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Bresciani: NDSU and state have 'window of opportunity'

NDSU President Dean L. Bresciani says a rare "window of opportunity" exists in North Dakota, and challenged the campus community to imagine the opportunity to help shape the state over the next century. That observation came during his first State of the University Address Sept. 29 before an audience of more than 500 people at Festival Concert Hall and about 150 persons viewing the speech online.

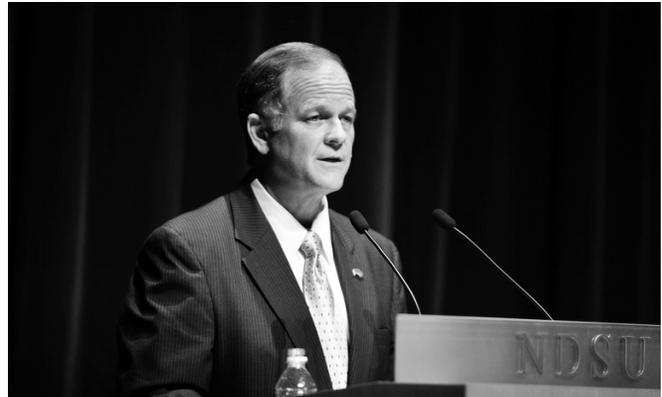
"We may never have the opportunity we do now to reposition perceptions of North Dakota and NDSU," said Bresciani, who was named NDSU's 14th president on May 24 by the State Board of Higher Education. "We may never have the opportunity we do now to catapult the economic vitality, diversity and competitiveness of our state past others in the nation, and to enhance its attractiveness to not only the young North Dakotans who are our future, but also to the best and brightest minds of people throughout the country."

North Dakota is "becoming a hotbed of economic vitality, spurred on by higher education," Bresciani told the faculty, staff, students, alumni and the public who attended the speech. He noted the state has the third highest per capita percentage of college educated young people, and research is expanding through the visionary Red River Valley Research Corridor. The state has a deserved reputation for the work ethic of its people and one of the best K-12 education systems in the nation.

"We all know that higher education is a powerful way to expand the economy of a state, diversify the tax base and create jobs," he said. "While at the same time we honor our historic mission and focus on educating students, we also create the new knowledge that leads to new technologies that lead to new businesses that lead to new jobs."

Bresciani said NDSU has witnessed record student enrollments for the past 11 years, and the level of interest in the university has risen dramatically throughout the nation and world. He noted NDSU has evolved during the past 10 years by increasing productivity, visibility and its contributions to a greater number of constituencies.

"The future of our state is at a point of awakening – and our imagination is the only limit to the future. We are the ones poised to make that future a reality," Bresciani said. "NDSU already commands



a powerful niche. We are unique in how we successfully balance our roles of being student focused, land-grant and a research university; and that makes us distinctive among our peers."

Bresciani said he is pursuing additional resources to support programs that will change the fate of the state. He said the university must work to identify its strengths in specific areas that hold the most promise. "NDSU cannot be considered a 'cost' to North Dakota; we must be considered an investment," he said.

A native of Napa Valley, Calif., Bresciani previously was vice president for student affairs at Texas A&M University in College Station. He was at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill from 1998 to 2004 in positions including interim vice chancellor for student affairs. In 1992-98, he held positions at the University of Nebraska at Kearney, including director of Residential and Greek Life and interim associate vice chancellor for student affairs.

He earned his bachelor's degree in sociology from Humboldt State University, Arcata, Calif.; master's degree in college student personnel from Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio; and doctorate in higher education finance, with a doctoral minor in economics, from the University of Arizona, Tucson.

Bresciani's State of the University Address is available as both a script and webcast archived at www.ndsu.edu/president/speeches.

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News and events

As information becomes available, news and event updates will be located on the "News and Events" website at www.ndsu.edu/news.

Coat and food pantry drive continues

Coat and food pantry donations are being accepted at the Equity and Diversity Center. For more information call 1-5728.

Wellness Roundup health fair scheduled

The NDSU Wellness Center will sponsor the annual NDSU Wellness Fair on Wednesday, Oct. 13, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Memorial Union Ballroom. This year's theme is "Wellness Roundup." The event is free and open to students, faculty and staff. More than 40 booths will be featured, including a blood drive offered through United Blood Services. For more information, contact Stacey Holm, Wellness Center Health Educator, at 1-8560 or stacey.holm@ndsu.edu.

