Causes for Celebration
(For August 2015)

The Master of Athletic Training Program (MATrg) at North Dakota State University has been granted 10 years of continuing accreditation.

Jill Keith, a doctoral student in the Department of Health, Nutrition, and Exercise Sciences, was selected to receive the Frances E. Fischer Memorial Scholarship from the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Foundation. Foundation scholarships are made possible through contributions from Academy Members and corporate donors.

Susan Ray-Degges, Associate Professor, Apparel, Design and Hospitality Management, in collaboration with two recent undergraduates, Matthew McCarty and Lyndsey Mogck, and Ron Degges, Professor of Practice, Statistics, recently had their presentation "Lighting: Emotional Reponses and Preferences in the Hospitality Setting," accepted for presentation at the upcoming Interior Design Educators Midwest Regional Conference to be held in Holland, Michigan in October.

A brand new endeavor for the College of Human Development and Education moved to campus just ahead of official move-in day. “Launch”, a program whereby freshman who have elected to be a part of HDE’s first ever Living and Learning Community, choose to move to campus two days early to take part in HDE and Residence Life special programming. HD&E’s Launch aims to orient a small group of incoming freshman not only to each other and the NDSU Campus but to the College and community as well. Fifteen students from across Minnesota, North Dakota and Wisconsin joined in as we toured the FargoDome and Newman Outdoor Field, rode the bus, and participated in a scavenger hunt to identify specific areas of campus. At the College level we were joined by Amelia Asperin, Associate Professor, Apparel, Design and Hospitality Management, and Elizabeth Hilliard, Assistant Professor, Health, Nutrition, and Exercise Sciences, in making healthy smoothies in the HD&E Food Production Lab Complex, Sara Sunderlin, Senior Lecturer, Apparel, Design and Hospitality Management and Susan Curtis, Curator, Emily Reynolds Costume Collection, assisted us in the Construction Lab to make tote bags out of t-shirts as presented by Jessica Cruezer from the non-profit group, “River Keepers”, and learned wellness tips in a competitive Jeopardy format. In addition, the students were entertained by “To Be Determined”, an on-campus improv group, and listened as author Mark de Celles discussed his book "How Fargo of You", describing his humorous perspective of the many benefits of living in the midwest. After two full days of scheduled events, these 15 LAUNCH students took the lead to welcome other members of the NDSU/HDE community to campus on Saturday, August 21 by helping them move in to the residence halls and find their way around campus. Our first Launch program was a success thanks to the many college faculty and staff willing to lend ideas and time for these activities.

Kyle Hackney, Assistant Professor, Sherri Stastny, Associate Professor, Shannon David, Assistant Professor, Health, Nutrition, and Exercise Sciences and Steven Mitchell, MD from Sanford Health received grant funding from Sanford Profile to study dietary protein intake and muscular health across the aging process. Won Byun, Assistant Professor, Health, Nutrition, and Exercise Sciences, who has expertise in physical activity measurement has also joined the project and strengthened the research team.
Recent graduates of the exercise science program, Austin Schmidt and Ben Olson, presented research posters at the American College of Sports Medicine National Conference in San Diego, California. Funding for these experiences was provided by Undergraduate Research and Travel Awards by the College of Human Development and Education.

Two Counselor Education students recently garnered counseling national/international fellowships: Kadie-Ann Caballero-Dennis has received the International Registry of Counselor Education Programs (IRCEP) fellowship through CACREP. Kadie-Ann Caballero-Dennis is pursuing a Ph.D. in Counselor Education and Supervision and has a masters degree in mental health counseling. Her focus is in substance abuse, and multicultural issues relating to counseling. This one year fellowship program is designed to provide an in-depth training and exposure of quality assurance in higher education, specifically in counselor education. Julie Smith attended the NBCC Symposium to fulfill part of her NBCC Minority Fellowship requirements and receive her fellowship award. She met with Dr. Wendi Schweiger, Vice President of NBCC International, as they will be collaborating in bringing Nationally Certified Counselors to Native American Indian Reservations for cultural and training experiences. She met and networked with other PhD students and professors from around the country.

On July 1, Jim Korcuska, Associate Professor, School of Education, began his three-year term as editor (July 2015-2018) of Counselor Education and Supervision, the flagship peer-reviewed journal of the Association of Counselor Education and Supervision.

