NDSU United Way campaign begins, 2008 effort recognized

The highly successful 2008 NDSU United Way campaign has been honored by United Way of Cass-Clay; and the university’s 2009 effort is set to begin this week.

At the Oct. 9 meeting of the President’s Council, NDSU was presented with the “Milestone Campaign Award,” which recognizes the institution’s record giving level of $125,688 during its 2008 campaign.

Randy Johnson, second vice chair of the United Way campaign cabinet and vice president of human resources and development at Blue Cross Blue Shield, made the presentation. Accepting the honor were President Joseph A. Chapman; Char Goodyear, NDSU employee campaign coordinator and assistant to the vice president for university relations; and Bonnie Neas, Key Club campaign coordinator and vice president for information technology.

“NDSU runs a very special campaign,” Johnson said. “This is an award that recognizes NDSU as being in the top echelon of people who support United Way. We are grateful, and our agencies are grateful for that.”

Judy Green, president of United Way of Cass-Clay, said NDSU is sixth among local businesses and institutions in its level of giving. “NDSU is a building block of our community. We are privileged to have so many NDSU personnel give back to our community and make a difference. You really understand what it means to care,” she said.

The 2009 campaign begins Oct. 15 and faculty and staff will receive information by the end of the month. The goal for this year is $131,950, a five percent increase from last year.

“In an effort to go green, we are going to an e-pledging system this year. Faculty and staff will receive information about this important change,” Goodyear said. “I urge people to consider making a pledge. The campaign theme of ‘Live United’ is so true because when we give to United Way, we truly improve the lives of others in our community.”

Jauhar organizes scholarships to benefit academically brilliant

Prem Jauhar, a research geneticist with the U.S. Department of Agriculture – Agricultural Research Service Northern Crop Science Laboratory and an adjunct professor of plant sciences at NDSU, has provided funding for scholarships that will benefit academically bright students in financial need.

Jauhar’s own life has been full of struggles. While growing up in British India, he struggled with oppression and poverty while his country fought for independence. From studying under streetlights and borrowing books from other students, he knew firsthand what it was like to be poor and scholarly, and therefore was motivated to set up these scholarships.

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Jauhar’s father Ram Lal Jauhar resented the British rule and relentlessly struggled for social justice and rights for all. He taught Prem persistence and perseverance, often telling him “Quitters don’t win, and winners don’t quit.”

The Maya Jauhar Memorial Emergency Fund will support and continually replenish the emergency fund managed by the Office for Equity, Diversity, and Global Outreach. The $500 gift is named in memory of Prem’s mother.

The Prem and Raj Jauhar Book Scholarship, in the amount of $500, will help a student offset book expenses.

The Ram Lal Jauhar Memorial Scholarship will provide an annual scholarship in the amount of $500 to a student demonstrating high academic standing and financial need. Prem gave $12,500 for the endowment, which is named in the memory of his father.

The Prem Jauhar Crop Science Research Award will provide an annual $500 cash award for a graduate student demonstrating top academic achievement in the field of crop science research (genetics, cytogenetics, plant breeding and biotechnology) at NDSU. Prem gave $12,500 for the endowment.

Prem’s research involves genetic enhancement of wheat using tools of classical and molecular cytogenetics and biotechnology. His 152 publications include five books and research papers in journals like Nature, Theoretical and Applied Genetics, Genome, Journal of Heredity, and Crop Science. He has served as associate editor of the Journal of Heredity, an international journal of genetics, since 1990. He was elected Fellow of the Crop Science Society of America in 1995, Fellow of the American Society of Agronomy in 1996 and Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in 2003.

“These scholarships and awards will benefit many bright and needy students for years to come,” Evie Myers, vice president for equity, diversity, and global outreach, said. “We cannot thank Dr. Jauhar and his wife, Raj, enough for these outstanding, generous gifts.”

Department of Chemistry and Molecular Biology hosts PICNICS

The Department of Chemistry and Molecular Biology hosted students from Fargo high schools during the summer as part of the PICNICS (Parents Involvement with Children, Nurturing Intellectual Curiosity in Science) program. The program aims to integrate parents and their children in science and encourage ninth through 12th graders to consider science as a career path.

