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## President convenes University Council Monday

The University Council will meet at 3 p.m. Monday, May 5, in the Memorial Union Ballroom. The agenda follows:

- 1. Legislative update, President Kupchella.
- 2. Centers of excellence, President Kupchella.
- 3. Next year/looking ahead, President Kupchella.
- 4. University Senate 2002-03 status report, Jan Goodwin, University Senate chair.
- 5. Update on University Constitution, Jan Goodwin, University Senate chair.
- 6. Teaching evaluation process and form, Tom Petros, University Senate vice chair.
- 7. Matters arising.

The University Council consists of the following who are employed primarily on the Grand Forks campus: the president, vice presidents, registrar, director of libraries, all deans, all department chairpersons, all full-time faculty of the rank of instructor, assistant professor, associate professor, and professor; program directors, coordinators, assistant and associate deans who concurrently hold faculty rank; the director of the counseling center; professional librarians, and such other academic personnel and administrative officers as the Council may designate. The quorum of the Council necessary for the transaction of business is 25 percent of the Council membership (or 149 of the current 597 members). The president is ex officio chairman, and the registrar is ex officio secretary. Council meetings are open to the public, and students, staff and the general public are invited to attend.

- Nancy Krogh (Registrar), ex officio secretary, University Council.

## NCA self-study report available for review

A draft of the UND Institutional Self-Study Report, under preparation for the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, is now available for review and comment by members of the university community. To view the document electronically, point your browser to http://www.und.edu/dept/cilt/nca/. You will need to enter your NAID number, following the instructions, to gain access. Paper copies of the document are also available in the Office of the VPAA and provost in Twamley Hall, at the circulation desk on the second floor of the Chester Fritz Library, at the dean's office at the John Odegard School of Aerospace Sciences, and the dean's office of the School of Medicine and Health Sciences. Comments may be sent by e-mail at the web site, and written comments may be sent by campus mail to "College of EHD, Attn: Audrey Pearson," Box 7189. The steering committee is especially interested in comments that might correct factual errors and any inaccuracies or possible misinterpretations that may exist in the draft document. The campus visit by the HLC/NCA team will take place October 20-23, 2003.

- Dan Rice, Chair, HLC/NCA Steering Committee.

## Medical school's education center auditorium to be named for Evan Lips

The auditorium in the Clinical Education Center at the School of Medicine and Health Sciences will be named for Sen. Evan Lips of Bismarck in a ceremony Thursday, May 22, at 1:30 p.m., followed by a reception.

A UND alumnus and ex-Marine, Lips served as a state legislator from 1960 to 1998 and as Bismarck mayor from 1954 to 1966. During his 38 years in the legislature, he served as senate majority leader and as chair of the appropriations committee.

In 1973, he led the effort to expand the then two-year, basic science program at UND to a full, four-year, M.D. degreegranting program. That year, the North Dakota Legislature voted to approve the expansion, a decision which has led to a near-tripling of the number of physicians practicing in the state and a steady improvement in the quality of and access to medical care services.

A few years ago, his leadership was also critical to fulfill the medical school's need for the \$6 million Biomedical Research Facility, essential to the school's growing research enterprise, which this year has grown to a record high of nearly \$20 million in external funding.

A joint resolution (Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4039) was recently passed by the state legislature commending Lips for his distinguished record of service to the people of North Dakota, as well as recognizing his service in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II. For his military service he was awarded the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star, and the Presidential Unit Citation while serving with the Marines in the South Pacific.

He has received many awards and recognition including the UND Sioux Award, the highest honor bestowed by the UND Alumni Association; the Greater North Dakota Association Award; the Friend of Education Award, and most recently, the first Lifetime of Caring Award from the Missouri Slope Areawide United Way, Bismarck. He was inducted into the UND Sioux Athletic Hall of Fame in 1976.

-- School of Medicine and Health Sciences.

## **Commencement speakers listed**

Robert A. Kyle, a Bottineau, N.D. native and professor of laboratory medicine at the Mayo Medical School, will give the address at the general commencement ceremony Saturday, May 17, at 1:30 p.m. in the Alerus Center. He will also receive an honorary degree, the Doctor of Letters, from the University.

H.F. "Sparky" Gierke, a Williston, N.D., native, former North Dakota Supreme Court justice and current U.S. Court of Appeals judge for the Armed Forces, will deliver the main address at the School of Law commencement at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 17, in the Chester Fritz Auditorium. Gierke was awarded the Bronze Star and Air Medal for Meritorious Service while serving in the Vietnam War as a full-time trial judge.

Nancy Dickey, president and vice chancellor of health affairs at Texas A&M University System Health Science Center in Houston and past president of the American Medical Association, will deliver the commencement address for UND's School of Medicine and Health Sciences graduation. The ceremony is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Saturday, May 10, in the Chester Fritz Auditorium. Dickey served as president of the AMA from 1998 to 1999. She has served on the National Institutes of Health Advisory Council on Allergy and Infectious Diseases, and, in 2003, she was appointed to an advisory committee on reproductive drugs of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. She also is editor-in-chief of "Medem," an Internet based patient-education company.

## Faculty, administrative staff invited to march at commencement

Faculty and administrative staff are invited to march in the University's general commencement ceremony Saturday, May 17. The ceremony will begin at 1:30 p.m. at the Alerus Center. Faculty and administrative staff will wear academic regalia and assemble in the Aurora Ballroom no later than 1 p.m. For easiest access, enter the Alerus Center through door 4 on the northeast corner of the building. Staff volunteers and student marshals will be on hand to assist processional participants.

Faculty members will receive a letter from John Ettling, vice president for academic affairs and provost, inviting them to participate in the ceremony. As outlined in that letter, faculty members are asked to contact their dean's office by May 14 to confirm their plans to participate in the ceremony. Administrative staff are also cordially invited to march in the commencement processional in academic regalia. During the ceremony, administrative staff will be seated with the faculty of the college representing the discipline of their highest academic degree. Administrative staff planning to participate should contact Tammy in the vice president for student and outreach services at 777-2724 by May 14 to confirm their plans. Please contact the vice president for student and outreach services office at 777-2724 with any questions.

- Fred Wittmann, Office of the Vice President, Student and Outreach Services.

## "Green jacket" volunteers sought for commencement May 17

Your help is requested for spring commencement Saturday, May 17, at the Alerus Center. "Green jacket" volunteers seat guests, help organize our graduates, and greet campus visitors who attend the ceremony.

Commencement begins at 1:30 p.m. and all volunteers are asked to report to the Morning Dove Room of the Alerus Center by noon for a short briefing and to receive their assignments. We anticipate that commencement will conclude by approximately 4:30 p.m. As a volunteer, you are also encouraged to attend a walk-through of the Alerus Center Friday, May 16, at 3 p.m.

