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## Reynolds to present 51st annual Faculty Lecture



Reynolds

Larry Reynolds, distinguished professor of animal sciences, has been selected to present the 51st annual Faculty Lecture on Tuesday, April 7, at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Union Century Theater. Considered one of the most prestigious of NDSU's awards, the lectureship recognizes sustained professional excellence in teaching, scholarly achievement and service.

His lecture, "A Womb With a View: How Fetal Development Affects Adult Health," will examine the links between birth weights and adult diseases like type 2 diabetes, stroke and cardiovascular disease. The lecture and reception in the Plains Room are free and open to the public.

Reynolds joined NDSU in 1985 and focuses his research on providing an optimal uterine environment to ensure maternal, fetal and postnatal health in humans and livestock.

"We've known forever that low birth weights are bad," he said. "What's new is that whatever causes this can lead to long-term, lifelong problems. Our goal is to figure out the causes and then to develop strategies to minimize the negative consequences of low birth weight."

Since 1985, Reynolds has received more than \$6 million in federal grants; served on or chaired more than 25 grant advisory committees at the federal level; and organized several national and international symposia. He regularly supervises and mentors junior faculty and students at every level, but he particularly enjoys his involvement with undergraduate students.

"NDSU has a strong focus on undergraduates," he said. "It's just a lot of fun to include them in the research. Undergraduates just want to take it all in and have fun with it."

Reynolds recently completed a three-year term as editor-in-chief of the *Journal of Animal Science*, the world's leading animal science journal. He serves as editor-in-chief of the animal science image gallery at the National Agricultural Library. In 2007, he received the prestigious Animal Physiology and Endocrinology Award from the American Society of Animal Science. In 2008, he was named a distinguished professor at NDSU.

## Littlefield named Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Professor



Littlefield

The NDSU Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Professor Award Committee has selected Robert Littlefield, professor of communication, as recipient of the 2009 award. Littlefield will be recognized during the Celebration of Faculty Excellence on May 6.

R.S. Krishnan, committee chair and associate vice president for academic affairs, said, "The committee was impressed with Dr. Littlefield's distinguished record as an educator, and his exemplary service and leadership in the area of public speaking and forensics."

In a letter of nomination, Ross Collins, associate professor of communication, praised Littlefield's contributions in support of public

speaking and debate education. "He has judged more than 200 speech tournaments, and has managed more than 150. These tournaments not only prepare young people for the critically important role of clear spoken communication in our society, but actually provide a substantial economic benefit to the communities and schools that host the tournaments," Collins wrote, noting Littlefield has served as a presenter for several FM Communiversity classes, president of the Elim Lutheran Church Council, a Cub Scout den leader and president of NDSU's Phi Kappa Phi chapter.

"I was honored to be nominated for this award," Littlefield said. "As I think of previous award winners, their imprint on the community and NDSU is well known. It is humbling for me to be put into the same

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**NDSU** [www.ndsu.edu/itshappening](http://www.ndsu.edu/itshappening)

### New e-mail address for "It's Happening at State"

When sending submissions for "It's Happening at State," e-mail [ndsu.itshappening@ndsu.edu](mailto:ndsu.itshappening@ndsu.edu).

### NDW-R forms due for 2009

If you are a Minnesota resident with Minnesota state income tax withheld from your paychecks, you need to fill out and submit a 2009 NDW-R form to the Office of Human Resources and Payroll by Feb. 28

### Little Country Theatre presents 'West Side Story'

The Little Country Theatre will present "West Side Story" Feb. 25-March 1 in Festival Concert Hall. Contact the Fine Arts Box Office at 1-7969 to purchase tickets.

### Diversity Council launches Campus Climate Assessment

President Joseph A. Chapman is encouraging all members of the NDSU community to participate in the campus climate assessment at <https://online.survey.psu.edu/ndsu>.

circle with these people that I have known and always respected. Over my roughly 30 years at NDSU, I have always taken my community role seriously. So, receiving this award from the Chamber of Commerce is a wonderful way to be recognized for that effort.”

