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Volunteers sought for winter commencement Dec. 19

Please consider serving as a green vest volunteer at one or both of the 2008 winter commencement ceremonies held Friday, Dec. 19, at the Chester Fritz Auditorium. UND will hold two commencement ceremonies. One ceremony will be held at 10 a.m. for graduate degrees and a second at 2 p.m. for undergraduate degrees.

Volunteers can assist with helping organize graduates by distributing name cards, greeting campus visitors attending the ceremonies, and directing people to their seats. You will be asked to report to the lower level of the Chester Fritz Auditorium 90 minutes prior to the beginning of the ceremony. We anticipate the ceremonies to be one and one-half hour in length.

If you are able to volunteer for one or both ceremonies, please contact the Office of Ceremonies and Special Events in the vice president for student and outreach services office at 777-2724 or e-mail

terri.machart@mail.und.nodak.edu by Wednesday, Dec. 5. Please feel free to call if you have any questions.

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

dawnbotsford@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-6393

ВАСК ТО ТОР

Save the date: UND 125th closing celebration Dec. 10

Save the date for the closing celebration of the University of North Dakota's 125th anniversary from 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10, in the Memorial Ballroom. A program and closing ceremony will begin at 3 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Stay tuned to 125.und.edu for more information on this exciting event.

-- Benjamin Klipfel, Marketing Coordinator, 125th Anniversary, benjamin.klipfel@und.edu, 7-0857

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EVENTS TO NOTE

Sweet Treats: Cookie Swap is Dec. 6

Short on time this holiday season? Make six plus kinds of beautiful, delicious cookies using only one dough. The secret is using an all-in-one cookie dough that is easy to prepare. Come to this hands-on class for an afternoon of cookie baking and creative packaging techniques. Participants will leave the class with beautifully packaged, freshly baked cookies as well as some of the dough they helped create to bake at home!

Saturday, Dec. 6, from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Culinary Corner. The cost is \$10.

Limited to eight participants, so don't wait to reserve your spot! Register with Karina Wittmann at 777-2719 or karinawittmann@mail.und.edu by noon Friday, Dec. 5.

-- Andrew Miller, Work Well Coordinator, Work Well, andrewmiller@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-0210

ВАСК ТО ТОР

Doctoral examination set for Pascal I. Binda

The final examination for Pascal I. Binda, a candidate for the Ph.D. degree with a major in chemistry, is set for noon Wednesday, Nov. 26, in 138 Abbott Hall. The dissertation title is "Synthesis and Characterization of Lanthanide Phenolate Compounds and Their Catalytic Activity Towards Ring-Opening Polymerization of Cyclic Esters." Harmon Abrahamson (chemistry) is the committee chair. The public is invited to attend.

-- Joseph Benoit, Dean, The Graduate School, joseph.benoit@und.edu, 777-4005

ВАСК ТО ТОР

First reading of NorthWord is Friday

Members of the public and University community are invited to the first reading of NorthWord, a group of students dedicated to helping UND's undergraduate creative writers share their work. The reading will be held at 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5, in 300 Merrifield Hall, and will be followed by a reception. Readers will be Stephanie Myers and Devon Daly. -- Katherine Murphy, English.

ВАСК ТО ТОР

Author book signing at Barnes & Noble is Friday

Heath Hertel, author of "To Be the Best: Book One: Six Minutes," will be at Barnes & Noble Bookstore for a book signing from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28. The public is invited. -- Barnes & Noble Bookstore.

ВАСК ТО ТОР

Doctoral examination set for Kelly Don Peters

The final examination for Kelly Don Peters, a candidate for the Ed.D. degree with a major in educational leadership, is set for 3 p.m. Monday, Dec. 1, in Room 206, Education Building. The dissertation title is "Know Your Audience: An Assessment of Preferred Learning Styles of Freshman Students at Red River High School in Grand Forks, North Dakota." Gary Schnellert (educational leadership) is the committee chair. The public is invited to attend.

-- Joseph Benoit, Dean, The Graduate School, gailholweger@mail.und.edu, 777-4005

ВАСК ТО ТОР

Doctoral examination set for Kim Higgs

The final examination for Kim Higgs, a candidate for the Ph.D. degree with a major in communication and public discourse, is set for 3:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 1, in 200 O'Kelly Hall. The dissertation title is "Collaborating Narrative Structures and Social Interactions Among Doll Collectors on a Web-Based Forum." Richard Fiordo (communication) is the committee chair. The public is invited to attend.

-- Joseph Benoit, Dean, The Graduate School, joseph.benoit@und.edu, 777-4005

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World AIDS Day is Dec. 1

Monday, Dec. 1, is World AIDS Day, a day recognized internationally to support those living with and affected by HIV/AIDS and remember those who have lost their lives to the disease. You can participate in a number of events occurring on campus including: wearing red clothing and picking up a red ribbon (the international symbol of HIV/AIDS awareness) to wear at the Student Health Promotion Office in the Union; attending an educational HIV/AIDS talk by Augusto Alonto, and enjoying free pizza at noon in the Reed Keller Auditorium, Medical School; attending the video, "The Fire Within," and video discussion at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl; and checking out the following Web sites www.onetoughpirate.com, www.hivictorious.com, or www.whatifitwereyou.org; or seeking free and confidential HIV testing at Student Health Services (call 777-2605 to make a testing appointment).

Events are sponsored by the Student Health Promotion Office, Student Health Services, and The Ten Percent Society.

-- Jaryn L. Allen, MS, Sexual Health GSA , Student Health Promotion Office, jaryn.allen@und.edu, 701-777-2097

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Upcoming classes listed at Wellness Center's Culinary Corner

The Wellness Center's Culinary Corner lists the following upcoming classes.

Cheap, Fast and Healthy

Monday, Dec. 1, 5:30 p.m. The class is free.

Come join us Monday nights for Cheap, Fast, and Healthy! The session features tips on shopping for fresh and healthy ingredients, easy to prepare recipes, and cost comparisons.

Serves One

Tuesday, Dec. 2, 6 p.m. The cost is \$5.

Join us as we learn how to make quick and healthy recipes for one

Brain Food

Tuesday, Dec 3, 6 p.m. The cost is \$5.

Join us in the kitchen for some healthy study snacks that increase your brain power! See you there!

A full monthly calendar of classes is available on the Wellness Center's Web site at www.wellness.und.educlick on nutrition.

To pre-register for these classes, visit the Welcome Desk or register online.

-- Karina Wittmann, Coordinator of Nutrition Services, Wellness Center, karinawittmann@mail.und.edu, 777-2719

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Doctoral examination set for Shirley Myran

The final examination for Shirley Myran, a candidate for the Ph.D. degree with a major in educational leadership, is set for 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 2, in Room 206, Education Building. The dissertation title is "The Educational Experience of First Nation People in the Indian Residential System in Canada." Sherryl Houdek (educational leadership) is the committee chair. The public is invited to attend.

