Klai Hall dedication ceremonies held

Klai Hall, the new downtown home of the Department of Architecture and Landscape Architecture, was dedicated during ceremonies Oct. 3. The building is named for NDSU alumnus John R. Klai II.

Klai, a native of Osnabrock, N.D., is a partner in Klai Juba Architects, a firm that employs 45 professionals with offices in Las Vegas and Fort Lauderdale, Fla. The firm specializes in the design of gaming resort and hospitality projects in Las Vegas, including Mandalay Bay Resort and Casino, Hard Rock Hotel and Casino expansion, MGM Grand expansion, Luxor addition; and Seminole Hard Rock Resort and Casino in Tampa and Hollywood, Fla.

“This is monumental occasion for NDSU, our community and the state of North Dakota. We have a Top 20 architecture program, and now we have, I think, the No. 1 facilities in the nation for that program. This is remarkable,” President Joseph A. Chapman told the crowd of onlookers that packed what will be the new studios in the building. “John, you have made an enormous difference in the life of this institution. The impact this will have on all of us, especially our students going forward, is going to be timeless.”

Klai acknowledged his family, friends and business associates, and said the day was a time to celebrate. “Giving back is such a pleasure for me. You’ve heard me say it before – I love to give and I love to share,” he said. “It’s truly a privilege, and thank you for affording me this opportunity.”

Frank Jennings, president of the NDSU Development Foundation, praised Klai’s generosity to the building project, saying, “John is truly an advocate for NDSU and its architecture programs. He sees in current and future students the potential to do great things.”

Tim Bungert, a fifth year architecture student from Lakeville, Minn., noted that a floor was added to the former Lincoln Mutual building for the architecture and landscape architecture library. He said the project includes design studios, a model building workshop, laser cutter space and offices for faculty.

“Today is yet another benchmark for our department. The growth and success of our programs have created the need for an additional home, and now we have that in Klai Hall,” Bungert said “We are especially grateful today for John Klai, whose generosity and unselfish commitment to the department seems to be endless. John, there are not enough speeches, praises or engraved plaques to show you how truly grateful we are to you. You will always be considered among friends here.”

Staff Senate nominations sought

Staff Senate is seeking nominations for three open seats, which will be considered at-large positions.

Persons interested in serving can come from any NDSU job category represented by Staff Senate (1000/3000, 4000, 5000 or 6000/7000).

For more information, contact Barb Geeslin at 1-8805, Heather Heger at 1-8293 or Vance Olson at 1-9661.
Material Handling Facility dedication set

A dedication ceremony and reception for the Material Handling Facility at NDSU are set for Friday, Oct. 24, at 10 a.m. The new facility is located at 1880 Centennial Blvd., Fargo.

The Material Handling Facility, Phase I, is a 9,600 square foot building that will house all waste chemicals generated by the university and a receiving and storage area for selected new chemicals.

The facility became critical to the continued growth of the campus and the expanding research activity in order to comply with regulatory requirements. It is a state-of-the-art and one-of-a-kind facility for this region.

It was approved as a state-bonded project during the 2005-07 legislative session in the amount of $3.5 million. The initial scope was to build a facility that would consist of a shipping and receiving area for hazardous materials, a large equipment wash facility with a holding bay for contaminated water so that the water would not be discharged into the city’s sewer system, storage for landscape and grounds chemicals, flammable and combustible materials, pesticides/herbicides/fertilizer, a chemical waste area and a radioactive waste treatment room.

The project authorization was increased to $4 million in October 2007 when the bids for the project came in over budget. In order not to compromise the original reason for the facility, it was decided to construct the project in two phases.

The second phase, requested for the 2009-11 biennium, will include receiving and storage of all chemicals, radioactive waste and a central location for the University Police and Safety Office operation.

EAPC Architects is responsible for the architecture and engineering of the facility. The general contractor for the project is Comstock Construction Inc. Robert Gibb & Sons Inc. is the mechanical contractor and Rick Electric Inc. is the electrical contractor. Ulteig Engineering is the consultant for the facility. Berger Enterprises did the site preparation work.

At the dedication ceremony, Broc Lietz, associate vice president for finance and administration, will welcome guests and provide introductions for NDSU President Joseph A. Chapman, Gov. John Hoeven and Joe Heilman, NDSU student body president, who will give special remarks. Building tours will be available following the ceremony.