Please contact Tammy J. Anderson in the vice president for student and outreach services office at 777-2724 or e-mail her at tammy\_anderson@und.edu by Friday, May 10, to let us know if you will be able to participate. Please feel free to call if you have any questions.

- Fred Wittmann, Office of the Vice President, Student and Outreach Services.

#### **EVENTS TO NOTE**

## Volunteers sought for Soaring Eagle Prairie garden

We are back into gardening season! Soaring Eagle Prairie (behind Chester Fritz Library) and the Marcia Melberg Prairie Garden (Lotus Meditation Center) represent the gifts of many volunteers. Garden volunteer times for this week (starting at Soaring Eagle Prairie) will be: Thursday, May 1, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.; Friday, May 2, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.; Saturday, May 3, 10 a.m. to noon

We will clean debris, expand the bed, set brick edge and get the new bed ready for plants. As the work at Soaring Eagle Prairie is complete, we will shift to the Lotus Meditation Center Marcia Melberg Prairie Garden.

Wear loose, comfortable clothing and shoes suitable for garden work. Equipment will be provided; work will vary according to abilities. Come prepared to work in the soil, identify emerging plants, learn about prairie gardening, share prairie stories, and connect with the prairie landscape. This is truly historic work; we are bringing back the prairie to the place that it had long been home, plus we are bringing prairie into our lives. If you cannot work, simply drop by to share the spirit of this initiative.

These are our humble human plans. Of course, nature always has the final say. In the event of unfavorable gardening conditions (rain, wind, cold), we will simply move on to the next time period.

- Glinda Crawford (Environmental Studies), for the Soaring Eagle Prairie Planners.

## **University Research Council meets May 2**

The University Research Council will meet from 3 to 5 p.m. Friday, May 2, in the Sioux Room, Memorial Union.

- Peter Alfonso, Vice President for Research, and Chair, Research Council.

## May 2 Expo showcases presentation technology

The Center for Instructional and Learning Technologies will host the third annual Technology Expo Friday, May 2, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the River Valley Room and Fireside Lounge, Memorial Union.

Technology vendors from the region will provide demonstrations to update faculty, staff and students on today's latest presentation technologies. Featured demonstrations include LCD projectors, interactive white boards, tablet PCs, A/V switchers and controllers, course management software and more. Vendors include Apple Computer, Minneapolis; Unitech Contracting, Grand Forks; Blackboard, Inc., Washington, D.C.; Crestron, Inc., Arlington Heights, III.; Troxell, St. Paul; Gateway Computers, Minneapolis; and Tierney Brothers, Minneapolis.

UND participants in the Tech Expo include the Chester Fritz Library, Division of Continuing Education, Disability Support Services, and Information Technology Systems and Services.

Admission is free, the show is open to all faculty, staff, students and the public. For further information, call Lorele at 777-6325.

- Kathy Smart, Director, Center for Instructional and Learning Technologies.

## **Empire Arts Center lists schedule**

St. Thomas Aquinas Newman Center will host Judge John Thomas Courtright and Felicia Courtright at 7 p.m. Sunday, May

4, in the Newman Center Auditorium.

The brother of Fr. Raymond Courtright, the Honorable John Courtright and his wife Felicia will speak about their faith journey, his tenacity in achieving his goals in life despite being quadraplegic, and how their Catholic faith affects their judicial decisions. Judge Courtright, 24th district judge in the city of Allen Park, Mich., a suburb of Detroit, and former prosecutor for the city, graduated from Creighton University School of Law in Omaha, Neb. In 1986. He earned his bachelor's degree in philosophy from the University of San Francisco in 1982, and also graduated from St. Ignatius Institute's liberal arts program that year.

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– Newman Center.

## Master Chorale, UND Concert Choir to perform Beethoven's "Mass in C" May 4

The Grand Forks Master Chorale will celebrate its 20th season final at-home concert by performing Ludwig van Beethoven's "Mass in C" for its Masterworks concert Sunday, May 4, 4 p.m. in United Lutheran Church. The Master Chorale will be joined by the UND Concert Choir. Both groups are conducted by Nolan Long, director of choirs. Joining the choirs will be a 30-plus member orchestra, featuring many members of the Greater Grand Forks Symphony, as well as soloists Anne Christopherson, soprano from UND; Amy Schneider, mezzo-soprano from North Dakota State University; David Hamilton, tenor from Concordia College; and Royce Blackburn, baritone and UND assistant professor of music. Tickets, available at the Chester Fritz Auditorium box office, 777-4090, or by calling the Grand Forks Master Chorale, 777-3376, are \$12 for the general public, \$8 for senior citizens, and \$5 for students in advance; and \$15 for the general public, \$10 for senior citizens, and \$7 for students at the door.

- Grand Forks Master Chorale.

## Graduate Committee will not meet Monday

The Graduate Committee will not meet Monday, May 5.

-- Joseph Benoit, Dean, Graduate School.

## Doctoral examination set for Dmitri Poltavski

The final examination for Dmitri Valerjevich Poltavski, a candidate for the Ph.D. degree with a major in psychology, is set for 1 p.m. Monday, May 5, in 302 Corwin Hall. The dissertation title is "Nicotine Effects on Attention: Implications for ADHD Therapy." Thomas Petros (psychology) is the committee chair. Members of the graduate faculty are invited to attend.

- Joseph Benoit, Dean, Graduate School.

## National Symphony Orchestra will perform in Grand Forks

The National Symphony Orchestra will arrive in Grand Forks Tuesday, May 6, for a two-day residency that includes orchestra and chamber music performances, workshops, master classes and other outreach activities. Over half the events scheduled for the area will take place on campus.

Leonard Slatkin will conduct the orchestra in an 8 p.m. concert at the Chester Fritz Auditorium Tuesday. The program includes Dvorak's Carnival Overture, Op. 922, Schickele's Symphony No. 1, Songlines, David's Canyon Sunrise and Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 2 in C Minor, Op. 17 ("Little Russian"). Tuesday evening's program begins with a "Prelude Concert" at 6:30 p.m., a program described as a "flute exchange" performed by American Indian flutist Keith Bear and NSO flutist Alice Weinreb. A music talk will follow at 7:15 p.m. by NSO associate conductor Emil de Cou. Tickets (\$10 to \$25) are available from the Chester Fritz box office (777-4090). The \$25 ticket includes the post-concert reception with Mr. Slatkin and NSO musicians.

On Wednesday morning at 9:30 and 11 a.m., the orchestra will perform two concerts for young persons at the Chester Fritz under the direction of associate conductor Emil de Cou. Group tickets are available through the Grand Forks Symphony office at 777-3359.

The chamber music concert schedule follows:

Tuesday, May 6, noon, Lotus Meditation Center, 2908 University Ave., William Wielgus, oboe and Nicolette Oppelt, flute. Admission is free.

