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## Institute for Regional Studies celebrates 60 years



*Pictured from left to right: John Bye, director and university archivist; Michael Robinson, archivist; Michele Reid, dean of libraries and institute director; and Tom Riley, dean of arts, humanities and social sciences and institute director.*

Sixty years ago, NDSU President Fred Hultz presented a proposal to the North Dakota State Board of Higher Education for an institute that would inspire and provide a center for research of the region's resources and culture, encourage artistic expression of life on the Plains and assist in disseminating results of significant work. H. Dean Stalling, E. A. Helgeson, Rudolph Otterson, Kenneth Kuhn, William C. Hunter, G. Ernst Gieseke and O. A. Stevens are credited with developing the idea for the institute.

On March 8, members of the NDSU community gathered to celebrate 60 years of important accomplishments made by the institute. The institute's collections comprise manuscripts, photographs, university records and artifacts and online databases. Its current activities include digitizing a range of resources and publishing. To date, the institute has added more than 2,900 separate collections and currently preserves more than 100,000 photographs.

"One of the biggest accomplishments I've seen during my tenure is

when the institute obtained one of the first completed American Memory Projects from the Library of Congress," says Tom Riley, an institute director and dean of the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences.

According to Riley, the institute's publishing program has the distinction of having issued more than 100 publications, including historical works, political biographies and poetry, since its first offering "Handbook of North Dakota Plants," written by professor O. A. Stevens and published in 1950.

In partnership with Prairie Public Broadcasting and the State Historical Society of North Dakota, the institute also considers the creation of Digital Horizons, an online archives of documents, images, video and oral histories depicting life on the Northern Plains, another of their major accomplishments. "It's a collaboration between Prairie Public Broadcasting, the Historical Society, Concordia and NDSU," said John Bye, director of the institute archives. "There are well over 20,000 objects in there right now and we're just beginning."

Michele Reid, an institute director and dean of NDSU libraries, says they will continue making major accomplishments. "We'd like to produce more publications and we're also hoping to put together more programming opportunities. We want to work with the general public about preserving collections and family histories, and we'd like to encourage people to donate material they may have in their attic that would help preserve the history of Fargo and North Dakota. We also hope to expand our archival collections conserving the university's heritage, and to teach more public history courses in association with the history department."

Reid says they are hopeful that a new, larger main library building can be constructed in the near future that can reincorporate the institute and university archives, which are currently housed at the Skills and Technology Training Center. Bye agrees, noting an adequate facility with temperature control and humidity would create a better environment for the expanding collections.

For more information about the Institute for Regional Studies and University Archives, go to <http://library.ndsu.edu/archives>.

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

### **Flood fighting volunteers needed**

Students, faculty and staff volunteers may check in at the NDSU flood support center on the main floor of the Memorial Union. Volunteers are needed Monday through Saturday, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. For more information, call 1-7870.

### **Impact Award nominations being accepted**

Go to [www.ndsu.edu/diversity/diversity/presidents\\_impact\\_award](http://www.ndsu.edu/diversity/diversity/presidents_impact_award), for nomination instructions and forms. Nominations are due March 31 by 5 p.m.

### **Research and Technology Park interactive discussion planned**

Tony Grindberg, executive director, will lead a discussion on the park's opportunities and innovation on Wednesday, April 7, at 4 p.m. in Memorial Union Century Theater.

### **Transition updates available**

For information about the transition to NDSU's 14th president, go to [www.ndsu/news/transition](http://www.ndsu/news/transition).

## Hanson calls for campus to 'celebrate Bison pride'

President Richard A. Hanson says faculty, staff and students should "step up to make NDSU healthy, strong, competent and caring." He made his comments during an open forum on March 11 in the Memorial Union Century Theater.

During the forum, Hanson said NDSU is the embodiment of the 1862 legislation creating land-grant institutions. He said those institutions emphasize leadership, innovation, problem solving, excellence in research and facilitating the work of the agricultural world.