Members of the 2003-04 State Board of Higher Education who approved the project include Chancellor Michel Hillman, President Richard Kunkel, Vice President Bruce Christianson, Sue Andrews, Beverly Clayburgh, Ralph Kingsbury, Pam Kostelecky, Phil Leitner, Chuck Stroup and Ann Burnett.

Members of the building committee include Michael Borr, Kristi Breiland, Gregory Cook, Stuart Croll, Bruce Frantz, Douglas Freeman, Ted Jirik, Burton Johnson, Rodney Lym, Kevin Matheson, Gary Smith and Marc Wallman.

To RSVP or to request special accommodations, contact Gina Haugen at 1-6177 or gina.a.haugen@ndsu.edu.

Research Corridor passes $500 million

U.S. Sen. Byron Dorgan announced at a news conference on Oct. 7 at NDSU that federal funding to North Dakota universities and businesses through the Red River Valley Research Corridor initiative has passed the $500 million mark. NDSU and its applied research have been continual recipients of the funding since 2002. Dorgan also announced four new Department of Defense contracts with Research Corridor entities.

Two of the new contracts are a continuation of a partnership between NDSU, Crane Wireless Monitoring Solutions and several other partners to develop the MicroObserver perimeter security system for government agencies. The new contracts allow the high-tech sensors to be manufactured at a North Dakota company, Killdeer Mountain Manufacturing, and deployed around the world.

“North Dakota’s congressional delegation and state officials have been instrumental in assisting NDSU in reaching significant research milestones,” said NDSU President Joseph A. Chapman. “Research supported by federal dollars across the university has led to significant achievements in many areas, spurring economic development for the region.”

“This funding has been essential to establishing a research infrastructure at NDSU that allows us to meet critical needs of the Department of Defense in microelectronics, coatings and high performance computing,” said Philip Boudjouk, vice president for research, creative activities and technology transfer at NDSU.

At the news conference, Dorgan also was joined by Aldevron Chief Executive Officer Michael Chambers to announce new contracts with the Department of Defense worth $4.2 million. Chambers is an NDSU graduate.

International Programs updates Web site

The Web site of the NDSU Office of International Programs has a new look. Previously hosted on the NDSU server, the Web site is one of the first adopters of TYPO3, NDSU’s new content management system. Other early adopters include Bison Connection, Information Technology Services and University Relations.

“Just as we were moving to redesign our Web site, we were informed that the university was moving toward TYPO3 to have more uniform Web sites across campus,” Kerri Spiering, director of International Programs, said. “We are really pleased to be one of the early adopters.”

Changes to the new Web site include a new banner and enhancements to the Intensive Language Program application, which is now available online. Spiering says they made the upgrade because they wanted a new, fresh look and a site that is more user friendly and has more up-to-date navigation.

To view the Web site, go to www.ndsu.edu/international.
United Way campaign kicks off Oct. 15

“When we reach out a hand to one, we influence the condition of all” summarizes the 2008 United Way of Cass-Clay campaign theme, “Live United.” President Joseph A. Chapman says the university’s contribution is part of NDSU’s impact. It not only helps the community, it fulfills NDSU’s commitment to its mission and core values. “We agree, I think, that people have a right to lifelong education and fulfilling work,” President Chapman wrote in a letter to the NDSU community. “Those ideals, along with service, respect for diversity and improving quality of life for all North Dakotans, are core values that our United Way giving affirms.”

This year’s community goal is $4.7 million and NDSU’s goal is $122,515. Last year NDSU employees contributed $116,681. The 2008 campus campaign begins Wednesday, Oct. 15.

NDSU employee campaign coordinator Char Goodyear notes that the region needs support from the campus community now more than ever. “With the struggling economy, let’s remember how fortunate we at NDSU are. We have good jobs, we receive decent compensation and we can look forward to annual increases in pay,” she said. “If you have never given to United Way, please consider $1 to $5 per pay period. If you are already giving, I thank you for your generosity and please consider increasing your gift.”

Department representatives will receive campaign information and pledge forms at the Oct. 15 kick-off event. For more information about the NDSU campaign, contact Goodyear at 1-1068 or chargoodyear@ndsu.edu. For more information about United Way of Cass-Clay, go to www.uwcc.net or call (701) 237-5050.