-- Joseph Benoit, Dean, The Graduate School, joseph.benoit@und.edu, 777-4005

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Doctoral examination set for Anthony Williams

The final examination for Anthony Williams, a candidate for the Ph.D. degree with a major in teaching and learning, is set for 10 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 2, in Room 104, Education Building. The dissertation title is "The Fit for and Interest in a Proposed Doctoral Program in Business Administration by Retirement-eligible Military Commanders." Steven LeMire (education foundations and research) is the committee chair. The public is invited to attend.

-- Joseph Benoit, Dean, The Graduate School, joseph.benoit@und.edu, 777-4005

ВАСК ТО ТОР

Astronomy talk, telescope observing is Dec. 2

The physics department will hold an astronomy and astrophysics public talk and telescope observing session at 7 p.m. Tuesday Dec. 2, in 116 Witmer Hall. The talk, "Retro-Rocketry: NASA Looks Back to Move Forward," will be presented by the UND Frozen Fury Rocketry Team. Following the talk, attendees will be given the opportunity to observe the night sky through a telescope (weather permitting).

-- Wayne Barkhouse, Assistant Professor, Physics, wayne.barkhouse@und.nodak.edu, 777-3520

ВАСК ТО ТОР

Teaching with Technology Series focuses on teaching in blogosphere

The OID/WAC co-sponsored On Teaching seminar will focus on "Teaching in the Blogosphere" from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 2, in Room 10-12, Swanson Hall.

In this past election cycle, we heard a lot about sharing information using blogs and the ongoing debate over whether democratization accompanies the growth of the intellectual cyberspace (or "blogosphere") that bloggers occupy. Many of our students are enthusiastic about the technology and it is being used in a variety of settings. Blogs, or "weblogs," are sometimes likened to online personal journals or discussion boards, but they can be much more. They have tremendous potential in terms of teaching and learning. Ever think about using blogs to enhance your student's learning? What are blogs, what are the functions, capabilities and limitations of the technology? Can students effectively share information and have discussions using blogs? Can they learn to be better writers and editors? In what ways can students use blogs to connect more with each other, the content of the course and their own learning?

If you are interested in blogs or have used them, come join the discussion. Julie Zikmund (nutrition and dietetics) has used blogging in a variety of ways in her campus-based and online courses. She will share her insights, and talk about some of the ways that she has used this technology in her courses to enhance student learning and interaction with course content and materials. We will have time for discussion of pedagogy around this new technology, so bring your experiences and questions.

To register and reserve your lunch, call Jana Hollands at 777-4998 or e-mail jana_hollands@und.edu by noon Wednesday, Nov. 26.

-- Anne Kelsch, Director, Office of Instructional Development, anne.kelsch@und.nodak.edu, 701-777-4233

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Biology seminar is Dec. 3

William Sheridan, Chester Fritz Distinguished Professor, will present a biology seminar, "Segmental Chromosome Manipulation of the Maize Genome Uncovers Unexpected Dosage Effects on Plant Development," at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 3, in 141 Starcher Hall.

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Women's Center Meet, Eat and Learn is Dec. 3

The Women's Center will host a Meet, Eat and Learn from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Dec 3, at the International Centre. Jane Hull, licensed psychologist and licensed addiction counselor of the Counseling Center, will speak on eye, movement, desensitization and reprocessing treatment. It is a breakthrough treatment for trauma, anxiety and depression. Everyone is welcome. Lunch will be provided.

-- Patty McIntyre, Program Associate, Womens Center, undwomenscenter@und.nodak.edu, 777-4300

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Ceramic Arts Organization holiday sale is Dec. 3-4

The Ceramic Arts Organization is sponsoring a holiday sale Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 3-4, from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Hughes Fine Arts Center. Cups, bowls, bottles, pitchers, vases, cooking bowls and sculptures will be available. Artists are UND students, faculty and alumni. All proceeds raised go to support the Ceramic Arts Organization activities and its members. CAO is a University student organization. -- Art.

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University Senate meets Dec. 4; agenda listed

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

AGENDA

- 1. Announcements:
- a. Salary Administration Policy, Greg Weisenstein
- b. Introduction of proposed amendment to bylaws of UND Senate, Jon Jackson
- c. Parking Task Force Update, Doug Munski
- 2. Minutes of the previous meeting and business arising from the minutes
- 3. Question period

CONSENT CALENDAR:

4. Annual Report of the Senate Student Policy Committee, Sebastian Braun, past chair

BUSINESS CALENDAR:

- 5. Candidates for degrees in December 2008, Suzanne Anderson, University registrar
- 6. Curriculum Committee report, Charles Robertson, chair
- 7. Proposed policy change, Colleen Berry, chair, Senate Academic Policies and Admissions Committee
- 8. Essential Element Document, Tom Petros, Promotion and Tenure Committee
- 9. Amendment to the UND Constitution, Jon Jackson
- -- Lori Hofland, Administrative Assistant, Registrars Office, Iorihofland@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-3892

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St. Nicholas Day Celebration is Dec. 4

The Campus Ministry Association (St. Thomas Aquinas Newman Center, Wittenberg Lutheran Chapel, Christus Rex Lutheran Campus Center, and United Campus Ministry) invites you to celebrate the holiday season in the spirit of Saint Nicholas.

Join us for St. Nicholas Day Thursday, Dec. 4, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Christus Rex Lutheran Campus Center for a free lunch buffet and holiday music. Ask a friend to join you. Please bring a non-perishable food item for donation to a local food pantry.

-- Lisa Burger, Director, Student Success Center, lisaburger@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-4706

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U2 announces mandatory session on updated procedures for food purchases

Updated Procedures for Food Purchases

Dec. 4, 9 to 10 a.m., Memorial Union, Lecture Bowl

You must attend if you purchase food from any source. The session is sponsored by Dining Services and Accounting Services. Learn the updated procedures for food purchases and the changes to the event cover letter, contract, and event confirmation. Presenters: Lynette Franks, dining services, and Allison Peyton, accounting services.

-- Denis F. MacLeod, U2 Coordinator, University Within the University, denismacleod@mail.und.edu, 701-777-0720

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U2 lists classes

Updated Procedures for Food Purchases

Dec. 4, 9 to 10 a.m., Memorial Union, Lecture Bowl. See the article above for more information.

Defensive Driving

Dec. 2, 12:30 to 4:30 p.m., 211 Skalicky Tech Incubator

This workshop is required by state fleet for all UND employees who drive state vehicles on a regular (monthly) basis, received a traffic violation, or had an accident while operating a state vehicle. Employees are encouraged to bring a family member (spouse or dependents). This workshop may also reduce your North Dakota insurance premiums and could possibly remove points from your driving record. Presenter: Eric Pearson.

