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## TOP STORIES

### School of Law Dean Paul LeBel to serve as University Provost

On Feb. 23, School of Law Dean Paul LeBel formally began his service as vice president for academic affairs and provost at UND. To fill the vacancy left by former UND Provost Greg Weisenstein, now president at West Chester University in Pennsylvania, President Robert Kelley named LeBel to serve as the University's provost until a permanent successor is named. While LeBel serves as the University's provost, Kathryn Rand will serve as the dean of the School of Law on an acting basis.

LeBel joined the School of Law as dean in May 2004. He is a 1977 graduate of the University of Florida College of Law, and earned his bachelor's degree in American Literature from George Washington University in 1971. He served in the United States Air Force from 1971 to 1975. An expert in tort and personal injury law, LeBel served as dean and was on the faculty of the Florida State University College of Law. He also has been on the faculty of the Marshall-Wythe School of Law at the College of William and Mary and the University of Alabama School of Law.

Rand joined the School of Law's faculty in 2000, and has served as associate dean since 2004. She received her juris doctor from the University of Michigan Law School in 1993 and her bachelor's degree from UND in 1990. A

former federal prosecutor, Rand's scholarly expertise is in the area of tribal gaming law and policy. She has twice testified on Indian gaming regulation before the U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs and was featured on C-SPAN's Book TV.

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## Farewell reception set for new HRSA Chief Mary Wakefield

Faculty and staff at the School of Medicine and Health Sciences invite you to a farewell reception for Mary Wakefield, associate dean for rural health and director of the Center for Rural Health, from 3:30 to 4:15 Tuesday, March 3, at the UND medical school's Vennes Atrium.

One of the nation's top rural health care professionals, Dr. Wakefield was appointed last week by President Obama to serve as administrator of the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). Dr. Wakefield will oversee this critical agency, which helps to deliver health care to those who are uninsured and underserved by our current health care system.

"As a nurse, a Ph.D., and a leading rural health care advocate, Mary Wakefield brings expertise that will be instrumental in expanding and improving services for those who are currently uninsured or underserved," President Obama said. "Under her leadership we will be able to expand and improve the care provided at the Community Health Centers, which serve millions of uninsured Americans and address severe provider shortages across the country."

Also a tenured professor, Dr. Wakefield has expertise in rural health care, quality and patient safety, Medicare payment policy, workforce issues, and public policy. She has authored many articles and columns on health policy and is on the editorial board of a number of professional journals.

Dr. Wakefield previously served as director of the Center for Health Policy, Research, and Ethics at George Mason University in Fairfax, Va. She also served as the Chief of Staff for United States Senator Kent Conrad from January 1993 to January 1996 and as Legislative Assistant and Chief of Staff to Senator Quentin Burdick.

Dr. Wakefield has served as a member of the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission and the Department of Veterans Affairs' Special Medical Advisory Group. She served as chair of the Institute of Medicine (IOM) Committee on Health Care Quality for Rural America and of the Catholic Health Initiatives Board of Trustees, and was a subcommittee chair for President Clinton's Advisory Commission on Consumer Protection and Quality in the Health Care Industry.

Dr. Wakefield received her M.S. in nursing and her Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Texas at Austin and her B.S. in nursing from the University of Mary at Bismarck, N.D. She is a fellow in the American Academy of Nursing and is a recipient of numerous awards including the American Organization of Nurse Executives (AONE) 2006 Nurse Research Award and the 2008 Nursing Economics Margaret D. Sovie Writer's Award.

Please join us to celebrate her accomplishments and wish her well.

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## EVENTS TO NOTE

### Diane Glancy will give reading Tuesday

Diane Glancy, an award-winning and prolific poet, playwright, and novelist, will give a public reading from her forthcoming novel "The Reason For Crows: A Story of Kateri Tekakwitha" (SUNY Press) at 7 p.m. Tuesday March 3, in the East Asian Room (fourth floor), Chester Fritz Library, with a special announcement and

reception to follow. To see samples of her writing sample readings (with copyright permissions), please visit the Web site of Crystal Alberts at <http://www.und.nodak.edu/instruct/calberts/GlancyVisit.html> .

Gerald Vizenor, author of "Father Meme," remarks, "Diane Glancy is a storier of native remembrance at the verge of history. "The Reason for Crows" is an inspired first-person memoir of Kateri Tekakwitha, the daughter of a Christian mother and a Mohawk Chief. Kateri was touched by the Jesuits and 'set apart by God.' Pockmarked by smallpox and orphaned as a child in the late 17th century, she comes alive in the emotive voice of an eminent literary artist, a particular union of native spirits and God."

The reading is free and open to the public. The University of North Dakota Department of English, Adelphi, MAC, the Department of Indian Studies, the Office of Instructional Development, the Office of Research and Development, and the Chester Fritz Library are co-sponsoring the event, which is part of a three-day visit that also includes guest lectures in various UND classes, as well as a student luncheon.

Professor Diane Glancy, an author of Cherokee and German descent, currently holds the Richard L. Thomas Chair in Creative Writing at Kenyon College. Prior to this position, Glancy taught creative writing for nearly two decades at Macalester College. She also held the title of artist in residence for the State Arts Council of Oklahoma for nearly ten years. Glancy has taught at the Bread Loaf School of English M.A. program on the campus of the Native American Preparatory School in Rowe, N.M.; at the University of Minnesota as the Edlestein-Keller Minnesota Writer of Distinction; and at The Loft in Minneapolis, where she was the Native American Inroads Mentor. She holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Missouri, a master's degree from the University of Central Oklahoma, and an MFA from the University of Iowa Writers Workshop. She is also a past participant of the UND Writers Conference.

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## Women's Center Meet, Eat and Learn is March 4

Celebrate National Women's History Month by attending the Women's Center Meet, Eat and Learn from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 4, at the International Centre. Tala Shokri, from Tehran, Iran, will talk about her country and what Iran is like today for women. Everyone is welcome and lunch is provided.

-- Patty McIntyre, Program Associate, Womens Center, [undwomenscenter@und.nodak.edu](mailto:undwomenscenter@und.nodak.edu), 74302

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## Student Success Center offers noon study skills sessions

The Student Success Center will hold Study Skills Help Sessions to answer many of the questions students have about studying. The sessions are informal and participants are invited to bring their lunch, relax, and join in the conversation. All sessions will take place from noon to 12:50 p.m. in the Badlands Room, Memorial Union. The sessions are open to the entire campus community, with no reservations required. Upcoming sessions include:

\* Wednesday, March 4: Time Management

\* Tuesday, March 10: Notetaking

-- Shari Nelson, Assistant Director of Learning Services, Student Success Center,

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## Crock Pot Cooking in the Culinary Corner

The Culinary Corner offers the following class.

Crock Pot Cooking

Wednesday, March 4, noon to 1 p.m. (pick up meal at 5 p.m.)

The cost is \$10. Please bring your own crock pot or slow cooker.

The crock pot is one of the best time-saving appliances in the kitchen -- perfect for the cook with limited time. It's also great for beginning cooks because all you do is fill it and turn it on. Hours later, you come home to a house filled with wonderful smells and dinner ready for the table.

Join us in the Culinary Corner over your lunch break and prepare tonight's dinner for you and your family.

To register: [www.wellness.und.edu](http://www.wellness.und.edu), click on Nutrition and Culinary Corner.

-- Karina Wittmann, Coordinator of Nutrition Services, Wellness Center, [karinawittmann@mail.und.edu](mailto:karinawittmann@mail.und.edu), 701-777-0769

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## Doug Olsen presents ESSP spring colloquium

Doug Olsen, associate director for Center for People and the Environment, will present "AgCam: Imaging ND from the International Space Station" at 2 p.m. Thursday, March 5, in Room 210, Clifford Hall Auditorium.

Refreshments will be served a half-hour before the presentation.

Olsen is also principal investigator for the Center of Excellence in Space Technology and Operations. The Center for Excellence is a broad collaborative effort among UND departments and Geoptics, LLC, to apply radio occultation data to environmental solutions.

The presentation is part of the UND Earth System Science and Policy Spring 2009 colloquium series. For more information contact Michael Hill at 777-6071 or [hillmj@aero.und.edu](mailto:hillmj@aero.und.edu).

-- Michael Hill, Professor, Earth System Science & Policy, [hillmj@aero.und.edu](mailto:hillmj@aero.und.edu), 701-777-6071

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## Designing hybrid courses is Thursday

Distance education is a great way to serve students who can't come to class in person, and may be the key to the future of many programs at UND. But what do we do about our on-campus students? Do they have to become distance students and lose the benefit of face-to-face instruction? Will we have to create two sections of our existing courses to serve both populations? What if we could find a way to provide the same educational experiences for both distance and on-campus students?

All UND faculty are invited and encouraged to attend the upcoming Senate Continuing Education Committee-sponsored Discovery Series event, "Designing Hybrid Courses," from noon to 2 p.m. Thursday, March 5, in the River Valley Room, Memorial Union. Faculty will demonstrate how they have implemented hybrid-blended learning modes that serve students on and off-campus while preserving the power of face-to-face instruction. A question and answer session will follow the presentations.

No registration is required, but to reserve a box lunch, call 777-3231 or e-mail [adminserv@mail.und.edu](mailto:adminserv@mail.und.edu) by noon Monday, March 2.

For more information about the session itself, contact Richard Van Eck at [richard.vaneck@und.edu](mailto:richard.vaneck@und.edu), or 777-3574.

-- Richard Van Eck, Associate Professor, Teaching & Learning, Member, Senate Continuing Education Committee, [richard.vaneck@und.edu](mailto:richard.vaneck@und.edu), 777.3574

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## Rural Health Day to focus on electronic medical records, emergency medical services

Pete Antonson, president of the North Dakota Rural Health Association (NDRHA), announces Rural Health Day

Thursday, March 5, in the Capitol's Great Hall in Bismarck. Rural Health Day is a focus on rural North Dakotans' health and their health care, and on how rural health care is essential to the vitality of the state's economy.

"Other health associations in the state have rural health in their mission statements; however, the North Dakota Rural Health Association is unique because its exclusive focus is on rural health and health care," said Antonson.

The NDRHA supports legislation to address two critical issues in the 2009 ND legislative session: health information technology and rural emergency medical services. Investments in health information technology and electronic medical records for individuals are key components of President Obama's health care plan.

"Because we know that spiraling health care costs are crushing families and businesses alike, we're taking the most meaningful steps in years towards modernizing our health care system. It's an investment that will take the long overdue step of computerizing America's medical records to reduce the duplication and waste that costs billions of health care dollars, and medical errors that cost thousands of lives each year," said President Obama on Feb. 17, 2009, at the signing of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

A critical reason the NDRHA supports health information technology legislation in the 2009 session is because "states must contribute funds to receive federal dollars. After building costs, the cost of health information software is the largest single purchase most health care organizations will make," Antonson said.

"It may be possible for states to receive up to a 10-1 federal match for their investment to facilitate and expand electronic health information exchange. In addition, future Medicare reimbursement rates to providers will be tied to whether they have adopted a certified electronic medical record system and are able to exchange health information with other health care facilities as needed," according to Antonson.

The North Dakota Rural Health Association also supports state legislation to maintain emergency medical services for rural North Dakotans. "North Dakota has a large geography; the challenge we face is how to maintain service to all its citizens," said Antonson.

-- Denis F. MacLeod, Communications Specialist, Center for Rural, [dmacleod@medicine.nodak.edu](mailto:dmacleod@medicine.nodak.edu), 701-777-3300

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## Bookstore forum is March 5

An open forum to discuss the UND Bookstore will be held at 2:30 p.m. Thursday, March 5, in the Memorial Union South Ballroom.

The current contract with Barnes & Noble for the management of the Bookstore ends March 31. This will complete a 10-year agreement. In accordance with State Board of Higher Education policies, a service contract may not exceed a term of 10 years, which required UND to send out a request for proposal (RFP) to potential vendors for a new contract.

A group representing faculty, staff, and students was formed and charged with the task of preparing an RFP, evaluating proposals from vendors, and making a recommendation to the vice president for finance and operations on a selected vendor.

The group completed their work and made a recommendation to enter into contract negotiations with the Follett Higher Education Group, Inc. This recommendation was been approved by the vice president for finance and operations.

A contract negotiations team made up of selected committee members representing faculty, staff, and students has been working with Follett on the contract.

Follett Corporation is a privately-held company organized under three business groups - the Follett Higher Education Group, the Follett Education Distribution Group, and the Follett Technology Solutions and International Group. The Follett Higher Education Group is the largest operator of campus bookstores with more than 820 stores under management across the United States and Canada. It also operates [efollett.com](http://efollett.com), the country's leading online campus bookstore.

If you are unable to attend the forum, but would like to provide any input, submit your ideas to [bookstorecontract@mail.und.nodak.edu](mailto:bookstorecontract@mail.und.nodak.edu). --

Margaret Myers, associate VPFO and chair, negotiations team, and Scott Schreiner, director of purchasing.

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## UND Wind Ensemble, University Band to present concert March 5

The Wind Ensemble and University Band, conducted by James Popejoy, will present a concert at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 5, at the Chester Fritz Auditorium. Tickets, available at the door, are \$6 for adults, \$3 for students and senior citizens, or \$12 per family.

This concert will explore a wide variety of styles and genres from the world of music. The Wind Ensemble will open their portion of the program with a new work by Kevin Walczyk titled "Celebration Fanfare," conducted by Associate Director of Bands Robert Brooks. John Paulson's aleatoric work from the 1970s, "Epinicion," will follow. The feature selection in their program will be H. Owen Reed's classic "La Fiesta Mexicana." Written 60 years ago, this large scale work is one of the great early symphonies for band. They will close the concert with Jack Stamp's exciting and entertaining "Pastime."

The University Band will open the concert with "Fandango" by Frank Perkins. Their program will also include Michael Sweeney's "Out of the Shadows," as well as excerpts from Johan de Meij's "The Lord of the Rings." Graduate conductor Chad Green will lead the band in a performance of "Flashing Winds" by Jan Van der Roost.

For additional information concerning this performance, please contact the UND Band Department at 777-2815. -- James Popejoy, director of bands.

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## Nepal Night is Thursday

Celebrate the culture of Nepal at Nepal Night on Thursday March 5, 7:00 p.m. at the Memorial Union Loading Dock. Representatives from UND's Nepalese community will present aspects of the culture. Samples of food will be available to try for \$1.00.

-- Shannon Jolly, International Student Advisor, International Programs, [shannonjolly@mail.und.edu](mailto:shannonjolly@mail.und.edu), 777-4118

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## Culinary Corner lists March 5 activity; trivia questions

Here's what is happening in Culinary Corner through March 7!

Here are a few food and nutrition trivia questions for you! See how much you REALLY know about food! The answers are at the bottom!

1. What spice is illegal to grow in the United States?



2. What color were carrots originally?
3. Which state in the United States consumes the most Spam?

#### Fruit and Vegetable of the Month

Thursday, March 5, 6 p.m.

Almost everyone needs to eat more fruits and vegetables. Fruits and vegetables are essential to promoting good health, assisting with weight loss, and protecting from chronic disease. The monthly class series will focus on a fruit and a vegetable each month. Participants will learn how to select, store, and prepare each item. The class cost is \$5 and limited to seven participants.

To register for classes: [www.wellness.und.edu](http://www.wellness.und.edu), click on nutrition and Culinary Corner.

\*\*Please pre-register by noon the day before each class. Class cancellations must be made at least 24 hours in advance for full refund option. \*\*

For questions please contact Karina Wittmann, coordinator of Nutrition Services at [karinawittmann@mail.und.edu](mailto:karinawittmann@mail.und.edu)

#### Trivia answers:

- 1) Poppy seed
- 2) Purple
- 3) Hawaii

-- Karina Wittmann, Coordinator of Nutrition Services, Wellness Center, [karinawittmann@mail.und.edu](mailto:karinawittmann@mail.und.edu), 701-77-0769

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## Jason Briner to give LEEPS lectures

Jason P. Briner of the Department of Geology at the State University of New York at Buffalo will give the next LEEPS lectures Friday, March 6. Two presentations are planned. Briner's noon presentation is titled, "The Arctic is Melting: Paleoclimate Perspectives on Arctic Warming." At 3 p.m., he speaks on "Ice Sheet Dynamics in Fjord Landscapes: Constraints from Cosmogenic Radionuclides, Lake Sediment Coring, and Ice Sheet Modeling." Both talks will be in 100 Leonard Hall. The Department of Geology and Geological Engineering Leading Edge of Earth and Planetary Science (LEEPS) lecture series brings nationally- and internationally-known scientists and others to UND to give talks on cutting edge science and engineering issues. Lectures cover a wide range of topics, including academic science, applied engineering, and environmental issues of current significance. All are welcome to attend.

-- Carissa Green, Administrative Secretary, Geology & Geological Engineering, [carissagreen@mail.und.nodak.edu](mailto:carissagreen@mail.und.nodak.edu), 777-2248

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## OID On Teaching online seminar is March 6

The Office of Instructional Development will offer the On Teaching Online Seminar "Wikis in the Classroom: Faculty and Student Perspectives," from 1 to 2 p.m. Friday, March 6.

For better or worse, wikis have challenged traditional notions of authorship, editing, and publishing, making the construction of knowledge more transparent and open. Most of us have used wikis to access information online (Wikipedia anyone?), and are familiar with their collaborative nature which allows anyone with access to contribute to and modify the content and text. In that they allow students to construct and share knowledge in a collaborative environment, wikis can also provide a powerful means of enhancing learning.

Dana Harsell (political science and public administration) explored the possibility of using wikis for student assignments in a Teaching with Technology Workshop sponsored by OID and CILT. He then decided to utilize this technology in both his introductory level course (POLS116: State and Local Government) and an upper division course (POLS 390: Executive Leadership and Management). In this session of On Teaching, Dr. Harsell will share insights he has gained about what works well and what doesn't when wikis are integrated into the classroom. Several students who took these courses will also give us their perspective on working in the collaborative online environment wikis create.

If you have thought about using wikis and wonder how they work and what sort of student learning outcomes and assignments are well suited to them, come online and join our discussion. And if you are now using wikis in your classroom or online course and would like to share some of your experiences, we hope you will take part too.

This interactive discussion will be conducted via WIMBA (and a tutorial for its use is available through Blackboard). Participants will join the discussion remotely via computer and will need a USB headset to do so. To be fully interactive (with video) a USB webcam is recommended.

Please RSVP to [jana\\_hollands@und.nodak.edu](mailto:jana_hollands@und.nodak.edu) by Thursday, March 5, to register. You will receive information about logging in to the seminar.

-- Anne Kelsch, Director of Instructional Development, OID, [anne\\_kelsch@und.nodak.edu](mailto:anne_kelsch@und.nodak.edu), 7-4233

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## NorthWord reading is Friday

NorthWord, the UND undergraduate creative writing series, is having their second reading featuring writers Laurel Hurst, Jenna Randall, and Laura Bury at 4 p.m. Friday, March 6, in 300 Merrifield Hall. A reception will follow.

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## Friday Evening Dharma Talk is at Lotus Meditation Center

Ginny Morgan, visiting meditation teacher from Colombia, Mo., will give a public talk at 7 p.m. Friday, March 6, at the Lotus Meditation Center, 2908 University Ave. The theme of the talk is the gentle gift of letting go. It is free of charge and open to all. For more information, call 701-787-8839.

-- Lora Sloan Anderson, teacher, Lotus Meditation Center, [lorasloan@gra.midco.net](mailto:lorasloan@gra.midco.net), 701-787-8839

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## Lotus Meditation Center retreat is March 6-8

The Lotus Meditation Center will host an insight meditation retreat with visiting teacher Ginny Morgan March 6-8. The theme of the retreat is the gentle gift of letting go. This retreat will be held Friday evening through Sunday afternoon.

For more information contact Kate at [ksweney@msn.com](mailto:ksweney@msn.com) or call 218-280-1212 after 6 p.m.

-- Lora Sloan Anderson, teacher, Lotus Meditation Center, [lorasloan@gra.midco.net](mailto:lorasloan@gra.midco.net), 701-787-8839

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## William Holden Memorial is March 7

There will be a memorial for Bill Holden, former faculty member and husband of the late Victoria Holden at 3 p.m. Saturday, March 7, at the Hopper-Daley Memorial Chapel near the English Coulee on the UND campus. Bill died Jan. 12, 2009. He was a former journalism professor in the School of Communication and editor at the Grand Forks Herald, the Chicago Tribune, the International Herald Tribune, and the Des Moines Register.

-- Richard Shafer, Professor, English, [undprof@hotmail.com](mailto:undprof@hotmail.com), 777-04815

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## International Women's Day celebration is March 9

The International Women's Day celebration will be held Monday, March 9. The International Women's Day celebration will start with the performance of a play titled "Wise Lasses," written by local author Adonica Schultz Aune out of the research project "Women Communicating Wisdom" conducted by members of the UND student chapter of the Association for Women in Communication. This performance will be held from noon to 1 p.m. Monday, March 9, at the Loading Dock, Memorial Union.

The International Women's Day is a major day marking the economic, social and political achievements of women. It was started in 1909 in the United States, and it is its 100th anniversary this year. It is an official holiday in many countries around the world, and observed by men giving the women in their lives - mothers, wives, friends, daughters, colleagues - flowers and small gifts.

Flowers will be handed to women in the Memorial Union on March 5, 6 and 9, as well as at the International Center on March 9. Please join us for this event and help us make the International Women's Day celebration a success!

The event is sponsored by the University of North Dakota's International Center, Women's Center, ESL Center, and the UND student chapter of the Association for Women in Communication.

-- Diana Nastasia, Doctoral Student, Graduate Assistant, Communication, [diana.nastasia@und.edu](mailto:diana.nastasia@und.edu), 777-3053

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## University Within the University (U2) lists new classes

The University Within the University (U2) lists new classes.

Microsoft Office Word 2007 Level 1 (Beginning)

March 9, 10 and 12, 1:30 to 4 p.m., 361 Upson II

Prerequisite: Basic understanding of computers, mouse, and file saving and retrieving skills.

Upon successful completion of this course, participants will be able to create a basic document by using Microsoft Word, edit documents by locating and modifying text, format text, format paragraphs, add tables to a document, add graphic elements to a document, control a document's page setup and its overall appearance; and proof documents to make them more accurate. Presenter: Heidi Strande.