NDSU seeks STEM scholars

Beginning next spring, NDSU will offer up to 10 awards to students pursuing dual degrees in education and science, technology, engineering or mathematics (STEM) disciplines. The award will provide $12,000 per year and is made possible through the National Science Foundation-funded Robert Noyce Scholarships program.

Applicants must document a strong academic record and must reasonably expect to complete their dual major within six semesters to be eligible for the award.

The Robert Noyce Scholarship program is a five-year award, funded by a $743,000 grant from the National Science Foundation, that aims to provide educational and financial support services to talented STEM students at NDSU who will commit to teaching in a high needs school after graduation.

According to Lisa Montplaisir, project director, the recruitment of talented STEM students into a quality teacher preparation program should improve student achievement in classrooms throughout this region, as well as increase the likelihood for successful matriculation of secondary students into STEM programs at the baccalaureate level.

These initiatives help address the National Commission on Mathematics and Science Teaching’s call for immediate, large-scale workforce preparation of students to address positions that will open in STEM disciplines.

For more information, go to www.ndsu.edu/csme/oyce or contact Montplaisir, at 1-6155 or lisa.montplaisir@ndsu.edu.

Water research institute invites applications for research fellowships

The North Dakota Water Resources Research Institute has announced its 2009 Graduate Research Fellowship program. NDSU and University of North Dakota graduate students who are conducting or planning research in water resources areas may apply for fellowships varying in length from three summer months to a full year. Typically, fellowship awards for master’s degree students have been in the range of $800 to $1,000 and for doctoral students awards have been $1,000 to $1,400 per month. The fellowship funds must be applied between March 1, 2009, and Feb. 28, 2010.

Projects proposed for fellowship support should relate to water resources research issues in the state or region. Regional, state or local collaborations or co-funding will strengthen an application. Fellowships have a matching requirement of two non-federal dollars to one federal dollar. At the time of applying, applicants should have a plan of study filed and a thesis research topic selected. Applications need to be prepared in consultation with advisers who also should co-sign the applications. Applications from students and advisers who have not met the reporting requirements of their previous fellowship projects will not be considered for funding.

The general criteria used for proposal evaluation include scientific merit; originality of research; research related to state or local collaborations or co-funding.

Applications are due in the office of the institute director by 5 p.m., Nov. 14. A panel of faculty members and state water resources research professionals will review the proposals. Announcement of awards will be made by early January.

Consult the institute’s Web site, www.ndsu.edu/wrri, for background on the program and guidelines for preparation of applications. Applicants and advisers who are new to the program are urged to contact institute director G. Padmanabhan, at 1-7043, or g.padmanabhan@ndsu.edu.

Send applications to G. Padmanabhan, North Dakota Water Resources Research Institute, Civil Engineering 201E, NDSU Department 2470, PO Box 6050, Fargo, ND 58108-6050.

Bromley to present joint research at London conference

Kimble Bromley, associate professor of visual arts, will be a guest speaker at the Association for Professional Hypnosis and Psychotherapy Conference in London on Oct. 25-26.

Bromley will present hypnosis research that he and James Council, professor of psychology, have worked on since 2000. Their research has found hypnosis has a significant effect on creativity. Artistic disciplines studied include drawing, painting and theatre.

For more information, contact Bromley at 1-7824 or Council at 1-7065.
Miller recipient of Heartland Pride Award

Jo Ann Miller, NDSU University Distinguished Professor of music, was awarded the Heartland Pride Award from the Fargo Moorhead Convention and Visitors Bureau. The award is given annually to an individual or organization that has made a significant effort to bring a major convention, conference, meeting or special event to the community in the past year.

Miller was recognized for helping bring the North Central Division of the American Choral Directors Association to Fargo-Moorhead. The conference had more than 1,300 participants attend from six Midwest states.

She joined the faculty at NDSU in 1989 as director of choral activities. She conducts the NDSU Concert Choir and University Chorus and teaches undergraduate and graduate conducting and literature courses. She also is the graduate coordinator for the Master of Music and Doctor of Music Arts degrees offered at NDSU.

