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Reaccreditation site visit schedule confirmed

President Joseph A. Chapman has received confirmation that NDSU's reaccreditation site visit is scheduled for Feb. 13-15, 2006. The regional accreditor is the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association.

According to Robert Harrold, self-study coordinator, a team with 10-12 members is anticipated. He said each college and some non-academic units will be reviewed, and team members will meet with key administrators, faculty, staff and students.

Harrold said the team is expected to meet with President Chapman before it leaves campus to present an oral report. A preliminary, written report will then be sent to the HLC, and NDSU will have a short period of time to respond to errors of fact. Official notification of reaccreditation is not expected until November 2006 or later.

NDSU's Self-Study Steering Committee, a group of more than 40 faculty, staff, students and administrators, was formed in early 2003 to prepare information to support NDSU's request for reaccreditation. The committee will produce a document of about 200 pages that will address how NDSU meets and exceeds the five "Criteria for Accreditation" published by the commission.

Campuswide open forums have been held on the "Focus Group" topics used to develop background information for chapters in the self-study document. Additional open forums are planned for early 2005 for the remaining chapters of the document.

"Reaccreditation is not a 'given," Harrold said. "The reaccreditation process is being taken very seriously and every attempt will be made to assure that the materials that support our request for reaccreditation are as complete as possible. That's why continuing input from across campus is essential."

For a list of faculty, staff, students and administrators participating in the self-study process, visit www.ndsu.edu/ndsu/accreditation/index.shtml.

ITS issues adware program privacy, security advisory to campus

Information Technology Services has issued a security advisory for Windows users who have downloaded an adware program called MarketScore, a program advertised to enhance Internet speed. The software poses a threat by installing a "trusted certificate authority" in the user's Web browser and routing all user Web connections through its proxies. This includes "secure" traffic such as Web AFLI and PeopleSoft (ConnectND) and other secure socket layer (SSL) traffic.

According to Theresa Semmens, information technology security officer, the program, previously called Netsetter or program name "ossprosxy," is actually a spyware program that collects, analyzes and stores all information its users send to and receive from any Web site the user visits. The information collected includes passwords, user names, social security numbers, credit card numbers, PIN numbers, banking and purchase transactions, and e-mail addresses.

When campus computers or applications are involved, the user could potentially expose confidential university information to unauthorized outside entities, which is against state law and campus policy.

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Holiday hours announced

Holiday hours for NDSU staff will run from Monday, Dec. 20-Thursday, Dec. 23, and Monday, Dec. 27-Thursday, Dec. 30. Hours will be 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m., with a 30-minute lunch break. The university will be closed Friday, Dec. 24, and Friday, Dec. 31. Regular hours will resume Monday, Jan. 3.

'It's Happening at State' holiday schedule reminder

The final issue of "It's Happening at State" for 2004 will be published on Dec. 15. Regular deadlines apply. There will be no issues Dec. 22 or Dec. 29. The regular schedule resumes Jan. 5. The deadline for that issue is noon Wednesday, Dec. 29. Due to the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday Jan. 17, the deadline for the Jan. 19 issue is Wednesday, Jan. 12.

Scandinavian buffet set for Jan. 6
The annual Scandinavian buffet is scheduled for 10:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m.
Thursday, Jan. 6, in the Memorial Union Ballroom. Cost is \$9 per person. Call 1-8122 for reservations.

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According to North Dakota University System general counsel Pat Seaworth, downloading MarketScore and other programs like it, is in direct violation of NDUS policy 1901.2, and may also be in violation of federal privacy protection laws.

Users who share a computer with others also could unintentionally provide access to the personal and confidential information of others who use the computer.

Anyone who has downloaded the MarketScore program or others programs like it, or sees such a program on campus computers is asked to remove the program. Spyware removal programs such as Spybot—Search and Destroy are able to find and remove MarketScore and programs like it. For more information on Spybot, visit http://its.ndsu.nodak.edu/security.

