within the University without a disposal plan in place or who is unsure if "regulated waste" is being generated by their activities or is being disposed of properly must contact the Safety Office at 777-3341.

Barry Milavetz (Biochemistry and Molecular Biology), Chair, Institutional Biosafety Committee.

HUMAN SUBJECTS RESEARCH MUST BE APPROVED BY IRB

All persons affiliated with the University who wish to conduct research involving human subjects on or off campus must first receive approval of the Institutional Research Board (IRB). This includes use of, for example, educational tests; survey/interview procedures; observation of public behavior; study of existing data, records or specimens; taste/food quality evaluation; as well as clinical studies involving drugs, medical devices, collection of blood samples, etc. The establishment of the IRB at institutions like UND has been mandated by the federal government in order to protect human subjects.

Conducting human subjects research without IRB approval is unethical and contrary to the policies of UND and the Board of Higher Education. Failure to comply with IRB policies and procedures may result in project termination, interruption of research support, and, in some cases, a report to the federal agency funding the non-compliant research project. Therefore, we encourage you to protect yourselves by submitting your project to the IRB for review before the research begins.

This process is initiated by submitting a research protocol to the IRB. Forms are available in the Office of Research and Program Development (ORPD) in 105 Twamley or on ORPD's home page at <http://www.und.edu/dept/orpd>.

There are three categories used in the review of research protocols. Most proposals will fall in the "Exempt" or "Expedited" categories and can, therefore, be reviewed by one member of the Board. Approximately 14 days are required for the review of projects that fall in these categories. However, the individual reviewer may request additional information or refer the protocol to the Full Board. In either case, the review may take longer.

"Full Board" review is required for projects with a physical risk or potential for injury or harm to the subject's dignity or well being. This also includes projects which involve minors in survey or interview procedures, or in observation of public behavior when the observers participate in the activities observed. The Full Board meets on a monthly basis. The schedule of meeting and deadline dates for the coming semester follows.

If Full Board review is required and the protocol involves clinical subjects, the Clinical Medical Subcommittee must also review the protocol and provide a recommendation to the IRB. This typically requires one additional week for the review process.

IRB members are available to make presentations to faculty/students/staff regarding IRB policies, procedures, etc. Also, ORPD has several videos and books which may be checked out by faculty members. Contact Shirley Griffin at 777-4279 or shirley_griffin@mail.und.nodak.edu if you are interested in either of these options.

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD

MEETING AND DEADLINE DATES: JANUARY 2001-MAY 2001

Meeting Date (Meetings Held at 3:30 p.m.)

Fri., Jan. 5, 2001

Fri., Feb. 2, 2001

Fri., March 2, 2001

Fri., April 6, 2001

Fri., May 4, 2001

Deadline: Proposals Requiring Full Board Review

Tues., Dec. 26, 2000

Tues., Jan. 23, 2001

Tues., Feb. 20, 2001

Tues., March 27, 2001

Tues., April 24, 2001

Deadline: Clinical Proposals (Require Subcommittee and Full Board Review)

Tues., Dec. 19, 2000

Tues., Jan. 16, 2001

Tues., Feb. 13, 2001

Tues., March 20, 2001

Tues., April 17, 2001

NOTE: All meetings will be held at 3:30 p.m. in 305 Twamley Hall. Alterations in location, date, or time will be announced in the University Letter prior to the meeting.

William Becker (Surgery), Chair, Institutional Review Board.

ACTIVITIES USING RECOMBINANT DNA, BIOHAZARDOUS RESEARCH MUST BE REVIEWED

The Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC) requires that any research, teaching, or other activities which utilize recombinant DNA or involve the use of biohazardous research material be subject to a University Review Process and that these activities must be approved by the IBC prior to their initiation. The IBC is the only authorized University committee which can approve projects and activities involving recombinant DNA and bio-hazardous research material. The IBC will follow the NIH guidelines for recombinant DNA and biohazardous material research in determining the suitability of projects and activities and will provide an explanation of any decision not to approve a project or activity. Any project or activity not approved can be revised and resubmitted to the IBC for consideration.