“Informing both parents and their children in organized settings regarding the importance of science and technology will help them make informed decisions toward science and math when considering college majors and career paths,” said Sivaguru Jayaraman, program coordinator and assistant professor of chemistry and molecular biology.

Students were selected based on recommendations from their high school teachers. They worked alongside graduate students and postdoctoral fellows and carried out research in NDSU’s Department of Chemistry and Molecular Biology.

The PICNICS program was conducted in collaboration with Todd Bertsch, principal at Fargo South High School; Carol Beaton, advanced placement science teacher at Fargo South High School; and Dale Miller, vice-principal at Fargo North High School.

Five students were selected for the program. Kelsie L. Eiler, Tony B. Wendorff and Suzzane M. McConn represented Fargo South High School. Adeeti R. Katti and Landon J. Melchior represented Fargo North High School.

Jayaraman, Kent Rodgers, Mukund Sibi, John Hershberger and D. K. Srivastava, all faculty from the Department of Chemistry and Molecular Biology, hosted students in their research groups for the summer. At the end of the program, students presented a poster on their research at a reception held for them by the Department of Chemistry and Molecular Biology.

Institute for Regional Studies wins publication award

The North Dakota Institute for Regional Studies, managed by the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, received the Will Rogers Medallion Award for Outstanding Merit/Excellence in Printing and Publication for its publication “A Prairie Prayer,” written by Bruce Roseland. The award for the book was based on a combination of excellent content, high production value and respect for the cowboy heritage.

The Will Rogers Medallion Award honors books that represent outstanding achievement in the publishing of Western media. Outstanding books are the result of a collaborative effort between authors, publishers and printers. The award’s criterion also emphasizes production values.

“A Prairie Prayer” is a collection of poetry inspired by life on the prairie. It is available through the North Dakota Institute for Regional Studies, located in Minard 221 or by contacting Nancy Nelson at nancy.nelson@ndsu.edu or 1-8338.

‘Eat Smart. Play Hard. Together’ Wins National Recognition

The National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences has awarded NDSU’s “Eat Smart. Play Hard. Together” program with the 2009 Marketing Package Award.

Julie Garden-Robinson, NDSU Extension Service food and nutrition specialist, accepted the award at the association’s awards banquet in Birmingham, Ala., in September.

The NDSU Extension Service and Bison Athletics launched the statewide “Eat Smart. Play Hard. Together” campaign in 2005. The program has used a variety of role models, such as Bison athletes, North Dakota Governor’s Schools youth and Miss North Dakota, to increase awareness of the importance of nutrition and fitness for families.

The program includes a video featuring Thundar, the Bison mascot; 4-H club recognition program; poster contests for kids; classroom lessons for kids; newsletters for parents; a Web page (www.ndsu.edu/eatsmart); a Facebook page; and the “Eat Smart.
Research fellowships available

The North Dakota Water Resources Research Institute has announced its 2010 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 from three summer months to a full year in duration. In the past, fellowship awards for master’s degree students have ranged from $800 to $1,000 and for doctoral students it has been $1,000 to $1,400 per month. The fellowship funds must be applied between March 1, 2010, and Feb. 28, 2011.

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 should have a thesis research topic selected. Applications need to be prepared in consultation with advisers. Advisers and the applicant should both 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 region, and extent of regional, state or local collaboration and co-funding. A panel of faculty members and state water resources research professionals will review the proposals. Announcement of awards will be made by early January.

Visit 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 G. Padmanabhan, institute director, at 1-7043 or g.padmanabhan@ndsu.edu.

Applications are due on Nov. 13 by 5 p.m. Send applications to G. Padmanabhan, North Dakota Water Resources Research Institute, Civil Engineering, CIE 201E, NDSU Dept. 2470, P.O. Box 6050, Fargo, ND 58108-6050.