Development Foundation accepting grant applications

The NDSU Development Foundation Grants and Awards Committee is accepting applications from faculty and staff for grants from four funds for the 2004-05 academic year. The application deadline is Friday, Jan. 14.

The Centennial Endowment Fund can provide maximum awards of \$5,000, with a total of \$15,560 available. It supports professorships, scholarships, biotechnology, faculty development, libraries and cultural arts.

The NDSU Development Foundation Board of Trustees Endowment can provide maximum awards of \$1,000, with a total of \$3,000 available. It supports general programs across campus.

The NDSU Development Foundation Libraries Endowment has \$2,238 available. It supports requests from any academic unit on campus for materials that will enhance the collections or operations of university libraries.

The NDSU Development Foundation Gordon A. Larson Agricultural Research Fund has \$9,715 available. The fund has no maximum award amount and supports competitive grants for agricultural research efforts conducted at NDSU.

Faculty and staff can obtain copies of application forms for all four awards at the foundation's Web site at www.ndsufoundation.com/grants.htm. The foundation will notify applicants of funding decisions prior to April 15, 2005.

Libraries offer communication, mass media database

The Communication and Mass Media Complete database providing research in areas related to communication and mass media is now available from the NDSU Libraries.

Created by a merger of the CommSearch and Mass Media Articles Index databases, Communication and Mass Media Complete indexes several hundred publications, many in full text, with some coverage going back to the early 20th century.

The database may be accessed from the "EBSCO" link in the NDSU Libraries Web page. Off-campus access is available through the "My Library Login" link on the Libraries' home page. For more information, contact the appropriate subject librarian or call the reference desk at 1-8886.

People

Clark featured in public television program

Jeffrey Clark, professor of sociology and anthropology, appears in the documentary "North to the Mandan Nation," scheduled to air at 9:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 27, on Prairie Public Television. The 30-minute program profiles preparations for North Dakota's two Lewis and Clark national signature events.

Clark's "virtual village" 3-D computer reconstruction is featured in the program, showing viewers how earth lodge villages built by Native Americans may have looked during the time of Lewis and Clark. Clark and his research team have used laser scanners to scan artifacts and create three-dimensional models, creating online databases.

"We can't travel back in time, but using computer applications in archaeology, we can create this world the way it may have looked like, and give you the feel of being in that time and place," Clark said.

Members of the research team included Aaron Bergstrom, computer visual manager in sociology, and Douglas Snider, 3-D cultural architect in sociology.

The virtual village program also is scheduled to be part of a permanent exhibit at Fort Abraham Lincoln near Mandan, N.D. Clark has shown the program at a variety of conferences and plans to present it at the 2004 Virtual Reality, Archaeology and Cultural Heritage international conference in Brussels, Belgium, during December.

Clark received the 2004 Waldron award, which recognizes outstanding faculty research being conducted on campus. His research on computer digitization of anthropological resources has received regional, national and international recognition.

Music faculty performances scheduled

Virginia Sublett, associate professor of music, will be a featured soloist at a concert hosted by the American Guild of Organists scheduled for 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5, at Gethsemane Episcopal Cathedral, Fargo.

The guild promotes the historic and evolving role of the organ, and encourages excellence in organ and choral music performance.

Matthew Patnode, assistant professor of music, will be a featured soloist during the Concordia College Jazz Orchestra concert set for 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 7, at Hvidsten Hall of Music, Moorhead. Directed by Russ Peterson, the group is made up of a jazz ensemble and strings.

Patnode will play alto saxophone on two compositions by renowned jazz saxophonist Phil Woods written in memory of saxophone players Paul Desmond and Julian "Cannonball" Adderly.

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Miller elected to NASM accreditation commission

E. John Miller, director of fine arts, has been elected to the accreditation commission of the National Association of Schools of Music. The commission reviews materials from member institutions and visiting evaluators, and takes action on accreditation issues.

NASM is comprised of more than 600 member institutions, and is the national accrediting body for music schools in the United States. Miller is a frequent presenter at NASM conferences. He is a senior visiting evaluator and is NASM Region 3 chair.

HD&E publications, presentations listed

Debra Pankow, assistant professor of child development and family science, is part of a national team that designed the program/curriculum "Legally Secure Your Financial Future: Organize, Communication, Prepare." The team was honored by the Association for Financial Counseling and Planning Education at its recent annual conference, and was selected to receive its first Project 20/20 grant for the program.

Pankow also was co-author of "Motivation for Getting Legal Papers in Place," a paper presented at a recent conference of the Western Region Family Economics Association.

Carol A. Sommer, assistant professor in the School of Education, and graduate students Barbara Chromy, Ann Miller and Rachelle Vettern, presented "Reflecting Team Supervision: A Solution-Focused Approach to Empowering Supervisees" at a recent Minnesota Counseling Association's regional workshop.

Carol Rusaw, associate professor in the School of Education, has been selected to teach a course in leading globalized human resources at the Maastreicht Center for Transatlantic Studies in the Netherlands. Her article, "A Systems Review of the 'No Child Left Behind Act' as a Limited Reform Model," was accepted for publication in Public Performance and Management Review.

Christine McGeorge, instructor in child development and family science; Martin Erickson, assistant professor in child development and family science; and Thomas Stone Carlson, assistant professor in child development and family science, presented "Creating a Feminist Informed Social Justice Couple and Family Therapy Program" at the recent annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations.

Bradford Strand, professor and head of health, nutrition and exercise sciences, presented "Appropriate Practices in Elementary Physical Education" and "Sport Violence: Confrontations of South Dakota High School Coaches" at a conference of the South Dakota Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance. Strand also has been appointed to the ad hoc structure and function committee for the National Association for Sport and Physical Education. He also was the North Dakota voting delegate for the John Wooden trophy, an award given to a college and professional athlete who best exhibits the attributes of an athlete and upstanding citizen.

Events

'Megaconference VI' videoconferencing event set

Videoconferencing sites worldwide are set to participate in the "Megaconference VI: Let's Talk: Global Communications, Innovation and Participatory Videoconferencing," scheduled for 7 a.m.-11 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9. The NDSU location is IACC 422.

The conference was designed to advance the use of videoconferencing in education and research, and promote state-of-the-art videoconferencing technology. Scheduled speakers from the United States, Germany, Australia, Taiwan, Hungary, Israel, Canada, Wales, Spain and Brazil will share their uses of H.323 videoconferencing.

More than 340 organizations from 32 states and 29 countries, including first-time participants in India, Iceland and Qatar, are registered for the conference. The program schedule and additional information are available at www.megaconference.org.

South Korea tour, course to be offered

College of Business Administration faculty members Jae Min Jung and Bret Simmons are sponsoring a one-credit study abroad course and tour of South Korea scheduled during spring break, March 10-19.

The nine-day trip will include activities designed for participants to experience Korean culture, customs, cuisine and commerce. The tour includes ancient cultural sites, modern manufacturing facilities, palaces, Korean Stock Exchange and Jeju Island, which many Koreans consider to be the "Hawaii" of their country. The all-inclusive cost of the trip will be approximately \$2,300.

An informational seminar is planned for 4:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 14, in the Alumni Center Klefstad room. A representative from the Korea National Tourism Organization will join the faculty sponsors to answer questions about the trip.

To begin trip application process, contact Barb Geeslin or Diane Axness at 1-8651. For more information, visit www.ndsu.edu/ndsu/bresimmo/korea.htm.

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Shorts and Reminders

Golden Key sophomore reception held

The NDSU chapter of Golden Key International Honour Society held its annual sophomore reception Nov. 30, honoring sophomores in the top 10 percent of their class for academic achievements. Students recognized must have a 3.76 or higher grade point average.