All faculty or staff who plan on using recombinant DNA or biohazardous materials for research, teaching, or other activities must submit an original and 15 copies of the completed signed application form to the IBC. The IBC will then consider the application at its earliest convenience.

For grant applications submitted to more than one funding agency, it will only be necessary to submit one application to the IBC prior to submission to the granting agencies. One copy of all submitted grant applications utilizing recombinant DNA or biohazardous materials must be submitted to the IBC.

Any changes to an approved project with respect to recombinant DNA or biohazardous materials must receive IBC approval prior to their use. Anyone considering the use of recombinant DNA or biohazardous materials should contact the Office of Research and Program Development (ORPD), 105 Twamley Hall, 777-4279, for a copy of the NIH Guidelines, the Recombinant DNA Review Form and other pertinent information. Forms are also available on ORPD's Homepage at <http://www.und.edu/dept/orpd>.

-- Barry Milavetz (Biochemistry and Molecular Biology), Chair, Institutional Biosafety Committee.

RESEARCH, GRANT OPPORTUNITIES LISTED

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

AGENCY FOR HEALTHCARE RESEARCH AND QUALITY (AHRQ)

AHRQ announces a program of small research grants designed to provide support for new investigators or researchers new to health care services issues and encourage preliminary, exploratory, or innovative research in new or previously unexamined areas. The mission of the AHRQ, formerly known as the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research (AHCPR), is to enhance the quality, appropriateness, and effectiveness of health services, and access to such services, through establishment of a broad base of scientific research and promotion of improvements in clinical and health systems practices, including prevention of diseases and other health conditions. AHRQ achieves this mission through health services research designed to 1) improve clinical practice, 2) improve the health care system's ability to provide access to and deliver high quality, high-value health care, and 3) provide policymakers with the ability to assess the impact of system changes on outcomes, quality, access to, cost, and use of health care services. The budget limit on small project grant applications is \$100,000 total costs for the project period. Grant support will normally not exceed 24 months. Deadlines: 3/24/01, 7/24/01, 11/24/01. Contact: Primary Care Research: Kelly Morgan, 301/594-1782, kmorgan@ahrq.gov; Outcomes and Effectiveness Research: Joanne Book, 301/594-4039, jbook@ahrq.gov; Cost, Financing, and Market Forces: Achintya Dey, 301/594-0890, adey@ahrq.gov; Organization and Delivery, Irene Fraser,

301/594-6768, ifraser@ahrq.gov; Quality Improvement and Patient Safety: Elinor Walker, 301/594-2049, ewalker@ahrq.gov; MEPS Household Component: Nancy Krauss, 301/594-0846, nkrauss@ahrq.gov; MEPS Nursing Home Component: Jeffrey Rhoades, 301/594-0891, jrhoades@ahrq.gov; HIV Cost and Services Utilization Study: Doris Lefkowitz, 301/594-1077, dlefkowi@ahrq.gov; HCUP-3: Kelly Carper, 301/594-3075, kcarper@ahcpr.gov or hcupnis@ahcpr.gov or hcupsid@ahcpr.gov.

TURNER FOUNDATION

Grants are given out in four main program areas: Energy, Water/Toxics, Forests/Habitat, and Population. The Foundation's objectives are to protect the atmosphere and other natural resources by promoting energy efficiency, renewable energy and improved transportation policies and practices. Both general operating and project-specific grants are awarded. Deadlines: 4/1/01, 10/1/01. Contact: Patty Donahue, pad@resource.ca.jhu.edu; www.turnerfoundation.org/turner/application.html.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (DOED)

The Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE) Program provides support for a broad range of projects on postsecondary education reform or resolutions of important issues and problems (in all academic disciplines). Appropriate projects include new and innovative ideas and practices or the dissemination of proven innovation to others. Priority areas include Access, Retention, and Completion; Improving Campus Climates for Learning; Curricular and Pedagogical Reform; Control-ling Costs; Faculty Development; Improving K-12 Teaching and Schools; and Dissemination of Successful Innovations. DoEd expects to make 130 new awards in FY01. Typical grants range from \$150,000-\$600,000 over a 3-year period. The FIPSE program uses a 2-stage review process. Submission of preproposals is required, and full proposals are invited from applicants with projects of interest to the agency. Contact ORPD for copies of successful preproposals obtained from a DOED workshop. Dead-lines: 1/26/01 (Preproposal), 4/27/01 (Full Proposal). Contact: 202/502-7500; fipse@ed.gov; www.ed.gov/FIPSE.

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY, INC.

Research Directed at Poor and Underserved Populations. A critical need exists for research on prevalence, early detection, prevention, and treatment of cancer in poor and underserved populations. The Society has a strong commitment to Behavioral, Psychosocial and Health Policy research and applications dealing with such investigations are particularly welcome. Examples are studies dealing with early detection strategies and outcome, how to achieve broader access and willingness to utilize mammography, PSA determination, colonoscopy, and other early detection procedures. Cancer prevention strategies are another example. These include, but are not limited to, the identification of risk factors and how they might be modified by dietary means, physical activity, protection from sun, and of course abstention from smoking. Also included are proposals dealing with national and local policies that affect the availability of health care and health care delivery to specific population groups. Studies to identify molecular determinants that may put poor and underserved populations at higher risk of cancer incidence and progression, with the specific purpose of developing strategies to overcome or eliminate these risks, will also be considered. Three mechanisms will be used for awards: Research Scholar Grants; Clinical Research Training Grants for Junior Faculty; and Postdoctoral Fellowships. Deadlines vary according to mechanism. Deadlines: 4/1/01, 10/15/01. Contact: 404/329-7717; dwilson@cancer.org; <http://www2.cancer.org/research/index.cfm?sc=1&select1=1&ssc=2>.

HARRIS FOUNDATION

Fields of interest to the Foundation include: arts/cultural programs; early childhood education; child development,

education; family planning; human services; children and youth, services; child development, services; and family services. Support is provided for demonstration and research programs. Deadlines for arts organizations are April 1 and September 1 of each year. All other proposals are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Contact: Joan W. Harris, President, 312/621-0566; 2 North LaSalle Street, Suite 400, Chicago, IL 60602-3703.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF GENERAL MEDICAL SCIENCES (NIGMS)

Applications are requested for projects pertaining to Mechanisms Underlying Individual Variations in Drug Responses. Support is provided to stimulate research into identifying the critical candidate proteins and/or genes that play essential roles in determining individual variations in drug responses. Investigator-initiated research grant applications are invited in the following areas: identification of candidate proteins and/or their genes and gene families, that play a role in determining individual variations in drug responses, and may ultimately have functionally significant, common genetic polymorphisms leading to different drug response phenotypes; development and characterization of the appropriate in vivo and in vitro models (including human, animal, and non-mammalian species) and computer-based models, to identify human genetic polymorphisms and study their functional effects, both mono- and polygenic, in determining individual variations in drug responses; and genetic and molecular epidemiologic studies to identify candidate genes associated with variations in drug responses, involving families, patients, and/or human populations. Contact: Rochelle M. Long, 301/594-1826; rl25b@nih.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-99-016.html>. Deadlines: 2/1, 6/1, 10/1 (R01 awards); 4/1, 8/1; 12/1 (SBIR and STTR grants); 3/1, 7/1, 11/1 (Competitive Supplements).

AMERICAN EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATION (AERA)

The AERA/Spencer Pre-Dissertation Fellowship Program provides support for promising graduate students in educational research. The Spencer Fellowship Program awards up to \$16,000 for a one-year program, plus \$4,000 in travel funds for professional development activities. Eligible applicants are U.S. citizens or permanent residents, enrolled as full-time graduate students. Sixteen fellowships may be awarded this year. Deadline: 5/7/01. Contact: Spencer Fellowship, 1230 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036-3078.