NDSU receives \$10 million gift from Sanford Health

Sanford Health president and CEO Kelby Krabbenhoft announced a gift of \$10 million to NDSU and the athletic department. Sanford's gift is the cornerstone for the "Building the Competitive Edge for Bison Athletics" \$32 million campaign. A 5,700-seat basketball and wrestling arena, and an eight-lane indoor track highlight the initiative.

The gift, announced Sept. 27, is the largest one-time donation in the NDSU Development Foundation's history.

"We are building something special together on a great tradition of top level academic and athletic performance at NDSU. We are creating opportunities for outstanding Division I competition while promoting fitness and wellness for our youth and their families," said Krabbenhoft.

NDSU President Dean L. Bresciani; Ron Olson, Development Foundation board of trustees president; and Gene Taylor, director of athletics, accepted the gift at a celebration held Sept. 27 in the Bison Sports Arena.

Bresciani said NDSU commands a powerful niche as a student focused, land-grant, research university, where athletics plays an important role. "Sanford's generosity, and more importantly the sense of partnership, is critical to our ability to continue to serve our students and our state," he said. "In my short time here, I've witnessed a remarkable level of commitment and enthusiasm, and on behalf of our student-athletes and the entire university, I want to thank our new partners."

This dramatic extension and renovation of the Bison Sports Arena will transform the facility and surrounding area, including a track and field venue, into a true Division I athletic complex reflecting the new NDSU. It also will serve as the "front door" venue welcoming student-athletes and campus guests with the Bison Athletic Hall of Fame, Hall of Champions and various fan services and facilities.

A two-court basketball practice facility will be added to the southwest corner of the existing structure. The west-side addition will house human performance facilities, including strength training, sports medicine and rehabilitation areas. The renovated BSA also will have an athletic academic center for the student athletes.

"We are very appreciative of this very generous gift from Sanford Health. It is a great day for Bison Athletics. This wonderful gift will bring us closer to completing some very critical facility needs that will positively impact our athletes, coaches, fans and staff for years to come," said Taylor. "We are excited about a long-term partnership with Sanford Health and the many great opportunities that lie ahead."

Sanford has a long history of partnering with universities in the region, including Augustana College (S.D.), Concordia College (Minn.), Minnesota State University Moorhead, University of Sioux Falls and University of South Dakota. Sanford also works closely with local universities as a teaching institution. Thousands of nursing, pharmacy, therapy and medical students have received hands-on training at Sanford, allowing students to get high-quality education and training close to home.

Sanford Health, based in Fargo and Sioux Falls, S.D., is now the largest, rural, not-for-profit healthcare system in the nation with a presence in 110 communities in eight states. Sanford has more than 800 physicians and 18,000 employees.

NDSU graduate programs recognized among nation's best

The National Research Council (NRC) released a study about the quality of more than 5,000 doctoral programs at 212 universities in the United States. The NRC created the assessment to provide a comprehensive analysis of doctoral programs. This is NRC's third assessment and the first time NDSU has been included in the study.

"The NRC rankings validate our graduate programs at NDSU. Many of our programs are ranked among the best research institutions in the nation," said David Wittrock, dean of the College of Graduate and Interdisciplinary Studies.

Thirteen doctoral programs at NDSU were included in the assessment. Programs were ranked on overall quality and specific rankings were conducted on research activities, student support and program diversity. NDSU programs were ranked near institutions such as Iowa State University, Washington State University, Texas A&M University and Purdue University.

The study consists of data submitted by universities, doctoral programs, faculty and advanced doctoral students, as well as data from the National Science Foundation, the Institute for Scientific Information and scholarly and honorary societies. The rankings provide a benchmark for universities and illustrate the need for graduate education and high-quality doctoral programs.

"U.S. graduate schools prepare the highly skilled workforce necessary to participate and remain competitive in today's knowledge-based economy. This NRC assessment provides important information about the quality of doctoral education which is so critical to our future," said Debra W. Stewart, president of the Council of Graduate Schools.

Prospective graduate students will have access to the study information. The results provide an additional source for students in selecting doctoral programs most appropriate for their academic and individual needs.

For more information, contact Sonya Goergen, marketing, recruitment and public relations coordinator at NDSU, at (218) 329-1599 or sonya.goergen@ndsu.edu.