Littlefield has written or co-written nearly 60 articles for refereed journals, six books and monographs and eight book chapters and proceedings. He also wrote “Voices on the Prairie: Bringing Speech and Theatre to North Dakota.”

A member of the Hall of Fame of the Pi Kappa Delta National Forensic Honorary, Littlefield has received many honors, including the President’s Leadership Medal from Lions Clubs International. He also has received the Wayne Brockreide Award for Research, Ralph E. Carey Award for Distinguished Career Service and Double Diamond Coach Award from the American Forensic Association. He was acknowledged with the Outstanding Educator Award from the NDSU College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences and was twice named the Debate Coach of the Year by the North Dakota Speech and Theatre Association.

“Dr. Littlefield has led and participated in nearly every committee and council in the college and at the university, served for a decade as department chair and also as interim college dean,” Collins wrote. “Certainly there can be few community leaders, educators and scholars as deserving of the NDSU Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Professor Award.”

The award is designed to recognize NDSU faculty members who have attained distinction in their profession. Nominees for the honor are judged on the basis of their substantial service and or outreach contributions to the community and the region, in addition to their achievement as scholars, teachers or artists during their time at NDSU.

## Extension Service develops youth market lamb project guide

The NDSU Extension Service has developed a publication for youth interested in getting involved in the youth market lamb project.

The 28-page “Youth Market Lamb Project Guide” is available through the NDSU Agriculture Communication Distribution Center for \$2 plus shipping. For a copy, contact the Distribution Center at 1-7882 or [NDSU.distributioncenter@ndsu.edu](mailto:NDSU.distributioncenter@ndsu.edu).

About 1,000 youths from throughout North Dakota participate in the program. They are introduced to the basic concepts behind a successful livestock operation, including goal setting, selection, recordkeeping, nutritional management, proper animal health care, animal husbandry, handling techniques and livestock marketing.

The “Youth Market Lamb Project Guide” provides youth with information on the facilities and equipment they will need. The publication also gives them tips on selecting lambs for their project, caring for their lambs and training their lambs to be exhibited in shows.

Go to [www.ext.nodak.edu/4h/publications/gbj166.pdf](http://www.ext.nodak.edu/4h/publications/gbj166.pdf) to view the publication online.

## Diversity Council launches Campus Climate Assessment

On Feb. 17, the President’s Diversity Council launched a Campus Climate Assessment in an effort to measure progress toward making NDSU a welcoming and inclusive environment for all people. The survey is offered online and President Joseph A. Chapman strongly encourages all members of the campus community to participate. The survey is available at <https://online.survey.psu.edu/ndsu>.

The first Campus Climate Assessment was conducted in Spring 2003 and resulted in the development of the NDSU Strategic Plan for Diversity, Equity and Community: 2005-2010. The plan is available in its entirety in the documents section of the Diversity Council Web site at [www.ndsu.edu/diversity](http://www.ndsu.edu/diversity).

During the past two years, the Diversity Council has been applying the initiatives established in the strategic plan to assess the progress of each department at the university. Many new programs and initiatives have been developed across the university to address the needs of the campus, specifically those highlighted during the first Campus Climate Assessment.

“I am encouraging all members of the NDSU community to take a few moments to complete the Campus Climate Assessment,” Chapman said. “Help us become a university that provides a welcoming and inclusive learning and working environment for all people.”

For more information, contact the Division of Equity, Diversity and Global Outreach at 1-5693.

## 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 2008-09 academic year. The application deadline is April 1.

The Centennial Endowment Fund can provide maximum awards of \$5,000, with a total of \$19,650 available. It supports professorships, scholarships, biotechnology, faculty development, the libraries and cultural arts.

The NDSU Development Foundation Board of Trustees Endowment can provide maximum awards of \$1,000, with a total of \$4,000 available. It supports general programs across campus.

The NDSU Development Foundation Libraries Endowment has \$3,170 available. It supports requests from any academic unit on campus for materials that will enhance the collections and operations of university libraries.