Wednesday, May 7, 7:30 p.m., St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 319 South Fifth St., NSO Principals Brass Quintet. The program includes Handel/Glick, Overture to Berenice, Schickele, Variations on a Joke and Fanfare to the Common Cold, Holst, Second Suite in F, Calvert, Suite from the Monteregian Hills, Ellington, Three American Jazz Classics and Handy, Beale Street Blues and The Saints/Hallelujah. A free-will offering will be taken.

Other events at UND include:

May 6, 1 p.m., percussion clinic, piano master class, and flute master class; 2 p.m., arts professional round table; 3:30 p.m., conducting clinic with Leonard Slatkin; 4:45 p.m., trombone master class, and horn clinic.

May 7, 1 p.m., workshop on Alexander Technique; 4 p.m., coaching sessions with Greater Grand Forks Student Chamber Music players.

All events are open to the public but may require advance reservation. Call 777-3359 for further information. Additional outreach activities are planned for schools and churches throughout the area. The full schedule can be found at http://www.state.nd.us/arts.

The residency is sponsored by the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts through a grant from the U.S. Department of Education with additional support from the National Endowment for the Arts. State sponsors are the North Dakota Council on the Arts, the North Dakota Arts Alliance and Arts Midwest. Local presenters are the Greater Grand Forks Symphony Association and the University of North Dakota.

-- Greater Grand Forks Symphony.

## National Symphony Wind Duo performs Tuesday

The National Symphony Orchestra Wind Duo (flute and oboe), will perform Tuesday, May 6, at noon at the Lotus Meditation Center, 2908 University Ave. Admission is free.

- Lora Sloan, Lotus Meditation Center, 787-8839.

## SAS users invited to meet

There will be a SAS users' group informal meeting on Wednesday, May 7, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in 371 Upson II Hall. This will provide a chance to get together with your peers to share tips and tricks using SAS. There will be a demonstration using PC-SAS and outputting pdf files. Feel free to bring a brown bag lunch. If you are interested in this information but unable to attend, please contact me.

- Carmen Williams, Institutional Research, 777-2456.

## Speaker will discuss "Lessons From Jonesboro, Littleton, and Vietnam"

Lt. Col. (U.S. Army Ret.) Dave Grossman will present "Lessons from Jonesboro, Littleton, and Vietnam: How Kids are Learning to Kill and Learning to Like It" Wednesday and Thursday, May 7 and 8, in the Alerus Center Ballroom.

Grossman, director, Killology Research Group, is an internationally recognized scholar, author, soldier, and speaker who is one of the world's foremost experts in the field of human aggression and the roots of violence and violent crime. He is a West Point psychology professor who has combined his experiences to become the founder of a new field of scientific endeavor, termed "killology," making contributions to our understanding of killing in war, the causes of violent crime and the process of healing victims of violence. He has co-authored a book with Gloria DeGaetano, Stop Teaching Our Kids to Kill: A Call to Action Against TV, Movie, and Video Game Violence.

The schedule of presentations follows. Please note that each session is the same with a slightly different focus for the targeted audience listed.

Wednesday, May 7: 7-9 p.m., for community members.

Thursday, May 8: 8-10 a.m. for law enforcement (post credits applied for North Dakota and Minnesota); 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for human service and medical professionals (CEUs applied for North Dakota social workers and counselors); 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. for schools, colleges and universities. Faculty are encouraged to invite students. There is no charge and everyone is welcome. For more information, please contact me.

-- Jennifer Kane, Dean of Students Office, 777-2664, jennifer.kane@mail.und.nodak.edu.

## **Reception will honor Lila Prigge**

A retirement reception will honor Lila Prigge, professor of information systems and business education, Thursday, May 8, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Alumni Center. Prigge, a faculty member in the College of Business and Public Administration for 25 years, has taught both undergraduate and graduate courses in business education and has been the director of the graduate business education program for 13 years. Everyone is invited.

-- Timothy O'Keefe, Chair, Information Systems and Business Education.

## **Reception will honor Sara Hanhan**

A reception in honor of Sara Hanhan will be held Friday, May 9, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the North Dakota Museum of Art. She is retiring from her position as associate provost and associate professor of early childhood education on June 30. Please join us in thanking her for her service to UND, and in wishing her a happy retirement.

– John Ettling, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs.

## Staff recognition ceremony set for May 13

The 2003 recognition ceremony for staff personnel will be held at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 13, in the Memorial Union Ballroom. Employees will be recognized for years of service in five year increments, 10 Meritorious Service Award winners will be presented, and the winner of the Ken and Toby Baker UND Proud Award will be announced. Tickets may be purchased in the human resources office, 313 Twamley Hall, for \$3.50 each or from the human resource manager in your department. Tickets must be purchased no later than Wednesday, May 7. All members of the University community are invited.

Anyone wishing to participate in the luncheon who requires an accommodation should contact Joy Johnson in human resources at 777-4361 or e-mail joy.johnson@mail.und.nodak.edu.

– Joy Johnson, Human Resources.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Student jewelry, metal work on display

Jewelry and metal work made by students is on display at the Chester Fritz Library, fourth floor, across from East Asia Room.

The display has art work by both beginning and advanced metal students. The beginners' project theme was "Tools as Art," with the students giving this idea a twist. They made both functional and sculptural objects or jewelry. The advanced metal student work consists of enameled jewelry and sculptural objects.

This work will be on display until Friday, May 9. There will be jewelry and enamel classes held both summer and fall 2003. If there are any questions about the work, or classes please call me. – Melissa Lovingood, Art, 777-2908.

## Law library offers extended hours during finals

Extended hours for Thormodsgard Law Library during finals week are: Monday, May 5, through Saturday, May 10, 7:30 a.m. to midnight; Sunday, May 11, 10 a.m. to midnight; Monday, May 12, through Thursday, May 15, 7:30 a.m. to midnight; Friday, May 16, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, May 17, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, May 18, closed. – Jane Oakland, Thormodsgard Law Library.

## **Chester Fritz Library lists final exam hours**

Final exam hours for the Chester Fritz Library are: Friday, May 9 (Reading and Review Day), 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Saturday, May 10, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Sunday, May 11, 1 p.m. to midnight; Monday through Thursday, May 12-15, 8 a.m. to midnight; Friday, May 16, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. – Karen Cloud, Chester Fritz Library.

## Employees may enroll in courses at low cost

For just \$7.67 per credit hour, UND employees may enroll in University classes. You may take up to three academic courses each calendar year, and may be granted work release time for one academic class per school session after receiving approval from your supervisor for release time during working hours. You must have successfully completed your probationary period. You can continue your education, earn a degree, or improve your skills. Staff members may work toward a degree; faculty may take courses for credit. Both faculty and staff members may audit courses.