DIVERSITY

NDSU faculty to participate in Mongolian exchange program

Neil Dyer, professor of veterinary and microbiological sciences and director of the NDSU Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory, and Charlie Stoltenow, associate professor of animal sciences and Extension veterinarian, will participate in an exchange program with the Mongolian Agriculture University School of Veterinary Medicine in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. They are scheduled to be in Mongolia from Oct. 29 to Nov. 9.

The exchange program is a continuation of an educational cooperation agreement signed between the Mongolian Agriculture University, Mongolia Veterinarians and Educators Training Professionals non-governmental organization and NDSU. President Chapman signed the agreement in November 2007.

Dyer and Stoltenow currently provide distance instruction to Mongolian graduate veterinarians enrolled in a Mongolian Agriculture University School of Veterinary Medicine Master’s Degree Program administered by Mongolia Veterinarians and Educators Training Professionals Non-governmental Organization.

Dyer’s efforts will focus on instructing students in pathology and teaching proper techniques in performing a necropsy. Stoltenow’s efforts will lay the foundation for a veterinary Extension program in Mongolia and evaluate the distance education capabilities of the program, demonstrating distance education tools and making recommendations on how to enhance the distance education experience.

This is the second visit to Mongolia for both Dyer and Stoltenow, but it is the first trip under the educational education agreement.

World iView series continues

“Consequences of a Shrinking World,” a presentation by Corey Kiefer, chair of China Global Media Group, is scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 22, from noon to 1 p.m., in the Memorial Union Century Theater. The presentation is part of the World iView speaker series.

Kiefer’s presentation highlights historically distant and disconnected countries and cultures around the globe, which are now more interconnected and interdependent than ever. While this creates many opportunities within the areas of business and trade, it also creates challenges for business people as they are increasingly more exposed to radically different cultural customs and psychologies.

Kiefer has had a diverse business career as an entrepreneur and executive manager in strategic business and content development with companies in the product marketing, entertainment, new media and Internet industries in both the United States and Asia.

The World iView speaker series is sponsored by the Office of International Programs. For more information, contact Sara Johnson at sara.j.johnson@ndsu.edu or 1-7895.
RESEARCH

Stastny earns board certification

Sherri Nordstrom Stastny, assistant professor of health, nutrition and exercise sciences, has successfully completed the board certification as a specialist in sports dietetics. The certification was developed by the Commission on Dietetic Registration, the credentialing agency for the American Dietetic Association and the nation’s largest organization of food and nutrition professionals. The certification is considered to be equivalent to five years of continuing education according to the rules of the Commission on Dietetic Registration rules.

Sports dietitians are experienced registered dietitians who apply evidence-based nutrition knowledge in exercise and sports. They assess, educate and counsel athletes and active individuals. They design, implement and manage safe and effective nutrition strategies that enhance lifelong health, fitness and optimal performance. There are limited board certified specialists in sports dietetics in the United States. Stastny is one of two specialists in the Dakotas.

Stastny, along with Julie Garden-Robinson, Extension food and nutrition specialist, are collecting data for a project, titled “Eating for Your Eyes,” and are finishing up development and implementation of the project “Nourishing Your Brain.” Both projects aim to improve health and fitness behaviors in adults. Stastny also is working with Bryan Christensen, assistant professor of health, nutrition and exercise sciences, to recruit participants for a new study looking at the effects of resistance training and muscle strength and power in women. For information on the Institutional Review Board approved resistance training study, contact Stastny at sherri.stastny@ndsu.edu.

Raile publishes research

Eric Raile, assistant professor of political science, recently had three papers accepted for publication. Raile and co-writers Timothy Power from Oxford University and Carlos Pereira from Michigan State University will have “The Executive Toolbox: Building Legislative Support in a Multiparty Presidential Regime” published in Political Research Quarterly. Their piece, titled “Presidentialism, Coalitions and Accountability,” will appear in an edited volume published by the University of Notre Dame Press. A third piece, “Presidencialismo de Coalizão e Recompensas Paralelas: Explicando o Escândalo de Mensalão,” will appear in an edited volume from the UFMG Press in Brazil.

The three papers come from a line of research that examines the complex and strategic trading of resources between the executive and legislative branches in Brazil—a multiparty presidential regime. Two of the papers also look at how these trades and bargaining conditions led to the mensalão corruption scandal in Brazil. The work integrates previous research on pork, political appointments and policy outcomes.

Sather-Wagstaff publishes book chapter and journal article

Joy Sather-Wagstaff, assistant professor of anthropology, is the author of a chapter for “Intangible Heritage Embodied,” a book edited by Helaine Silverman and D. F. Ruggles. The book explores and critiques the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization’s 2003 convention for protecting intangible heritage. The authors argue for an understanding of intangible heritage as that which is practiced and culturally transmitted through the performing body.

Sather-Wagstaff’s chapter is titled “Folk Epigraphy as Intangible Heritage at the World Trade Center, Oklahoma City and Beyond.” In this chapter she analyzes commemorative graffiti and other message-leaving forms as traditionally transient and temporary embodied memory acts that are now made more durable for use in museums and memorial landscapes through photography, art, digital archiving and architecture.

Sather-Wagstaff also had a journal article, titled “Picturing Experience: A Tourist-centered Perspective on Commemorative Historical Sites,” appear in Tourist Studies: An International Journal. This was a special issue of the journal centered on ethnographic methods for tourist and tourism studies.

Sather-Wagstaff is currently engaged in a collaborative research project at the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum. She is working with Rebekah Sobel, program evaluator for the museum. Sather-Wagstaff and Sobel are assessing museum patrons’ visit and post-visit experiences regarding a new interactive exhibit in the museum and online at www.ushmm.org/genocide/take_action. The installation, “From Memory to Action: Meeting the Challenge of Genocide Today,” asks visitors to use the context of the Holocaust and three case studies in Darfur, Rwanda and Bosnia to take action against hate and genocide through a focus on the recent genocide, ongoing conflicts and conflict resolution.

Cox gives talk in Washington, D.C.

John K. Cox, professor and head of history, philosophy and religious studies, gave an invited talk Oct. 7 at the East European studies program of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington, D.C. The talk was titled, “Translating Ivan Cankar in the 21st Century: Historical and Literary Perspectives on Slovene Political and Social Evolution.”

Cox discussed his efforts to promote the translation of political and literary texts from earlier periods of Slovene history and works by Cankar that provide material for examination of the slow and meandering construction of the modern Slovene national idea.

Cox will speak on related aspects of Slovene nationalism and literature at the College of St. Scholastica in Duluth, Minn., in late October and at the 41st annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies in Boston in mid-November.
PEOPLE

Ambrosio appointed director of international studies major

Thomas Ambrosio, associate professor of political science, has been appointed director of the international studies major at NDSU.

The interdisciplinary program is a secondary major that provides students with the opportunity to internationalize their primary major through specialized course work, a study abroad experience and the development of foreign language proficiency.

For more information, go to www.ndsu.edu/international/ism or contact Ambrosio at thomas.ambrosio@ndsu.edu.

Lardy has been named new head of NDSU animal sciences

Greg Lardy is the new head of NDSU animal sciences. Ken Grafton, dean of the College of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Natural Resources, made the announcement Sept. 29. Lardy began his new responsibilities Oct. 1.

“Dr. Lardy’s excellent understanding of animal agriculture in the state, his long-term activities in Extension and research of beef cattle production and management in the Northern Plains and his commitment to advance this important segment of North Dakota agriculture all played a role in this important selection,” Grafton said. “I have complete confidence that Dr. Lardy will bring great success to the department and to the livestock industries in the state.”

Lardy earned a bachelor’s degree from NDSU; a master’s degree from the University of Missouri, Columbia; and a doctorate from the University of Nebraska. His research interests include cow-calf nutrition, supplementation of forage fed ruminants, byproduct utilization and cow-calf management.

Office of TRIO Programs hires assistant director

Aida Martinez-Freeman joined the Office of TRIO Programs as assistant director and Student Support Services project director.

Martinez-Freeman’s primary responsibilities are to administer the Student Support Services Project to provide eligible individuals with services supported by the U.S. Department of Education. The Student Support Services Project provides academic assistance to undergraduate students in the areas of study, computer and reading skills. Tutoring and classes in fundamentals are offered at no charge to students who meet the Department of Education requirements.

EVENTS

1960 Miss USA pageant gown on display at NDSU

A gown worn by Carol (Olson) Larsen while representing North Dakota at the 1960 Miss USA Pageant is on display at the Emily Reynolds Historic Costume Collection on the fourth floor of the Family Life Center through Nov. 15. Larsen studied at NDSU (then North Dakota Agricultural College) from 1956-60. She was elected Homecoming queen in 1959.

Larsen wore the gown in the evening gown competition at the pageant. Its theme was “Cinderella.” Larsen recalled that during an NBC interview, she had an opportunity to say she was a graduate of NDSU. “That was important to me because the name was changing from the North Dakota Agricultural College to NDSU. Students at NDSU were instrumental in making the name change happen.

“Without NDSU, none of these amazing experiences would have been mine. The Atlantic City pageant was exhausting, but a fabulous experience that opened many doors for me in the years following the competition,” Larsen said.

NDSU Bison BEST robotics competition concludes

NDSU’s College of Engineering and Architecture’s Bison BEST (Boosting Engineering, Science and Technology) Robotics Competition will conclude on Oct. 23-24 at the Fargo Civic Auditorium. This is the third year that NDSU has hosted the six-week competition.

The competition offers hands-on, real world, engineering-based experience to middle and high school students. The mission of BEST robotics is to inspire students to pursue careers in engineering, science, technology and math through participation in a sports-like science and engineering-based robotics competition.

A total of 28 schools competed this year. At the kick-off event, each school received an identical kit of equipment and parts and a set of game rules. Each team designed, built and tested a radio-controlled robot, trying to outperform other robots.

Engineers and other technical professionals from local industries served as team mentors who advised and guided students through the design and construction of their robot. More information is available at www.ndsu.edu/ndsu/cea/bison_best_new.
Bison fans invited to pre-game party for SDSU football game

Bison fans planning to attend the football game against the South Dakota State University Jackrabbits on Saturday, Oct. 17, at 6 p.m. in Brookings, S.D., are invited to a pre-game party from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. The NDSU Alumni Association has planned the event.

If planning to tailgate, you must call the SDSU ticket office at (605) 688-5422 to secure a location for your vehicle. Ask for the Bison Tailgate Area. The cost is $20 per vehicle. Spots next to the NDSU Alumni tent are limited. Once the locations near the NDSU Alumni tent are filled, fans will be sent to the lots north of the softball stadium. Tailgate reservations must be made by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 14.

For tickets, go to www.gojacks.com or call (605) 688-5422. For more information, go to www.ndsualumni.com or contact Stephanie Martin at 1-6811 or stephanie@ndsualumni.com.

Discover NDSU schedule set

The NDSU Office of Admission has announced the 2009-10 Discover NDSU schedule. The first dates of the series are scheduled for Oct. 15-16, with a morning and an afternoon session both days. Morning sessions are planned for Thursday, Oct. 22, and Friday, Oct. 23. Other dates include Saturday, Nov. 14; Friday, April 6; and Saturday, April 17.

Discover NDSU is a comprehensive overview of NDSU for high school students. All sessions of the event include an activity fair, admission presentation, student panel, academic interest session and a general campus tour. Sessions are followed by specialty tour options of Renaissance Hall, the Engineering Complex, Residence Life Showcase, Barry Hall and Sudro Hall. Contact Michael Nicholas at michael.nicholas@ndsu.edu for more information.

Wellness Center plans health fair

The Wallman Wellness Center will sponsor the annual NDSU Health Fair on Tuesday, Oct. 20, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Memorial Union Plains Room. This year’s theme is “Spread the Health.”

The free event is open to students, faculty and staff. More than 50 booths will be featured, including a blood drive offered through United Blood Services. The booths will offer fun, interactive, wellness-oriented information and education displays. Participants will have the opportunity to win prizes, including a Specialized Globe commuter bike, a Nintendo Wii, iTouch, one of two iPod Shuffles and basketballs.