Non-Employee/Student Travel, Payments to Non-Resident Aliens and Moving Expenses

March 10, 10 to 11:30 a.m., Memorial Union, Presidents Room

Review of required travel procedures for non-employees, students and nonresident aliens and a review of moving expense procedures. Presenter: Bonnie Nerby.

Basic International Student Requirements for Faculty and Staff

March 11, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., International Centre

Government regulations for international students create unique challenges for students to be able to pursue their degrees in the United States. Faculty and staff who advise international students must be aware of the extra expectations that are placed on these students and what that may mean for arrival on campus, selecting courses, program duration, financial support and post-graduation planning. This workshop provides an overview of the basic requirements governing most international students' ability to pursue their studies in the United States, from admission to graduation. Topics addressed include visa application, enrollment requirements, international student employment and social security, program completion requirements. Presenters: Anne Ekkaia and Shannon Jolly, International student advisors.

Do You Wanna.....\$100

March 10, 7 to 7:30 a.m. or March 11, 4 to 4:30 p.m., or March 12, 4 to 4:30 p.m., or March 13, 7 to 7:30 a.m., Memorial Union, Mandan Room.

Come check out one of the 20-minute U2 sessions to explore whether you are ready to quit using tobacco, and explore all of the quit options available to you. Twenty minutes is all it takes to find out about all the benefits and services available to UND faculty, staff, students, partners and dependents who want to quit tobacco. If you decide you are ready to make a quit attempt, you can receive \$100 or more to help you stop using tobacco. You do not have to decide to quit at these sessions. If you are curious on how you can make that change, come by and let us help you.

\*Benefited and non-benefited employees will have different benefits. Please contact Jane Croeker ([jane\\_croeker@und.nodak.edu](mailto:jane_croeker@und.nodak.edu)) or Work Well ([workwell@mail.und.edu](mailto:workwell@mail.und.edu)) for more information. Presenter: Jane Croeker.

Do You Have Gym-O-Phobia?

March 12, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Archives Coffee House

When someone says the word GYM, what's the first image that pops into your head? It may seem scary, foreign and expensive. That uncomfortable feeling may be stopping you from getting active and living a healthier lifestyle. Don't let it! If you have gym-o-phobia, come and join us in addressing this topic. Presenter: Emily Spicer.

-- Patricia Young, U2 Coordinator, Continuing Education, [patriciayoung@mail.und.nodak.edu](mailto:patriciayoung@mail.und.nodak.edu), 777-0720

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## Wellness Center announces Membership Appreciation Week

The Wellness Center is excited to announce Membership Appreciation Week March 9-13. There will be activities to celebrate our members all week. It's our way of thanking you for your continued support over the past two years.

- \* Monday, March 9, free T-shirt give away (while supplies last).
- \* Tuesday, March 10, free cheesecake samples provided by Culinary Corner from 4:30 to 6 p.m. in the Atrium. Tone Up and Tie the Knot demo at 8:30 p.m. in Group Exercise Room (free).
- \* Wednesday, March 11, free Reformer Pilates demo at 5:15 p.m. in Specialty Exercise Room. Then enjoy free rock wall climbing at a special Rock the Wall from 7 to 10 p.m.
- \* Thursday, March 12, free trail mix provided by Culinary Corner from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in the Atrium.

Please join us for this celebration. We look forward to the opportunity to give something back to those who have given us so much.....YOU!

-- Brian Schmidt, Wellness Center Marketing Representative, Wellness Center Marketing,  
[brian.schmidt@und.edu](mailto:brian.schmidt@und.edu), 7-3003

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## Lana Wilson will present free public lecture on ceramic handbuilding

Lana Wilson, internationally recognized ceramic artist, columnist and writer, will present a free public lecture, "Ceramic Handbuilding Shape and Surface" at 5 p.m. Tuesday, March 10, in 227 Hughes Fine Arts Center.

Wilson is active on the workshop/lecture circuit, conducting 12 or more per year. Ceramics demonstrations will be given from 9:30 a.m. to noon and 1:30 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, March 11, in 147 Hughes Fine Arts Center.

They are free and open to the public.

A free public lecture on glaze will be given at 4 p.m. Wednesday, March 11, in 147 Hughes Fine Arts Center.

Wilson, a third generation native Californian, has given 80 workshops on handbuilding including ones at Arrowmont, Penland, Mendocino Art Center, Metchosin and Peters Valley. She has also taught in Canada, Israel, New Zealand and South Africa, and has written a regular column for Clay Times magazine since 1996. Her work has been in over 180 shows and appears in 14 books, including both volumes of "The Best of Pottery" and Kathy Triplett's "Handbuilt Ceramics" and several of Robin Hopper's books. She is the author of "Ceramics: Shape and Surface," which includes extensive cone 6 and cone 04 electric glazes she has developed. A video "Soft Slab Techniques with Lana Wilson" has been produced on her working techniques and she was a featured demonstrator at 2003 NCECA where a video was also produced on her. She is currently on the board of Craft Emergency Relief Fund. She has appeared twice on the Discovery Channel to extol the delights of working in clay while making a teapot.

Lana Wilson's visit to UND is sponsored by the Department of Art & Design and the Myers Foundations.

For more information please call 777-2257.

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## UND Spring Grad Expo is March 10

Are you graduating in May? Join us for the UND Graduation Expo to help you get ready to graduate. The Expo will be held Tuesday, March 10, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Loading Dock, Memorial Union. UND's Bookstore & Herff Jones will have all your regalia needs on-site for purchase plus information about class rings, diploma covers, frames and invitations. Other vendors include: the Registrar's Office, Financial Aid, Graduate School, Career Services, Housing, Campus Catering, the Alumni Association and the Office of Ceremonies and Special Events. This is an opportunity to ask questions and gather information about the May 16 spring commencement ceremony for graduate and undergraduate students. Stop in for all your graduation needs and register for door prizes. For more information about graduation, go to <http://commencement.und.edu>.

-- Dawn Botsford, Events Coordinator, Office of Ceremonies & Special Events,

[dawnbotsford@mail.und.nodak.edu](mailto:dawnbotsford@mail.und.nodak.edu), 777-6393

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## Are you ready to quit using tobacco?

Check out one of these 20-minute sessions to explore whether you are ready to quit using tobacco. Find out all your quit options and benefits. The sessions will be held in the Mandan Room, Memorial Union.

\* March 10, 7 a.m.

\* March 11, 4 p.m.

\* March 12, 4 p.m.

\* March 13, 7 a.m.

All who attend receive a free one-month Wellness Center walking pass and well coaching. The session is open to UND faculty, staff, students, partners, and dependents 18 years of age or older.

Available programs vary for students and benefitted/non-benefitted employees.

-- Andrew Miller, Coordinator of Work Well, Wellness Center, [andrewmiller@mail.und.edu](mailto:andrewmiller@mail.und.edu), 777-0210

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## Culinary Corner offers Sweet Treats: Mint/Irish Edition

The Culinary Corner offers the class "Sweet Treats: Mint/Irish Edition," from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 11.

The cost is \$15. In honor of St. Patrick's Day, this edition of Sweet Treats will center around the color green and the delicious flavor of mint with festive and delicious recipes. Participants will enjoy decorating sugar cookies with mint royal icing and indulging in other recipes such as mint brownies. This hands-on class allows participants to assist in baking, sample some of the delicious desserts in class, and take home others to enjoy later.

To register: go to [www.wellness.und.edu](http://www.wellness.und.edu)- click on Nutrition and Culinary Corner.