The NDSU Development Foundation Gordon A. Larson Agricultural Research Fund has \$12,230 available for awards. This fund has no maximum award amount and supports competitive grants for agricultural research efforts conducted at NDSU.

Go to [www.ndsufoundation.com/grants.htm](http://www.ndsufoundation.com/grants.htm) where application forms for all four awards are available. The NDSU Development Foundation will notify applicants of funding decisions by May 5.

DIVERSITY

## Wood and Offerdahl receive Gender Equity Research grant



Wood

Nathan Wood, assistant professor in the School of Education, and Erika Offerdahl, assistant professor in chemistry and molecular biology, are the recipients of the first Advance FORWARD Climate and Gender Equity Research Grant.



Offerdahl

Wood and Offerdahl, both new faculty members at NDSU, will use the grant award to explore the gender bias inherent in STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) assessments with the goal of better understanding gender bias in assessment. They expect to produce examples of equitable assessments as well as a knowledge base for the design of future assessments that will serve as a means to achieve systemic reform in STEM education.

The Climate and Gender Equity Research Grant is part of Advance FORWARD project's climate component. External reviewers examine proposals submitted for funding from FORWARD.

One or two Climate and Gender Equity Research Grants will be awarded in each year of the five-year, National Science Foundation-funded project. A call for proposals for the 2009-10 academic year will be announced at [www.ndsu.edu/forward](http://www.ndsu.edu/forward).

## 'Turning Away from Hate' presentation scheduled

TJ Leyden, a former recruiter and organizer for the white supremacist movement, is scheduled to present "Turning Away from Hate" on Thursday, Feb. 26, at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Union Great Room.

During Leyden's talk, he will share his unique perspective on hate groups in this country. After 15 years as a skinhead, Leyden experienced a profound change of heart, turned away from hate and began teaching tolerance. He has since worked for the Task Force Against Hate at the Simon Wiesenthal Center and has spoken at the Clinton White House Conference on Hate in Washington, D.C. Leyden also has trained members of the Pentagon, FBI, military, law enforcement, educators and more than 800,000 students.

Campus Attractions, the Ten Percent Society, Feminist Majority and Students for Social Justice are sponsoring the event. For more information, contact Campus Attractions at 1-7221.

This event is free and open to the public.

## Diverse student population workshop planned



Myers

A workshop titled "Diverse Student Population in the Classroom - Enhancing Inclusiveness" is planned for Wednesday, March 4, at 3 p.m. in Van Es room 1010. The faculty development committee in the College of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Natural Resources has planned the event.

Evie Myers, vice president for equity, diversity and global outreach, is the introductory speaker.

A panel discussion will follow. Panel members include Eugene Berry, veterinary and microbiological sciences; Kara Gravley-Stack, outreach coordinator in the office of equity and diversity; Lisa Hauck, director of the office of international programs; Suranjan Panigrahi, agricultural and biosystems engineering; and David Wittrock, dean of graduate and interdisciplinary studies.

For more information, contact Lyle Prunty, chair of the committee, at 1-8580 or [lyle.prunty@ndsu.edu](mailto:lyle.prunty@ndsu.edu).

PEOPLE

## Golden Key welcomes honorary members



Burnett

The NDSU chapter of Golden Key International Honour Society inducted four faculty as honorary members during its 14th annual induction ceremony Nov. 18. They include Ann Burnett, director of women's studies; Edward Deckard, professor of plant sciences; Timothy Kloberdanz, associate professor of anthropology; and Cindy Urness, assistant professor of architecture and landscape architecture.



Deckard

Honorary memberships are presented to individuals who embody the ideals of Golden Key and encourage academic excellence. On Saturday, Feb. 21, the chapter held a breakfast for honorary members and their families at the University Lutheran Center.



Kloberdanz

A total of 44 students also were inducted into the society during the ceremony. Juniors and seniors in the top 15 percent of their respective classes are eligible for membership.



Urness

Golden Key International Honour Society was founded in 1977 at Georgia State University. The NDSU chapter was chartered in 1996. Since then, the chapter has received several regional and international awards, including "Best New Chapter," "Key Chapter," "Honorable Mention Key Chapter" and "Gold-Level Chapter."