Miller also is the artistic director of the Fargo-Moorhead Chamber Chorale, the chorus master of the Fargo-Moorhead Symphony Orchestra and director of the NDSU Baroque Festival. She is active in the American Choral Directors Association and was named North Dakota’s Outstanding Choral Director for 2004. Miller is president for the North Central Division of American Choral Directors Association. She is an active clinician and guest conductor in the Midwest and Canada.

English professor honored for Distinguished Service

Bruce Maylath, professor of English, has received the Distinguished Service Award from the Council for Programs in Technical and Scientific Communication. The presentation was made during the organization’s annual conference Oct. 2-4 at the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis.

Maylath said he was taken aback when he received word that he was this year’s honoree. “It’s usually awarded near the end of a career,” Maylath, 50, said. “The honor meant even more when the head of the nominating committee said that I was far and away the youngest ever to receive the award.”

During the awards ceremony, one of Maylath’s long-time co-authors and collaborators in trans-Atlantic class projects gave testimony to the meaning of the award. Coming to the conference from Aarhus University in Denmark, where next year’s conference will be held, Birthe Mousten said, “Bruce Maylath epitomizes the prototype of a new global citizen, who makes the world a better place to live.”

Dan Riordan, a former colleague of Maylath’s at the University of Wisconsin-Stout, told the gathering, “Bruce is not only distinguished, but supremely innovative and capable. At Stout, he called us to a greater height, then led the way.”

Maylath helped found the technical communication program at the University of Wisconsin-Stout in 2000 and served as its director until coming to NDSU in 2007 to assist with NDSU’s new doctorate in English. He earned his bachelor’s degree at Kalamazoo College, his master’s degree at Michigan State University and his doctorate at the University of Minnesota.

The criteria for the award calls for nominees who have made significant long-term contributions to programming in technical communication. As the council’s vice president, and later president, Maylath helped establish the council’s Roundtable series in Europe, starting in London in 2000 and continuing in Milan in 2003, Limerick in 2005 and Montreal in 2008.

The council promotes programs and research in technical and scientific communication; develops opportunities for the exchange of ideas and information concerning programs, research and career opportunities; and assists in the development and evaluation of new programs in technical and scientific communication.

Directors of Center for Disaster Studies and Emergency Management named

The North Dakota State Board of Higher Education approved the establishment of the NDSU Center for Disaster Studies and Emergency Management on Sept. 18. Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Emergency Management faculty Daniel Klenow, professor and chair, and George Youngs, professor, are the directors of the center.

The establishment of the new center is a natural outgrowth to NDSU’s comprehensive degree program in emergency management, which is entering its sixth year. The program, which offers bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral degrees, has attracted graduate students from all over the United States and several foreign countries.

According to Klenow and Youngs, with this growth comes significant exposure to research and outreach opportunities that can be more effectively coordinated through the establishment of a center. The center will serve as an organizational nexus for integrating the research efforts of multi-disciplinary groups of faculty as well as link the university to partners outside NDSU. The program already has established close ties with the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s Higher Education Project, under the auspices of the Emergency Management Institute, the premiere emergency management training institute for the Department of Homeland Security.

The center also will provide supportive services for state Emergency Management Associations. The program has received two National Science Foundation Quick Response Grants administered through the Natural Hazards Center at the University of Colorado-Boulder. Klenow says one of the goals of the new center will be to develop the capability to conduct quick response studies for disasters in our immediate region, which will help provide a rural, as well as urban, focus to the new center.

In addition, center faculty have established ties with the North Dakota Department of Emergency Services, International Association of Emergency Managers and Center of Homeland Defense and Security.

Several long-standing research centers with missions similar to NDSU’s center include the Disaster Research Center at the University of Delaware and the Natural Hazards Center at the University of Colorado at Boulder. NDSU’s center is the only one tied specifically to a university providing doctoral education in emergency management.

Contact Klenow at daniel.klenow@ndsu.edu or 1-8925 for more information.
A researcher with NDSU’s Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute was on the agenda of a national security conference in Washington, D.C., Sept. 11 and 12. Jarret Brachman attended the “DNI Open Source Conference 2008,” hosted by the Office of the Director of National Intelligence. The conference explored best practices for the Intelligence Community and its partners. Participants ranged from academia, private industry, international, federal, state, local and tribal entities.