-- Karina Wittmann, Coordinator of Nutrition Services, Wellness Center, [karinawittmann@mail.und.edu](mailto:karinawittmann@mail.und.edu), 701-777-0769

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## Free mini mobile health fairs set

Getting regular check ups, preventive screening tests and immunizations are among the most important things you can do for yourself. They can help ensure that common, serious diseases and conditions are detected and treated. At the health fair we offer a lipid panel reading, along with a one-on-one consultation with a nursing student from the College of Nursing. They will be able to give you general health tips and educational materials.\*

The Health Fair includes:

- Height and weight
- BMI
- Blood pressure
- Total cholesterol, HDL cholesterol, LDL cholesterol, triglycerides and glucose
- Consultation

Mini mobile health fair dates:

- \* March 12, 7 to 10 a.m., ROTC Armory Gymnasium
- \* March 26, 7 to 10 a.m., Wilkerson Hall, JW Wilkerson Room
- \* April 2, 7 to 10 a.m., Aviation - Clifford Hall
- \* April 9, 7 to 10 a.m., EERC, Stevens Conference Room

(signup is required at [www.workwell.und.edu](http://www.workwell.und.edu))

- \* April 16, 7 to 10 a.m., Airport Administration five-story building, third floor instructor lounge

\*The information provided by Work Well and the nursing students does not take into account your own individual circumstances. We hope that you will find the information helpful, but it does not replace your primary health care provider. If you have concerns or worries, you should refer to your primary health care provider.

-- Andrew Miller, Coordinator of Work Well, Wellness Center, [andrewmiller@mail.und.edu](mailto:andrewmiller@mail.und.edu), 777-0210

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## Brulé & AIRO to perform at the Chester Fritz Auditorium

Brulé & AIRO, a multi-award winning contemporary Native American group featuring a New Age/Worldbeat sound, will play at the Chester Fritz Auditorium at 8 p.m. Friday, March 27. Based in South Dakota, they have sold over one million CDs worldwide and have made media appearances with the "Live with Regis and Kathie Lee" television show, CNN World Beat, QVC, and others. They maintain a schedule of well over 100 performances a year including full-stage productions with traditional dancers, an annual holiday tour, performances at Milwaukee's Indian Summer Festival, Indian Art Markets in Denver, Arlington, and Overland

Park, Kansas, Harbor Fest in Virginia Beach, the world-renowned Ordway Theater in St. Paul, Foxwoods Casino, and many additional outdoor festivals and events. They have released 11 CDs over their 12-year existence.

For additional information, visit their Web site: [www.brulerecords.com](http://www.brulerecords.com) or watch a video clip at:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j4D55YO6rSQ>

Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased at the Chester Fritz Box Office, any Ticketmaster outlet, by phone at 1-800-745-3000 or online at [www.ticketmaster.com/venue/49273](http://www.ticketmaster.com/venue/49273)

-- Betty Allan, Director, Chester Fritz Auditorium, [bettyallan@mail.und.edu](mailto:bettyallan@mail.und.edu), 7-2170

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## Transfer Getting Started 2009 is March 28

Transfer Getting Started 2009, an advisement and registration program for new transfer students, will take place Saturday, March 28. Transfer students admitted to UND for the summer or fall 2009 semester will be invited to attend the program for individual advisement and registration. Students also have the opportunity to tour campus, obtain their parking permit and student ID, take the math placement exam, and learn about many campus resources to ensure a successful transition to UND. Students can make a reservation online by March 20 to attend the Transfer Getting Started program or find more information at

<http://gettingstarted.und.edu/transfer>

For any questions regarding the program, please contact the Student Success Center at 777-2117.

-- Sandy Monette, Adult Re-Entry Coordinator/Academic Advisor, Student Success Center,

[sandymonette@mail.und.edu](mailto:sandymonette@mail.und.edu), 777-3228

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## Children's Art Camp seeks jewelry donations

The North Dakota Museum of Art is accepting donations of costume jewelry, other jewelry and accessories for the Antique to Chic Jewelry Sale and Raffle. Proceeds benefit the Museum's children's art programs and summer art camps. The event will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. Sunday, May 3. It offers a wide array of jewelry for sale starting at \$1. Refreshments and music will be part of this free afternoon event open to the public. Please bring your donations of jewelry and accessories to the Museum across from Twamley Hall, or call 777-4195 to arrange to have your donation picked up.

-- Sue Fink, Director of Education, North Dakota Museum of Art, [sfink@ndmoa.com](mailto:sfink@ndmoa.com), 777-4195

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## Science Day is April 4

The local chapter of the American Medical Student Association invites fifth- and sixth-grade students to the annual Science Day Saturday, April 4, at the School of Medicine and Health Sciences, 501 N. Columbia Rd. Students will participate in hands-on learning about health and the human body through workshops in anatomy, "grossology," exercise and diet, heart and tobacco awareness.

UND medical students will present two identical sessions. The morning session will run from 9 a.m. to noon, with a check-in starting at 8:30 a.m. The afternoon session runs from 1 to 4 p.m., with check-in beginning at 12:30 p.m. Participants are asked to pre-register by March 27. Space is limited to 150 in each session, and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

Please distribute this information to all your students who may be interested in attending. The registration form may be copied for each student, or you may visit the Science Day Web site

[www.med.und.nodak.edu/publicaffairs/scienceday.html](http://www.med.und.nodak.edu/publicaffairs/scienceday.html) and print the form. You may also contact the Office of Public Affairs at the UND School of Medicine (777-4305 or e-mail [spohlman@medicine.nodak.edu](mailto:spohlman@medicine.nodak.edu))

and request a registration form. -- Tyler Brolin, AMSA project coordinator.

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## Sugarland performs at Ralph Engelstad Arena April 16

In support of their platinum-selling third album, "Love On The Inside," Sugarland will resume with a 2009 leg of their highly successful Love On The Inside tour at the Ralph Engelstad Arena Thursday, April 16.

Jennifer Nettles and Kristian Bush make up country duo Sugarland who exploded onto the music scene in 2004 with multi-platinum selling album "Twice The Speed Of Life." Their second album "Enjoy the Ride" has sold over two million copies and spawned No. 1 hits with "Want To," "Settlin'" and "Stay." "Love On The Inside," their third studio album, was released July 2008 and has sold over a million copies to date. Both singles released thus far off of the album "All I Want To Do" and "Already Gone" reached the No. 1 spot on the charts.

Joining Sugarland will be Billy Currington who debuted in 2003 with the powerful Top 10 hit "Walk A Little Straighter," followed by the Top 5 smash "I Got A Feelin'." His sophomore album "Doin' Somethin' Right" debuted at No. 2 on the country charts and further delivered with the hits. Currington recently acquired his third No. 1 with "Don't," the first single off of his new album.

Tickets go on sale at 10 a.m. Friday, March 6, at Ticketmaster.com, all Ticketmaster locations and charge by phone 800-745-3000.

For more details, log on to [www.sugarlandmusic.com](http://www.sugarlandmusic.com) or [www.myspace.com/sugarland](http://www.myspace.com/sugarland)

For further information, please contact: Kelly Russell, tour publicist, Universal Music Group, Nashville, 615-524-7552, [kelly.russell@umusic.com](mailto:kelly.russell@umusic.com)

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## Travel, expenses available to forum in Rugby April 17-18

Are you interested in resources and models for community entrepreneurship? Promoting community arts? Community planning and evaluation? Community information gathering?

Bring your students with you to Rugby, N.D., April 17 and 18 for the second annual Community-University Forum. You can meet with North Dakotans from around the state and talk about community needs and opportunities for research, creative activities, and student learning.

This is a chance for faculty and students to explore possible collaborations with community partners. In addition, opportunities are available to participate in sessions and to exhibit projects.