Diversity Council grants available

The President's Diversity Council has announced the availability of grants to support development of diversity-related programs and services at NDSU. Grants will be awarded in the range of \$100 to \$500 to NDSU departments, student organizations or other NDSU-related groups. Grant application information and online forms can be found at www.ndsu.edu/diversity/diversityatndsu/diversity_council/diversity_council_grants.

Questions can be forwarded to kara.gravley-stack@ndsu.edu.

NDSU emergency management students to assist 'Extreme Makeover' project

Students from NDSU's emergency management department will have important role during the upcoming "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition" project in the Fargo-Moorhead area. An estimated 60 to 70 students will be in charge of check-in for the approximately 4,000 volunteers, tradespersons and personnel from Heritage Homes and "Extreme Makeover" who will be taking part in building a home for a deserving local family.

Carol Cwiak, assistant professor of emergency management, said the students will use skills they demonstrated during the 2009 Red River flood, when they assisted FirstLink organize thousands of volunteer flood fighters.

"This is an opportunity for students to acquire the same skill sets they would use in a disaster event for volunteer management," Cwiak said. "All the volunteers, the trades, media and VIPs will have to go through them to get on site. It's very important for ABC that the site be secure."

According to Cwiak, students are looking forward to the work. "Our students are very excited," she said. "They are really up for the challenge. They are representing our program, so they know there are expectations for their work. These students have never disappointed me – they always come through."

Cwiak said the students' check-in efforts will go on for 10 to 11 days, during project set-up, construction and cleanup.

Visit www.extrememakeoverfm.com for more information or to volunteer.

Student Health Service receives accreditation

The NDSU Student Health Service has received a three-year accreditation, according to Donna Morrison, Student Health Service director.

The Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care Inc. (AAAHC) conducted a site survey of the Student Health Service June 28-29.

On July 26, Morrison received notification of the accreditation. "The dedication and effort necessary for an organization to be accredited is substantial, and the compliance with AAAHC standards implies a commitment to continual self-evaluation and continuous improvement," the letter stated. "Granting accreditation reflects confidence, based on evidence from this recent survey that you meet ... the attributes of an accreditable organization as reflected in the standards found in the AAAHC Handbook."

This is the second successful accreditation the Student Health Service has achieved. Initial accreditation came in 2007.

NDSU partners with Fargo Public Library

The Department of Accounting, Finance and Information Systems partnered with the Fargo Public Library to develop a new program, "Financial Basics for New Americans." The goal is to help people who are new to the U.S. financial system make educated choices for day-to-day money matters and long-term investing.

Faculty and graduate students from accounting, finance and information systems will teach a series of free classes on money management, investing and budgeting basics at the Fargo Public Library in October and November. Topics include banks and banking, credit, budgeting and saving to invest. The program focuses on Bhutanese, Burundi, Liberian and Somali communities. Language interpreters will be available to aid conversation among attendees.

Herb Snyder, associate professor of accounting, was instrumental in coordinating faculty participation in the program. Snyder served on the library board for six years and was president for two. He stepped down in July, but has continued to assist with the project.

For more information about the sessions, contact Snyder at 1-8512, visit www.fargolibrary.org/moneysmart or call the library's information desk at (701) 241-1492.

Technology Fee Action Plans due Oct. 29

Technology Fee Action Plans are due to the Technology Fee Advisory Committee (TFAC) by Oct. 29.

NDSU's student technology fee funds a broad range of projects designed to improve the information technology capabilities and services for students, faculty and staff. The committee solicits action plans and funding requests aimed at improving the quality of education and campus life at NDSU through technology. Proposals specifically addressing innovative uses of technology to improve instruction and student learning are encouraged. The committee has a strong interest in one-time funding opportunities offering a unique application of technology enhancing the student experience.

A copy of the action plan template and past funded proposals/reports can be found at www.ndsu.edu/tfac. The committee seeks proposals that introduce a new, innovative tool for instruction and learning or that provide a broad appeal to NDSU students.

To receive consideration, deliver one signed paper copy of the action plan to the TFAC, c/o Bonnie Neas, vice president for information technology, IACC 204, and submit an electronic copy of your action plan to rian.nostrum@ndsu.edu (1-7890) by Oct. 29.

Students and staff attend global economy seminar

William Owens, international business leader and former vice-chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, challenged students and staff at a Sept. 21 seminar to think beyond conventional wisdom and traditional strategies in today's global economy.