The Wallman Wellness Center also is sponsoring “Can I Kiss You?” a presentation featuring speaker Michael Domitz in Festival Concert Hall on Oct. 20 at 7 p.m. The event is a hilarious look at dating behavior, especially how people talk to each other in intimate situations. Domitz’ presentation is free.

For more information, contact Stacey Holm, Wellness Center health educator, at 1-8560, or email stacey.holm@ndsu.edu.

Birmingham to give presentation about anime music videos

Elizabeth Birmingham, associate professor of English, will present a paper on girls as producers of Internet content on Tuesday, Oct. 20, from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Minard 135. “Bringing Smexy Back: AMV’s, Transgressive Sexuality and Fangirl Identity” considers the differences between the anime music videos (AMVs) of boys and girls, and concludes that girls’ production of more complex content is related to their more complex relationship to source material. Refreshments will be served.

Birmingham’s presentation is part of ongoing Cosgrove Seminars in the Department of English. These are informal gatherings in which colleagues and community presenters share scholarship, creative work and pedagogical projects for discussion. All are welcome to attend.

United Way silent auction planned

To raise funds for the United Way, the Division of Information Technology and the Department of Computer Science have planned the 12th annual United Way Silent Auction, Bake and Book Sale. The event is scheduled for Friday, Oct. 30, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the IACC on the first and second floor lobbies. All money raised will go toward supporting the United Way of Cass-Clay and its many agencies.

Organizers also will collect items for the area’s food pantry. October’s suggested item is dish soap. Tuna, macaroni and cheese mixes, cereal, canned fruit, toilet paper and shampoo are always in demand. Any non-perishable donations are welcome and can be brought to IACC 206.

Participants can donate an item or come for bidding on the day of the event. To make a donation, go to www.ndsu.edu/auction and add your item to the list. Deliver the donation before Wednesday, Oct 28, at 2 p.m. to IACC 206. Participants also can view a listing of items available.
‘Dwelling’ exhibit on display

“Dwelling,” an exhibit to showcase the art of NDSU staff and alumni, opened Sept. 29, in the Memorial Union Art Gallery. Initiated by Kent Kapplinger, associate professor of visual arts at NDSU, the exhibit is a way to connect alumni with the university. This is the first year for staff and alumni to show their art in an exhibit together. Pieces were accepted from alumni across the nation.

The show is multi-disciplined and open to graduates from the visual arts, architecture, landscape architecture and English departments. A wide variety of mediums will be presented including paintings, ceramics, digital media, mixed media and more.

Thirty-three pieces were accepted for the exhibit and eight were awarded best of show. The exhibit will be on display until Oct. 31.

Faculty Chamber Players scheduled to perform

The NDSU Faculty Chamber Players will present “Music of American Composers” on Monday, Oct. 19, at 7:30 p.m. in Beckwith Recital Hall in the Reineke Fine Arts Center. Admission is free and open to the public.

Performers include vocalists Virginia Sublett, soprano, and Robert Jones, baritone. Instrumentalists include Elizabeth Chausé, flute; Benjamin Sung, violin; Kyle Mack, trombone; Andrew Froelich, piano; and Jihye Chang Sung, piano. The NDSU Faculty Brass Quintet also will perform.

Reminder of Policy 345: Research Involving Human Participants

NDSU is committed to protecting the rights, safety and welfare of all participants of NDSU human research projects. This commitment has been formalized in a Federalwide Assurance with the Office of Human Research Protections, Department of Health and Human Services, and also includes applicable research regulated by the Food and Drug Administration. Among other requirements, these protections ensure that risks to participants will be minimized, risks will be reasonable in relation to anticipated benefits, recruitment procedures will be fair, subjects will be sufficiently informed and able to make a voluntary choice, their privacy and confidentiality will be respected and extra protections will be in place for vulnerable groups.

Applicability:
Human subjects research may be conducted in many diverse fields and disciplines, and includes projects that will involve interventions or interactions with individuals, and/or obtaining information about them (directly or indirectly) for purposes of contributing to generalizable knowledge. It also would include clinical investigations of drugs, medical devices, biologics, food additives and other articles regulated by the Food and Drug Administration.