Transportation, meals, and lodging will be provided for the first 50 UND faculty, staff, and students who sign up. For further information, contact me at 777-2287 or [lanarakow@mail.und.edu](mailto:lanarakow@mail.und.edu) or to have someone speak to a class to encourage attendance, contact Center for Community Engagement intern Humaira Parwana at 777-9724 or [humairaparwana@gmail.com](mailto:humairaparwana@gmail.com)

-- Lana Rakow, Director, Center for Community Engagement, [lanarakow@mail.und.edu](mailto:lanarakow@mail.und.edu), 777-2287

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## The Big Event is May 2

UND's Big Event is back! The Big Event is a one-day community service project happening Saturday, May 2. In 2008, over 830 UND students, faculty, and staff members participated in volunteer work throughout the Grand Cities. The Big Event began at UND in the spring of 2005 and has grown ever since. The project is a great way



for UND to say "thank you" to the Grand Cities for all the support they give to the University of North Dakota. The Big Event planning committee is in full swing, and our goal is to make this year's Big Event bigger than ever. To make the day a success, we need your help.

The Big Event committee is currently accepting job requests. On May 2, volunteers will set out across the Grand Cities from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to do work such as painting, raking, spring cleaning, etc. No job is too big or too small and we can provide the supplies! Due to safety reasons, we ask that requests at individual homes be outdoor jobs only.

The Big Event also seeks sponsors. Donations are used to provide supplies to job sites, provide food and T-shirts to all volunteers, and for promotional expenses. Donations are tax-deductible, and top sponsors will be recognized on the Big Event T-shirts and in other advertising.

If you or your organization would like more information about requesting volunteers or Big Event sponsorship, please contact us. If you'd like to volunteer May 2 as part of The Big Event, watch for participation forms starting March 24.

Contact:

The Big Event

Liz Fristad or Michaela Weigel

[thebigevent@und.edu](mailto:thebigevent@und.edu)

2901 University Avenue, Stop 8385, Grand Forks, ND 58202

-- Kristi Nelson, Special Projects Coordinator, Enrollment Services, [kristinelson@mail.und.edu](mailto:kristinelson@mail.und.edu), 701.777.6468

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Partners Internship Program offers paid internships in nonprofit sector

Student advisors, internship coordinators, career services staff, and others who advise undergraduate students and pass along vocational opportunities, please note.

HECUA is pleased to announce 20 paid summer internship opportunities in the nonprofit sector as a part of the Partners Internship Program. These internships will be of interest to many students on campus. The Partners Internship Program provides grants to nonprofits to hire paid student interns for the summer. Students make a significant contribution to the organization through a focused project at the internship site, while gaining valuable insight and work experience in the nonprofit sector.

The deadline for students to apply is Monday, April 13.

To find out more about internship sites chosen for the summer of 2009 and how to apply, please visit the Higher Education Consortium of Urban Affairs Web site at [www.hecua.org/pip.php](http://www.hecua.org/pip.php)

-- Heather Helgeson, Program Coordinator, Nonprofit Leadership Program, [heather.helgeson@und.edu](mailto:heather.helgeson@und.edu), 777-3741

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### Barnes & Noble holds biggest clearance sale of the year

The Barnes & Noble Bookstore continues its sales with the biggest clearance sale with new markdowns of 50 to 75 percent off all school and office supplies; all imprinted clothing and bargain books 50 to 75 percent off. Stop in early for best selection. All sales are final.

-- Michelle Abernathey, General Manager, UND Bookstore, [michelle\\_abernathey@mail.und.nodak.edu](mailto:michelle_abernathey@mail.und.nodak.edu),  
777-2103

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## India initiatives sought

UND is interested in expanding its affiliation with schools, colleges and prospective students in India. To that end, I would appreciate hearing about any existing working relationships with Indian educational institutions, research partners, or other contacts you have developed. Thank you for your support in helping us expand our presence in India.

-- Victoria Beard, Associate Provost, Academic Affairs, [victoriabeard@mail.und.edu](mailto:victoriabeard@mail.und.edu), 7-4824

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## Library offers access to two new electronic resources

The Chester Fritz Library has added two new electronic sources, the Oxford English Dictionary and the Homeland Security Digital Library, to its bank of scholarly resources. Both of these information sources are available through the Internet to University students, faculty and staff both on- and off-campus.

Touted by The Times as the ultimate authority on the English language, the Oxford English Dictionary provides a guide to the meaning, history, and pronunciation of over half a million words, both present and past. Updated quarterly, this online resource provides an ever-evolving record of the English language.

The Homeland Security Digital Library became available to patrons of the Chester Fritz Library due to the Library's designation as a Federal Depository Library. This window into unclassified documents provides access to more than 60,000 important U.S. policy documents, presidential directives, and national strategy documents as well as specialized resources from universities, organizations, as well as local and state agencies. Parts of the Homeland Security Digital Library site are restricted and require patrons to contact the Homeland Security Digital Library for information on possible access.

Both information sources can be accessed by visiting [www.library.und.edu](http://www.library.und.edu). For more information on the Library's resources, contact the Reference desk at 777-4629 or e-mail [librarian@mail.und.edu](mailto:librarian@mail.und.edu)

-- Wilbur Stolt, Director of Libraries, Chester Fritz Library, [wilburstolt@mail.und.edu](mailto:wilburstolt@mail.und.edu), 777-2189

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## Faculty can receive feedback on teaching

It's not too late to make plans to use the SGID (Small Group Instructional Diagnosis) method for receiving midterm feedback from students in your classes. The SGID process, facilitated by a trained faculty colleague, is a method of soliciting student perceptions about the progress of their learning. Since it is conducted by an outsider to your class, students are free to be direct, but since it is normally done around mid-semester, you receive the feedback at a time when there is still ample opportunity for you to consider any changes that might improve student learning. The SGID process is flexible enough to be used with both large and small classes, and yields information likely to be useful to both beginning and experienced faculty.

For more information about the SGID processor or if you would like to request an SGID, contact Jana Hollands at 777-4998 or [jana\\_hollands@und.nodak.edu](mailto:jana_hollands@und.nodak.edu)

-- Anne Kelsch, Director, Office of Instructional Development, [anne.kelsch@und.nodak.edu](mailto:anne.kelsch@und.nodak.edu), 701-777-4233

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## Higher ed Legislative Review is online now

You can access the seventh issue of the 2009 Legislative Review - A Look at Higher Education in Week 8: Feb. 23-27, 2009, by opening the attached file or clicking on the following Web link

<http://www.ndus.nodak.edu/reports/default.asp?ID=1150>

Bill status summaries included in this newsletter reflect the most current information available at the time of publication. -- Courtesy of the North Dakota University System.

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## Annual staff employee performance evaluations due March 2

Annual staff employee performance evaluations were due to be completed for all staff employees by March 2. The Performance Management Plan form is available electronically as either a Word or WordPerfect document. To receive a copy via e-mail, contact us at [humanresources@mail.und.edu](mailto:humanresources@mail.und.edu). The Word document version may also be found on our Web page at <http://www.humanresources.und.edu/html/Forms.htm>. Please review and discuss the evaluation with the employee and return the signed forms to Human Resources, Stop 8010. If you have questions, please call us at 777-4361.

-- Diane Nelson, Director, Human Resources, [dianenelson@mail.und.edu](mailto:dianenelson@mail.und.edu), 777-4361

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## Writing Center tutors students on writing

The Writing Center encourages faculty to invite students from every discipline to meet with our trained tutors to work on their writing. Writing Center tutors are able to work with students on writing projects in every stage of the drafting process — from finding a way to get started to helping students edit their work, and everything in between. The Writing Center staff is also happy to meet with graduate students and faculty on their writing projects.

The Writing Center is open: Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Monday through Thursday, 7 to 9 p.m.; Sunday, 1 to 3 p.m.

The easiest way for your students to sign up for a 30-minute session is by using our online scheduling software at our Web site: [www.und.nodak.edu/dept/wac](http://www.und.nodak.edu/dept/wac) or click "W" for Writing Center on the UND home page's A-Z index, follow the prompts on the left side to schedule an appointment. If you wish to speak to someone in the center by phone, please call 777-2795, or by e-mail: [writing.center@und.edu](mailto:writing.center@und.edu).

If you have questions about the services available through the Writing Center, or would like brochures for your students, please contact Shane at [shanewinterhalter@mail.und.nodak.edu](mailto:shanewinterhalter@mail.und.nodak.edu) or 777-6381.

-- Shane Winterhalter, Interim Coordinator, Writing Center, [shane.winterhalter@mail.und.nodak.edu](mailto:shane.winterhalter@mail.und.nodak.edu), 777-6381

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## Chester Fritz Library lists spring break hours

The Chester Fritz Library will observe the following hours of operation during spring break week: Sunday and Monday, March 14 and 15, closed; Monday through Friday, March 16-20, 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday, March 21, closed; Sunday, March 22, 1 p.m. to midnight.

-- Karen Cloud, Administrative Assistant, Chester Fritz Library, [karencloud@mail.und.edu](mailto:karencloud@mail.und.edu), 7-2618

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## Library of the Health Sciences lists extended hours

The Library of the Health Sciences will be open extended hours Friday, March 6, 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m., and Saturday, March 7, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

-- April Byars, Administrative Assistant, Library of the Health Sciences, [abyars@medicine.nodak.edu](mailto:abyars@medicine.nodak.edu), 777-3893

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## Proposals sought for fall technology fee dollars

The Student Technology Fee Committee is calling for proposals for fall 2009 (AY101) technology fee dollars.

The committee will make recommendations for proposals based on the following:

### Descriptive Criteria

- \* Dean's ranking
- \* How does this project address your unit's strategic plan?
- \* Impact on the curriculum and/or on research
- \* Innovation
- \* Student benefit

### Demographic Criteria

- \* Number of disciplines served
- \* Number of students served

### Unit Support

- \* Access to equipment
- \* Matching funds from the department/unit
- \* Technical support
- \* Technology available for redeployment

Note: Above criteria listed alphabetically, not in priority order.

PLEASE NOTE: All proposals must be submitted using the Fall 2009 (AY101) STF Request Form. Forms may be accessed at: [www.und.edu/org/stf/forms.html](http://www.und.edu/org/stf/forms.html) or you may request one via e-mail from Carol Hjelmstad at [carolhjelmstad@mail.und.edu](mailto:carolhjelmstad@mail.und.edu). Departments/units should submit the proposals to their deans or directors for review and prioritization. Units which answer directly to vice presidents should submit proposals to them for review and prioritization. Vice presidents, deans and directors may have earlier deadlines.

The DEADLINE to submit proposals to the Student Technology Committee at Stop 9041 is Friday, March 27.

Proposal writers must consult with the various support offices on campus for costs associated with installation of equipment, accessibility issues, security concerns and adaptive technology. Unless departments are prepared to pay for these out of their own budgets, proposal writers should obtain estimates and include them as a part of the budget for the proposal. In addition, proposal writers must consult with Disability Support Services regarding adaptive technology needed for the proposal and with the Center for Instructional and Learning Technologies regarding the equipment requested for compatibility, installation issues, and ensuing issues.

The STF Committee will hold an open meeting to address questions for those writing proposals for Fall 2009 (AY101) funding. This open meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 11, from 11 a.m. to noon in the Memorial Union, Medora Room. Please feel free to drop by as your schedule allows. If the above date and time does not work for you, please give us a call and we will schedule a private appointment.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the proposal process, please contact Carol at 777-3171.

-- Carol Hjelmstad, Administrative Assistant, ITSS, [carolhjelmstad@mail.und.edu](mailto:carolhjelmstad@mail.und.edu), 777-3171

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## Submit nominations for service awards

Again this spring, the University of North Dakota will present 10 awards for merit of \$1,000 each to staff employees. In addition, the Ken and Toby Baker UND Proud Award of \$1,000 will be presented.

The Meritorious Service Awards will be given to employees in each of five major groups. These groups and the number of awards presented are: Executive, Administrative, and Professional (3); Technical/ Paraprofessional (1); Office Support (3); Crafts/Trades (1); and Services employees (2). The Ken and Toby Baker UND Proud Award may be given to an employee from any of the groups.

Eligible employees are UND employees employed on a regular basis who are not in a probationary period. Those not eligible for consideration include the president, vice presidents, deans, associate and assistant deans, teaching and research faculty, and the human resources director. Also ineligible are award winners from the previous seven years. All members of the University community are encouraged to nominate eligible employees for the awards. Submit nomination forms to Human Resources, Stop 8010, by Wednesday, April 15. Nomination forms are available from the Office of Human Resources, Room 313, Twamley Hall or electronically at [www.humanresources.und.edu](http://www.humanresources.und.edu).

The awards will be presented during the annual Recognition Ceremony for Staff Personnel, Tuesday, May 19, 2009.

Please direct any questions concerning this program to the Office of Human Resources at 777-4361 or [humanresources@mail.und.nodak.edu](mailto:humanresources@mail.und.nodak.edu). -- Diane Nelson, Director - Office of Human Resources.

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## Nominations sought for the Phenomenal Woman award

It's that time of the year! Multicultural Student Services would like to invite you to be part of the 2009 Phenomenal Woman. Nominations are out now for you to honor that great woman of your choice for an award. Nominations are due by March 18. Award forms are at <http://und.edu/phenomform.doc> or e-mail the Center for a copy of the form [formmss@mail.und.nodak.edu](mailto:formmss@mail.und.nodak.edu) Mark your calendars. The awards reception will be Friday, March 27, at the International Center starting at 11:30 a.m. -- Multicultural Student Services, 777-4259.

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## Studio One features how to make sushi and car racing on ice

Learn how to make sushi and about racing cars on ice on the next edition of Studio One. This week on Studio One, Chef Sandy MacGregor will demonstrate how to make sushi rolls, step-by-step. MacGregor will explain the ingredients in this traditional Japanese dish. She will also demonstrate techniques and tricks to make sushi look and taste just right.

Also, ice fishing isn't the only thing you can do on frozen lakes in Minnesota. Several northern Minnesota racecar drivers have taken their ability to a new level by racing on frozen lakes for a good cause. Racer Joey Pederson explains why it wasn't hard to change racing venues. "You'd think it would be a lot more slippery on ice than it is on dirt, but it's actually pretty comparable," says Pederson. Proceeds from this icy competition go to a youth group at a local church.

Studio One is an award-winning news and information program produced at the University of North Dakota Television Center. The program airs live on UND Channel 3 on Thursdays at 5 p.m. Re-broadcasts can be seen at 7 a.m., noon, 7 p.m. and 11 p.m. daily and on Saturdays at 10 a.m. Prairie Public Television airs Studio One on Saturday at 6 a.m. The program can also be seen by viewers in Fargo, Bismarck/Mandan and Minot, N.D.; Minneapolis, Minn.; Denver, Colo.; and Winnipeg, Manitoba. -- Studio One.