"The next 15 years will be the most radical and interesting time the world has ever seen," Owens said. "We have never seen the kind of growth in the number of middle income families that we will see during that time period." He noted most of the growth will occur in China and India. As a result, Owens said, much of the world's productivity will shift from the United States and traditional Western nations to those rapidly growing nations. China and India and surrounding nations also will see a dramatic growth in demand for goods, services and energy, placing them in competition with U.S. consumers.

Owens said because of the United States' history with China and its distrust of Communism, the U.S. will be inclined to build up its military against a perceived Chinese threat. The Chinese will interpret this as a threat to its own security, prompting a military build-up there as well. "From Congress' view, we are natural enemies," he said. "But the only real answer is that we have to get real close to them. Our relationship should be based in a great friendship. These are wonderful societies and we ought to put our arms around each other and figure out what's going on between people and figure out how to resolve some of these issues. In the end we'll all be better off."

Owens has been a partner and served as CEO of AEA Holdings in Hong Kong, a U.S. private equity firm. He will serve as chair of the newly merged CenturyLink-Qwest Communications, the third-largest telecommunications company in the nation. Owens is a co-founder of Flow Mobile, an emerging wireless company in North Dakota, and has served on the board of directors or in other leadership positions with numerous Fortune 500 companies. He served as vice chair of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the second-ranking officer in the U.S. military, from 1994 to 1996. Owens is a native of Bismarck, N.D., and received the state's highest honor, the Roughrider Award, in 1996.

The Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute sponsored the seminar.

Deadline for ordering Commencement regalia nears

The deadline to order academic regalia for the December Commencement ceremony is Monday, Oct. 25. An additional fee for expedited shipping will be charged if an order is received after the deadline. Faculty may purchase or rent academic regalia.

Persons renting academic regalia should contact Jodi Askew at jodi.askew@ndsu.edu or 1-7428 to obtain the order form that must be completed. Individuals interested in purchasing fine-quality academic regalia should contact Askew directly. Instructions for wearing the hood will be available when attire is picked up.

Mobile Vet Center to visit campus

The NDSU Veteran Reintegration Committee announced the Mobile Vet Center (MVC) will visit campus the first Thursday of each month this academic year. The MVC will be located west of the Memorial Union from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each visit day.

The MVC is the Department of Veterans Affairs latest effort to reach the underserved veteran populations of America. Its primary mission is to help veterans readjust to civilian life by helping them identify problems and offering individual, family and group counseling for issues such as Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), military sexual trauma and bereavement. Vet Centers provide readjustment counseling and outreach services to all veterans who served in any combat zone. Services also are available for their family members for military related issues. Veterans have earned these benefits through their service and are provided at no cost to the veteran or family.

Visit the MVC the next time it is on campus, Oct. 7, or call the Fargo Vet Center (701) 237-0942 for further information.

RESEARCH

Electron Microscopy Center gains electron microscope



High-resolution analytical scanning electron microscope

The NDSU Electron Microscopy Center has acquired a new high-resolution analytical scanning electron microscope through a Major Research Instrumentation grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF). Principal investigator on the grant is Kalpana Katti, university distinguished professor of civil engineering. Scott Payne and Jayma Moore from the center are co-principal investigators. Installation of the JEOL JSM-7600F

is complete and available to NDSU researchers.

The 7600F is a field-emission scanning electron microscope (SEM) that magnifies up to one million times for visualization and imaging of nanoscale-sized objects and offers 1.5 nm resolution at 1kV accelerating voltage, giving unprecedented views of surface structural detail. In contrast, older instrumentation provides ultimate resolution of 3.5 nm at 30 kV. In addition to a highly stable probe current and upper and lower secondary-electron detectors, the new SEM is equipped with a retractable in-lens backscatter detector, a low-angle backscatter detector and a scanning transmission electron (STEM) detector, providing optimal tools to study the widest variety of sample materials. The 7600F features energy-dispersive X-ray spectrometry with a fine electron probe to determine what elements are present in a sample in an area as small as a few tens of nanometers; high-quality elemental maps can be obtained efficiently.

Also in use are a JEOL cross-sectional polisher (CSP) and Buehler IsoMet 1000 precision sectioning saw for advanced sample preparation. The CSP uses a beam of argon gas that produces a clean, mirror-like, polished cross section of almost any material – hard, soft or mixed – without the sample distortion produced by mechanical polishing. The IsoMet saw uses a circular diamond blade to rapidly section materials from rocks to electronic components without introducing structural damage, leaving samples as free as possible from artificial defects.