Family Medical Leave

Dec. 4, 10 to 11 a.m., 305 Twamley Hall

Who is covered and how do you apply?

Presenters: Desi Sporbert and Joy Johnson.

Health for the Holidays Challenge

Dec. 4, noon to 1:30 p.m. or

Dec. 9, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Wellness Center Culinary Corner kitchen.

Food, food, everywhere. It's tough to say no to the holiday treats. So make them healthful, and then say "YES!" Come to Culinary Corner (the demonstration kitchen at the Wellness Center) for the "Health for the Holidays" series and learn how to alter your yummy treats so they become healthful, yummy treats. Want to brag about a healthful recipe that you already use? Send it to Work Well. If it's selected, you will win a cookbook and a chance to help Karina Wittmann, our registered dietitian, in the kitchen.

-- Denis F. MacLeod, U2 Coordinator, University Within the University, denismacleod@mail.und.edu, 701-777-0720

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Barnes & Noble Bookstore holiday open house is Dec. 5

Come join the Barnes & Noble at UND Bookstore Friday, Dec. 5, for a day of storewide savings and holiday cheer. Doors open early at 8 a.m. along with free holiday cookies and cider. Local and regional author signings from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Free UND wrapping paper with any purchase.

-- Michelle Abernathey, General Manager, Barnes & Noble at UND,

michelle_abernathey@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-2103

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Ralph Engelstad lists women's hockey game specials

Women's hockey takes on Minnesota Friday, Dec. 5, at 7:07 p.m. Free popcorn and soda is available for everyone. Also, come out for a chance to win Minnesota Wild tickets!

Minnesota Wild tickets for Dec. 28 vs. former Fighting Sioux standout Jonathan Toews and the Chicago Blackhawks at the Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul, compliments of Coke Zero.

The Fighting Sioux also take on Minnesota Saturday at 4:07 p.m. -- Max Huber, Engelstad Arena.

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Chester Fritz Auditorium lists December events

Tickets are still available for several great productions this December.

Hairspray - Saturday, Dec. 6, 7:30 p.m.

It's 1962, and pleasantly plump Baltimore teen Tracy Turnblad has only one desire - to dance on the popular Corny Collins Show. When her dream comes true, Tracy is transformed from social outcast to sudden star, but she must use her newfound power to vanquish the reigning Teen Queen, win the affections of heartthrob Link Larkin and integrate a TV network - all without denting her 'do! Don't miss Hairspray, Broadway's musical-comedy phenomenon that inspired a major motion picture and won eight 2003 Tony Awards, including Best Musical. As The New York Times says, "If life were everything it should be, it would be more like Hairspray. It's irresistible!"

Sister's Christmas Catechsim "The Mystery of the Magi's Gold" - Sunday, Dec. 14, 7:30 p.m.

It's "Forensic Files goes to Bethlehem" in this holiday mystery extravaganza, by the author of Late Nite Catechism and Late Nite Catechism 2, as Sister takes on the mystery that has intrigued historians throughout the ages – whatever happened to the Magi's gold? ("We know that Mary used the frankincense and myrrh as a sort of potpourri - they were in a barn after all.") Retelling the story of the nativity, as only Sister can, this hilarious holiday production is bound to become a yearly classic. Employing her own scientific tools, assisted by the Grand Cities Children's Choir as well as a gaggle of audience members, Sister creates a living nativity unlike any you've ever seen. With gifts galore and bundles of laughs, Sister's Christmas Catechism is sure to become the newest addition to your holiday traditions.

The Messiah - Tuesday, Dec. 16, 7:30 p.m.

Grand Forks Central and Red River High School music departments join together to bring back the Christmas choruses of Handel's Messiah. With 150 voices and 70 strings, this will be an evening for the entire family. Welcome this holiday season. Stand and join in the singing of the Hallelujah Chorus. Make Handel's Messiah a family tradition.

Lorie Line and her Pop Chamber Orchestra - Sunday, Dec. 21, 3 and 7 p.m.

This year's show will feature Christmas traditions, costumes and music from around the world. The show will highlight some of the most fabulous cultures celebrated in other countries. Bring the entire family as kids (ages

4 and up) will be invited to the stage to visit with Santa at the North Pole. Sure to be a great night of world music and fabulous costumes!

Get tickets at the Chester Fritz box office, by phone 772-5151 or online at www.ticketmaster.com/venue/49273

-- Betty Allan, Director, Chester Fritz Auditorium, bettyallan@mail.und.edu, 7-2170

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Thursday Music Club Christmas Musicale set for Dec. 7

The Thursday Music Club presents their 85th annual Christmas Musicale at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, at United Lutheran Church, 324 Chestnut St. The program includes the Thursday Music Club chorus, Charlene Berg and Mary Jane Halverson, organ/piano; Susan Christianson, handbells; Ronnie Ingle, trumpet; Kings Quartet, Dave Christianson and his brass group; and Margaret Bundlie, piano. Pastor Peter Coen-Tuff of United Lutheran Church will give the advent message.

A free will offering will be taken for student scholarships to the International Music Camp and UND.

For further information, contact JoAnn Connell, Musicale chair, at 772-7658.

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De-Stress Fest is Dec. 8

Do you need to DE-STRESS???

Does your life feel as chaotic as a three-ring circus? If so, come clown around at De-Stress Fest on Monday, Dec. 8, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Loading Dock, Memorial Union. "What's in it for me?" Well, besides a whole lot of fun, free chair massages, free food, DDR, stress ball making, prizes, collage making, brain toss, guided imagery, ornament making, helpful information and resources for stress management and more! Don't let the end of the semester stress stop you from having some fun!

Questions? Call 777-2097.

Sponsored by Student Health Services, Adapt and Night Life, Magna Iota, SHAC, University Counseling Center, University Program Council, Student Success Center, Wellness Center, Women's Center, and Center for Rural Health

-- Colleen Johnson, GSA, Student Health Promotion Office, colleen.a.johnson@und.edu, 701-777-2097

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Global Visions lists upcoming film

The Department of Anthropology's popular Global Visions Film Series brings an exciting array of films to the community of Grand Forks for the sixth consecutive year. The Global Visions Film Series presents two films per month in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl. The series is currently the only venue in Grand Forks to view award-winning, nationally recognized independent films from a wide variety of contemporary film makers around the world. This semester's films focus on issues related to human rights around the globe.

The series, free and open to the public, is partially funded by the Multicultural Awareness Committee, and is sponsored by the Anthropology Club. Filmgoers are encouraged to come early to ensure a seat.

"No Man's Land," Bosnia/Hersegovina, Italy

7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 9, Lecture Bowl, Memorial Union

Film Review by Kenneth Turan

Los Angeles Times Film Critic

Dec. 14, 2001

The great Yiddish humorist Sholem Aleichem tells the story of a Jewish soldier brought up on charges of not firing during a battle. Asked to defend himself, the man says he was ordered to shoot when he saw the enemy. "But I never saw the enemy," he explains. "I just saw people."

Bosnian writer-director Danis Tanovic has that same gift for seeing humanity where others do not. His exceptional debut feature, "No Man's Land," is a savage comedy about the war in the former Yugoslavia that artfully mixes comic absurdism with a passion for what's right and a concern for the individuality of all concerned.

Part of what makes "No Man's Land" so effective is a take-no-prisoners sense of humor that is characteristically Balkan. It's a sensibility that knows that the distance between a joke and death can be a matter of seconds, that has the wit to come out with the following definition: "A pessimist is someone who thinks things can't get any worse. An optimist is someone who thinks they can."

"No Man's Land" took the prize for best screenplay at Cannes and the recent European film awards, and it's an especially deserved one. Tanovic's script, which he shot in Slovenia, is both complex and simple, mixing a carefully worked-out series of rapidly changing, unexpected events with a thoughtful, philosophical overview. And though it has opportunities to do so, the film refuses to take the easy way out.

Tanovic's film, though it never preaches, is energized by its fury at the multiple idiocies and futilities of this particular war, which has trapped people in a completely senseless situation. And though Tanovic is a native of Sarajevo who ran the Bosnian army's film archive, he is careful to avoid finger-pointing and special pleading. In a situation where everyone acts badly, including the U.N. and the self-serving media, "No Man's Land" doesn't spare its wrath and makes sure that no party unfairly takes a hit.

There's an invaluable feeling of authenticity that runs through "No Man's Land" because of the wartime traumas of its cast and crew. According to media reports, star Djuric told a Toronto Film Festival news conference, "I have an advantage over Mr. Tom Hanks and the other guys who play in American war movies because I have experienced war myself. I know how it feels when a grenade explodes near you or when a sniper hits the person next to you. I don't have to act. I just remember."

-- Marcia Mikulak, Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology, marcia.mikulak@und.nodak.edu, 777-4718

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Artwork accepted for "The Grand Picture"

Do you create artwork but rarely show it? Or do you frequently exhibit your artwork but would like an exciting new venue to show your work? I would like to invite you to participate in "The Grand Picture," an exhibition featuring regional artists.

"The Grand Picture" is a silent auction fundraiser for the North Valley Arts Council (NoVAC), and is part of An Evening with the Arts, an annual celebration of the regional arts community that includes the presentation of NoVAC's Annual Arts Awards. An Evening with the Arts takes place Tuesday, Jan. 27, from 5 to 8 p.m.

Each artwork on display at "The Grand Picture" will include a ballot box in which event attendees can place "ballots" (one dollar bill equals one ballot) to vote for their favorite artwork. Artists keep all vote proceeds, while NoVAC keeps the proceeds from the auction bids.

Artists can select a category in which they wish to be included:

- First-time exhibitor youth: artists under the age of 18 who have rarely, or never, had the opportunity to show their artwork;
- First-time exhibitor adult: artists over the age of 18 who have rarely, or never, had the opportunity to show their artwork:
- Veteran exhibitor: artists who regularly exhibit their art.

Artists are invited to submit one or two original works in any media, size or genre. All two-dimensional works must be framed and properly equipped for hanging. Artwork is due Monday, Jan. 5. Artwork can be dropped off at NoVAC's office, 332 O'Kelly Hall, or NoVAC staff can pick up the artwork at a time that is convenient for you.

Additional information about the "The Grand Picture," including a call for submissions and information to be included when submitting artwork, can be found at www.novac.org. Any questions can be directed to Danielle at 777-6120 or info@novac.org.

The North Valley Arts Council supports arts and culture for the artists, arts organizations and citizens of Greater Grand Forks.

-- Nicole Derenne, Executive Director, North Valley Arts Council, nicolederenne@novac.org, 777-6120

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Law Library lists extended exam hours

The Law Library is extending its hours for final exams. The new hours are through Friday, Dec. 5, 7:30 a.m. to midnight; Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 6 and 7, 10 a.m. to midnight; Monday through Friday, Dec. 8-12, 7:30 a.m. to midnight; Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 13 and 14, 10 a.m. to midnight; Monday, Dec. 15, 7:30 a.m. to midnight; Tuesday through Thursday, Dec. 16-18, 7:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday, Dec. 19, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. -- Jane Oakland, Circulation Manager, Law Library, oakland@law.und.edu, 7-3482

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Nominations sought for Annual Arts Awards

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2009 Annual Arts Awards presented by the North Valley Arts Council (NoVAC) to honor the artists, arts organizations and businesses that have demonstrated extraordinary commitment to the regional arts community.

Nominations are accepted in three categories:

- Artist of the Year: honoring a regional artist who has demonstrated extraordinary achievements in his or her artistic field. The recipient is presented with a \$1,000 stipend, underwritten by the Grand Forks Herald.
- Individual Support of the Arts: honoring an individual who has shown extraordinary commitment to the regional arts community through volunteerism, leadership, financial contributions or other support.
- Corporate Support of the Arts: honoring a regional business that has demonstrated extraordinary commitment to the arts community through sponsorship, volunteerism or other support.

The Annual Arts Awards are presented at An Evening with the Arts, an annual celebration of the arts community. The event will feature the awards presentation and "The Grand Picture," a silent auction of artwork made by artists who have rarely exhibited their work. An Evening with the Arts takes place Tuesday, Jan. 27, from 5 to 8 p.m.

Please submit nominations by Friday, Dec. 5. Nominations can be made online at www.novac.org, or

submitted in writing to **info@novac.org** or PO Box 12204, Grand Forks, ND 58208. Nomination information should include your name as the nominator, the name and contact information of the nominee, the award for which you are nominating, and a brief description of the nominee's leadership qualities, artistic background, community involvement and other relevant information.

The North Valley Arts Council supports arts and culture for the artists, arts organizations and citizens of Greater Grand Forks.

-- Nicole Derenne, Executive Director, North Valley Arts Council, nicolederenne@novac.org, 777-6120

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Applications now accepted for administrative internship positions

Applications are now being accepted for the administrative internship component of the President's Leadership Programs. Administrative internships are designed for full-time faculty and staff interested in additional administrative experience. Each year, up to eight interns are matched with approved internship projects and mentors (see below). On average, interns will work six hours per week on their projects under their mentor's guidance. Each intern will receive a stipend of \$500 to \$1,000 depending on the length of the internship project.

Please email victoriabeard@mail.und.edu to request an application. The deadline for spring semester internships is Friday, Dec. 12.