Brachman was part of a panel focusing on how to study and combat terrorist threats. The breakout session, “Combating Non-state Actors via Open Source,” was presented in conjunction with Gary LaFree from the University of Maryland and Christopher Boucek from the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

Brachman discussed his theories on Jihobbyism, which he defined as “the public promotion, celebration or promulgation of Jihadi-Salafi ideology.”

Brachman, who joined the transportation institute in August as an associate research fellow, is leading efforts focused on transportation security. Before coming to NDSU, he was the director of research at the Combating Terrorism Center at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y. Before that, he served as a fellow with the Central Intelligence Agency.

Two members of the NDSU community were hosts to first lady Laura Bush during her visit to a historic church parsonage in Sims, N.D., on Oct. 2. Suzanne Kelley, doctoral candidate in history, and Tom Isern, professor of history and NDSU Distinguished Professor, participated in the event through their affiliation with Preservation North Dakota, the state historic preservation organization. They also have been personal participants in the restoration of the Sims parsonage through volunteer labor.

Sims, today a small rural community, was established in 1880 by the Scandinavian Lutheran Church. This was the church that Laura Bush attended as a child; her parents were longtime members. She is an honorary chairwoman, and to commend the Norwegian ranching parish of Sims Scandinavian Lutheran Church for its hard work in restoring the historic 1884 parsonage. The Save America’s Treasures program provided modest funding in support of the restoration, which was largely accomplished with volunteer labor and donated materials.

Muhammad “Russell” Islam, a Master of Business Administration student at NDSU, presented a research paper that was nominated for the Best Paper Award of Strategy and Organization Theory track at the 51st annual conference of the Midwest Academy of Management, Oct. 2-4, in St. Louis.

The research paper, titled “New Niche Formation and Creative Destruction of Business-to-Consumer (B2C) E-Commerce: A Multi-Retail Sector Study,” was based on his work with Chanchai Tangpong, a faculty member in the management, marketing and finance department.

The research findings indicate that the creative destruction process whereby B2C e-commerce expands at the expense of traditional retailing is confined to the digitally related retail sectors such as magazines, software and music. However, in the digitally unrelated retail sectors such as furniture, appliances and clothing, the B2C e-commerce retail segment appears to be a separate niche that coexists with the traditional retail segment.

Islam will graduate in December and plans to pursue a doctorate in management. “This is a great professional experience for me and will help me prepare for my future career,” he said. He also said he is thankful to Karen Froelich, director of the Master of Business Administration program, and Ronald Johnson, dean of the College of Business, for their support, which made his conference participation possible.
Two NDSU faculty members named Certified Nurse Educators

Two nursing faculty have demonstrated the expertise which warrants national recognition as Certified Nurse Educators. Assistant professors Norma Kiser-Larson and Karla Haug successfully completed a rigorous certification examination developed and administered by the National League for Nursing.

They are the only North Dakota nurse educators to hold this certification.

“The National League for Nursing’s Certified Nurse Educators program has conferred new visibility and stature upon the academic nursing community,” said Beverly Malone, CEO of the National League for Nursing. “Through the certification program, we have made clear to the ranks of higher education that the role of nurse educator is an advanced professional practice discipline with a defined practice setting and demonstrable standards of excellence. In years to come, it is hoped that certified nurse educators will command higher salaries and be first in line for promotions and tenure.”

Extension specialist wins writing award

The National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences has honored an NDSU Extension Service specialist for one of her newspaper columns.

The association selected Extension food and nutrition specialist Julie Garden-Robinson’s Prairie Fare column titled “Don’t Fall Prey to the 5-Second Rule” as both a central region and national winner in the written press releases category of the 2008 awards program.

Garden-Robinson’s column discussed the health dangers of following the “five-second rule,” which says you have a few seconds to pluck food from the floor before it becomes contaminated. The column noted that cross-contamination, or the transfer of harmful bacteria from surfaces to food or from one food to another, is one of the leading causes of foodborne illness in the U.S. Garden-Robinson also provided tips on how to prevent cross-contamination.

Garden-Robinson received the award at the association’s Galaxy III conference in Indianapolis in September. To read the column, go to www.ag.ndsu.edu/pf/5-second.

Music faculty to visit high schools

Several faculty members from the Department of Music will visit area high schools during October.