Funded by an NSF grant for more than \$500,000, the versatile and powerful instrumentation, along with the high-resolution analytical transmission electron microscope system operational since March, advances NDSU's electron microscopy capabilities to state of the art. According to Katti, "This suite of SEMS and TEMs will significantly expand the research enterprise at NDSU in the field of materials and bring it to national and international prominence, as well as go a long way toward guiding and inspiring students toward high technology through outreach efforts to K-12 students in North Dakota."

An open house is being planned. Researchers who want to use the new equipment can contact Moore or Payne at 1-8234.

PEOPLE

Memorial established for alumna



Schuh

The NDSU Development Foundation has established a memorial for NDSU alumna Mary C. Schuh of Mandan, N.D., who died in an ATV accident Aug. 5 near White Sulfur Springs, Mont. She was 27.

The daughter of Bill and ChiuChiung (Chen) Schuh, she earned a master's degree in soil science at NDSU in 2008. She then worked as a soil scientist for the Natural Resource Conservation Service at Fargo and Dickinson, N.D. She most recently was working at White Sulfur Springs.

Memorial contributions may be sent to:

NDSU Development Foundation
ATTN: Jason Wohlman
PO Box 5144
Fargo, ND 58105

Indicate the donation is for the Mary Schuh Memorial Account with a note on the memo line of the check. All donations are tax deductible.

Brachman gives keynote speech at counterterrorism conference



Brachman

Jarret Brachman, associate research fellow with the Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute, delivered a keynote address at an international counterterrorism conference in Ireland in September. The conference, "Terrorism and New Media," was sponsored by Dublin City University and designed to generate debate and analysis of "hot" topics in the realm of terrorism and the

Internet, particularly the question of the Internet's role in processes of radicalisation. Brachman's address, "Watching Them Watch Us Watching Them," detailed the complex interplay of al-Qaeda, media operatives and American counterterrorism analysts.

According to Brachman, al-Qaeda has grown savvier since 9/11 at learning how to turn America's strengths back against it. The group has built a globally dispersed, Internet-based army of supporters who collect news reports, official government documents and television documentaries featuring former government officials or military officers and then use them to make America look foolish. Brachman has been exploring this line of research in a series of publications, including a piece in Newsweek entitled, "Fight Fire with Funny," and an article in Foreign Policy entitled, "My Jihadist PenPal." In addition to his work on counterterrorism, Brachman works on transportation safety and security.

Cossette earns certified professional credential



Cossette

Peggy Ann Cossette, assistant to the dean for the College of Human Development and Education, successfully completed the examination for Certified Professional Secretary (CPS). She is among 72 in North Dakota who have attained this goal and 27,038 in the United States.

To attain the CPS rating, a secretary/admin must meet certain educational and work experience requirements and pass a three-part one-day examination. The examination covers finance and business law (economics, accounting); office systems and administration (office technology, office administration and business communications) and management (behavioral science in business, human resources management, organizations and management).

Cossette has worked at NDSU since 1979 and has been with the College of Human Development and Education since it was created in 1992.

EVENTS

President of Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis to speak at NDSU

The Greater Fargo Moorhead Economic Development Corporation will hold an open forum with Narayana Kocherlakota, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, Tuesday, Oct. 19, at 2:30 p.m. in the AgCountry Auditorium at Richard H. Barry Hall.

Kocherlakota's presentation is titled "Inside the Federal Open Market Committee." As the nation deals with financial problems that are the greatest since the 1930s, it is difficult to understand all the implications. The Federal Reserve has never had a more important role. As president, Kocherlakota serves on the Federal Open Market Committee, the policymaking arm of the Federal Reserve System, consisting of the presidents of the 12 Federal Reserve Banks and members of the Board of Governors.

Faculty and students are invited to the event.

A luncheon with Kocherlakota is scheduled for Oct. 19 at noon at the Fargo Ramada Plaza Suites, 1635 42nd St. S. The event is open to the public and tickets are available. For more information, contact Lisa Gulland Nelson at 364-1920.

Discover NDSU dates scheduled

The Office of Admission announced the 2010-11 Discover NDSU schedule. The first series will be held Thursday, Oct. 21, and Friday, Oct. 22, with a morning and afternoon session on both days.

Discover NDSU is a comprehensive overview of NDSU for high school students. All sessions of Discover NDSU include an activity fair, admission presentation, student panel, academic interest session and general campus tour. Sessions are followed by specialty tour options of Renaissance Hall, Engineering Complex, Residence Life Showcase, Richard H. Barry Hall and Sudro Hall.