You can choose from hundreds of courses, ranging from management and sciences to languages and music, from exercise and ceramics to first aid and financial management. Here's how to enroll:

1. Pick up admissions materials, registration materials and a tuition waiver form at the Office of Admissions, 205 Twamley Hall (phone 777-3821) or at the Graduate School, 414 Twamley Hall (777-2784).

2. Choose the course you'd like to take. Prerequisites or other factors may affect registration.

3. Fill out the forms and have your supervisor/dean sign the tuition waiver forms. Return them to Admissions

(undergraduates) or the Graduate School. The deadline for filing the waiver is Friday, May 16, for the 12-week summer courses, Friday, June 20, for the eight-week course, and Friday, Aug. 15, for the fall semester.

4. Register according to instructions in the Time Schedule of Classes.

If you are enrolling for the first time, you need to complete and return an "Application for Admission" form, available from the Admissions Office or Graduate School. There is a \$35 matriculation fee for an employee who has not previously enrolled. You may need to file transcripts from schools that you previously attended. Please note that some courses have additional fees that cannot be waived.

Take advantage of your \$1,000 benefit!

- Heidi Kippenhan, Director of Admissions, and Diane Nelson, Director of Personnel.

## Purchase paper through Cole contract

A contract has been established between NDUS and the State of North Dakota with Cole Papers, Inc. Use of this contract is mandatory for all paper purchases. The contract may be viewed at the following web site: http://www.state.nd.us/csd/spo/contracts/Html/002.htm, or you may call Cole Papers Inc. at 746-4531. – Vicki VonHarz, Purchasing.

## Legislative review

Following is information regarding legislative action last week, courtesy of the North Dakota University System. The

legislature adjourned April 25, but Gov. Hoeven vetoed budget bills for K-12 education, corrections, and information technology. A special session will begin Monday, May 5, to address these issues.

Legislature passes NDUS budget

HB1003, the NDUS budget bill, passed the senate on a 46-0 vote and the house on a 84-9 vote March 24.

As approved, HB1003 includes \$9.6 million less in combined state general funds and student loan trust funds than Gov. Hoeven's recommended budget and \$9.5 million less than the adjusted 2001-03 state general fund appropriation. HB1003 does, however, retain campus flexibility for use of other funds generated by the institution.

Commerce bill includes centers of excellence, research corridor funding

HB1019, the department of commerce appropriations bill, passed the senate on a 42-4 vote and the house on a 91-0 vote March 24.

In its final form, HB1019 includes language requiring the SBHE to establish a centers of excellence program relating to economic development and provides department of commerce development fund grants of \$1.25 million to NDSU for a center of technology and \$800,000 to UND for a center for innovation. HB1019 also includes \$200,000 for conducting a marketing and image-building campaign for the Red River Valley research corridor.

Information technology department appropriation bill includes ConnectND bonding

HB1022, the information technology department budget bill, passed the senate on a 28-19 vote and the house on a 66-28 vote March 24, but was vetoed by Gov. Hoeven.

– Jan Orvik, Editor, with information from the Grand Forks Herald and North Dakota University System.

## **Disability Support Services names access champions**

Each year, Disability Support Services staff and students with disabilities recognize faculty and staff who have done an exceptional job of providing access in the classroom and on campus. The following were named access champions at the annual DSS awards reception: Gail Bass (occupational therapy), Jane Croeker (student health), Mark Jendrysik (political science and public administration), Patrick Luber (art), Sue McIntyre (occupational therapy), David Perry (social work), Frank White (sociology), and Dale Zacher (communication).

The criteria for receiving an access champion award are: providing accommodations in a fair and respectful way and holding students to the same academic standards as expected of all other students, maintaining a friendly, respectful and inclusive environment so students feel comfortable asking for accommodations, and discussing their needs, and designing a new or creative way to provide access. – Deb Glennen, Director, Disability Support Services.

## UND employees trek the trail with Lewis & Clark

Faculty and staff who signed up for the 10-week employee activity incentive program "Trekking the Trail With Lewis & Clark" had a successful journey. The program started right after employee health screenings in February, and gave participants the opportunity to log "miles" of wellness activity and follow the trail of Lewis and Clark on their 360-mile trek across North Dakota. In addition to aerobic and other physical activity, trekkers could get credit for activities in the six other dimensions of wellness: spiritual, intellectual, environmental, social, vocational, and psychological. Prizes were awarded as they reached mileposts along the journey. The program was co-sponsored by the wellness department and University Within the University (U2).

The program started with 66 three-member teams. The members chose their team names, from Alumni Explorers to Wolfpack, with such names in between as Energizers, Gillette Girls, Hot Flash Honeys, Krispy Kremes, Lean Mean and Green, and Spirit Walkers. Forty-eight of the teams finished the journey all the way to the Montana border. Eight teams reached the maximum allowable miles every week – a total of 420 miles. As a group, the trekkers totaled 21,622 miles: 17,184 aerobic and 4,438 in the other dimensions. They traveled nearly three times as far as Lewis & Clark did on their round trip, and came within 3,200 miles of encircling the globe!

Congratulations to all the participants for a job well done. We hope you will continue on your life-long journey to wellness. Keep on trekkin'!

- Laurie Betting and Nikki Seabloom, Wellness, and Judy Streifel-Reller, U2 Program.

## Procedures listed for fiscal year-end

For accurate financial statement presentation, materials and services received by June 30, 2003, should be charged to fiscal year 2003 funds. This is true for all funds, appropriated and non-appropriated, including grants and contracts. Payments for new subscriptions will be processed from fiscal year 2003 funds until May 31, 2003. Renewals for subscriptions that expire in fiscal year 2004 should be paid from fiscal year '04 funds.

For prepayments, the department should verify with the vendor that delivery will be made by June 30. This should be documented on the purchase requisition and/or request for payment. If the company does not guarantee delivery by June

30, the payment can not be made from the fiscal year '03 budget. - Allison Peyton, Accounts Payable Manager.

## **U2 workshops Listed**

Visit our web site for additional U2 workshops in May. Please reserve your seat by registering by phone, 777-2128; fax, 777-2140; e-mail, U2@mail.und.nodak.edu; or online, www.conted.und.edu/U2. When registering, please include workshop title and date, your name and position, department, box number, phone number and e-mail address, and how you first learned of the workshop. Thank you for registering in advance; it helps us plan for materials and number of seats.

Power Point XP, Intermediate: May 19, 21, and 23, 9 to 11 a.m., 361 Upson II Hall. Prerequisite: Power Point Beginning. Create custom design templates, create presentation special effects, interface PowerPoint with Excel and Word, publish to the Web, review and broadcast presentations. Presenter: Jim Malins, ITSS.

Don't Get Burned: May 20, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., 128 Ryan Hall. This course will cover issues related to fire and life safety. Fires are emergencies that can be devastating to individuals at both the workplace, and at home. In addition to learning about basic fire safety principles, participants will receive instruction and hands-on experience in the use of portable fire extinguishers. Presenters: Jason Uhlir, safety and environmental health.

- Julie Sturges, U2 Program Assistant, University Within the University (U2).

## **Studio One lists guests**

The decision to quit smoking will be featured on this week's edition of Studio One. Studies show one out of four Americans smoke. Dr. Greg Holzman will discuss a program designed to decrease the nation's smoking rate.

Also on the next edition of Studio One, medical reports indicate 10 million men and women have osteoporosis, or bone loss. We'll see how an exercise class helps individuals increase bone density and strength.

Studio One is an award-winning news and information program produced at the University of North Dakota Television Center. The program airs live at 5 p.m. on UND Channel 3 on Thursdays. Rebroadcasts 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 in Fargo, Bismarck/Mandan, Minot, Minneapolis, the Portland, Ore., metro area, and Winnipeg, Manitoba. – Studio One.

## Volunteers sought for study of women's bone health

Osteoporosis affects 28 million Americans and costs over \$14 billion annually. Half of women over the age of 50 will have an osteoporosis-related fracture in their lifetime.

Researchers at the USDA-ARS Grand Forks Human Nutrition Research Center want to know if taking minerals, such as copper and zinc, with calcium supplements are more effective in protecting bones compared to calcium alone in postmenopausal women.

Participants will receive calcium and multivitamin supplements free for two years. In addition, they will receive either a copper/zinc supplement or a placebo. Follow-up tests can be done in Grand Forks or Fargo, depending on participants' choice of location.

Postmenopausal women, ages 51-80, are encouraged to take part in this study. Medications that do not interfere with calcium absorption, such as synthroid and statins, are acceptable. Participants can earn \$750!

For more information, call (701) 795-8181 or visit www.gfhnrc.ars.usda.gov/volopp.htm. – Brenda Ling, Grand Forks Human Nutrition Research Center.

## Children needed as research participants

Tom Petros (psychology) is seeking to recruit children between 7 and 12 years of age to participate in a study of the effect of time of day on tests of planning, problem solving, and sustained attention. The study takes 60-90 minutes to complete. The testing will occur from 8 to 10 a.m. or 3 to 5 p.m., on weekends or after school, or on school holidays. Your child will be asked to take a short vocabulary test, and be asked to solve problems and participate in a test of sustained attention on a personal computer. You as the parent will be asked to complete several short questionnaires about your child's typical behavior, eating patterns and sleeping patterns. Your child will be paid \$10 for their participation in the study. The scores from your child's testing will be completely confidential and will not be associated with your child's name. Children who participate must not be taking any medication, except that for attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD). If you and your child are interested in scheduling a time to participate or in finding out more about the study, please call me.

- Tom Petros, Professor of Psychology, 777-3260.

## Special Denim Day May 6 will support asthma programs

When you pay your dollar and wear denim Tuesday, May 6, you help support World Asthma Day. Each dollar raised helps finance asthma programs throughout North Dakota, such as asthma camps, education and outreach programs. World Asthma Day is a project of the American Lung Association of North Dakota. President Kupchella has authorized UND's participation in this worthy cause. Pay your dollar to your "usual" Denim Day coordinator and enjoy knowing the money will go to a good cause. For more information contact Patsy Nies at 777-3791 or Jane Croeker at 777-4817.

– Jane Croecker, Health Promotion Advisor, and Patsy Nies, Enrollment Services.

## Items for sale to public on bids

The University is offering for sale to the public on a sealed high-bid basis, older computer equipment and other miscellaneous items. These may be seen at the central receiving warehouse on the southwest corner of the campus. Bids will be taken between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday, May 5 to May 8.

-- Evelyn Albrecht, Central Receiving.

#### IN THE NEWS

#### COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Gayle Baldwin (religion) has been chosen as one of 15 national Coolidge Scholars, housed at Union Seminary in New York City and sponsored by the prestigious journal, Cross Currents. Her research project is called "Bent on Sin: The Queer Conversion Narrative Reconstructs Christian Doctrine."

#### JOHN D. ODEGARD SCHOOL OF AEROSPACE SCIENCES

The aircraft maintenance department was presented with the diamond certificate of excellence award by FAA regional representatives; 20 maintenance technicians received individual awards for their participation in initial and recurrent maintenance training. . . . Dan Kasowski (director of maintenance) accepted the diamond certificate of excellence award, the highest honor available to a college aviation maintenance facility. . . . Frank Argenziano received the golden hammer award from facilities. . . . Morgan Stroh (quality control manager) has been named the 2003 aviation maintenance technician of the year for the Fargo flight standards district office/state of North Dakota and more recently, was selected as the Great Lakes Regional winner. . . . The Fargo flight standards district office has named Ron DePue (chief rotorcraft instructor) as the 2003 flight instructor of the year within North Dakota.

#### COLLEGE OF NURSING

Liz Tyree (family and community nursing) has been appointed to a four-year term on the National Advisory Council on Nurse Education and Practice. This council provides advice to secretary Tommy Thompson, DHHS, and to Congress on policy matters arising in the administration of Title VIII (nurse education funding), including issues relating to the nurse workforce, education, and practice improvement. . . . Co-authors Eleanor Yurkovich, Donna Grandbois and Jessica Clairmont (Altru Health System) published "Mental Health Care Providers' Perception of Giving Culturally Responsive Care to American Indians" in Perspectives in Psychiatric Care, vol. 38, no. 4, October-December 2002. . . . Glenda Lindseth is author of a book section in Pathophysiology, Clinical Concepts of Disease Processes (sixth edition). . . . Bette Ide is the author of "Rural Behavioral Health Care, an Interdisciplinary Guide, Essays from the Field (nursing)."

#### SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Thomas Jacobsen, Hettinger, N.D., an alumnus and clinical assistant professor of family medicine, has been named family physician of the year by members of the North Dakota Academy of Family Physicians. His name will be forwarded as North Dakota's nominee for consideration at the national level of competition for the American Academy of Family Physicians' Family Physician of the Year Award for 2004.

#### ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH CENTER

Chris Zygarlicke, Bruce Folkedahl, and Jay Gunderson presented a half-day workshop on solving ash deposition problems for Alliant Energy, Des Moines-Ottumwa, Iowa, Nov. 5-7, 2002. . . . Bethany Bolles and Xixi Wang presented a paper titled "Distributed Basinwide Storage for Flood Mitigation" and Dan Stepan presented a paper titled "Watershed Management Industrial Water Issues" at the 20th annual Red River Basin Land and Water International Summit Conference, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Jan. 15-17, 2003. . . . Ted Aulich presented a report, co-authored with James Peeples (AAE Technologies, Inc.) and Jim Behnken (Great Plains Fuel Development), titled "Developing an Ethanol-Biodiesel-Diesel Fuel: An Introductory Report to the Biodiesel Brainstorming Workshop" at the Biodiesel Research and Brainstorming Workshop, New Orleans, La., Jan. 30, 2003. . . . Chris Zygarlicke and Ted Aulich presented the EERC's perspective on hydrogen research needs and current research projects related to hydrogen production and ethanol reforming at the Northern Plains Hydrogen Workshop, St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 11, 2003. . . . The EERC Environmental Management group, including Tina Behr-Andres, Erin O'Leary, Barry Botnen, and Steve Hawthorne, presented a booth on technology assistance capabilities for cleanup of the U.S. Department of Energy nuclear weapons complex at the 2003 Waste Management Symposium, Tucson, Ariz., Feb. 23-27, 2003.