Administrative Internship No. 1

Title: Optimizing School of Medicine and Health Sciences (SMHS) Faculty Reward and Incentive Programs Mentor: Joshua Wynne, (M.D., M.B.A., M.P.H., vice dean and professor, SMHS, associate vice president for health affairs) and Randy Eken (M.P.A., associate dean for administration and finance, SMHS)

Duration: spring semester 2009

Project description: SMHS faculty members are expected to make contributions to the varied missions of the University and the SMHS, including scholarship/research, teaching, service, and, in some cases, administration. Yet there is a pervasive sense that the rewards that are garnered by faculty members are greater for some activities (e.g., research) than for others (e.g., teaching). As a consequence, some faculty members feel that some of their important contributions are undervalued by the institution. This project would entail: (1) a formal literature search to ascertain the approaches that other medical and allied health institutions have taken to develop optimized reward and incentive programs; (2) an analysis of the results of the literature search, with conclusions that can be generalized; and (3) generation of a proposal for the School of Medicine and Health Sciences that would improve and optimize our current reward and incentive policies.

Administrative Internship No. 2

Title: Evaluating Engagement

Mentor: Lana Rakow, director, Center for Community Engagement

Duration: spring semester

Project description: Universities around the country are being asked by higher education associations and accreditors to document the extent and value of faculty and student engagement with their publics. This project will help UND map the quantity and quality of its academic partnerships (including service-learning, public scholarship, and faculty service) and enable us to respond to reporting requests from the Carnegie Foundation for its Engaged Campus Designation, the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, and other constituents.

-- Victoria Beard, Associate Provost, Academic Affairs, victoriabeard@mail.und.edu, 4824

ВАСК ТО ТОР

Applications sought for faculty research proposal

writing fellowships

Applications are invited from UND faculty for research fellowships (\$1,000 each) to facilitate writing proposals for external funding of their research and scholarly activities. Offered through Research Development and Compliance (RD&C) and the University Writing Program, a limited number of faculty in teams of two (faculty proposal writer and mentor) will engage in a 10-session (one hour each) writing seminar beginning Monday, Feb. 2, at 4 p.m. and continuing Mondays at 4 p.m. through May 4. The goal of the seminar will be for each faculty writer to complete a research proposal, with the assistance of a mentor, that will be suitable for submission to an external sponsor.

To apply:

- Submit an application as a faculty team (writer and mentor) to RD&C of no more than two pages describing your research/scholarly activity idea.
- · Identify the organization you will target for funding.
- List your last three examples of creative activity (e.g. publications, performances) and indicate whether they were peer reviewed and when they occurred.
- Describe your experience with submitting external proposals, including agencies and critiques. Also include a short list of recent proposals submitted by your mentor and indicate which have been successful.
- Discuss the significance of your research/scholarly activity.
- · Indicate your availability and commitment to attend at least nine of the 10 seminar sessions.
- Be sure to include the name and the expected contribution of the faculty member who has agreed to serve as your mentor for this fellowship. (Mentors must agree to attend at least five sessions and be available to assist you in writing and developing your proposal outside the seminar. Mentors also will receive \$1,000 stipends.) If you need help locating a mentor, contact Barry Milavetz at RD&C (777-4280 or barrymilavetz@mail.und.nodak.edu).

Selection Criteria:

- Potential for completing a draft proposal by May 15, 2009.
- · Significance and impact of proposed research/scholarly activity.
- Potential for funding by proposed sponsor.
- Evidence of commitment by writer and mentor.
- Participant must be the P.I. on the external proposal.

Deadline:

Thursday, Jan. 15, 2009

Submit application to RD&C, 105 Twamley Hall or e-mail to:

barrymilavetz@mail.und.nodak.edu.

-- Barry I. Milavetz, Ph.D., Interim Vice President for Research, Research Development and Compliance, barrymilavetz@mail.und.nodak.edu, 701/777-4278

ВАСК ТО ТОР

Faculty/staff parking permit renewals will be delayed

"A" Zone parking permit renewals will likely not occur until the vice president of finance and operations and administration have an opportunity to review the final report from the Parking Task Force. Faculty/staff should continue to display their current "A" permit until the results of the report can be evaluated and implemented. We hope for this decision to occur in late December or early January.

Please contact the Parking Office 777-3551, if you have questions relating to parking issues. Thank You. -- Sherry Kapella, manager, Parking Office.

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Note parking regulation update

Motorcycle and Recreational Vehicles - As a reminder with winter fast approaching, the University does not allow recreational vehicles such as campers, boats, motorcycles, snowmobiles, or trailers to park on campus. If special short term accommodations are needed please contact the UND Parking Office at 777-3551. Without special arrangements vehicles could be cited, impounded or relocated at the expense of the owner. All vehicles on campus must be operational and driven on a weekly basis. Long-term parking is not allowed. These vehicles must be stored off campus no later than Nov. 21. The motorcycle parking spaces in the ramp will be converted to vehicle parking for the winter months.

Winter Parking - The facilities department makes every effort to keep lots and roadways clear of snow. The frequent moving of vehicles is encouraged to assist with the snow removal procedure. Parking on or near piles of snow can create a safety hazard, which is a ticketable offense. Hash marks and the ends of the rows are difficult to see in the winter, however parking in these areas create a safety hazard and is not allowed. These are still ticketable offenses and in some cases vehicles may be relocated at the owner's expense.

Holiday and Student Breaks - During Christmas Break (Monday, Dec. 22, through Friday, Jan. 9) and the Friday after Thanksgiving (Nov. 28) open parking is permitted just like during the summer. Anyone with a valid UND permit is allowed to park in A (red), S (blue), and G (brown) lots except the Airport, Twamley, Upson, and Wilkerson "A" lot. All meters and timed zones are still enforced as posted. There will not be an attendant in the visitor lot; however a valid UND permit must be displayed in the vehicle to park free in this lot during the break. The parking ramp will be enforced as usual. Valid UND permits will be allowed to park free in the upper levels as long as space is available and levels one and two will be reserved for ramp permit holders.

Please contact the Parking Office at 777-3551 with questions relating to parking issues.

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Nov. 27 observed as holiday

Thursday, Nov. 27, Thanksgiving Day, will be observed as a holiday by faculty and staff members of the University. Only those employees designated by their department heads will be required to work on this holiday. -- Greg Weisenstein, vice president for academic affairs and provost, and Diane Nelson, director, human resources.

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Chester Fritz Library lists Thanksgiving hours

The Chester Fritz Library will observe the following hours of operation during Thanksgiving week: Wednesday, Nov. 26, 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Thursday, Nov. 27 (Thanksgiving Day), closed; Friday, Nov. 28, 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 29, 1 to 5 p.m.; Sunday, Nov. 30, 1 p.m. to midnight.

-- Karen Cloud, Administrative Assistant, Chester Fritz Library, karencloud@mail.und.edu, 7-2618

ВАСК ТО ТОР

Chester Fritz Library lists extended hours, final exam hours

The Chester Fritz Library will observe the following extended hours of operation from Dec. 5 through the final exam period: Friday, Dec. 5, 7:45 a.m. to 2 a.m.; Saturday, Dec. 6, 10 a.m. to midnight; Sunday, Dec. 7, 1 p.m. to 2 a.m.; Monday through Friday, Dec. 8-12, 7:45 a.m. to 2 a.m.; Saturday, Dec. 13, 10 a.m. to midnight; Sunday, Dec. 14, 1 p.m. to 2 a.m.; Monday through Thursday, Dec. 15-18, 7:45 a.m. to 2 a.m.; Friday, Dec. 19, 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 20-21, closed.

-- Karen Cloud, Administrative Assistant, Chester Fritz Library, karencloud@mail.und.edu, 7-2618

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Law library posts Thanksgiving holiday hours

Thanksgiving holiday hours for the law library are: Wednesday, Nov. 26, 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Thursday, Nov. 27, closed; Friday, Nov. 28, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 29, noon to 5 p.m.; Sunday, Nov. 30, noon to 11 p.m.

-- Jane Oakland, Circulation Manager, Law Library, oakland@law.und.edu, 7-3482

ВАСК ТО ТОР

Library of the Health Sciences lists Thanksgiving weekend hours

The Library of the Health Sciences hours for the Thanksgiving weekend are: Thursday, Nov. 27, closed; Friday, Nov. 28, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 29, 1 to 5 p.m.; Sunday, Nov. 30, 1 p.m. to midnight.

-- April Byars, Administrative Assistant, Library of the Health Sciences, **abyars@medicine.nodak.edu**, 777-3893

ВАСК ТО ТОР

ITSS lists holiday closing hours

Information Technology Systems and Services will close for the Thanksgiving Day holiday at midnight Wednesday, Nov. 26, and will reopen at 5 a.m. Friday, Nov. 28.

-- David Levenseller, Help Desk Leader, ITSS, davidlevenseller@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-2222

ВАСК ТО ТОР

Student Health Services will be closed Friday, Nov. 28

Student Health Services will be closed Friday, Nov. 28. Regular clinic hours will resume Monday, Dec. 1. Students with immediate health care needs may access community health care providers. Emergency care is available at the Altru Emergency Room, 1200 S. Columbia Room. In the case of a life-threatening emergency, call 911. Urgent care services are available at the locations listed below. Charges incurred for use of off-campus health care options are the responsibility of the individual.

Altru Urgent Care

1200 S. Columbia Rd. Use emergency room entrance 701-780-5968

Aurora Urgent Care

1451 44th Ave. S.

701-732-2710

-- Jane Croeker, Health Promotion Advisor, Student Health Services, jane.croeker@und.edu, 701.777.4817

ВАСК ТО ТОР

Women's Center will be closed Nov. 28

The Women's Center will be closed Friday, Nov. 28. If you need assistance, please contact the Dean of Students office at 777-2664.

-- Patty McIntyre, Program Associate, Womens Center, undwomenscenter@und.nodak.edu, 777-4300

ВАСК ТО ТОР

Studio One features college graduate concerns, 3-point line move

Learn why soon-to-be college graduates may have trouble finding that first job and why the NCAA's move of the 3-point line may create challenges in college basketball on the next edition of Studio One.

According to the U.S. Department of Labor, 10.1 million people are unemployed. This figure may only get worse as the unemployment rate hit a 14-year high last month. College students graduating in December will have these alarming numbers facing them when they begin entering the work force. Learn how some new graduates plan to find jobs.

Also on the show, basketball players are facing a change to the court. The NCAA is moving the 3-point line back one foot. Find out how some college basketball players are preparing to meet this new NCAA 3-point standard.

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 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.

-- Suzanne Schmidt, Director of Marketing, UND Television Center, suzanne.schmidt@und.edu, 701-777-3818

ВАСК ТО ТОР

Nominations sought for resident advisors (RA)

The Housing Office is currently accepting applications for resident advisors for the 2009-10 academic year. As an integral part of the housing staff, resident assistants live and work with new and returning students in the residence halls. RAs learn skills in administration and programming functions, as they build a positive living environment.

Faculty and staff are encouraged to nominate qualified students for the position of RA. All candidates must attend one information session before the end of fall semester. For times and locations of these sessions, see the Web site www.housing.und.edu/reshalls/ra.shtml

The qualities of a good RA include a strong academic background (minimum of 2.5 GPA), effective leadership and communication skills, prior residential group living experience, and willingness to assist new residents with the transition to college and community living. Benefits include a single room waiver, monthly salary and life skills that are transferable to a successful career.

We appreciate your assistance in recruiting student leaders. Please submit names of qualified candidates to: Missy Burgess, Stop 9029, or e-mail referrals to **missyburgess@mail.und.edu** by Dec. 1. We will contact the student and send them information regarding an RA information session. If you have any questions, please call 701-777-8877.

-- Missy Burgess, Assistant Director, Housing, missyburgess@mail.und.edu, 777-8877

ВАСК ТО ТОР

Reduce the price of textbooks today

Barnes & Noble at UND is actively working to reduce the costs of textbooks for your students. If you are planning to reuse your current textbook in the spring, we can offer your students 50 percent back on the costs of their textbooks. That is a significant savings to students and will also allow your students in the spring to save an additional 25 percent on the purchase of the book when they buy used copies. In order to do this, we need to have a confirmed order as soon as possible.

If possible, we would like to take your book order information today and, if not, remind you that finals week is the peak time for students to sell their books and to maximize their textbook savings. Please submit your orders prior to Dec. 1. Submit your requests:

* Online at: http://und.bncollege.com - click on faculty services tab

* Fax: 777-3410

* Call: 777-2106

* Stop by the store and ask for Tina Monette, textbook manager

* Or we'll come to your office at a time convenient for you

Thank you for your contuined support.

-- Michelle Abernathey, General Manager, Barnes & Noble at UND,

michelle_aberanthey@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-2103

ВАСК ТО ТОР

Flexible benefits open enrollment deadline is Friday

All benefitted employees have the opportunity to enroll or re-enroll in this flexible benefit. The program helps employees pay for medical and dependent care expenses with pre-tax dollars instead of after-tax dollars.

Enrollment agreements MUST be returned to the Payroll Office by 4:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 28. Please keep in mind that Nov. 28 is the day after Thanksgiving. No exceptions will be made for late submissions due to the holiday weekend or for mail delays. If you have questions or need additional information, call Cheryl Arntz, Flex-Comp specialist at 777-4423. -- Payroll.