The newly formed NDSU Faculty Brass Quintet, consisting of Jeremy Brekke, trumpet; Chris Heldt, trumpet; Erik Vigessa, horn; Kyle Mack, trombone; and Doug Neill, tuba, will perform. They will visit Battle Lake, Minn., on Oct. 15 and Fargo South High School on Oct. 16.

They also will perform during the NDSU Faculty Chamber Night on Monday, Oct. 20, at 7:30 p.m. in Beckwith Recital Hall. The Oct. 20 performance is free and open to the public.

Michael Thrasher, associate professor, will present a clinic titled “ Clarinet Fingerings: Techniques and Ideas for Players of All Ages,” at Fargo South High School on Thursday, Oct. 23, at 2 p.m. During this clinic, Thrasher will list and evaluate a variety of clarinet finger charts and resources. He also will discuss the influence of fingerings on pitch, tone color and response.

Associate professors Mack, Matthew Patnode and Brekke will host early bird workshops at high schools with the Jazz Arts Group. The workshops are designed to prepare bands for concerts and jazz festivals that are held every spring. The workshop also will feature performances by the Jazz Arts Group Big Band and educational improvisation clinics.

EVENTS

Non-student members invited to play Bingo at Wallman Wellness Center

Faculty, staff and dual members are invited to play Bingo at the Wallman Wellness Center from Oct. 27 to Dec. 5. Bingo participants can win prizes for coming to the Wallman Wellness Center to work out, take a class, climb the wall or other activities to make health and wellness part of your everyday life.

Each time a member participates in an activity at the Wellness Center, they mark off a number. A new number will be posted every day. When a member gets a Bingo, they can win prizes.

Bingo promotes health and wellness along with building and improving physical and social wellness. For more information, contact Sara Kuhry at 1-7360 or sara.kuhry@ndsu.edu.

Bison Halloween Party scheduled

The NDSU Student-Athlete Advisory Council is sponsoring the annual Bison Halloween Party for kids 12 and under. The event is scheduled for 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26, in the Bison Sports Arena.

Designed as a family event, the party includes games, candy, a haunted house and prizes. Participants will have an opportunity to meet Bison players, coaches, trainers and athletic department administrators. All attendees are encouraged to wear Halloween costumes. The event is free and open to the public.

Contact Linda Gangelhoff at linda.gangelhoff@ndsu.edu or 1-5614 for more information.

Flu shot clinic scheduled

A flu shot clinic for NDSU students, staff and faculty will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 28, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Memorial Union Plains room.

The cost of the shot is $20 and may be paid by cash or check. Students may bill the cost to their student account. Students who are unable to attend the clinic may make up an appointment for a flu shot at Student Health Service by calling 1-7331.

For more information, contact Student Health Service at 1-7331. Information about the flu and the clinic is available on the Wellness Center Web site at www.ndsu.edu/wellness/shs.
Wallman Wellness Center presents ‘Live at the Wall’

Student groups from the NDSU music department will perform live music at the Wallman Wellness Center every other Wednesday at 2 p.m. through Dec. 3. ‘Live at the Wall’ will feature jazz combos, musical theater, vocal soloists and ensembles and musical theater.

Sponsored by the Wallman Wellness Center and the Division of Fine Arts, the performances are free and open to the public.

Members of the NDSU Gold Star Marching Band percussion section will perform on Oct. 15. NDSU Student Brass Quintet featuring James Landman, Lindsay Hetletved, Mike Harmon, Brandon Bondley and Dan Hinman will perform on Oct. 29.

Second Meningitis immunization clinic scheduled

A second Meningitis clinic will be held Wednesday, Oct. 22, from noon to 4 p.m. at the Wallman Wellness Center classroom 166. No appointment is needed, but an NDSU student ID is required.

The cost of immunization is $10 for freshmen and $100 for all other students. Payments can be made in cash, check or billed to a student account. If you cannot attend the Meningitis clinic, but want to be vaccinated, call the Student Health Service at 1-7331 to schedule an appointment.

International trade specialist to give World i View presentation

“Careers in International Commerce and Development,” a presentation by Heather Ranck, international trade specialist with the U.S. Department of Commerce and U.S. Commercial Service in Fargo, is scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 23, from noon to 1 p.m. in the Memorial Union Lake Agassiz room. The presentation is part of the World i View speaker series.