#### **GRANTS & RESEARCH**

## Items for sale to public on bids

Following are research and grant opportunities. For additional information, contact the Office of Research and Program Development at 777-4278 or shirley\_griffin@mail.und.nodak.edu.

#### AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR ADDICTION RESEARCH

Priority areas for the Educational Grants Program are: Public Educational Programs and Local or National Planning Meetings and/or Conferences for professionals related to prevention, assessment and/or treatment of addictive disorders. Deadline: None. Contact: Walter Dudovicz, 866-600-2327; alterjd@aol.com; http://www.addictionresearch.com/documents/Afregrap.doc.

Funding for research on the causes and nature of addictive disorders. Priority areas are: Neurochemistry of Addictions, Sexual Addiction, Family Systems, and Trauma and Addiction. Deadline and Contact: See a Internships and fellowships for undergraduate and graduate students and graduates and in business, science and engineering. Deadline: None. Contact: Mariann Bleazard, 801-273-8900; info@awu.org; http://www.awu.org/students\_default2.asp.

Visiting Scientist Fellowships are available for industrial associates and collaborators in science, mathematics, engineering, and technology. Deadline and Contact: See above or http://www.awu.org/faculty\_default.htm.

Areas of interest are: encouraging economic empowerment and self-sufficiency; supporting youth through education; and enriching community life. Deadline: None. Contact: 312-732-2495 http://www.bankone.com/answers/BolAnswersTable.asptop=all&segment=ABO&topic=CorporateContributions &item=

#### CARNEGIE CORPORATION OF NEW YORK

International Peace and Security Program–Support for projects that identify the gravest challenges to U.S. and global security and efforts to allay these threats. Focus areas are: Weapons of Mass Destruction, Russia and Other Post-Soviet States, and New Dimensions of Security: Evolving Notions of Sovereignty. Deadline: None. Contact: 212-371-3200; http://www.carnegie.org/sub/program/intl\_peace.html.

Strengthening U.S. Democracy Program–Support to address: removing structural barriers to civic/electoral participation; attitudinal barriers to civic participation; and strengthening the nonprofit and philanthropic sectors. Deadline and Contact: See above or http://www.carnegie.org/sub/program/us\_dem.html.

#### CENTER FOR LAND USE INTERPRETATION

Wendover Residence Program–Support for artists, researchers, theorists, or anyone who works with land and land use issues in an innovative and engaging manner to develop new interpretive methodologies and ideas relative to the Great Salt Lake region. Deadline: None. Contact: Wendover Residence Program Application, 310-839-5722; clui@clui.org; http://www.clui.org/clui\_4\_1/alm/wendapp.html.

#### CHAPIN (HARRY) FOUNDATION

Areas of interest are: community education, arts-in-education, agricultural, and environmental programs. Deadline: None. Contact: 631-423-7558; ChapinPro@aol.com; http://fdncenter.org/grantmaker/harrychapin/.

#### **CIGNA FOUNDATION**

Areas of interest are: health and human services (especially women's health issues and accessibility and adequacy of prenatal and infant health care); education (especially actuarial sciences); community and civic affairs; and culture and

the arts. Deadline: None. Contact: communityrelations@cigna.com; http://www.cigna.com/general/about/community/grantinfo.html.

#### COMMONWEALTH FUND

Support for research on International Health Care Policy and Practice; Improving Quality of Health Care Services; and Improving Insurance Coverage and Access to Care. Deadline: None. Contact: Andrea Landes, 212-606-3800; GMO@cmwf.org; http://www.cmwf.org/grantseekers/index.asp?link=4.

#### COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS INSTITUTE RESEARCH FOUNDATION

Byron Hanke Fellowships are awarded to graduate students working on topics related to community associations (associations that govern common-interest communities of any kind—condominiums, cooperatives, townhouse developments, planned unit developments, etc.). Research, applied or theoretical, may address management, institutions, organization and administration, public policy, architecture, as well as political, economic, social, and intellectual trends in community association housing. Contact: Stephanie Ayres, 703-548-8600; sayres@caionline.org; http://www.cairf.org/schol/hanke.html. Deadline: None.

#### CUMMINGS (NATHAN) FOUNDATION

Areas of interest are: arts, environment, health, Jewish life, and interprogram initiatives for social and economic justice. Themes are: concern for the poor, disadvantaged, and underserved; respect for diversity; promotion of understanding across cultures; and empowerment of communities in need. Deadline: None (Letter of Inqury). Contact: 212-787-7300; info@cummings.ncf.org; http://www.ncf.org/guidelines/guidelines.html.

#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Economic Adjustment Assistance Program–Support for economic adjustment projects located in regions impacted by coal industry downsizing, timber industry issues and Alaska fishing-dependent communities. Deadline: None. Contact: Margot Leydic-Boyd, 202-482-4085; mleydic-boyd@eda.doc.gov;

http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-8612.htm.

Local Technical Assistance–Support for projects to help fill knowledge and information gaps that may prevent leaders in public and nonprofit sectors in distressed areas from making optimal decisions on local economic development issues (e.g., feasibility studies on potential economic development projects, which analyze various economic, financial, and social aspects of proposed projects). Deadline: None. Contact: See above or

http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-8612.htm

Public Works and Economic Development Facilities Assistance Program–Support for construction or rehabilitation of public infrastructure and development facilities necessary to generate private sector jobs and investment, including investments that support technology-led development, redevelopment of brownfield sites, and eco-industrial development. Deadline: None. Contact: See above or

http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-8612.htm.

University Center Program--Support to make resources (e.g., faculty, staff, students, computer facilities, laboratories) at institutions of higher education available for assisting local and regional economic development activities. Deadline and Contact: See above or http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-8612.htm.

#### DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Doctoral Dissertation Research Grant Program--Support for Ph.D. candidates to complete research on housing and urban development issues. Areas of interest are to: Increase homeownership opportunities; promote decent affordable housing; Strengthen communities; Ensure equal opportunity in housing; Embrace high standards of ethics, management, and accountability; and promote participation of grass-roots faith-based and other community-based organizations. Contact: Armand Carriere, 202-708-3061 x3181; Armand\_W.\_Carrier@hud.gov;

http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/grants/nofa/edsddrgsec.doc. Deadline: 5/27/03.