Contact Elizabeth Worth at elizabeth.worth@ndsu.edu or Brad Jones at bradley.jones@ndsu.edu for more information.

Women In Research to begin 2010-11 meetings

Women In Research will hold their first 2010-11 meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 9, at noon in the Memorial Union Prairie room. Denise K. Lajimodiere, assistant professor of educational leadership, will be the featured speaker. Her presentation title is "First Native Professor: My Experiences at NDSU."

All NDSU women faculty are invited. If interested in speaking at a future meeting, contact Birgit Pruess at birgit.pruess@ndsu.edu or Xinhua Jia at xinhua.jia@ndsu.edu.

World iView speaker set for Oct. 28



Sather-Wagstaff

Joy Sather-Wagstaff, assistant professor of sociology and anthropology, will present "Meeting the Challenge of Genocide in a Globalized World: Memorial Museums as Institutions for Conscience," on Oct. 28 from noon to 1 p.m. in the Memorial Union Century Theater as part of World iView sponsored by the Office of International Programs.

Since the 1930s, more than 18 million people have been killed in acts of genocide, including 1.4 million within the last 20 years. Violence continues today in Congo and Sudan. Sather-Wagstaff will discuss the role memorial museums such as Kigali Memorial Centre in Rwanda and Cambodia's Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum play in educating visitors from around the world. She will present information on her research, conducted with Rebekah Sobel, for an exhibit called "From Memory to Action" at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, and a series of online programming offered through the museum that encourages visitors to take action against genocide.

Next Science Café explores Einstein's life



Kroll

Daniel Kroll, professor of physics, will present "The Intimate Life of Albert Einstein and His Biggest Idea" as part of Science Café on Tuesday, Oct. 12, at 7 p.m. in Stoker's Basement of the Hotel Donaldson.

The General Theory of Relativity has been called "the greatest feat of human thinking about nature, the most amazing combination of philosophical penetration, physical intuition and mathematical skill." It emerged out of a frenetic period of activity by Einstein and David Hilbert in late 1915. The physical insights provided by the theory reshaped understanding of the universe, predicting for the first time, for example, the bending of starlight by gravity, existence of black holes and eventually leading to the "big bang theory." In addition to examining several of the predictions of the theory, Kroll will describe the series of events that led to its discovery. The latter provides fascinating insight into Einstein's personality and life.

Contact Keri Drinka at keri.drinka@ndsu.edu or 1-6131 with questions or visit earth.physics.ndsu.nodak.edu for a complete schedule.

Hydrologist to conduct seminar

Vijay P. Singh, a nationally and internationally known hydrologist, will conduct a seminar titled, "Challenges, Opportunities and Research Directions in Hydrology and Water Resources," on Thursday, Oct. 7, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. in the Memorial Union Room of Nations. The seminar is the first of an annual seminar series by eminent water professionals on emerging issues, challenges and new research directions in hydrology and water resources.

Singh is a professor of biological and agricultural engineering and civil and environmental engineering at Texas A&M University. He also holds the Caroline and William N. Lehrer Distinguished Chair in Water Engineering.

Following the seminar, students and faculty will have an opportunity to interact with Singh. All interested faculty and students in hydrology and water resources are welcome to attend the seminar and participate in discussions after the seminar.

The annual seminar series is sponsored by the North Dakota Water Resources Research Institute and this year's co-sponsors, the Department of Civil Engineering, Agricultural and Biological Engineering and Environmental Conservation Sciences programs.

Contact G. Padmanabhan at g.padmanabhan@ndsu.edu, 1-7043 or Xuefeng Chu at xuefeng.chu@ndsu.edu, 1-9758 for more information.

PUBLICATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Nan Yu and students published in the International Public Health Journal



Yu

The International Public Health Journal, a peer-reviewed journal aimed at the scientific community interested in public health, has accepted a journal article written by Nan Yu, assistant professor of communication, and graduate students Dennis Frohlich, Jared Fougner and Lezhao Ren.

Their article, "Communicating a health epidemic: A risk assessment of the swine flu coverage in U.S. newspapers," analyzed the 2009 swine flu coverage by major U.S. newspapers. The study examined the general pattern of swine flu coverage, presentation of risks and explanation of consequences. One of the findings was that the media provided conflicting and uncertain messages about the H1NI vaccination that health professionals highly recommended for at-risk groups.