"Land-grant means 'for the land and for the people.' We reach out and bring our educational product to the people. We support research endeavors that support agriculture. We are the land-grant. It's a very special mission," Hanson said. "And the land-grant mission is alive and well."

In other matters, Hanson said he has the paperwork to promote 13 faculty members to full professors, and he noted with pride that seven of them are women. He said those promotions will go to the State Board of Higher Education for approval.

Hanson also urged the campus to care for the Fargo-Moorhead community, being especially mindful of the rising Red River.

"We are now entering a specific season in the Upper Great Plains – it's called the flood season. I want to remind you of last year when this university stood up and made a difference," he said. "The university will put its resources on the line once again. I encourage each of you in whatever way you can, to step up. It's our responsibility. When you live in a community, you have to take care of the community."

As of March 11, about 500 NDSU volunteers had contributed approximately 1,400 hours to filling sandbags in preparation for expected flooding. Hanson asked the crowd to respond when the city needs NDSU. "When the call comes out, step up," he said.

## NDSU artist in residency applications being accepted

The NDSU Department of Visual Arts is accepting applications for the 2011 James Rosenquist Artist in Residency through April 15.

Preferred applicants are artists who have just graduated with a master's degree in fine arts or emerging artists who are looking for an opportunity to grow in their work in a supportive, rewarding environment. The residency will be from January to May 2011 and includes an \$8,000 stipend, room and board, a studio, some supplies and the opportunity to take one class at NDSU.

Artists will give public presentations, hold an exhibition and contribute one work of art to the NDSU collection. The artist also will teach a single course at NDSU with a focus on bringing new ideas to the department.

NDSU visual arts faculty, current Rosenquist Fellow and local art leaders will select a resident from applications submitted by the deadline. The residency is open to all visual arts media.

Visit [www.ndsu.edu/finearts/rosenquist/index.shtml](http://www.ndsu.edu/finearts/rosenquist/index.shtml) for more information.

## NDSU welcomes new Fargo-Moorhead chamber president

NDSU President Richard A. Hanson and the NDSU Research and Technology Park welcomed Craig Whitney, new president and CEO of the Fargo-Moorhead Chamber of Commerce, at a Meet and Greet on March 9. Whitney began his position with the chamber on Feb. 1.

Whitney has experience in the areas of fundraising, team development and public policy. With a career spanning more than 25 years, he has handled complex and high-profile assignments for leaders in politics and business in both the public and private sectors.

Whitney spent four years at the White House working in the office of Vice President Dan Quayle. Later, he worked at the Hudson Institute, a non-profit public policy research organization, and he also spent part of his career as vice president of public affairs for the Greater Phoenix Chamber of Commerce. His most recent position has been chief of staff to the chairman at investment firm Cerberus Capital Management.

## RSVP+ of North Dakota collaborates with Bon Jovi

Volunteers from the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP+) North Dakota, an NDSU sponsored program, joined forces with Jon Bon Jovi during a concert at the Fargodome on March 13. Encouraging concertgoers to participate in community service, Jon Bon Jovi aired a video promoting President Barack Obama's service initiative "United We Serve." RSVP+ North Dakota volunteers had a booth with information about community service activities.

"This was an excellent opportunity to educate the communities we serve about the critical need for volunteering, not just locally but nationally. Jon Bon Jovi has the power to inspire those who may not have thought about service to find their passion and help with challenges in our community," says Nancy Olson, program manager.

The video will run at all venues on the U.S. leg of Bon Jovi's "The Circle World Tour" and is a collaboration between Bon Jovi and the government-run Corporation for National and Community

Service, which funds NDSU's RSVP+ North Dakota. Bon Jovi is the first artist to take the campaign to a mass audience.

RSVP+ North Dakota matches volunteers with service opportunities that fit their skills. They have six offices in North Dakota (Grand Forks, Jamestown, Fargo, Minot, Bismarck and Dickinson) serving more than 40 counties in North Dakota and one in Minnesota.