-- Suzanne Schmidt, Marketing Director, Studio One, [suzanne.schmidt@und.edu](mailto:suzanne.schmidt@und.edu), 701-777-3818

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## OLLI@UND needs you to share your expertise

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UND ([OLLI@UND](#)) fosters accessible lifelong learning for mature adults 50 years and better. The intent is to provide a positive, fun-learning environment that enables older adults from all backgrounds and levels of education to pursue learning simply for the joy of learning, without term papers, tests or grades.

We seek instructors to share what they're passionate about -- whether it's math, chemistry, history, arts and sciences, English, technology or all things medical. Each class is 12 contact hours and will run June 1 through June 19, twice a week, two hours each.

We're always seeking interesting classes and the interesting people who can teach them! Please send an e-mail to [conniehodgson@mail.und.edu](mailto:conniehodgson@mail.und.edu) or call me at 777-4840 if you or someone you know that would be interested.

-- Connie Hodgson, Coordinator, OLLI/DCE, [conniehodgson@mail.und.edu](mailto:conniehodgson@mail.und.edu), 701-777-4840

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## Spring yoga classes begin at Lotus Center

Spring yoga classes begin at the Lotus Meditation Center, 2908 University Ave. Classes are held from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Fees are \$65 for an eight-week session (one night a week) or \$90 for twice a week. Single times are \$10. Beginners are welcome and it is possible to try the first class for free. Contact Dyan Rey at [dyanre@aol.com](mailto:dyanre@aol.com) or 772-8840.

-- Dyan Rey, Adjunct lecturer, Visual Art, [dyan\\_rey@und.edu](mailto:dyan_rey@und.edu), 701 7728840

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## Charities announced for UND Denim Day

The following charities were selected as recipients of 2009 Denim Day funding: Community Violence Intervention Center, Circle of Friends Humane Society, Northlands Rescue Mission, Inc., and St. Vincent de Paul.

-- Karen Cloud, Administrative Assistant, Chester Fritz Library, [karencloud@mail.und.edu](mailto:karencloud@mail.und.edu), 7-2618

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## Ray Richards lists winter golf specials

Ray Richards is offering a winter golf special. Buy a punch card for five rounds of golf for \$45 or 10 rounds of golf for \$90. Added bonus: the buyer will receive a free round of golf for buying the 10-round punch card.

Also this year, you may buy a cart seat for each punch card. Five rounds of golf with a cart seat will cost \$70 or 10 rounds of golf with a cart seat for \$140. A free round is included with 10-round purchase.

Winter golf special punch cards may be bought by stopping at the Chester Fritz Auditorium Box Office or by calling 777-4090. Box office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Payroll deductions are accepted. The deadline to purchase is March 15.

-- Tom Swangler, Asst Director, Chester Fritz Auditorium, [tomswangler@mail.und.edu](mailto:tomswangler@mail.und.edu), 777-4094

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## Internal job openings listed

The following position vacancies are available only to regular UND staff employees who have successfully completed their six-month probation period, earn annual and sick leave, receive BC/BS health insurance and TIAA-CREF or ND PERS retirement benefits. Current UND faculty, please contact Human Resources for eligibility.

TO APPLY: Please complete UND Application/Control Card form. Send letter of application and resume, referencing position name and number, to: Human Resources, University of North Dakota, Twamley Hall, Room 313, 264 Centennial Drive Stop 8010, Grand Forks, ND 58202-8010. Applications MUST be received by the deadline date.

EXECUTIVE/PROFESSIONAL/ADMINISTRATIVE/ATHLETIC COACHES:

POSITION: Assistant to the Dean & Business Manager, School of Engineering & Mines, #09-218

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) Extended to 3/4/2009

COMPENSATION: \$ 40,000 plus/year

TECHNICAL/PARAPROFESSIONAL:

POSITION: Design & Marketing Assistant, Chemical Engineering, #09-225

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 3/5/2009

COMPENSATION: \$ 22,000 plus/year

POSITION: Records Coordinator, Office of Admission, #09-222

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 3/4/2009

COMPENSATION: \$ 23,500 plus/year

OFFICE SUPPORT:

POSITION: Administrative Assistant, VP for Research & Economics Development, #09-221

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 3/4/2009

COMPENSATION: \$ 28,000 plus/year

CRAFTS/SERVICE/TRADES:

POSITION: Assistant Cook (various schedule, flexible weekends), Dining Services #09-224

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 3/5/2009

COMPENSATION: \$ 9.25 plus/year

POSITION: Kitchen Manager (flexible schedule including weekends) Dining Services, #09-223

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 3/5/2009

COMPENSATION: \$ 13.94 plus/hour

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## IN THE NEWS

### Loretta Heuer selected for National Rural Health Fellows Program

The National Rural Health Association (NRHA) has selected Loretta Heuer, professor of nursing, for the 2009 Rural Health Fellows Program.

After the completion of a competitive review process, 12 fellows were selected to participate in this year-long, intensive program aimed at developing leaders who can articulate a clear and compelling vision for rural America.

"We are very pleased to announce this new class of fellows as this program enters its third year. Once again, this class represents various levels of rural healthcare expertise. With the successes achieved by the 2007 and 2008 classes, we look forward to continuing the tradition of building rural healthcare leaders through this valuable program," said Alan Morgan, NRHA CEO.

"The Rural Health Fellows Program is a tremendous opportunity for health care professionals," shares Dr. Heuer. "Participation in this program will enhance my leadership abilities in the areas of team and organizational leadership, strategic planning, advocacy, and health policy analysis at the national level. During the next year, I look forward to collaborating with my cohort on our group projects as we work to advocate for the health care needs of rural communities."

Participation in the NRHA Fellows Program will also have a positive impact on the newly formed Area Health Education Center (AHEC) Program in North Dakota, of which Dr. Heuer is a co-director. The goal of the Dakota AHEC is to help clinics and hospitals recruit and retain health care workers in underserved areas, address workforce shortages, and educate students about career options in health care. Access to healthcare in the rural areas of North Dakota is largely due to a shortage of people working at rural facilities.

NRHA Fellows will gain valuable insights and build critical skills in three primary domains: (1) personal, team, and organizational leadership; (2) health policy analysis and advocacy; (3) National Rural Health Association governance and structure.

-- *Becky Cournia, Alumni & Development Officer, College of Nursing, [beckycournia@mail.und.edu](mailto:beckycournia@mail.und.edu), 777-4526*

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## Staff Senate announces March "U Shine" award winner

UND Staff Senate announces the March "U Shine Award" recipient is Brian Wurzbacker. He was nominated by Char Bratvold and was presented with a check for \$50 and a certificate by Staff Senate President Janice Hoffarth March 2.

This award is presented monthly to a UND staff member who went out of their way to make UND a better place. Here is an excerpt of what Char had to say about Brian:

"One Sunday night, a student was leaving Streibel Hall when she slipped and fell outside on the ice and could not get up. Brian saw her and went out to help her back on her feet. He then made sure she got to her car safely. This is a good example of U-Shine."

All UND staff members are eligible to receive this award. Nominations can be submitted through the Staff Senate Web site, <http://www.und.edu/org/undss/> or forms are available at UND Facilities, Dining Services and the Memorial Union Post Office.

Nominations must be received by the 15th of each month, and awards are presented the first business day of the following month.

-- *Janice Hoffarth, President, Staff Senate, [janice\\_hoffarth@und.nodak.edu](mailto:janice_hoffarth@und.nodak.edu), 777-2646*

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## IN REMEMBRANCE

### Death noted of student

It is with regret that the University reports that David Ogard of Deer River, Minn., passed away March 1. He began attending UND the fall 2007 semester. -- Cara Halgren, associate dean of student life.

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