## Bison Ambassadors announce 2009 Apple Polishers

Bison Ambassadors honored 28 NDSU faculty and staff members during Apple Polisher Week, Feb. 9-13. The Apple Polisher program honors NDSU faculty and staff who have made an exceptional impact on a student's college experience. Each Bison Ambassador selected a recipient and brought them a special gift each day of the week.

The honorees are:

Judy Ary, health, nutrition and exercise sciences  
 Dave Bass, elementary education  
 Katherine Bertolini, education  
 Muriel Brown, English  
 Jakelle Cornell, Alumni Center  
 Jim Coykendall, mathematics  
 Amy Du, Dining Services  
 Ranelle Engels, Registrar's Office  
 Charles Fountaine, health, nutrition and exercise sciences  
 Trish Geggelman, education  
 Paul Gleye, architecture and landscape architecture  
 Amy Graff, Memorial Union  
 Heldur Hakk, chemistry and molecular biology  
 Joel Hanson, engineering and architecture  
 Kent Kapplinger, visual arts  
 Stephanie Martin, Alumni Center  
 Prakash Mathew, vice president for student affairs  
 Paul Nelson, communication  
 Amy O'Connor, communication  
 Amber Raile, communication  
 Wanda Roden, pharmacy practice  
 Jim Ross, Information Technology Services  
 Jen Sondag, communication  
 Wenfang Sun, chemistry and molecular biology  
 Sara Tanke, pharmacy, nursing, and allied sciences  
 Kevin Thompson, criminal justice and political science  
 Christina Weber, sociology  
 Tai Yun, communication

## Kutka receives Friend of the Farmer Award



**Kutka**

Frank Kutka, NDSU Extension sustainable agriculture specialist and assistant director at the Dickinson Research Extension Center, received the 2009 Friend of the Farmer Award by the Northern Plains Sustainable Agriculture Society on Feb. 14.

The award was presented during the Northern Plains Sustainable Agriculture Society winter conference in Huron, S.D. The event featured presentations by youth, farmers, ranchers and educators who received funds from the Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education Program, which Kutka coordinates in the Dakotas.

Brad Brummond, NDSU Extension agent in Walsh County, read this quote from a letter of recommendation during the presentation, "Very few people are both scientifically logical and creative visionaries who make new things happen; he (Kutka) is one of these."

## Goldwater Scholarship candidates nominated



**Gellerman**

Four NDSU students have been chosen as the university's institutional candidates for the prestigious Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship. They include Katrina Gellerman, Nicholas Peterka, Leslee Storlie and Jason Thomas.

"All four students are outstanding candidates for the Goldwater Scholarship," said R.S. Krishnan, associate vice president for academic affairs and chair of the NDSU Goldwater Scholarship Review Committee. "Each of them certainly is qualified for this honor, and their academic excellence demonstrates the high standard of quality that we have at NDSU."



**Peterka**

Established by Congress in 1986, the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program was created to encourage outstanding students to pursue careers in mathematics, the natural sciences or engineering to foster excellence in those fields.



**Storlie**

Gellerman is a sophomore from Bismarck, N.D., majoring in biochemistry and molecular biology. She specializes in human and bacterial genetics, and she plans to pursue a doctorate in molecular biology. "I wish to conduct genetics research pertaining to human health," she wrote in her application. "This includes investigating the genetic causes and using bacterial genomic knowledge to develop methods for treating pathogens."



**Thomas**

Among her honors are the Presidential Scholars Program, North Dakota Scholars Program, Klosterman Merit Scholarship, Freshman Scholar Award Scholarship and NDSU Book Award Scholarship. A member of the Intervarsity Christian Fellowship, she is a founder and leader of the University Physics Study Group. Gellerman was recommended for the honor by Kenton Rodgers, professor of chemistry; Gudrun Lukat-Rodgers, research assistant professor; and Seth Rasmussen, associate professor of chemistry.

Peterka is a junior from Park River, N.D., who is majoring in civil engineering. His goal is to earn a doctorate in material science and conduct research as a senior investigator for a biomaterials or biomedical laboratory. "I have always wanted to be an engineer," Peterka wrote in his application. "I have always been interested in engineering and how things are made."

Selected to the Academic All-State Team in 2006, Peterka received the Concordia College Faculty Scholarship. He is a member of the Materials Research Society, American Society of Civil Engineers, National Society of Collegiate Scholars and Golden Key International Honor Society. He was recommended by Dinesh Katti, chair and professor of civil engineering; Kalpana Katti, professor of civil engineering; and graduate student Priyanthi Amarasinghe.

A native of Hastings, Minn., Storlie is a sophomore majoring in civil engineering. Her goal is to earn a doctorate in civil engineering, with an emphasis on structural engineering to withstand

earthquakes. "In this area, I can make lives safer and potentially save the lives of others," Storlie wrote in her application.

Storlie has received Scholastic Achievement Awards in biology, mathematics analysis and chemistry. She received the Welshon's Family Scholarship and the NDSU Freshman Book Award. She is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, NDSU's Steel Bridge Team and the Society of Women Engineers. She was recommended by Jim Coykendall, professor and chair of mathematics; Magdy Abdelrahman, assistant professor of civil engineering; and Brant Bigger, U.S. Department of Agriculture – Agriculture Research Service biological science lab technician.

Thomas grew up on a farm near Moorhead, Minn., and is a sophomore majoring in industrial engineering. His goal is to earn a doctorate in industrial engineering and gain a management position in the area of microelectronic research with an emphasis in advanced packaging. In his application, Thomas wrote he could develop a "streamlined link between the research engineers, the technicians and research assistants," noting that "as an industrial engineer, I can help identify and correct several areas of inefficiency that are driving up the cost."

A recipient of an NDSU Presidential Scholarship and Dollars for Scholars, Thomas participates in the Institute of Industrial Engineers, Math Club and Bison Bow Hunters. He was recommended by John Cook, associate professor of industrial and manufacturing engineering; Syed Ahmad, manager of engineering services at the Center for Nanoscale Science and Engineering; and Jim Coykendall, professor and chair of mathematics.

Krishnan expects the Goldwater Scholarship recipients to be announced in late May or early June.

## EVENTS

### Annual Aldrich C. Bloomquist Lectureship scheduled



Engel

Robert B. Engel, president and CEO of CoBank, is scheduled to present the 17th annual Aldrich C. Bloomquist Lectureship on Wednesday, April 1, at 7 a.m. at the Fargo Holiday Inn. His lecture is titled "Steadying Forces in Turbulent Times."

The lectureship is sponsored by the Quentin N. Burdick Center for Cooperatives at NDSU, with funding from the Aldrich C. Bloomquist Endowment, which was established by American Crystal Sugar Co.



Bloomquist

Engel will discuss significant weaknesses revealed by the current economic turmoil, including a void in leadership in both the private and public sectors. His talk will address how features of rural America will help insulate it from the downward spiral, but no one will be immune.

The lectureship is named for the former president and longtime executive of American Crystal Sugar Co. Breakfast will be catered. Make reservations by March 18 by e-mailing [gregory.mckee@ndsu.edu](mailto:gregory.mckee@ndsu.edu).

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### Science and mathematics conference planned

The North Dakota Curriculum Initiative has scheduled a "Science and Mathematics" conference, featuring two concurrent sessions, on March 30-31 at the Radisson Hotel in Bismarck, N.D.

"Engaging Students Mathematically K-12: How can Teachers Motivate Students to Learn Mathematics?" will investigate the research associated with how students learn mathematics and strategies to help students and parents understand the importance of mathematics. Participants will gain insights into how the classroom environment impacts student learning and learn strategies to motivate students.

Anne Tweed, principal science consultant at Mid-continent Research for Education and Learning and North Dakota liaison for the North Central Comprehensive Center will present "Inquiry Science Instruction: How can we make our lessons more inquiry based?" The session will explore inquiry-based learning, which engages students, promotes teamwork and prepares students to successfully defend findings.