Fargo Mayor Bruce Furness was the event speaker, and was presented with honorary membership in the NDSU chapter. Britni Chase was this year's recipient of a \$75 textbook scholarship to the Varsity Mart.

Union Food Court specials for Dec. 8-17

Soup of the Day

Wednesday: chicken tortilla and broccoli cheese

Thursday: turkey rice and baked potato

Friday: beef noodle and tomato

Monday: California medley and vegetable beef Tuesday: cream of potato and chicken noodle Wednesday: minestrone and cream of broccoli Thursday: Wisconsin cheese and beef noodle Friday: clam chowder and vegetarian vegetable

The Corner Deli

Wednesday: pastrami

Thursday: Southwestern wrap

Friday: turkey Monday: chicken

Tuesday: turkey club wrap

Wednesday: ham

Thursday: chicken Caesar wrap

Friday: roast beef

A La Carte

Wednesday: lasagna trio

Thursday: hand-carved pork loin

Friday: fried chicken Monday: meat loaf

Tuesday: hand-carved turkey breast

Wednesday: taco salad

Thursday: hand-carved roast beef

Friday: pasta bar

Pizza Express

Wednesday: creamy garlic chicken

Thursday: Tuscany

Friday: once around the kitchen

Monday: Hawaiian Tuesday: farmhouse Wednesday: Thundar

Thursday: Southwestern chicken

Friday: Red River

The Union Grab and Go hot entrée

Wednesday: meatloaf Thursday: roast turkey Friday: beef stroganoff Monday: spaghetti Tuesday: fried chicken Wednesday: beef penper

Wednesday: beef pepper steak Thursday: grilled chicken alfredo

Friday: Swedish meatballs

Hot Wrap (available in Grab and Go)

Wednesday: chicken strip

Thursday: Italian

Friday: barbecue chicken Monday: chicken Sante Fe

Tuesday: Oriental

Wednesday: garlic chicken Thursday: beef fajita Friday: ham and cheese

Entrée salad (available in Grab and Go)

Wednesday: taco

Thursday: chicken Caesar Friday: turkey Cobb Monday: BLT

Tuesday: chicken lo mein

Wednesday: Southwest chicken salad

Thursday: Mandarin chicken

Friday: beef fajita

Items are subject to change without notice. Call the Dining Services Lunch Line at 1-9501 to check out all of our daily specials. Questions or comments may be dropped in the suggestion boxes located in each dining center and the Union Food Court or call Shelly at the Union Buffet at 1-8122.

Positions Available

Positions open and screening dates through the Office of Human Resources, Room 205, Old Main:

Admission Officer Admission \$20,000/year Open until filled

Staff Spectroscopist

Chemistry and Molecular Biology

\$50,000+/year Dec. 15 (extended)

Position openings also are available through the NDSU Web

site at www.ndsu.edu/jobs.

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Calendar

December

Through Dec. 15 NDSU juried student art exhibit, Memorial Union Gallery.