ВАСК ТО ТОР

Help prevent winter storm water pollution

As winter approaches, and rain turns to snow, it is still important to consider storm water pollution. Pollutants such as soaps, fertilizers, automotive fluids, and pet waste can collect in the snow pack, accumulating until a thaw suddenly dumps them into the storm water system. Contaminants that end up in the storm drains are carried off, untreated, to streams and larger bodies of water that are used for drinking, swimming, or fishing.

Here are a few helpful habits to reduce the amount of harmful pollutants entering storm drains this winter season:

- Winterizing vehicles. Check that your car is not leaking oil or other fluids. It takes only a small amount of motor oil to pollute thousands of gallons of water. Also dispose of drained fluids properly. Many service stations will collect used motor oil and recycle it. There is also a drop off site at the Public Works Facility at 724 N. 47th St. Please do not dump these items down the storm drains.
- Washing vehicles. On a warm winter day, you may be tempted to break out the hose and bucket to get some of the road grime off your car. Take a moment to see where that runoff is going. Does it wash down the driveway and into the storm drain? If so, all that salt and dirt will enter a stream or pond. Using a car wash facility may cost a few dollars more, but the water will be treated before being released into the watershed.
- De-icing driveways and sidewalks. While it may be habit to stock up on salt for the winter, many people would not consider dumping a bucket of salt on their lawn in the summer. But the results are similar. Salt runs off your sidewalk and onto the surrounding soil. Consider more environmentally-friendly de-icing products like Rain-Ex, Enviro-MLT, or Easy Melt found at most auto parts and home improvement stores.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 777-3005. Thank you.

-- Paul Clark, associate director, Facilities Management, paulclark@mail.und.edu, 777-3005

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Hilton Garden Inn offers holiday discount

With the holiday season upon us we would like to offer faculty and staff a special discount for friends and family

at the Hilton Garden Inn Grand Forks/UND. Some rooms for Dec. 21 through Jan. 2 are available at the UND rate of \$74. This discount will be available until Dec. 13, or until the rooms have been filled.

Make your reservations at http://hiltongardeninn.hilton.com/en/gi/groups/personalized/GFKGHGI-UNDHOL-20081221/index.jhtml

-- Ciara J. Mills, director of sales, Hilton Garden Inn Grand Forks/UND

ВАСК ТО ТОР

Note procedure for food and beverage purchases on sponsored projects

The procedure for purchase of food and beverages was revised by Finance and Operations and went into effect Oct. 30. The policy very clearly states that several criteria must be met before food and beverage purchases will be allowed on a grant or contract project and that "the rate should be reasonable and moderate." Reasonable and moderate have a different meaning to everyone and are difficult to defend in audit. Until there is a standard definition for reasonable and moderate, departments should use the federal GSA rate in effect for the city in which the event is being held. The GSA Web site can be found at http://www.gsa.gov.

-- David Schmidt, Manager, Grants & Contracts Administration, davidschmidt@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-4151

ВАСК ТО ТОР

Dining Services gift cards available

Treat a student employee, co-worker or guest on campus to an easy way to dine at their favorite location.

Dining Services gift cards may be redeemed at retail dining locations including: Stomping Grounds Coffee Shops in the Memorial Union or University Place, Old Main Marketplace Food Court, Twamley Snack Bar, Convenience Stores, Medical School Food Cart, and Wings Café (airport).

Purchase a gift card the next time you stop by the Twamley Snack Bar, U Snack Convenience Store (Memorial Union), Stomping Grounds Coffee Shops, or Old Main Marketplace.

-- Jeff St. Michel, Assistant Director, Dining Services, jeffreystmichel@mail.und.edu, 777-3823

ВАСК ТО ТОР

New holiday party platters available from Campus Catering

Order your party platters now from Campus Catering. As you plan your department or personal holiday functions, Campus Catering offers several new cookie, sweet bread, and sandwich platters perfect for any event. Special platters are 16 inches round and can be delivered or picked up at the Campus Catering office. Let Campus Catering do all your holiday baking.

Apple Strudel and Petit Fours Platter: one dozen apple strudel and two dozen petit fours (serves approximately 24)

Lemon Blueberry Bread, Petit Fours and Tea Cookie Platter: one loaf lemon blueberry bread, two dozen petit fours, two dozen assorted tea cookies (serves approximately 32)

Cranberry Bread, Petit Fours and Tea Cookie Platter: one loaf cranberry bread, one dozen petit fours, three dozen tea cookies (serves approximately 32)

Silver Dollar Sandwich Platter: two dozen silver dollar buns, Swiss and Colby cheese, turkey, ham and tangy salami (serves approximately 12 to 15)

Campus Catering offers a full selection of cakes (1/4 sheet cakes, 1/2 sheet cakes, full sheet cakes), meat and cheese platters, fruit and vegetable trays, punch, taco platters, and two-foot sub sandwiches. See http://www.housing.und.edu/dining/catering/ or call 777-2256 for more information.

-- Diane Brenno, Catering Manager, Dining Services, dianebrenno@mail.und.edu, 777-2256

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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: Web Application Developer/IDM Coordinator, ITSS, #09-146

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 12/01/2008 COMPENSATION: \$ 40,000 plus/year

POSITION: University Within the University Coordinator, Continuing Education, #09-145

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 12/01/2008 COMPENSATION: \$30,000 plus/year

POSITION: Registered Nurse (M-F, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.), Center for Family Medicine - Bismarck, #09-144

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 12/01/2008 COMPENSATION: \$14.50 plus/hour

POSITION: Coordinator of the University Writing Program (10 month position), University Writing Program,

#09-143

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 12/01/2008 COMPENSATION: \$41,700 plus/year

POSITION: Senior Database Administrator, ITSS, #09-139

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 11/26/2008 COMPENSATION: \$ 50,000 plus/year

POSITION: Database Administrator, ITSS, #09-138

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 11/26/2008 COMPENSATION: \$ 42,000 plus/year

TECHNICAL/PARAPROFESSIONAL: No vacancies.

OFFICE SUPPORT:

POSITION: Program Assistant (Part-time, M-F, 20 hrs/week), Nursing, #09-142

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 11/26/2008 COMPENSATION: \$ 9.62 plus/hour

POSITION: Project Assistant, Center for Rural Health, #09-141

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 11/26/2008 COMPENSATION: \$ 30,000 plus/year

CRAFTS/SERVICE/TRADES:

POSITION: Building Services Technician (Sunday - Friday, 11 p.m. to 7 a.m.) Facilities, #09-147

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 12/01/2008 COMPENSATION: \$ 18,200 plus/year

-- Jan Orvik, Writer/Editor, University Relations, janorvik@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-3621

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IN THE NEWS

Tami Carmichael named State Professor of the Year

Tami Carmichael, associate professor of humanities and integrated studies, is the 2008 Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching North Dakota Professor of the Year.