Ranck assists North Dakota and Minnesota companies find international markets for their products, including international partner searches, trade missions, hosting buyers at local shows and researching international market opportunities. Ranck also has worked in international agricultural development in Africa, including agricultural extension and subsistence farmer training outreach in Congo and Mozambique.

The World i View speaker series is sponsored by the Office of International Programs.

X-ray users safety course scheduled

The University Police and Safety Office is offering an X-ray users class on Thursday, Oct. 23, from 9 a.m. to noon in the Memorial Union Crest room. The instructor is Mike Borr.

Successful course completion is required in order to use X-ray equipment on campus. Completion will be verified by receiving a passing quiz score.

Contact Stephanie Wegner at stephanie.wegner@ndsu.edu or 1-7759 to register.

NDSU celebrates Cultural Awareness

Cultural Awareness Month is a time to celebrate and learn about various ways of living and being. Multicultural Student Services in collaboration with other NDSU organizations have planned the following events to celebrate cultures.

“Traveling Culture,” a North Dakota Historical Society exhibit, will be on display Oct. 12-24 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Multicultural Student Services office, Memorial Union 178. American Indian artifacts, documents and photographs will be on display.

“Brown Politics” is set Wednesday, Oct. 15, at 3 p.m. in the Memorial Union Hidatsa room. Politicians of color will talk about their unique way of approaching the political arena.

A “Pan-African Night Show and After Party” is set for Saturday, Oct. 18, in the Memorial Union Great Plains Ballroom. The show will begin at 6:30 p.m., intermission at 7:30 p.m. and the after party at 9 p.m. The show will feature several dances, a fashion show and spoken word. Tickets are free and must be picked up in advance at the Multicultural Student Services office, Memorial Union 178.

Every Monday and Tuesday in October, an African dance class will be held from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the upstairs studio of the Wallman Wellness Center. Learn traditional African dance from Amoussa Koriko, NDSU theatre student and native of Togo, West Africa. No registration is needed.

“Dance India” is set for every Sunday during the fall semester from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Wallman Wellness Center. Indulge yourself and experience a great aerobic workout to the rhythms and spirit of India’s culture. Contact dance instructor Febina Mathew at febina.mathew@ndsu.edu for more information.

Go to www.ndsu.edu/multicultural/cam.pdf for a full Cultural Awareness Month schedule.

SHORTS AND REMINDERS

Policy Updates

The following policies have recently been added or revised. To see the complete policy, go to www.ndsu.nodak.edu/policy.

Policy 127: Salary or Stipend – Part-time academic staff or graduate assistants

Changes were made to more accurately reflect the payroll process for employees who fall in the graduate and part-time academic staff job codes.

Positions Available

Positions open and screening dates through the Office of Human Resources, SCG building, 1919 N. University Drive. Position openings also are available through the NDSU Web site at www.ndsu.edu/jobs.

Administrative Secretary/#00019223
Animal Sciences
$27,000+/year
Open until filled

Custodian/#00019098
Facilities Management
$19,760+/year
Oct. 15

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Custodian/#00019975
Facilities Management
$19,760+/year
Oct. 15

Lead Caterer/#00023314
Dining Services – Memorial Union
12 months, Monday through Friday with weekends
$10+/hour
Open until filled

Medical Records & Computer Support Assistant/#00021427
Student Health Services
$25,000+/year
Open until filled

Assistant Director of Seedstocks/#00020885
Plant Sciences
40,000+/year
Open until filled

Barley Production Specialist/#00026198
Plant Sciences
$40,000+/year
Oct. 17

Research Specialist
North Central Research Extension Center
Salary commensurate with experience
Open until filled

Program Manager/#00020888
Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute
Bismarck, N.D.
Salary commensurate with experience
Oct. 20

Serials Librarian/#00019211
Library
Commensurate with experience, minimum $38,000/year
Oct. 22

Intensive English Language Program Coordinator/#00025459
International Programs
$38,000+/year
Dec. 8

Web Specialist
Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute
$32,000+/year
Open until filled

Web Technology Specialist/#00021062
Ag Communications
$43,000+/year
Open until filled

Please view the calendar at www.ndsu.edu/news.

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