Jennifer Talaski, graduate student in the Exercise/Nutrition Science Master’s Degree, received an NSCA (National Strength and Conditioning Association) Masters Research Grant for $4,611. This funding will help support her research looking at the effect of compression garments on recovery from plyometric exercise. She is working with Donna Terbizan, Professor, and Kyle Hackney, Assistant Professor in the Health, Nutrition, and Exercise Sciences department.

Erika Offerdahl, Associate Professor, Education/Biological Sciences, was an invited speaker at the Gordon Research Conference for Chemistry Education Research and Practice held at Bates College, Lewiston, ME. Her talk was entitled: "Backward Redesign: The Role of Assessment in Promoting Visual Literacy in the Molecular Sciences". More information on the conference is available at this link: https://www.grc.org/programs.aspx?id=13620

NDSU was well represented at the North Dakota Council for Teachers of English Conference held in July 2015 in Mandan, North Dakota with over 17 current and former students attending. Current students attending included Hannah Andring, Callie Bowen, Sunny Branick, Jaime Jarmin, Jazmyne Reinke, Shiyel Rittenbach, Nick Strom, and Celena Todora. There were many graduates of NDSU’s English education program in attendance as well: Adam Ching, Aryelle Jones, Margo Walter, Stephanie Cwikla, David St. Peter, Olivia Edwarson, Kaylie Young, and Kelsey Johnson. NDSU alumni Edwardson, Jones and Ching, who are also members of the Red River Valley Writing Project, gave roundtable presentations, along with RRVWP teachers Andrea Simon, Bridget Ryberg, Angela Hase, Kim Rensch, and NDSU graduate student Erika Dyk. NDSU Associate Professor, Kelly Sassi, who serves as Director of the Red River Valley Writing Project, led the roundtable session in
collaboration with Northern Plains Writing Project Director Ron Fisher, of Minot State University. There are now three NDSU graduates on the NDCTE board: Kelsey Johnson, Northeast representative; Stephanie Cwikla, Southeast representative; and Kaylie Young, member at large. Kelly Sassi was elected as the college representative of NDCTE board. The English education students’ travel was funded by NDSU’s School of Education. NDSU students made a positive impression on conference participants through their active engagement. The keynote speaker, Penny Kittle, author of *Write Beside Them*, was so impressed with their enthusiasm that she tweeted about them and invited them to an early morning writing session with her. The theme of the conference was Book Love.

Kwangsoo Park, Assistant Professor, Apparel, Design, and Hospitality Management, had a paper titled “Intercoder reliability indices in tourism research” accepted for publication in Annals of Tourism Research. The paper was coauthored by a faculty at University of Central Missouri. In addition, a paper titled “Impact of smoking bans on casino gambling revenues and player admission” coauthored by Woomi Jo, a former faculty in Apparel, Design, and Hospitality Management, was presented at the Annual TOSOK International Tourism Conference in Seoul, Korea. Kwangsoo was also an invited speaker at Incheon National University and Yeungnam University in South Korea over the summer. His presentations were titled “Experiential Event Planning” and “Food and World Cultures,” respectively.

Bradley Bowen, Assistant Professor, School of Education/Construction Management and Engineering, received an NSF grant titled *Research Experiences for Teachers: Engineering in Precision Agriculture and Sustainability for Rural STEM Educators*. This project will bring rural middle and high school science and mathematics teachers to NDSU’s campus for a 6-week summer research program in collaboration with the mechanical engineering department. The grant is for $587,517 over the next three years.

Linda Manikowske, Associate Professor, and Ann Braaten, Assistant Professor, Apparel, Design and Hospitality Management, participated in the first annual college professor’s job shadow with Target Corporation’s Product Design and Development team recently in Minneapolis. The shadowing experience connected industry experts and product design and development team members at Target with professors from college apparel and textile programs in the region.

Denise Lajimodiere, Assistant Professor, School of Education, and Donald Warne, Chair, Department of Public Health will have their article titled: “American Indian Health Disparities: Psychosocial Influences” published in the October issue of the *Social and Personality Psychology Compass Journal*. The article includes Denise’s American Indian boarding school research and its effects on current AI populations as part of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE).