Boudjouk receives Discovery Award

Philip Boudjouk, vice president for research, creative activities and technology transfer, received the Discovery Award from the Red River Valley Research Corridor during the Milestones and Horizons Conference in Fargo on Oct. 13. Fargo entrepreneur and philanthropist Doug Burgum received the Pathfinder Award at the event.

In the first such awards presented by the Research Corridor, Boudjouk received the honor from U.S. Sen. Byron Dorgan who founded the corridor to encourage technology development in the state. Delore Zimmerman, executive director of the Research Corridor, said the award was presented to Boudjouk for “outstanding leadership and service in building and raising the visibility of the region’s research enterprise and groundbreaking scientific or applied research that has a regional, national or global impact.” Zimmerman noted that Boudjouk has been instrumental in helping to build research infrastructure in North Dakota, and became involved in the Research Corridor at its inception in 2002.

NDSU President Joseph A. Chapman, speaking at the event, noted that “the corridor has put North Dakota into the global marketplace, and that benefits our students in countless ways. A global perspective gives NDSU students a better chance for success, and international collaborations open the door for business and research partnerships.”

The Pathfinder Award recognizes Burgum for exceptional achievement in developing and deploying technologies, products, processes or services in the marketplace that have a significant effect on the way business and society operate. His leadership of Great Plains Software in Fargo resulted in international presence and a $1.1 billion acquisition by Microsoft Corp. Burgum is founder of The Kilbourne Group whose mission is to save and restore historic buildings in downtown Fargo through green initiatives. Burgum donated the NDSU Downtown building, which houses the visual arts, architecture and landscape architecture programs, to the NDSU Development Foundation in 1991.

The Milestones and Horizons conference featured the achievements of the state’s research universities and technology companies, as well as presentations from renowned scientists and inventors.

NDSU students to be surveyed on alcohol use

Starting Wednesday, Oct. 22, the Office of Orientation and Student Success will survey students on their use of alcohol and how they perceive the norms surrounding alcohol use. The survey is being conducted at all 11 state institutions of higher education and is endorsed by the North Dakota Higher Education Consortium for Substance Abuse Prevention.

Data from the survey will be used to implement programs, services and policies aimed at reducing the harmful effects of high risk alcohol and drug use among NDSU students. Data will be compared to previous surveys conducted in 2001, 2003, 2005 and 2006 to determine trends in student use and perceptions.

Published by the Office of the Vice President for University Relations.
Close to 1,200 students will be surveyed in classrooms selected through a stratified random sample procedure. Half of the students will complete the Core Alcohol and Drug Survey and half of the students will complete the Campus Survey of Alcohol and Other Drugs. Both surveys take approximately 20 minutes to complete. The Institutional Review Board approved research team will administer surveys. The project has received Institutional Review Board expedited review and approval, and will follow protocol for informed consent.

Instructors of classes selected in the sample will be notified for their permission to administer the survey. Contact Laura Oster-Aaland at 1-7750 or laura.oster-aaland@ndsu.edu or Jane Vangsness at 1-5478 or jane.vangsness@ndsu.edu for more information.

Mathew announces changes in organizational structure

Vice president Prakash Mathew has announced some changes in organizational structure for the Division of Student Affairs.

Michael Harwood has been named assistant dean of student life and will provide leadership and oversight to the Department of Residence Life, Dining Services and the Office of TRIO Programs. He has been with residence life for 10 years, serving as the director since 2001. A search process for the director of residence life position will begin soon.

Barbara Lonbaken has been named dean for student wellness. She has served as the associate dean since January 2006 and has overseen the Counseling Center, Disability Services, Student Health Service and the Wellness Center.

NDSU forum examines economy

An NDSU panel of experts offered advice on the nation’s economic struggles to a statewide audience during an open forum on Oct. 13. The forum, “Economic Security in Tough Times,” was hosted by the NDSU Extension Service and Department of Agribusiness and Applied Economics.