One graduate credit (pending) will be available by attending both days of the conference. The credit, with a cost of \$50, will be through NDSU. A copy of the syllabus will be available at the conference. The North Dakota Curriculum Initiative is funded by a grant from the Department of Public Instruction through NDSU's School of Education. Go to <http://ndcurriculuminitiative.org> to register.

### 'Mathematics of Ecstasy' on display at NDSU

New York City-based artist Jari Chevalier has a traveling solo exhibition on display at the NDSU Memorial Union Gallery. The show, titled "Mathematics of Ecstasy," features mixed media collage inlays from 2003-08 and will run through Sunday, April 18.

The 24 inlaid collages include symbols such as mandalas, cosmic eggs and concentric circles. Chevalier says she incorporates these symbols "to illustrate the mystical dimension of the living world in relation to contemporary scientific and technological advancements."

"As scientists probe more deeply into matter, biological systems and outer space using technologically advanced instruments such as particle accelerators, X-rays, MRIs (magnetic resonance images), artificial intelligence, satellites, massive telescopes and space probes, these deeper, closer looks into reality reveal even greater mysteries and causes for awe," she said.

The exhibition is sponsored by the North Dakota Art Gallery Association and is supported, in part, by a grant from the North Dakota Council on the Arts, which receives funding from the state legislature and the National Endowment for the Arts.

An opening reception is planned for Thursday, Feb. 26, from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The event is free and open to public. The gallery is located above the NDSU Bookstore in the Memorial Union.

## Brooks, Birmingham films to be shown at Fargo Film Festival



Brooks

The family of Kevin Brooks and Elizabeth Birmingham (not pictured), both associate professors of English, will be well represented at the Fargo Film Festival March 3-7.

Brooks worked with a local team to make a documentary film titled "African Soul, American Heart," that will be shown on Wednesday, March 4, at 4:30 p.m. with a cluster of films about Africa.

Both of Brooks' children also will have films screened at this year's festival. Stepdaughter Caity Birmingham's film, "50 States," is scheduled for Thursday, March 5, at 8:30 p.m. as part of a group of films showcasing women filmmakers. Ten-year-old son Griffin Birmingham, a fifth-grader, collaborated with seventh-grader Quinn Del Val to write, film and edit a stop-action Lego film called "Hermione's Family Jewel," which they will submit to the two-minute film contest for a Friday, March 6, 9:15 p.m. showing.

Hosted by the historic Fargo Theatre, the Fargo Film Festival began in 2001. Films are listed in a number of categories, including animation, documentary feature, documentary short, experimental, narrative feature, narrative short, Native American voices and student.

## 'Ice People' premieres at 2009 Fargo Film Festival



Ashworth

The Fargo premiere of documentary filmmaker Anne Aghion's "Ice People" is planned for Tuesday, March 3, at the opening night of the 2009 Fargo Film Festival. The film features the research of NDSU scientists Allan Ashworth and Adam Lewis and students Kelly Gorz and Andrew Podoll.

In celebration of "Ice People" and the opening night of the festival, NDSU landscape architecture students Kyle Slivnik, David Prom and Patrick Benson will create a snow sculpture in front of the Fargo Theatre. The students recently participated in the Festival du Voyageur 15th annual International Snow Sculpting Symposium.



Lewis

Aghion spent four months at the U.S. research station McMurdo and camped out for seven

weeks in the research field with Ashworth and the research crew while they studied fossilized vegetation in Antarctic lakebeds. The feature-length documentary explores the physical, emotional and spiritual adventure of living and conducting science in Antarctica.

"Ice People" first premiered at the 2008 San Francisco International Film Festival, has aired on ARTE in Europe and the Sundance Channel. The film also has been screened at science museums and film festivals in Australia, Vancouver, New York, Paris, San Francisco and Jerusalem and was featured in "Hollywood in Antarctica" in the Oct. 17, 2008, online issue of The Scientist.

Ashworth is an NDSU Distinguished Professor of geological sciences. He teaches and conducts research in paleontology and stratigraphy. His research in Antarctica includes collecting fossils of plants, mollusks and insects that help scientists determine climate changes that occurred millions of years ago.

Lewis is an assistant professor of geological sciences. He teaches and conducts research in glacial geology and long-term climate change. His research focuses on the growth of the East Antarctic Ice Sheet and its influence on global climate evolution.

Aghion's films have received Emmy and United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization Fellini Awards. She is a dual resident of New York and Paris. She began her career at The New York Times Paris bureau and at the International Herald Tribune. Moving into film, she worked as a cameraperson, line producer and post-production supervisor before producing and directing her own projects. Aghion holds a degree in Arab language and literature from Barnard College at Columbia University in New York.

## Salmela exhibit on display in Renaissance Hall gallery

An exhibition of photographs, plans, drawings and models by David Salmela, architect and fellow of the American Institute of Architects, is on display in the architecture and landscape architecture department gallery, on the fifth floor of Renaissance Hall, 650 NP Ave., Fargo. Salmela is from Duluth, Minn.

This exhibition was organized by teaching assistant Greg Elsner, teaching assistant Cory Miskowicz and associate professor Regin Schwaen. James Dozier, adjunct assistant professor from the College of Design, School of Architecture at the University of Minnesota, and Fargo architect Malini Srivastava were curators of the exhibit.

Salmela will give a lecture on Friday, Feb. 27, at 4:15 p.m. in the gallery. The exhibition is open until March 1. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## Student Dietetic Association plans fundraiser

The NDSU Student Dietetic Association has planned a spaghetti feed for Sunday, March 1, from noon to 3 p.m. at Peace Lutheran Church. All proceeds go to the American Diabetes Association and the NDSU Student Dietetic Association.

Spaghetti, breadsticks, desserts, lemonade and coffee will be served. The cost is \$5 per person. No reservations are necessary.

Peace Lutheran Church is located at 1011 12th Ave. N. For more information, contact Shannon Medenwald, Student Dietetic Association president, at [shannon.medenwald@ndsu.edu](mailto:shannon.medenwald@ndsu.edu) or (701) 200-7233.

## SHORTS &amp; REMINDERS

**Policy updates**

The following policies recently have been added or revised. To see the complete policy, go to [www.ndsu.nodak.edu/policy](http://www.ndsu.nodak.edu/policy).

**Policy 122: Payroll Check Distribution**

Changes were made to section 1 of the policy in order to make NDSU policy match the North Dakota University System Human Resource Policy manual. Due to this change, section 4 of the existing policy is no longer necessary.

**Policy 133: Educational Policy**

The President's Cabinet has expanded the education policy to provide additional benefit to all eligible employees at NDSU. The change to section 4 of the policy now allows NDSU employees (only) to use the tuition waiver for distance education, self-support and online courses when those courses would normally be accepted toward a degree program.

**Policy 721: Campus Emergency Notification Systems (CENS)**

State Board of Higher Education Policy 1902 stipulates that each institution adopt policy and implement procedures for campus emergency notification systems by mid-January 2009. This new policy takes language for the listed requirements in State Board of Higher Education 1902 directly from that policy and resulting North Dakota University System procedure and adds to it NDSU's requirements in italics.

**Positions available**

Positions open and screening dates through the Office of Human Resources, SGC, 1919 N. University Drive. Position openings also are available through the NDSU Web site at [www.ndsu.edu/jobs](http://www.ndsu.edu/jobs).