- 8 President's Diversity Council—"Strategic Plan for Diversity, Equity and Community," noon, Memorial Union Meadow Lark Room
- 8 YMCA of NDSU—"Divine Creative Energy from Yoga," noon, Memorial Union Peace Garden Room
- 9 USDA-ARS—Joe Sowokinos, University of Minnesota, "Recent Advances in the Development of a Cold-Sweetening Resistant Potato: Role of UDP-Glc Pyrophosphorylase (UGPase)," 10 a.m., Northern Crop Science laboratory large conference room (rescheduled)
- 9 Percussion Ensemble concert, 7:30 p.m., Festival Concert Hall. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students and seniors.
- 9 Wrestling vs. Princeton University, 8 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 10 Last day of classes
- 10 ConnectND open forum, 9 a.m., Memorial Union Century Theater
- 10 Ceramic and PEARS print sale, and visual arts students drawing and painting sale, noon-6 p.m., visual arts department, NDSU Downtown
- Animal and range sciences—Chris Schauer, post-doctoral fellow, "The Influence of Supplementation Frequency on Ruminant Nutrient Balance, Performance and Grazing Behavior," 3 p.m., Hultz 104
- 10 Plant sciences—Nfn Leela, graduate student, "VIGS (Virus-Induced Gene Silencing) and PTGS (Post-Transcriptional Gene Silencing), 3:30 p.m., Loftsgard 114
- 10 Psychology—Greg Siegle, University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, "From Brain Activity to Intervention: Sustained Emotional Reactivity in Unipolar Depression," 3:30 p.m., Minard Annex 136
- Women's basketball vs. Presentation College, 6 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 10 Men's basketball vs. Minnesota State University, Mankato, 8 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- Winter Choral and Brass Ensemble concert, 2 p.m., Festival Concert Hall. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students and seniors.
- Women's basketball vs. the University of Minnesota Duluth, 6 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- Men's basketball vs. the University of Minnesota Duluth, 8 p.m., Bison Sports Arena

- 15 Musical theater showcase featuring song selections from "Beauty and the Beast," "The Lion King" and "Aida," 8 p.m., Askanase Auditorium
- World I View—student Adeniyi Alo presents "Perspective of Nigeria: Nigeria, Giant in the Sun," noon, Memorial Union Peace Garden Room

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- 17 ConnectND open forum, 9 a.m., Memorial Union Century Theater
- 17 Commencement, 4 p.m., Fargodome
- 24 Christmas holiday-university closed
- New Year's holiday-university closed

January

- 8 Men's basketball vs. Concordia College, 2 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- Women's basketball vs. Valley City State University, 7 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 17 Martin Luther King Jr. holiday—university closed
- Women's basketball vs. Dakota Wesleyan, 6 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- Men's basketball vs. Dakota Wesleyan, 8 p.m.,Bison Sports Arena
- Wrestling vs. Northern Colorado, 7:30 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 24 Men's basketball vs. Southwest Minnesota State University, 7 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- Men's basketball vs. the University of Minnesota-Crookston, 7 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- Wrestling vs. Minnesota State University Moorhead, 7:30 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- Women's basketball vs. Montana State-Billings, 7 p.m., Bison Sports Arena

February

- 1 Men's basketball vs. Northern State University, 7 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- Women's basketball vs. Si Tanka University-Huron, 2 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 5 Men's basketball vs. Si Tanka University-Huron, 4 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- Wrestling vs. the University of Northern Iowa, 7:30 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 11 Men's basketball vs. Mayville State University, 7 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- Men's basketball vs. Upper Iowa University, 7 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- Women's basketball vs. Minnesota State University, Mankato, 6 p.m., Bison Sports Arena

19	Women's basketball vs. Upper Iowa University, 6 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
21	President's Day holiday—university closed
23	Free staff preview of Little Country Theatre's "Marcus is Walking: Scences from the Road," 7:30 p.m., Walsh Studio Theatre
27-27	Little Country Theatre presents "Marcus is Walking: Scenes from the Road," 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday, Walsh Studio Theatre
25	Wrestling vs. South Dakota State University, 7:30 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
26	Women's basketball vs. South Dakota State University, 6 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
26	Men's basketball vs. South Dakota State University,

March

3-5 Little Country Theatre presents "Marcus is Walking: Scenes from the Road," 7:30 p.m., Walsh Studio Theatre

8 p.m. Bison Sports Arena

- Women's basketball vs. Grand Canyon University, 1:30 p.m., Bison Sports Arena
- 14-18 Spring break

April

- Free staff preview of Little Country Theatre's "The Beggar's Opera," 7:30 p.m., Askanase Auditorium
- 14-16 Little Country Theatre presents "The Beggar's Opera," 7:30 p.m., Askanase Auditorium
- 21-23 Little Country Theatre presents "The Beggar's Opera," 7:30 p.m., Askanase Auditorium

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