IRB review:
The terms of NDSU’s Federalwide Assurance specify that the Institutional Review Board prospectively review all proposed research involving human participants to ensure that their rights and welfare will be protected. The Institutional Review Board’s oversight responsibility includes human research projects qualifying for ‘exemption,’ which undergo a similar review process. The Institutional Review Board also is responsible for oversight of continuing research, resolving participant concerns, reporting noncompliance and implementing corrective actions, as well as providing guidance to the campus community regarding human research protections.

Investigator training:
An initial and three-year refresher-training requirement is in place for investigators and research team members. Online sessions are available at www.ndsu.edu/research. Staff are available to present training sessions to groups of five or more by appointment.

Go to www.ndsu.edu/research/irb or e-mail ndsu.irb@ndsu.edu for more information.

Staff Senate nominations sought

The NDSU Staff Senate is seeking nominations for three open at-large seats. Nominees can be any regular benefited employees from the following job categories: 1000/3000 – Administrative, Managerial and Professional; 4000 – Technical and Paraprofessional; 5000 – Office Support; and 6000/7000 – Crafts and Trades and Services.

People elected to at-large positions will serve terms through May 2010. All broadbanded staff members are encouraged to nominate themselves and others for Staff Senate. Nominators are asked to check with the person they are nominating before sending in the nomination. Nominees are encouraged to discuss with their supervisors the opportunity to serve before being nominated.

To nominate staff members, contact Janine Trowbridge, Election Committee chair, at Janine.Trowbridge@ndsu.edu or 1-7315.
OCTOBER

14 YMCA of NDSU Brown Bag – “LGBTQ Rights: Locally and Nationally,” noon to 1 p.m., Memorial Union, Arikara room. Co-sponsored by the Equity and Diversity Center, Safe Zone and Pride Network.

14 Plant Pathology – “Emerald Ash Borer Situation in the USA,” Scott Redlin, USDA-APHIS Plant Protection and Quarantine, North Carolina, 4 p.m., Loftsgard 114

15 Equity, Diversity, and Global Outreach – Share Your Story Get-Together, 3 p.m., Equity and Diversity Center. Co-sponsored by the Equity and Diversity Center and Safe Zone.

15 Science Café – “Molecules to Mozzarella: The Chemistry of Cheese,” Michael Tunic, professor of chemistry, 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., Hotel Donaldson’s Stokers Basement located at 101 Broadway, Fargo

15 Tri-College Jazz Combo Concert, 7:30 p.m., Beckwith Recital Hall. Free admission.

16 Equity, Diversity, and Global Outreach – “Being an Ally,” noon, Memorial Union Room of Nations. Co-sponsored by the Equity and Diversity Center, Safe Zone and Pride Network.

16 Volleyball vs. Oakland, 7 p.m., Bentson/Bunker Fieldhouse

16 Psychology Colloquium – “Disaster Recovery and Post-Traumatic Growth,” George A. Youngs, professor of sociology, anthropology and emergency management, 3:30 p.m., FLC 122

17 Volleyball vs. Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne, 7 p.m., Bentson/Bunker Fieldhouse

18 Graduate Recital – Jamie Hagen, soprano, 2 p.m., Beckwith Recital Hall. Free admission.

18 Graduate Recital – Erin Oberlander, soprano, 4 p.m., Beckwith Recital Hall. Free admission.

19 Plant Sciences Graduate Seminar – “Non-food Genetically Modified Plants as a Source of Derived Pharmaceutical Proteins,” Andrzej Noyszewski, 3 p.m., Loftsgard 114

19 Faculty Chamber Concert, 7:30 p.m., Beckwith Recital Hall. Free admission.

20 Wallman Wellness Center – Spread the Health: Health Fair 2009, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Memorial Union Plains room. Co-sponsored by the NDSU Wellness Education Leaders.

20 YMCA of NDSU Brown Bag – “Can I Kiss You?” 7 p.m., Festival Concert Hall