**Receptionist/Admission Officer**

Admission  
\$22,500+/year  
Feb. 27

**Administrative Secretary/#00026733**

Enrollment Management  
\$27,000+/year  
Feb. 27

**Administrative Assistant**

Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute  
Salary commensurate with experience  
Open until filled

**Custodian/#00020376**

Monday through Friday, 4 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
Facilities Management  
\$19,760+/year  
Feb. 27

**Telecommunications and Emergency Technologies Analyst**

Telecommunications  
Salary commensurate with experience  
Feb. 27

**Internal Auditor/#00020821**

Budget Office  
\$50,000+/year  
Feb. 28

**Graphic Designer/#00019654**

Publication Services  
Salary commensurate with experience  
March 3

**BMRL Software Engineer**

Center for Nanoscale Science and Engineering  
Salary commensurate with experience  
March 6

**Counselor**

Counseling Center  
\$30,000+/year  
March 9

**Adviser Lecturer**

10 month, half-time position  
Computer Science  
\$17,000+/year  
March 15

**Veterinary Technologist**

Animal Science  
\$35,000+/year  
Open until filled

**Nursery Manager/#00020162**

North Dakota Forest Service  
Salary commensurate with experience  
Open until filled

**Academic Adviser/Lecturer**

College of Pharmacy, Nursing,  
and Allied Sciences  
10 months  
Aug. 15 to May 15 plus summer hours  
\$35,000+/year  
Open until filled

**Hall Director**

Residence Life  
\$31,500/year  
Open until filled

**Software Engineer (EduTech)**

Information Technology Services  
\$42,000+/year  
Open until filled

**Assistant Director of Study Abroad**

Equity, Diversity and Global Outreach  
\$36,000+/year  
Open until filled

**NDSU Advance FORWARD Project Coordinator**

Center for Science and Mathematics  
Salary commensurate with experience  
Open until filled

**Serials Librarian/#00019211**

NDSU Libraries  
Salary commensurate with experience,  
minimum \$42,000  
Open until filled

**NDSU to host North Dakota Academy of Science meeting**

NDSU will host the North Dakota Academy of Science 101st annual meeting on April 30. Abstracts for 15-minute presentations will be accepted across a wide range of research areas. The deadline for submissions is March 15. For more information, go to [www.ndacadsci.org](http://www.ndacadsci.org) or contact Birgit Pruess at [birgit.pruess@ndsu.edu](mailto:birgit.pruess@ndsu.edu).

**Responsibility Review Training**

The Office of Human Resources and Payroll have planned training sessions on Wednesday, March 4, in the Alumni Center Reimers room.

**For supervisors**

- "Building an Environment for Success," 1 p.m.
- "How to Complete the Responsibility Review Process," 2:30 p.m.

**For employees**

- "How to be an Active Participant in your Responsibility Review," 4 p.m.

Contact Elizabeth Thompson at 1-5922 or [elizabeth.thompson.1@ndsu.edu](mailto:elizabeth.thompson.1@ndsu.edu) to register.

## CALENDAR

### FEBRUARY

**25 Discover U: Moving Forward Together,**  
8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Memorial Union Great Plains Ballroom

**25 Black History Month** – Community of Color Town Hall meeting, noon, Memorial Union Century Theater

**25 Live at the Wall** – Songs from West Side Story, 2 p.m., Wallman Wellness Center

**25 Black History Month** – Soul Food Dinner, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., University Lutheran Center, 1201 13th Ave., N., Fargo

**26 Black History Month** – Closing Ceremony, noon, Memorial Union Hidatsa

**27 WISMET meeting** – “Does Aluminum Rust?” Victoria Gelling, assistant professor of coatings and polymeric materials, noon, Memorial Union Arikara room

**27 Black History Month** – Sisterhood Circle: Contrasting Feminist Ideology of Women of Color and White Women, 1 p.m., Memorial Union Meadow Lark room

### MARCH

**2 YMCA of NDSU Brown Bag** – “The Personal is STILL Political,” Laurie Baker, University Relations, noon, Memorial Union Hidatsa room

**2 Plant Sciences Graduate Seminar** – “The Concept of Durable Resistance in Wheat Rust Diseases,” Vibin Harilal, 3 p.m., Loftsgard Hall 114

**2 Women’s Week** – “Power Dead Even Rule and Other Gender Differences,” Marie Hvidsten, NDSU Extension Service, 3 p.m., Memorial Union Century Theater

**2 Winter Choral Concert** – 7:30 p.m., Festival Concert Hall. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students and seniors.

**3 Women’s Week** – “Clothesline Project,” 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Memorial Union Hidatsa room

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