## NDSU Equine Center opening an emergency horse shelter

With spring flooding likely in the Red River Valley, the NDSU Equine Center will again open an emergency shelter for horses. The center will accept horses once the threat of the river reaching more than 35 feet becomes imminent. Owners must call (701) 281-1138 before arrival to ensure space is available.

“Horse owners are encouraged to prepare for the flood by developing an evacuation plan,” says Carrie Hammer, NDSU Extension Service equine specialist. “This plan should include where and when the horses will be moved and who will move them when owners do not have access to a truck and/or trailer.”

Owners will be charged an initial fee per horse upon arrival and then assessed a daily fee for the duration of the stay. The shelter will close seven days after the river falls below 35 feet.

For more information, visit [www.ag.ndsu.edu/ars/equine\\_studies](http://www.ag.ndsu.edu/ars/equine_studies) or contact Shannon Eck at [Shannon.eck@ndsu.edu](mailto:Shannon.eck@ndsu.edu) or 1-1138.

## NDSU teaches children how to give back to the community

The Center for Child Development at NDSU is sponsoring a community-giving project for the Salvation Army. Children who attend the center will participate in the 2010 Caring and Sharing Food Project, assisting the Salvation Army in the upcoming community flood fight by helping to feed volunteers.

Center staff will take the children to local grocery stores where they will purchase sandwich supplies, such as bread and spreadable margarine, with donations supplied by each child's family. Then, they will travel to the Salvation Army kitchen to deliver the supplies. Both toddlers and preschoolers will have the opportunity to participate in this field trip.

According to Deb Habedank, director of the center, children will learn about different aspects of the flood such as the river, sandbagging and surrounding areas. “We’ll talk about families who may be affected by the flood and they will experience the importance of sharing with others and how it can have greater benefits than receiving,” she said. “The children will learn that everyone can make a difference, no matter what their size.”

The date of the field trip will be determined when flood relief efforts begin. Organizers will make an announcement two days in advance of the event. For more information, contact Habedank at [debra.habedank@ndsu.edu](mailto:debra.habedank@ndsu.edu) or (701) 237-8281.

## NDSU publications offer young adults cooking advice

Julie Garden-Robinson, NDSU Extension Service food and nutrition specialist, with the assistance of three NDSU student dietitians, developed a series of three publications called “Cooking 101 for Singles and Couples.”

“You don’t need a huge budget or gourmet kitchen to make nutritious meals for yourself,” Garden-Robinson says. The NDSU Extension Service launched the publications in celebration of National Nutrition Month. The publications are available online at [www.ndsu.edu/eatsmart](http://www.ndsu.edu/eatsmart).

The publications include information on essential kitchen equipment, buying and using a slow cooker, food storage and safety, vitamins and nutrients and the latest dietary advice. Each publication also includes recipes and a week’s worth of menus and grocery lists to help you buy foods that will provide well-balanced, nutritious meals.

“These publications will be great for college students because many are used to having meals cooked for them at home, and having to do their own cooking can be scary,” says John Nagel, one of the students who helped create the publications.

“For many college students, healthy eating just isn’t on the top of their to-do list,” says Katie Myrold, another student who worked on the publications.

“Plan your meals before you go shopping, so you don’t buy food you don’t need. Always have some vegetable soup on hand in case you don’t feel like cooking and buy frozen vegetables. That way, you don’t have to chop vegetables and do as many dishes,” says Leah Gramlow, a student dietitian who worked on the publication.

The series is part of the NDSU Extension Service’s Eat Smart. Play Hard. Program, which encourages people to eat a healthful diet and be physically active.

## Steinhaus-Rhinehart Scholarship applications available

Applications for the NDSU Development Foundation Steinhaus-Rhinehart Scholarship are available at Student Financial Services in Ceres Hall 202. Students with a senior standing as of fall 2010 can apply for the \$670 scholarship until March 22.

It provides scholarship assistance to students in the College of Science and Mathematics or College of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Natural Resources who are majoring in a biological science (animal and range science, biochemistry, biological sciences, biotechnology, biotic resources science, botany, crop and weed sciences, horticulture, microbiology or zoology) and who plan to do research and attend graduate school in the area of biological science. Students must have a cumulative grade-point average of 3.0 or greater.

A committee of faculty from each of the two colleges will monitor applications. The recipient will be determined by mid-April and the award will be made during fall 2010 semester.

## DIVERSITY

## Equity and Diversity Center expands coat drive

In early November, the Equity and Diversity Center notified the NDSU community that it was launching a coat drive to benefit students who are not prepared for the upcoming cold weather months. According to Kara Gravley-Stack, center director, faculty and staff were generous with their donations of winter coats, hats, mittens, scarves and other clothing. In partnership with the NDSU Bookstore, Churches United for the Homeless and United Campus Ministries, enough coats were collected to serve more than 200 students.

Staff in the Equity and Diversity Center have decided to expand the coat drive to an on-going food and clothing pantry on the third floor of the center. "One of the needs we help to meet in the Office of Multicultural Programs is location of emergency food. Since its inception, the Equity and Diversity Center has supported an ethic of care that holistically approaches student learning, growth and development," says Malika Carter, assistant director in the Office of Multicultural Programs. "The addition of a food pantry will continue to showcase the internal and external campus community that students are paramount at NDSU. It also will help further poise the university community to continue meeting the needs of students we serve at NDSU."

Students who have a demonstrated need for food or clothing assistance for themselves or the dependent children they support, can contact the Equity and Diversity Center for this service. Any students, faculty, staff or members of the Fargo-Moorhead community who want to support this endeavor also may contact the center for more details. The center is located in the Alba Bales House or you can call 1-5728.

Additional food and clothing items also will be available at United Campus Ministry at 1239 12th Street N., Fargo, or you can call (701) 235-0672.

## World I View presentation set

Christopher Whitsel, assistant professor of sociology; Faredun Hodizoda, Tajikistan Dialogue Project; and Sardorbek Musayev, Muskie Fellow, will present a World I View presentation on Thursday, March 25, from noon to 1 p.m. in the Memorial Union Century Theater. Titled "Surviving the Collapse: Stories from Post-Soviet Tajikistan," the presenters will talk about working with the Oral History of Independent Tajikistan Project and the experiences of other men and women who have lived through the post-Soviet transition.

The collapse of the Soviet Union ushered in tremendous change to multiple societies, including the Muslim countries of Soviet Central Asia. During the past decades, Tajikistan has experienced multiple political, economic and social changes. The Oral History Project of Independent Tajikistan, sponsored by the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe Academy, was developed to capture stories from the everyday lives of its citizens.

## Global Outreach Faculty Coffee Hour set

A Global Outreach Faculty Coffee Hour is scheduled for Thursday, March 25, at 9:30 a.m. in the Memorial Union Hidatsa Room.

This month's meeting will feature Mark Meister, associate professor in communication and current president of University Senate. Last fall, he participated in the Muskie Alumni Fellowship Program in Georgia.

For more information, contact Kerri Spiering at 1-8166 or [kerri.spiering@ndsu.edu](mailto:kerri.spiering@ndsu.edu).

## RESEARCH

## Kissoon receives field travel grant

La Toya Kissoon, a doctoral student in environmental and conservation sciences, has been awarded a prestigious, competitive field travel grant from the Wetland Foundation.

Titled "Variations in Aquatic Plant Communities and How They Relate to Shallow Lake Ecology and Biogeochemistry," Kissoon's research aims to clarify the factors that govern changes in turbidity of shallow lakes with a focus on aquatic vegetation and biogeochemistry. "This study is important because it will increase our knowledge of the role of aquatic vegetation in the biogeochemical cycling of multiple elements in shallow lakes," Kissoon said. "It will also gather information essential for better management of shallow lake ecosystems."

Kissoon's advisers are Donna Jacob, research assistant professor, and Marinus Otte, professor of biological sciences.

The Wetland Foundation is a non-profit organization devoted to fostering wetland education and research, particularly in coastal marshes and mangrove forests. Its mission is to enhance wetland education and research primarily by supporting wetland science students with limited resources by providing travel grants to attend conferences, field courses and to conduct field research.