Early Doctoral Student Research Grant Program–Support for pre-dissertation Ph.D. students to complete research focusing on housing and urban development issues. Areas of interest are listed above. Contact: Armand Carrier, 202-708-3061 x3181; Armand\_W.\_Carrier@hud.gov; http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/grants/nofa/grpedsddrg.cfm. Deadline: 5/27/03.

Healthy Homes and Lead Technical Studies–Support for research to improve methods for detecting and controlling leadbased paint and other residential health and safety hazards. Deadline: 6/10/03. Contact: Peter Ashley, Peter\_J.\_Ashley@hud.gov; 202-755-1785 x-115; http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/grants/nofa/hhtssec.doc.

### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Human Rights and Democratization Initiatives in Central Asia–Support for programs or activities that foster democracy, human rights, press freedoms, women's political development and rule of law in countries with significant Muslim populations in Central Asia (including Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan), where such programs or activities would be important to U.S. efforts to respond to, deter, or prevent acts of international terrorism. Contact: Cathy Stump, 202-647-3322; http://www.state.gov/g/drl/;

http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-10051.htm. Deadline: 5/21/03.

Tibet Development, Professional and Cultural Exchange Project--Support for two-way, professional educational and cultural exchange projects to promote understanding between the U.S. and Tibetan ethnic groups. Areas of interest are: public health management; sustainable development and eco-tourism; vocational education; developing entrepreneurship; and cultural preservation. Deadline: 5/30/03. Contact: Raymond H. Harvey, 202-260-5491; rharvey@pd.state.gov; http://exchanges.state.gov/education/RFGPs;

http://a257.g.aka maitech.net/7/257/2422/14 mar 20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-10175.htm.

### DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

Dual Use Science and Technology (DUS&T) Program (SOL BAA-AFRL-03-10)–Topics include: Biotechnology Solutions for Predictive Toxicology or Monitoring Warfighter Health, Pilot Spatial Orientation Enhancements, Biological Warfare Agent Neutralization, Directed Energy Bioeffects, Defense Simulation Training for Operational Medical Personnel & Emergency Responders, Information Analysis Technologies, Joint Source-Channel Coding (JSSC) Implementation and Design, High Performance Aqueous Fire Fighting Agent, Advanced Light Weight Fire Fighting System, Materials for Terahertz Frequencies, Lightweight Carbon Thermal Management, Eye-Safe Laser Technologies for Ladar, Signature Modeling and Simulation PC Hardware/Software Architectures, Signal Injection Module, Compact Array of Analog Modulators, Development of Life Models and Prognostic Capability for Electronic Systems, Advanced Combustor/Turbine Airfoil Materials Durability Validation, Low-Cost Autonomous Engine/Aircraft Diagnostic/Prognostic Reasoning System, Advanced High Power Device and Intelligent Control Technology, Integrated Power Generation System, Fuel Cell Power Generators, Affordable Laser Infrared Survivability System (ALISS), Sensors

Enabling Technologies, Space Vehicles Technologies, Single Mask Programmed Gate Array, Space and Strategic Hardened Field Programmable Gate Array, and Universal Memory for Space. Deadline: 6/13/03. Contact: Margaret Bradshaw, 937-255-5761; Margaret.Bradshaw@wpafb.af.mil; http://www2.eps.gov/spg/USAF/AFMC/AFRLWRS/postdate\_1.html.

#### DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Research Program in Technologies for Metabolic Monitoring (TMM) and Julia Weaver Fund, FY03 Announcement (RFP— DAMD17-BAA-TMM03)—Funding for novel and innovative research proposals in the area of metabolic monitoring and diabetes measurement and control, with a focus on (but not limited to): novel approaches for monitoring lactate, glucose and other metabolites; development and testing of alternate monitoring techniques and approaches (including alternate site testing) of relevance to individuals with diabetes and warfighters; novel metabolic sampling technologies; and predictive criteria that relate to metabolism, glucose, and availability and utilization of other energy substrates. Deadline: 6/11/03. Contact: Cheryl Miles, 301-619-7148; cheryl.miles@det.amedd.army.mil; http://www.usamraa.army.mil/pages/Baa\_Paa/baaproposal.htm.

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Information Assurance (BAA 03-03-FH)–Funding for research that provides novel and innovative approaches, breakthrough technologies, and/or leap-ahead technologies for difficult information assurance problems within the U.S. Intelligence Community (IC) information infrastructure. Areas of interest are: Countering Malicious Insider Threats; Attack Attribution; High Assurance for IC Information Infrastructure; and New Defensive Concepts. Deadline: 6/8/03. Contact: Lawrence H. Carter, 520-533-1213; Lawrence\_H\_Carter@nbc.gov;

 $http://ideasec.nbc.gov/ecprod/owa/ec\cbd.sypfirstcount?P\_SERVER\_ID3=NB1401FH\&P\_OBJ\_ID1=114764.$ 

## FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION (FDA)

Office of Women's Health Clinical Research Studies (SOL 223-03-8720)--Funding for human clinical drug studies and analytical work on collected biological specimens. Deadline: 6/9/03. Contact: Paul Scarborough, 301-827-7168; pscarbor@oc.fda.gov; http://www.eps.gov/spg/HHS/FDA/DCASC/223-03-8720/listing.html..

## GLASER (ELIZABETH) PEDIATRIC AIDS FOUNDATION

The Elizabeth Glaser Scientist Award supports research in pediatric HIV/AIDS. Deadline: 6/13/03 (Letter of Intent). Contact: Chris Hudnall, 310-314-1459; research@pedaids.org; http://www.pedaids.org/egsa\_02.html.

#### LINDBERGH (CHARLES A. AND ANNE MORROW) FOUNDATION

Support for projects that help achieve a balance between technological progress and preservation of the natural environment. Areas of interest include aviation/aerospace, agriculture, conservation of natural resources (including animals, plants, water, and general conservation--land, energy, air, etc.), education (including humanities/education, the arts, and intercultural communication), exploration, health (including biomedical research, health and population sciences, and adaptive technology), and waste minimization and management. Jonathan Lindbergh Brown Grants support adaptive technology or biomedical research to redress imbalance between an individual and his/her human environment. Deadline: 6/12/03. Contact: 763-576-1596; info@lindberghfoundation.org; http://www.lindberghfoundation.org/grants/index.html.

#### NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE (NCI)

Innovations in Biomedical Computational Science and Technology–Support for fundamental research in biomedical information science and technology and development of new informatics, computational and mathematical tools and technologies. Contact: James Cassatt, 301-451-6446; jc12b@nih.gov; http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-03-106.html. Deadlines: 5/24/03, 9/24/03, 1/24/04 (Letter of Intent); 6/24/03, 10/24/03, 2/24/04 (Application).