The forum was available for viewing and participation at locations in Bismarck, Carrington, Devils Lake, Dickinson, Fargo, Grand Forks, Hettinger, Jamestown, Langdon, Minot, Streeter, Wahpeton and Williston.

Moderated by D.C. Coston, vice president for agriculture and university Extension, the panel’s consensus opinion was the credit crisis in the financial markets will be relatively short, perhaps lasting about six months. The nation’s deeper economic difficulties, however, may need years to recover.

“There is extraordinary stress on the financial markets,” said Toby Madden, a regional economist for the Federal Reserve Bank, who participated by telephone from Minneapolis.

“This is a problem of historic dimensions.”

Rick Clayburgh of the North Dakota Bankers Association participated from Bismarck. He noted, “Things in North Dakota are looking very good for the time being. North Dakota banks are in a very solid position.”

Cole Gustafson, professor of agribusiness and applied economics, said many consumers have lost confidence in the country’s financial markets. “When consumers become concerned, they start to purchase less,” he explained. “They don’t make the large ticket purchases to keep our economy going.”

“I see this as a time of opportunity for people to take a hard look at their personal finances, at past financial behavior and to start making conscious decisions to use their financial behavior to reach their goals,” said Debra Pankow, assistant professor of child development and family science and Extension family economics specialist. “There are lots of opportunities and challenges ahead of us.”

Also featured on the panel were David Saxowsky, professor; Siew Lim, assistant professor; and Stan Herren, professor, all from the Department of Agribusiness and Applied Economics.

The forum, which was streamed live on the Web, is archived at www.ag.ndsu.edu/money under Economic Security in Tough Times. Additional resources about savings, credit and similar topics also are available on that page.

NDSU to celebrate new Core Synthesis Facility and Molecular Biology Lab

NDSU will celebrate the opening of the new Core Synthesis Facility with an open house in Dunbar 156 and the newly remodeled Molecular Biology Lab with an open house in IACC 316. Both events are on Thursday, Oct. 30, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

The Core Synthesis Facility and Molecular Biology lab are part of the Center for Protease Research, which is funded by a grant from the National Institutes of Health. The program director is Mukund Sibi, NDSU Distinguished Professor of chemistry and molecular biology.

The Core Synthesis Facility is the newest addition to the center. The core manager, Rajesh Murthy, comes from South Dakota State University, Brookings, where his research included synthesis of anti-cancer compounds and development of drug delivery systems. He earned a master’s degree in chemistry in Mumbai, India, and a doctorate at the University of Cincinnati. The objective of the lab is to facilitate investigators’ research by synthesizing compounds and providing analytical services.

The Core Biology Facility includes the Molecular Biology Lab, which has been completely renovated this year, and the Tissue Culture Lab. Jodie Haring, assistant professor of chemistry and molecular biology, is the new manager of the facility. Haring has returned to the Fargo area from the University of Iowa. She graduated from Concordia College with a degree in biology, and earned a doctorate in microbiology from the University of Iowa. The Core Biology Facility assists investigators in tissue culture and molecular biology research, and performs in vitro bioassays to determine efficacy of enzyme inhibitors.

The Center for Protease Research is a National Institutes of Health, National Center for Research Resources and Center of Biological Research Excellence supported center, and has broad-based research programs to provide fundamental information on how proteases impact several diseases. The center currently includes eight investigators from three different NDSU colleges.

The event is free and open to the public. Facility tours and refreshments will be available. For more information, contact Rose Nichols at rose.nichols@ndsu.edu or 1-6114.
Feed safety short course held at Northern Crops Institute

“Food and feed safety is probably the number one concern of consumers globally,” says Kim Koch, feed center manager at Northern Crops Institute. “Feed Safety: Managing a Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points Program,” the short course presented at the Institute the week of Oct. 6, offered feed industry personnel help in easing those concerns.

Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points is a planning program used voluntarily within the U.S. feed industry. Plans, which identify hazards or threats that represent significant harm to animals and people, are a way of ensuring the safety of the feed industry.

“Through this feed safety course, we hope to help companies that are just beginning to introduce Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points into their systems and those that want to tighten up their existing plans,” Koch says. During the course, participants write HACCP plans for their individual companies.

Course participants represented local and international feed manufacturers in six states. Their companies range from premix and complete feed companies to an aquaculture company.

The course was led by Matt Frederking, International Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points Alliance lead instructor, and coordinated by Koch. Co-sponsors of the course are the American Feed Industry Association and the National Grain and Feed Association.

The Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points program was conceived in the early days of the NASA space program to ensure the safety of food going into space.

Tri-College University announces mailing address change

The administrative office of Tri-College University has announced a change in its mailing address. All campus departments should address mail to the street address:

Tri-College University
650 NP Ave., Suite #110
Fargo, ND 58102

This address is the physical address of the Tri-College University offices, which has not changed. Tri-College University will still get mail via campus mail with the same address, but asks that the previous post office box be deleted and no longer used, along with the change in the zip code. Mail with the PO Box will be returned to sender as undeliverable.

NDSU FORWARD gives presentation

Five members of NDSU FORWARD traveled to Ames, Iowa, to present a poster on advancing women faculty at NDSU.

Canan-Bilen Green, Elizabeth Birmingham, Ann Burnett, Evie Myers and Charlene Wolf-Hall presented “Advancing Women Faculty at North Dakota State University.” The authors of the poster are Bilen-Green, Birmingham, Burnett, Karen Froelich, Kalpana Katti, Kevin McCaul, Christi McGeorge, Rhonda Magel, Myers, Don Schwert, Kay Sizer, Gary Smith, Craig Schnell, Christina Weber and Wolf-Hall.

The conference, “The New Norm of Faculty Flexibility: Transforming the Culture in Science and Engineering,” focused on work and life issues and ways to make the university a more attractive place for faculty to work. Examples of flexible work and life policies include part-time tenure track positions, paid leave for care giving, diversified pathways to advancement, tenure clock extensions and policies to reintegrate faculty who have taken time away from their careers.

Keynote speakers discussed ways in which the 20th century model for tenure, developed to benefit men with stay-at-home partners, has become antiquated and undermines productivity in the 21st century’s global economy.

The meeting included representatives of funding agencies, industry, universities that have been awarded ADVANCE grants and those that are seeking funding.

In September, the National Science Foundation notified FORWARD that NDSU had been awarded an ADVANCE grant to promote institutional transformation. NDSU FORWARD will be launching a variety of programs and activities during the next five years.
Horvik evaluates Georgia university for accreditation agency

Lori Horvik, associate professor of theatre, visited the University of West Georgia, Carrollton, on Oct. 1-4 to evaluate the university on behalf of the National Association of Schools of Theatre, which is a national accreditation agency.

Her visit included reviews of the facility, curriculum, programming, operations and discussions with upper administration of the role and function of the theatre program at their university. Horvik’s role as an evaluator allows her to become more familiar with National Association of Schools of Theatre peers, ensure high standards for theatre training and advocate for theatre programs.

Horvik has been at NDSU since 1995. She teaches directing, acting, dramatic literature, introduction to theatre and world film. She is associate director for productions for the Little Country Theatre. Horvik recently led the NDSU Department of Theatre Arts through national accreditation from the National Association of Schools of Theatre.

Miller named Librarian of the Year

The North Dakota Library Association has named Michael M. Miller, director and bibliographer of the Germans from Russia Heritage Collection at the NDSU Libraries, the 2008 Librarian of the Year.

Miller has been a librarian at NDSU since 1967 and has been an active member of the North Dakota Library Association for 42 years. In 1978, he proposed the development of the Germans from Russia Heritage Collection. Building upon his own heritage, he has dedicated his professional career to the preservation of the written, physical and oral history of this major immigrant group in North Dakota.

The Germans from Russia Heritage Collection is one of the most comprehensive scholarly resources on this cultural group. In 2005, Miller partnered with history faculty to launch the Dakota Memories Oral History Project. He also has partnered with public broadcasting to reach a larger audience through video and audio. He has effectively used digital technologies to preserve records and make them accessible throughout the world.

In a letter of nomination Kathryn Thomas, NDSU documents librarian, wrote, “I believe Michael Miller is highly deserving of the 2008 Librarian of the Year Award. Due to his efforts, the heritage of the Germans from Russia in North Dakota and beyond is being preserved and recognized. This is a legacy he will leave for future generations of North Dakotans, for without Michael’s vision, the Germans from Russia Heritage Collection would not exist. Michael is known worldwide as an invaluable resource on German-Russian history and heritage. Those of us fortunate to know him personally can testify to his dedication and passion, and to his kindness and generosity.”

A reception to recognize Miller for the award is set for Thursday, Oct. 30, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Germans from Russia Heritage Collection, Library 114. The event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Acacia Stuckle at 1-6596 or acacia.stuckle@.ndsu.edu.

Park awarded cancer research grant

Chung Park, professor of animal science, was recently awarded a grant from the Department of Defense Breast Cancer Research Program.

The research will investigate the role of methylation diets in epigenetic control of breast cancer. The American Institute for Cancer Research, United States Department of Agriculture-National Research Initiative, the Department of Defense and the National Institutes of Health supported Park’s early work on the relationship between methyl nutrients, lactation and mammary cancer. Park’s laboratory also recently received a grant from the Morris Animal Foundation to study DNA methylation and epigenetics.

Kim appointed to scientific committee

Jimmy Kim, assistant professor of structural engineering, has been appointed to be a member of the International Scientific Committee at the fourth International Conference on Advanced Composites in Construction. The conference will be held in Edinburgh, Scotland, in September 2009.

The conference is one of the highest-renowned in the area of advanced composites for construction. Twenty-two world-leading researchers were invited to be the members of the committee for the conference.

The invitation recognizes Kim’s outstanding research performance in his area of expertise. His primary research interests include the application of fiber reinforced polymer composites for the rehabilitation of deteriorated structures.

Department of Residence Life recognizes faculty contribution

Faculty connections with students are extremely important. While most student-faculty contacts occur in the classroom, research strongly supports that interactions between students and faculty outside the classroom consistently promote student persistence, intellectual development, critical thinking, educational aspirations and degree completion (Pascarella and Terenzini, 2005)

Building on that foundation, the Living-Learning Program, created by the Department of Residence Life, provides opportunities for faculty to become even more actively involved with students outside the classroom through Faculty in Residence Education (FIRE). FIRE is a student success initiative, which helps students connect with faculty in a variety of methods including social and community events, academic support sessions, hall government meetings and community service activities.

Twenty-four members of the NDSU faculty currently volunteer as mentors. They spend approximately one hour per week, or up to four hours per month, involved in programs and activities with the students living in the residence halls to which they are assigned. Faculty mentors for 2008-09 (by college) include the following:

Agriculture, Food Systems, and Natural Resources
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Winter named president of National Association of Educational Procurement

Stacey Winter, director of purchasing, was elected president of the National Association of Educational Procurement at the regional meeting on Sept. 16 in Ames, Iowa.

The association is a non-profit professional organization primarily dedicated to serving higher education purchasing officers in the United States and Canada. There are more than 1,500 colleges and universities that are members of the association, which provides professional development and working opportunities.

One of Winter’s primary duties as president includes coordinating the annual regional education meeting. Next year’s meeting will be held in Minneapolis. She also will attend the national meeting in April in Providence, R.I.

McGeorge receives alumni award

Christi McGeorge, assistant professor of child development and family science, received the Emerging Professional Alumni Award from the University of Arizona School of Family and Consumer Sciences.

McGeorge will travel to the University of Arizona, Tucson, where she will receive the award on Thursday, Oct. 23, and will be honored at a reception on Friday, Oct. 24. She also has been invited to give a research presentation for the University of Arizona Pamela Turbeville Colloquium Series.

Instructor seminar series set

Instructors are invited to attend a series of seminars designed to learn about technologies and tools that enhance teaching. The seminars are being offered by the Office of Distance and Continuing Education’s Instructional Design Team.

Sessions will last approximately one hour, but may extend as the trainers will remain to answer participant questions and explore topics of interest to the group. There is no cost but preregistration is required. To register or for more information, contact Lyn Willoughby, Distance and Continuing Education instructional designer, at 1-6371 or lyn.willoughby@ndsu.edu. Refreshments will be served. The seminars are as follows:

Measuring the Learning with Blackboard
Blackboard offers many ways to incorporate both assessment and evaluation activities into courses. Learn how to use the assignment feature, discussion board, test manager and other features to give assignments, exams and other assessment and evaluation activities.

• Tuesday, Nov. 4, 10 a.m., Family Life Center room 320
• Thursday, Nov. 13, 10 a.m., Family Life Center room 320
• Monday, Dec. 1, 1:30 p.m., Family Life Center room 320

Be There with Wimba
Use Wimba to bring the human touch into your distance education courses easily and powerfully. This seminar will provide an overview of the features of Wimba Classroom and related Wimba technologies to bring video, voice and application sharing into teaching experiences. All equipment, including headsets and webcams, are provided as part of this training.

• Thursday, Oct. 23, 10 a.m., Family Life Center room 320
• Monday, Nov. 3, 1:30 p.m., Family Life Center room 320
• Friday, Nov. 14, 10 a.m., Family Life Center room 320
• Tuesday, Dec. 2, 1:30 p.m., Family Life Center room 320
NDSU Alcohol Awareness Week planned

NDSU is holding several events in conjunction with Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week, scheduled Oct. 20-24. With the theme “Intoxication or Moderation, U Make the Determination,” the awareness week aims to educate students that consuming alcohol in moderation, or not at all, will make for more positive outcomes.

“I am really excited about the week,” said Michalina Sobon, a junior majoring in management communication and Spanish who is organizing the week with the Student Advisory Committee for Alcohol and Other Drugs. “All of the events are fun, but at the same time very educational and encourage students to make good decisions about alcohol use.”

During the events, a “T-shirt exchange” will be held where students may exchange alcohol-related apparel (T-shirts, hats, etc.) for new NDSU T-shirts. A contest between student organizations also is planned to see which student organization can exchange the most apparel. The winning organization will receive a $300 weekend entertainment grant.

Free tips about alcohol use will be handed out and a game of chance will be played at the Wallman Wellness Center on Thursday, Oct. 23, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Earlier in the week, the committee and Interfraternity Council sponsored a booth in front of the NDSU Bookstore, teaching students how to estimate their blood alcohol concentration. On Tuesday, the committee and Panhellenic Council played a game in front of the NDSU Bookstore from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. where participants learned how to moderate their drinking.

For more information, contact Jane Vangsness at 1-5478 or jane.vangsness@ndsu.edu.

NDSU celebrates Cultural Awareness

Cultural Awareness Month is a time to celebrate and learn about ways of living and being. For the full schedule go to www.ndsu.edu/multicultural/cam.pdf.

The “Traveling Culture: North Dakota Historical Society” display is available for viewing until Friday, Oct. 24, in the Multicultural Student Services office in the Memorial Union, room 178. The office is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

An African dance class is held every Monday and Tuesday in October from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the NDSU Wellness Center, Upstairs Studio. Learn traditional African dance from Amoussa Koriko, NDSU theater student and native of Togo, West Africa. Participants may have the opportunity to perform during Pan-African Night on Oct. 18 at 6:30 p.m. No registration is needed.

There will be a YMCA Brown Bag session, titled “Interfaith Dialogue” on Wednesday, Oct. 22, from noon to 1 p.m. in the Memorial Union, Arikara room. Staff from Multicultural Student Services will guide you through some values of a variety of faiths. Recitations from several faiths will be read.

The Cultural Awareness Simulation Series “The Refugee Experience” will be held Thursday, Oct. 23, from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the University Lutheran Center, 1201 13th Ave. N. Learn what happened. Experience the event. Understand the implications. The cultural simulation will aid in gaining new respect and appreciation for cultures different from your own.

‘Dakota Blue’ to hang in Alumni Lounge

An original oil painting by Philip Tsiaras, an international artist of Greek origin from New York, has joined the NDSU Memorial Union Art Gallery’s permanent collection.

The painting was a gift to the NDSU foundation, commissioned by Tsiaras and given by NDSU alumna Karen Schneider. The NDSU Alumni Association housed the painting until recently transferring it to the Memorial Union Gallery. The piece joins about 400 pieces that form the permanent collection.

The painting, titled “Dakota Blue,” is part of the “Horse-Boy” series that illustrates the relationship between horse and rider. This series extends over a period of about 20 years.

Tsiaras lives and works in New York. He first studied literature before following a career in photography and painting. Tsiaras has made more than 75 one-person exhibitions since 1974.

Tsiaras’ painting will be hung on Wednesday, Oct. 22, in the Alumni Lounge area of the Memorial Union on the wall behind the Ticketmaster and U.S. Bank offices.

Photojournalist exhibit at NDSU gallery

Neil W. Anderson’s photojournalist exhibit “Is it Justified?” will be on display in the Memorial Union Art Gallery beginning Wednesday, Oct. 22, to Wednesday, Nov. 5. Anderson, a senior visual arts major, uses photojournalistic tactics to capture natural landscapes corrupted by industry and man that present nature’s beauty, destruction and reclamation.

The exhibit is a collection of black and white photographs illustrating issues of recycling and sustainable building.

Anderson earned an associate’s degree in architecture. He is currently studying sculpture and working toward a bachelor’s degree in black and white photography at NDSU. He also is working on a series of bronze bells to study sound and a number of printmaking reductive relief prints.

A reception will be held Thursday, Oct. 23, from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., in the MU gallery. The event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

NDSU to host Red River Women’s Studies Conference

NDSU will host the eighth annual Red River Women’s Studies Conference on Friday, Oct. 24, at the Alumni Center, 1241 N. University Drive, Fargo.

The conference, titled “Sisters, Families, Mothers, Wives,” will feature keynote speaker Brenda Daly and a variety of student and professional panels from across the Red River Valley. Daly is a retired English professor from Iowa State University and professional panels from across the Red River Valley. Daly will deliver her keynote address, “Feminist Scholarship and the Politics of Motherhood: Closing the Gap,” during the noon luncheon.

The registration deadline for the conference is Oct. 22. For more information about registration and the conference, go to www.ndsu.nodak.edu/womens_studies/announce_3.html.
“Breaking the Silence: A Congo Week Presentation” will be held Friday, Oct. 24, from noon to 1 p.m. in the Memorial Union Gallery. Kevin Brooks, associate professor of English, will share information about devastating wars that have resulted in nearly 6 million deaths in the Democratic Republic of Congo since 1996. He will show clips from three educational films about the Democratic Republic of Congo, and he will provide a guide to further resources. This presentation is part of a global awareness initiative called “Congo Week: Breaking the Silence.” For more information, go to www.congoweek.org/english.

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

“China Exploration: A Cultural and Academic Experience for Engineering Students” will be held Monday, Oct. 27, from noon to 1 p.m. in the Memorial Union, Rose room. Wei Lin, associate professor of civil engineering, will give the presentation.

Sisterhood Circle will be held Tuesday, Oct. 28, at 1 p.m. in the Memorial Union, Meadow Lark room. Women of color and allies are welcome to join us to discuss issues important to multicultural women. The topic for the meeting is “Interracial Relationships and Women of Color.” The last 20 minutes will be reserved to discuss current events.

Lawnmower, snow blower clinic set

The Agricultural Systems Management Club and the American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers have scheduled a lawnmower and snow blower clinic on Thursday, Oct. 30, at 3 p.m. in the Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering building.

A tune-up, oil change, spark plug change, air filter cleaning, gearbox oil check, blade sharpening and wash are included for $25. Pick-up and delivery service is available within Fargo, Moorhead and West Fargo city limits for an additional $10.

To schedule an appointment, call the Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering office at 1-7261.

Software testing seminar set

The Department of Computer Science will host “Software Testing: An Evolution-Centric Perspective,” presented by Gregg Rothermel, on Monday, Oct. 27, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in the Memorial Union Rose room. The College of Science and Mathematics, Cooperative Sponsorship committee and computer sciences department are sponsoring the event.

Rothermel, professor and Jensen Chair of Software Engineering at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, will discuss the ways useful software evolves and the how it is “regression” tested. Regression test selection techniques will be discussed, and techniques for performing regression test selection and empirical results obtained in studying those techniques will be presented.

For more information, contact Hyunsook Do, assistant professor of computer science, at 1-5856 or hyunsook.do@ndsu.edu.

English department hosts
Cosgrove Seminar on SafeAssign

The English department will host several presenters who are focused on responsible use and best practices associated with SafeAssign, a citation and plagiarism program. The session is titled “Safe or Sorry? Working Responsibly with SafeAssign,” and will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 22, from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Morrill 109. NDSU has recently adopted SafeAssign as an optional tool in Blackboard. It is intended to teach good citation practices and catch plagiarism.

Nancy Lilleberg, Information Technology Services manager, will demonstrate the basic features of the program. Amy Taggart, director of first-year writing, will offer a brief overview of writing specialists’ recommendations for using plagiarism programs. Kelly Sassi, English and education specialist, will speak from experience about using plagiarism detection programs in a class. Nona Wood will offer perspectives on student rights and responsibilities regarding plagiarism. The presentations will be followed by discussion.

Refreshments will be served. All students, faculty and staff are invited to attend. For more information, contact Cindy Nichols at 1-7024 or cindy.nichols@ndsu.edu.

WISMET to hold first meeting

Women in Science, Mathematics, Engineering and Technology will have their first meeting on Thursday, Oct. 30, at noon in the Memorial Union Room of Nations. Women from all research areas are welcome. If you plan to attend, RSVP to Birgit Pruess at birgit.pruess@ndsu.edu by Saturday, Oct. 25. To receive further announcements, contact Pruess to be put on the WISMET Blackboard list.

SHORTS AND REMINDERS

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 Website at www.ndsu.edu/jobs.

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

Catering/Swing Cook/#00025303
Dining Services – Memorial Union
12 months, Monday to Friday with weekends
$11+ per hour
Oct. 24

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

Food Service Worker/#00023538
Dining Services – Resident Dining Center
10 months per year, Monday to Friday with rotating weekends
$8+/hour
Open until filled

cont.
Medical Records and 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

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

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

Instructional Designer
Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute
Salary commensurate with experience
Nov. 15

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

Forest Health Specialist/#00019964
North Dakota Forest Service
Salary commensurate with experience
Dec. 31

Digital Initiatives Librarian/#00019393
Library
$40,000+/year
Open until filled

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

Programmer Analyst
NDUS ConnectND
$50,000+/year
Open until filled

Research Agronomist/Assistant or Associate Research Extension Center Specialist
Carrington Research Extension Center
Salary commensurate with experience
Open until filled

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

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