## Reid named UCLA Senior Fellow



Reid

Michele Reid, dean of libraries, has been named a UCLA Senior Fellow. She is one of 15 top leaders in academic libraries chosen to participate in the residential program that will be held Aug. 9-27 on the University of California, Los Angeles campus.

The Senior Fellows Program was established in 1982 with support from the Council on Library Resources. UCLA provides opportunities for senior library leaders to collaborate on joint research and publication in the areas of academic administration, professional development and technology.

## NDSU receives scientific equipment grant

NDSU has been awarded a grant of \$351,764 from the National Science Foundation's Major Research Instrumentation Program, funded under the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act of 2009.

The grant, under the direction of Sanku Mallik, professor of pharmaceutical sciences, will provide highly specialized equipment for faculty, graduate and undergraduate research in biomaterials. The award will fund an automatic isothermal titration microcalorimeter. Currently 10 faculty researchers and more than 40 graduate and undergraduate students at NDSU and the University of South Dakota are studying the interactions of peptide nanofibers, lipid- and polymer-based nanoparticles with proteins, DNA fragments, aptamers, antibodies and groundwater contaminants.

The research collaboration includes Shek Hang Law and Jagdish Singh, NDSU Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences; Dean Webster, NDSU Department of Coatings and Polymeric Materials; and Daniel Engebretson, Department of Biomedical Engineering, University of South Dakota.

The instrumentation will be located in the Pharmaceutical Sciences Instrumentation Core Facility in Sudro Hall at NDSU. The new equipment at NDSU also is expected to benefit high school students affiliated with NDSU's science outreach programs, such as the North Dakota Governor's School and the Indians in Pharmacy program to encourage careers in science and technology. The equipment also will be used in undergraduate and graduate courses in pharmaceutical sciences and coatings and polymeric materials.

"Enhancing instrumentation and research infrastructure strengthens the ability of faculty researchers to contribute to knowledge in their fields and generate discoveries. It also increases research opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students," says Philip Boudjouk, vice president for research, creative activities and technology transfer at NDSU. "In addition, the equipment enhances opportunities for future research collaborations."

## Continued support awarded in coating materials research



Chen

Zhigang Chen, research scientist in the Center for Nanoscale Science and Engineering, has received \$88,630 from the United Soybean Board to support his research to develop high biorenewable content, high performance, soy-based radiation curable coating materials.

In a previous United Soybean Board sponsored research project, toughened soy-based ultraviolet curable coatings were produced by combining biorenewable toughening agents and hyperbranched acrylates in coating formulations. The research discoveries were summarized in two manuscripts.

Chen has obtained more than \$450,000 research funding as principal investigator and co-principal investigator in the biorenewable material industrial utilization area since 2008.

## PEOPLE

### Sublett conducts Fargo-Moorhead Chamber Chorale



Sublett

Virginia Sublett, associate professor of music, was guest conductor of the Fargo-Moorhead Chamber Chorale's winter concert, "Masterworks of French Choral Repertoire," on Feb. 21 at Gethsemane Episcopal Cathedral. The concert featured works by Durufle, Debussy and Fauré.

NDSU music faculty members Sublett, soprano; Elizabeth Chaussé, flute; and Jihye Chang, piano, also presented a recital as part of A Centre for the Arts Chamber Music Festival in Fergus Falls, Minn., on Feb. 28.

### NDSU Staff Senate contributes to Emergency Food Pantry



Committee chair Laura Dallmann and Staff Senate president Vance Olson present a check to Linda Clark, coordinator of the Emergency Food Pantry.

NDSU Staff Senate has made a \$1,626.50 contribution to the Emergency Food Pantry. The gift was made possible through the sale of cookbooks published by Staff Senate.

The Staff Senate Cookbook Committee sold a total of 500 cookbooks during the fundraising effort. The 243-page spiral-bound book contained 427 recipes submitted by university staff members.

"I want to thank all the staff of NDSU who participated," said Laura Dallmann, committee chair, as she presented the gift on March 3. "I think this endeavor was a shining example of how strong, caring and dedicated NDSU's staff is. I also want to thank students and faculty for their support in the cookbook sales."

"This contribution means a lot to us. This is just wonderful," said Linda Clark, coordinator of the Emergency Food Pantry. "It will help us with the daily, necessary things people ask for. We're going to stock up on laundry soap, dish soap, diapers, shavers, shampoo – I have a whole list of items. So, I'm going right out to buy the things we need."

The Staff Senate Cookbook Committee members include Dallmann, Rita Prunty, Pam Hommen, Chris Anderson, Janine Trowbridge, Christina Fischer, Tammy Ross and Kelly Bisek. Dallman also acknowledged assistance provided by Kris Mickelson, Heather Heger and Vance Olson, Staff Senate president.

## EVENTS

**NDSU Ag Days planned**

NDSU will celebrate Ag Days on March 22-23. The event is supported by Saddle and Sirloin Club, Collegiate Farm Bureau, Bison Dairy Club and Justin Sherlock, College of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Natural Resources senator.

Troy and Stacy Hadrick of Advocates for Agriculture will give a presentation on Monday, March 22, at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Union Great Room. The Hadricks are fifth generation ranchers from South Dakota. They speak to audiences nationwide, telling a positive story about agriculture. For more information, go to [www.advocatesforag.com](http://www.advocatesforag.com).

Trent Loos will give a presentation on Tuesday, March 23, at 6 p.m. in IACC 104. He will talk about the role of agriculture in our daily lives. The Bison Dairy Club will provide ice cream. For more information, go to [www.loostales.com](http://www.loostales.com).

For more information on NDSU Ag Days, contact Ritchie Schaefer at (507) 420-1715.

**Free counseling services offered**

NDSU's Community Counseling Services is offering free counseling services to the public this spring and summer. The services may be especially valuable to people in stressful situations related to job loss or the potential spring flood.

Advanced graduate students, under the supervision of NDSU faculty and doctoral students, will provide counseling. Part of the counselor education program at NDSU, CCS has provided quality counseling services to the community for more than 20 years.

"We are mindful that with the possibility of another major flood in the Red River Valley, on top of existing economic stress, folks are facing some challenging issues. In difficult times, a trusted professional can help sort things out," said Chasity Odden Heide, Community Counseling Services clinic manager.

Counseling may be beneficial for persons feeling anxiety, depression and grief, or facing relationship or financial challenges. Community Counseling Services provides individual, couple, family and group counseling services, with flexible hours to accommodate client needs.

"The graduate student counselor trainees and counseling program faculty are dedicated to serving the mental health needs of the Fargo-Moorhead community in a professional manner. Having the opportunity to provide free, high-quality counseling services to people in need is one of the best parts of our jobs," said Jill Nelson, assistant professor and counselor education program coordinator.

"We see a wide variety of children and adults in our practice, and we encourage people to call for an appointment to discuss any variety of life's stressors and issues."

Community Counseling Services is located at 1919 N. University Drive. Parking is available in front of the building. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call Odden Heide at 1-9750.

**NDSU students plan meals**

NDSU students majoring in dietetics have planned a full-service, casual dining opportunity on Tuesday, March 23; Thursday, March 25; Tuesday, March 30; and Thursday, April 1, from 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. in the Family Life Center room 312.

The menu for March 23 and 25 includes a captain's salad with raspberry vinaigrette, a wheat dinner roll, salmon florentine, garlic mashed potatoes, sugar snap peas and flowering kale. The dessert is a fruit and strawberry yogurt parfait with fresh strawberry garnish. Student managers are Tim Johnson and Tyler Peternell.

The menu for March 30 and April 1 features a mini-Mexican ranch salad with fresh cilantro garnish and homemade chicken enchiladas made with corn tortillas and served with Spanish rice and a green onion garnish. The dessert is a fruit kebab with a chocolate dipping sauce. Student managers are Kerrie Hert and Kayla Norenberg.

The meals are open to the NDSU community and the public. Reservations are recommended and can be made by calling Diane Pochardt at 1-7474. Cash and checks are accepted. The cost of the meal is \$7 or a punch card for all three meals is \$20.

**V-Day NDSU presents 'The Vagina Monologues'**

To raise funds and awareness to end violence against women and girls, V-Day NDSU will present Eve Ensler's "The Vagina Monologues." Performances will be in Memorial Union Century Theater on March 25 at 8 p.m., March 26 at 7 p.m. and March 27 at 3 p.m. General admission tickets are \$8 for faculty, staff and general public and \$5 for students. Tickets will be available at the door, from cast members and in the Memorial Union from March 23-25 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Inspired by "The Vagina Monologues," V-Day is a global movement to end violence against women and girls. Ensler started the movement in the late 1990s. She says that women's reactions to the play launched V-Day. After seeing the play, women would line up to tell Ensler their personal experiences, most often of sexual violence.

V-Day NDSU, the group that has organized this event, invites the NDSU community and public to experience "The Vagina Monologues" mystery, humor, pain, power, wisdom, outrage and excitement buried in women's experiences. Profits will be donated to the Democratic Republic of Congo and a local group that provides services to women and children.

Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance and the Equity and Diversity Center are sponsoring the event.

## Human Resources/Payroll to sponsor Blood Drive

The Office of Human Resources/Payroll will sponsor a United Blood Services Blood Drive on Thursday, March 25, from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The bloodmobile will be parked on the west side of the Memorial Union. The blood drive is open to all faculty, staff and students. Donors must show a photo ID.

To schedule an appointment or for more information, go to [www.bloodhero.com](http://www.bloodhero.com) and enter the sponsor code: staff. Appointments also can be made by contacting Paulette Schlecht at 1-8961 or [paulette.schlecht@ndsu.edu](mailto:paulette.schlecht@ndsu.edu).

## Iglehart to present baccalaureate exhibit

Tawnya Iglehart, a senior majoring in visual arts, will present her Baccalaureate Exhibition, titled "My Zoom Button," March 18-April 1, at the Renaissance Gallery. An opening reception is planned for Friday, March 26, from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the gallery.

Iglehart's work portrays humoristic behaviors she finds in both herself and in other people. Within her art, she tells stories using moments of these characteristics and amplifies them. She also takes commonly known objects out of their normal context to provoke thought.

While at NDSU, Iglehart has participated in the Student Art Society and was a recipient of the James Falck Viterbo, Italy Scholarship. She has participated in exhibitions at the Upfront Gallery, Memorial Union Gallery, Reineke Visual Arts Gallery and the Renaissance Gallery. Iglehart is a 2005 graduate of Garrison (N.D.) High School.

## Grad Finale planned

The NDSU Bookstore and Jostens will sponsor Grad Finale on Tuesday, March 23, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Wednesday, March 24, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the Memorial Union Prairie Rose room. Refreshments and prizes will be available.

Grad Finale assists graduating seniors with preparation for commencement. Students can purchase a cap and gown, diploma frame, commencement announcements and a class ring. Information about the Graduate School also will be available at the event. Following Grad Finale, all items will be available for purchase in the NDSU Bookstore.

The Office of Registration and Records, Customer Account Services, Career Center, Student Financial Services, Alumni Association and Bison Ambassadors also are supporting Grad Finale.

## Safety Training scheduled

Mandatory Supervisor Training and Baseline Safety Training have been scheduled for March and April. Supervisor Safety Training dates are March 22, April 19 and May 17 at 3 p.m. in the Memorial Union Lark room. Baseline Safety Training dates are March 23, April 20 and May 18 at 9 a.m. in the Family Life Center Room of Nations, March 24 at 3 p.m. in the Memorial Union Lark room, April 21 at 3 p.m. in the Memorial Union Hidatsa room and May 19 at 3 p.m. in the Family Life Center Room of Nations.

Both courses must be completed on an annual basis. The Baseline Safety Training is mandatory for all NDSU employees including faculty, staff and student employees. Supervisors must take both Supervisor Safety Training and Baseline Safety Training.

The safety training courses also are available at [www.ndsu.edu/ndsu/police\\_safety/safety/Presentations.htm](http://www.ndsu.edu/ndsu/police_safety/safety/Presentations.htm). For more information, contact Jennifer Baker at 1-6740.

## SHORTS & REMINDERS

### 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).

### Custodian/#00019405

Residence Life  
\$19,760+/year  
Open until filled

### Interactive Media Specialist/#00019854

Information Technology Services  
\$36,500+/year  
March 19

### Senior Collection Development Librarian/#00019212

Library  
\$60,000+/year  
April 9

### Educational Services Librarian/#00020636

Library  
\$42,000+/year  
April 23

### Milling Specialist

Northern Crops Institute  
\$55,000+ dependent on experience  
Open until filled

### Systems Engineer/#3

Center for Nanoscale Science and Engineering  
Salary commensurate with experience  
Open until filled

### Executive Director of Enterprise Systems and Applications Development

Enterprise Computing and Infrastructure  
Salary commensurate with experience  
Open until filled

### Policy Updates

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

### Policy 132: Developmental Leave

This change addresses developmental leave for NDSU employees after a minimum of three years' experience, provided certain criteria are met.

### Policy 139: Leave with Pay

This change addresses the issue of institutional closures more broadly rather than just during storm situations.

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## CALENDAR

### MARCH

**18 - April 1 Renaissance Gallery** –  
Baccalaureate exhibit: Tawnya Iglehart.  
Reception planned for March 26 from  
4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

**18 Chemistry and Molecular Biology** –  
“Hybrid Architectures: Design and  
Applications,” Emmanuel Lacote from the  
Universite of Pierre et Marie Curie, Paris,  
France, 4 p.m., Dunbar 152

**18 Physics and Pharmaceutical Sciences  
Seminar** – “Liposomal Formulations of  
Photosensitizers,” Alfred Fahr, professor at  
the Institute for Pharmaceutical Technology  
at the University of Jena, Germany, 10 a.m.,  
Sudro Hall 26

**22 Plant Sciences Graduate Seminar** –  
“Breeding Maize for Drought Stress,” Eder  
Mantovani, 3:30 p.m., Loftsgard 114

**22 Plant Sciences Graduate Seminar** –  
“Micropropagation of Birch Species,” Guojia  
Ma, 3:30 p.m., Loftsgard 114

**24 YMCA of NDSU Brown Bag** – “Tough  
Guise: Violence, Media and the Crisis in  
Masculinity,” Erienne Fawcett, assistant  
director of Women and Gender Studies,  
noon to 1 p.m., Memorial Union Arikara  
room. Co-sponsored by Women and Gender  
Studies.

**25 World I View** – “Surviving the  
Collapse: Stories from Post-Soviet  
Tajikistan,” Christopher Whitsel, assistant  
professor of sociology; Faredun Hodizoda,  
Tajikistan Dialogue Project; and Sardorbek  
Musayev, Muskie Fellow; noon to 1 p.m.,  
Memorial Union Century Theater

**25 Equity, Diversity, and Global  
Outreach** – “Vagina Monologues,” 8 p.m.,  
Memorial Union Century Theater

**25 Saxophone Chamber Night**, 7:30 p.m.,  
Beckwith Recital Hall. Free admission.

**25 Red River Psychology Conference  
Keynote Address** – “Imitation and Autism:  
Mirror Neurons, Intentionality or  
Motor Planning?” Morton Ann Gernsbacher,  
professor of psychology at the University  
of Wisconsin, Madison, 7:30 p.m., Alumni  
Center

**26 Red River Psychology Conference  
Luncheon Address** – “Accepting Disability:  
Empirical Data to Improve Lives,” Morton  
Ann Gernsbacher, professor of psychology  
at the University of Wisconsin, Madison,  
12:45 p.m., Memorial Union Prairie Rose  
room

**26 Equity, Diversity, and Global  
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