#### NATIONAL CENTER FOR HIV, STD, AND TB PREVENTION

Public Health Conference Support Cooperative Agreement Program for Human Immunodeficiency Virus Prevention– Support for conferences in the areas of health promotion and disease prevention information/education programs. Contact: Diane Childs, 770-488-2876; dec6@cdc.gov;

http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-9978.htm. Deadlines: 5/19/03 (Letter of intent); 7/28/03 (Application).

#### NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF DIABETES AND DIGESTIVE AND KIDNEY DISEASES (NIDKD)

Silvio O. Conte Digestive Diseases Research Core Centers bring together clinical and basic science investigators from relevant disciplines to enhance and extend effectiveness of research related to digestive diseases and their complications. Deadlines: 6/11/03 (Letter of Intent), 7/11/03 (Application). Contact: Judith Podskalny, 301-594-8876; jp53s@nih.gov; http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DK-03-013.html.

#### NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SCIENCES (NIEHS)

Transition to Independent Positions (TIP)–Support for postdoctorate scientists in basic, clinical or population-based (epidemiology) research who are committed to understanding the impact of environmental exposures on human health. Priority areas are: Molecular Epidemiology; Basic Molecular Mechanisms of Environmental Insult; Genetic Susceptibility and Predispostion (Environmental Genome Project); Human Health Effects of Complex Mixtures; Reproductive Health; Neurodegenerative/Neurobehavioral Diseases or Disorders; Translational Research; Impact of Environmental Exposures on Special Populations (Women, Children and Minorities); and Immune System Modulation. Deadlines: 6/13/03 (Letter of Intent); 7/14/03 (Application). Contact: Carol Shreffler, 919-541-1445; shreffl1@niehs.nih.gov; http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-ES-03-006.html.

#### NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH)

Innovative Grants on Immune Tolerance–Exploratory/developmental research project grants support novel work on molecular mechanisms and applications of antigen-specific immune tolerance. Research involving human tissues or samples is encouraged. Deadlines: 6/15/03 (Letter of Intent); 7/15/2003 (Application). Contact: Helen Quill, 301-496-7551; hquill@niaid.nih.gov; http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AI-03-010.html.

#### NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF)

Course, Curriculum and Laboratory Improvement (CCLI)–Support for activities to improve quality of science, mathematics, engineering, and technology (SMET) education for all students in the following areas: Educational Materials Development (EMD) and National Dissemination (ND). Deadlines: 6/18/03 (Full Proposal for EMD and ND tracks); TBA (A&I and ASA tracks). Contact: Directorate for Education & Human Resources, 703-292-8666; undergrad@nsf.gov; http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2003/nsf03558/nsf03558.htm.

Dynamics: Special Competition—Enhancing Human Performansearch on behavior, cognition, development, emotion, language, neuroscience, and social interaction in conjunction with advances in biology, engineering, nanotechnology, robotics, and information technology, which will aid development of approaches for enhancing human performance. Deadline: 6/11/03. Contact: Joane Nagel, 703-292-7285; jnagel@nsf.gov; http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2003/nsf03552/nsf03552.htm.

Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Program--Support for small business concerns to conduct cutting-edge, high risk, high quality scientific, engineering, or science/engineering education research that would have a high potential economic payoff if successful. Areas of research include: Advanced Materials and Manufacturing Systems; Information-

Based Technologies; and Biotechnology; and Electronics. Contact: Cheryl Albus, 703-292-7051; calbus@nsf.gov; http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2003/nsf03535/nsf03535.htm. Deadlines: 6/12/03 (Electronics and Information-Based Technologies); 1/20/04 (Advanced Materials, Manufacturing, and Chemical Processes, and Biotechnology).

Small Business Technology Transfer Program–Funding for cutting-edge, high risk, high quality scientific, engineering, or science/engineering education research conducted jointly by a small business awardee and a nonprofit or federally-funded research institution. Contact: Cheryl Albus, 703-292-7051; calbus@nsf.gov;

http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2003/nsf03535/nsf03535.htm. Deadlines: 6/12/03 (Electronics and Information-Based Technologies); 1/20/04 (Advanced Materials, Manufacturing and Chemical Processes, and Biotechnology).

#### NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF)/U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (USDOT)

Partnership for Exploratory Basic Research on Information and Communications Systems for Surface Transportation (ICSST)--Support for exploratory research that: targets strategies for developing and deploying new information and communications technologies with potential to advance surface transportation systems operations and offer substantial enhancements in capacity utilization, safety, resource use, or environmental impact; expands and verifies understanding of the impact of planning, engineering, and operations policies on surface transportation systems as well as on constructed, natural, and social systems with which they interact; and seeks dramatic breakthroughs in fundamental concepts of surface transportation provision, including introduction of new, technology-based ways to meet functional demands for services, and including new modes and new paradigms of transportation. Contact: Miriam Heller, 703-292-8360; mheller@nsf.gov; http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2003/nsf03556/nsf03556.htm. Deadline: 6/11/03.

#### OFFICE OF BEHAVIORAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES RESEARCH/NIH

Mind-Body Interactions and Health: Research Infrastructure Program (RFA-OB-03-004) and Exploratory/Developmental Research Program (RFA-OB-03-005)–Funding for infrastructure and research designed to enhance quality and quantity of mind-body and health research and develop new research capabilities to advance mind-body and health research through innovative approaches. "Mind-Body Interactions" include relationships among cognitions, emotions, personality, social relationships, and health. Because institutions may not submit simultaneous applications in response to these RFAs, please contact ORPD if you are interested in applying for this grant. Deadlines: 6/16/03 (Letter of Intent); 7/16/03 (Application). Contact: Ronald P. Abeles, 301-496-7859; abeles@nih.gov; http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-OB-03-005.html or http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-OB-03-004.html.

#### SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION (SSA)

Support to create a Retirement Research Consortium (RRC) to: plan, initiate, and maintain research programs; disseminate policy research findings; and train and provide funding for graduate students and postgraduates to conduct research the following topics: Social Security and Retirement, Macroeconomic Analyses of Social Security, Wealth and Retirement Income, Program Interactions, International Research, and Demographic Research. Contact: John Phillips, 202-358-6321; john.phillips@ssa.gov;

http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-10251.htm. Deadlines: 6/2/03 (Letter of Intent); 7/15/03 (Application).

#### WEEDEN FOUNDATION

Support for projects that address the adverse impact of growing human populations and overuse of natural resources on the biological fabric of the planet. Deadlines: None (Letter of Inquiry); 5/16/03 (Proposal). Contact: 212-888-1672; weedenfdn@weedenfdn.org; http://www.weedenfdn.org/wfguides.html.

-- William Gosnold, Interim Director, Office of Research and Program Development.

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