Carmichael was chosen for her impact on undergraduate students, her scholarly approach to teaching and learning, as well as contributions to her profession, her community, and especially, to undergraduate education at UND, according to the foundation.

Carmichael and a guest, along with other state and national winners, were invited to attend a U.S. Professors of the Year awards luncheon and evening reception in Washington D.C. The U.S. Professors of the Year program salutes those who excel in teaching and positively influence the lives and careers of students.

The program is administered by The Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE). CASE hosted the awards luncheon, where the state award winners and the four national award winners were announced. CASE will also release information regarding the four national winners and a complete list of 2008 state winners on the Web site, www.usprofessorsoftheyear.org

A native of Port Allegheny, Pa., Carmichael started her teaching career at UND in 1996 as a consultant in the Writing Center and assistant coordinator of the UND Honors Program. She started teaching English as an assistant professor at UND in 1998. At the same time, she was promoted to associate coordinator of the Honors Program.

Today, Carmichael coordinates UND's Integrated Studies Program in the College of Arts and Sciences.

Carmichael has authored and co-authored several internal grants proposals that have netted more than \$40,000, allowing the UND Honors Program to improve its writing courses and the program at large. In addition, she co-authored a grant for Student Technology Fee money that established a computer lab.

Carmichael's professional interests include pedagogy and practices in general education and integrative studies, history of American undergraduate learning communities and 19th Century literature, with a concentration on women's literature and works by Herman Melville and Mark Twain.

Before coming to UND, Carmichael held an assistant teaching appointment and was an instructor in the Upward Bound Program at the University of Georgia. She's also served in instructor positions at Athens Area Technical College and Dekalb College, both in Georgia.

She received the Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award from the University of Georgia in 1993.

Carmichael received her bachelor's degree from Grove City (Pa.) College, where she graduated summa cum laude. She earned her master's and Ph.D in English from the University in 1992 and 1998, respectively.

ВАСК ТО ТОР

Youth entrepreneurship education director wins award

Barry Striegel, director of youth entrepreneurship education at the Center for Innovation, was awarded a \$3,000 elevator grant from the Coleman Foundation of Chicago at the 26th annual Entrepreneurship Education Forum held in Austin, Texas, Nov. 7-11. Prior to the forum, each winner submitted a three-page proposal for an entrepreneurial project that would develop skills for self-employment among students. Those finalists selected to compete were given three minutes to present their proposals and then questioned by a panel of entrepreneurs and educators.

Grant funds will provide micro loans to University and community college undergraduates majoring in entrepreneurship, education or economics who will contract to provide food services to six mini-society summer camps now established in Grand Forks, Dickinson, Belcourt, Parshall, New Town and Fort Yates. These start-up catering businesses will be required to repay the loans, plus a 5 percent fee, in order to sustain and grow the original Coleman investment. The Grand Forks summer camp is scheduled for June 1-12, at the Center For Innovation.

The Consortium for Entrepreneurship Education is a national membership organization that provides leadership in support of entrepreneurship education as a lifelong learning process. The Forum brings together over 300 educators who share program ideas and build networks for enhancing the implementation of entrepreneurship education. The Coleman Foundation funds unique education institutions with a strong emphasis on entrepreneurship education and awareness.

The Center for Innovation helps entrepreneurs, students and researchers launch new technologies, products and ventures, develop business and marketing plans, access talent of universities and secure venture financing. It is a division of the College of Business and Public Administration.

-- Barry Striegel, Director, Youth Entrepreneurship Education, Center For Innovation, b.striegel@und.edu, 701-741-6985

ВАСК ТО ТОР

IN REMEMBRANCE

Remembering Gary Steven Naastad

It is with regret that we announce the death of Gary Steven Naastad, building services technician, who passed away Nov. 19 at Altru. He was 58.

Steve, as he was known to his family, was born to Ronald and Betty Lou (Onstad) Naastad on Oct. 5, 1950, in Grand Forks. He attended school there until 1966 when he moved to Wales, N.D. He graduated from Langdon High School in 1970.

He returned to Grand Forks in 1970, where he worked for Pillsbury for 19 years until the plant closed in 1989. He also worked for RDO Foods. He joined the University in February 2002 as a building services technician, and worked in the Education Building, Upson II, and, most recently, Starcher Hall.

He loved cooking, gardening, working on cars, and being a dad. He married Susanne Solarski December 28, 1984.

He is survived by his wife Susie; sons Aaron Loken, East Grand Forks, Randy Naastad, Grand Forks, and daughter Amy Naastad, Grand Forks; two grandchildren; brother Jerry Naastad, Grand Forks; sisters Ginni (Larry) Beaton, Grand Forks, Beth (Mike) Toay, Grand Forks, Jodi (Eric) Wolven, McKinleyville, Calif.; brother-in-law Dave Solarski, East Grand Forks; sister-in-law Cindy Solarski, Lorton, Va.; sister-in-law Diane Solarski, East Grand Forks; sister-in-law Kathy (Jerry) Qualley, East Grand Forks; and many aunts, uncles, nieces, and nephews.

MEMORIAL SERVICES: 2 p.m. Monday, Nov. 24, at Augustana Lutheran Church, 520 University Ave., Grand Forks

VISITATION: One hour prior to the memorial service at the church.

A guestbook may be viewed or signed at www.amundsonfuneralhome.com . -- With information from Facilities Management and the Grand Forks Herald.

-- Jan Orvik, Writer/Editor, University Relations, janorvik@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-3621

ВАСК ТО ТОР

Remembering Barbara J. Westensee

Barbara J. Westensee, administrative secretary in chemical engineering, died Nov. 20 at Altru Hospital. She was 60.

Westensee, the daughter of Ervin and Lydia Anderson, was born April 28, 1948 in Lakota, N.D. She graduated from Lakota High School in 1966 and married Wayne Westensee in 1967. They raised their daughters, Carol and Cathy, in Grand Forks.

She moved to Bull Head City, Ariz., in 1988 and later lived in Las Vegas, Nev., and Lonog Beach, Calif., before moving back to North Dakota in 2000. She worked at the UND Housing Office and most recently the chemical engineering department.

She enjoyed hunting for a bargain at rummage sales, going out with her friends and spending time with her family. She was devoted to her four-legged children; therefore her family will make donations in her name to her two favorite animal care facilities.

Westensee is survived by her parents, Ervin and Lydia Anderson, Lakota, N.D.; her daughters, Carol (Vince) Weible, Lompoc, Calif.; Cathy Westensee (Rodney Fisk), Michigan, N.D.; her brothers, Duane (Chloe) Anderson, Sheridan, Wyo.; Dennis (Patricia) Anderson, Naperville, III.; and Larry (Tami) Anderson, Lakota, N.D.

She was preceded in death by her brother, Jim Anderson.

Funeral services were held Nov. 22 in Michigan, N.D.

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