RESEARCH CORPORATION

Research Innovation Awards provide support for highly innovative research in astronomy, chemistry, and physics that transcends the ordinary and promises significant discoveries. Some examples of innovation include: exciting research into new areas of potential scientific importance; novel approach to a long-standing problem; research that may create a new methodology of importance to science; application of expertise and insights from one area to advance another scientific discipline; and creative solutions to an interdisciplinary problem of recognized importance. Eligible faculty will be in calendar year one or two of their first tenure-track appointment during the same year as the application deadline. Awards in the amount of \$35,000 will be made. Contact: 520/571-1111; awards@rescorp.org; <http://www.rescorp.org/riguide.html>. Deadline: 5/1/01.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF MENTAL HEALTH (NIMH)

Mental Health Education Grants support innovative educational programs to encourage individuals to pursue mental health research or enhance research and career skills in critical areas of need. Applications must propose one or more of the following educational objectives: providing educational experiences to motivate high school students, college students, graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, and other scientists to pursue careers in mental health fields; providing research and related experiences for graduate students, postdoctoral fellows and other scientists (at any stage of their career), to enhance and broaden their skills in order to contribute significantly to basic and clinical neuroscience,

behavioral research, and mental health services, treatment and prevention research; providing experiences that will enhance more experienced investigators' research, career, and mentoring skills and success, and will significantly contribute to the advancement of research fields relevant to the mission of NIMH; and developing and evaluating new curricula or approaches to advance any of the above goals. Grants may support a variety of educational activities, including: short courses, workshops, or seminars; structured short-term research experiences; longer term research or related experiences (if strongly justified); and projects designed for curriculum development or the design, implementation, and evaluation of educational programs. The NIMH anticipates making 3-5 R25 awards each year. Applications for 1-2 years of support are strongly encouraged and will receive high priority, but proposals for 3-5 years may also be submitted for consideration. Contact: Dianne Rausch, 301/443-9719; dr89b@nih.gov; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-97-095.html>. Deadlines: 12/1, 4/1, 8/1 (Letter of Intent); 2/1, 6/1, 10/1 (Applications).

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Research Grants are provided for scholars in the U.S. who wish to undertake or complete research projects in Spain. These academic investigations are evaluated on the basis of scholarly quality as well as relevance to dissemination of Spanish culture in the U.S. Grants will pay travel expenditures to Spain, and up to a three-month stay at the rate of \$2,000 per month. Contact: Holly Zimmerman LeVoir, 612/625-9888; zimme001@tc.umn.edu; <http://www.umabroad.umn.edu/pub/pcc/pcc.html>. Deadline: 4/1/01.

A limited number of Grants for the Dissemination of Spanish Culture Through the Arts/Spanish Cinema support dissemination of Spanish culture through the arts to help cover the costs of theater productions, museum exhibits, concerts of Spanish music, or other types of activities that would disseminate the culture of Spain in the U.S. Deadline: 4/1/01. Contact: See above.

NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES (NEH)

Humanities Focus Grants enable educators to consider together significant humanities topics or to map institutional directions for teaching the humanities. Awarded through an expedited review cycle, these small grants allow educators to consider substantive questions and chart institutional directions in a timely way. Grants support collegial study of humanities topics and materials. In institutions of higher education, Humanities Focus Grants enable groups of faculty to engage in rigorous collegial study for larger institutional purposes or for specific curricular issues. These grants are particularly appropriate and are encouraged for first-time applicants. Grants range from \$10,000-\$25,000 and may span an academic year or year and a half. Funds may be used to pay for guest scholars and visiting consultants, for observation of model programs, for books and other materials, for logistical support, and especially for release time so that participants have time to read, think, write and deliberate. Deadline: 4/15/01. Contact: Division of Education Programs, 202/606-8380; education@neh.gov; <http://www.neh.gov/grants/onebook/edd.html>.

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

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