Wright attends conference



Wright

Newell Wright, director of the Center for Global Initiatives in the College of Business, attended the Rocky Mountain CIBER International Business and Sustainability Conference held Sept. 30 and Oct. 1 in Billings, Mont. Montana State University-Billings hosted the conference.

The Rocky Mountain CIBER (RMCIBER) is a network of 32 colleges and universities in the Rocky Mountain region dedicated to building international business programs and increasing global research capabilities. It was established in 2004.

Wright serves on the steering committee that develops and oversees RMCIBER initiatives, assisted by the Centers for International Business Education and Research at Brigham Young University and the University of Colorado, Denver.

SHORTS & REMINDERS

Positions Available

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

Biological Science Technician

Plant Pathology
\$28,000+/year
Oct. 11

Research Specialist

Plant Science
\$32,000+/year
Oct. 18

Research Specialist

Plant Science
\$35,000+/year
Open until filled

Senior Technical Services Librarian/#00023136

Library
\$65,000+/year
Open until filled

Custodian (multiple positions; various hours)

Facilities Management
\$19,760+/year
Open until filled

Food Service Worker/#00020832

Dining Services – RDC
10 months per year
\$9+/hour
Open until filled

Agricultural Research Technician-Williston, ND

Williston Research Extension Center
\$28,000+/year
Oct. 15

Agricultural Technician-Williston, ND/#00023496

Williston Research Extension Center
\$28,000+/year
Open until filled

Academic & Student Services Coordinator/#00027392

Mechanical Engineering
\$24,000+/year
Oct. 13

Maintenance Worker/#00027673

Residence Life
\$32,000+/year
Oct. 8

University Relations
North Dakota State University
NDSU Dept 6020, PO Box 6050
Fargo, ND 58108-6050

CALENDAR

7 John D. Lipscomb Seminar – 4 p.m., Dunbar 152. Lipscomb is a professor in the Department of Biochemistry, Molecular Biology and Biophysics at the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis.

7 ECS Green Bag Lunch– Vijay Singh, Texas A&M, “Challenges, Opportunities, and Research Directions in Hydrology and Water Resources,” 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., Memorial Union Room of Nations.

8 Great Plains Alliance for Computers and Writing/Social Media Conference – 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Memorial Union.

8 Animal Sciences Graduate Seminar – Tara Swanson, equine studies lecturer, “Effects of Late Gestation MP Supplementation on Maternal Parameters,” 3 p.m. to 4 p.m., Hultz Hall room 104.

11 Plant Sciences Graduate Seminar – Grant Mehring, “Food Safety: Crop Storage and Aflatoxins,” 3:30 p.m., Loftsgard Hall room 114.

12 ECS Green Bag Lunch – Dimuthu Wijeyaratne, “A multi-element fingerprinting approach to assess phosphorus

contamination in the Souris River sediments,” 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m., Memorial Union Room of Nations.

13 “How We Rate: Becoming an LGBT-Friendly Campus” – Noon -1 p.m., Memorial Union Rose room. Co-sponsored by the Equity and Diversity Center.

13 Wellness Round-up Health Fair 2010 – 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Memorial Union Ballroom.

13 Architecture/Landscape Architecture Lecture Series – Sim Van der Ryn, “Design for Life,” 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m., Fargo Theatre (off Broadway).

18 Plant Sciences Graduate Seminar – Hongxia Wang, “Genomic Mapping and Contribution of the Aphid Resistance Gene in Soybean,” 3:30 p.m., Loftsgard Hall room 114.

20 “Sexual Assault Prevention at NDSU-New Strategies and Bold Ideas” – Sarah Dodd, assistant director of sexual assault prevention programming, noon to 1 p.m., Memorial Union Arikara room. Co-sponsored by Women and Gender Studies.

25 “The Truth Behind Islamic Followers” – Noon to 1 p.m., Memorial Union Room of Nations. Co-sponsored by Student Activities, Memorial Union.

25 Plant Sciences Graduate Seminar – Juan Calle-Bellido, “Cotton Domestication and Impacts in Human Civilization,” 3:30 p.m., Loftsgard Hall 114.

26 “Poverty in America” – Noon to 1 p.m., Memorial Union Room of Nations. Is it true that almost half the world, more than three billion people, live on less than \$2.50 a day? Co-sponsored by Student Activities, Memorial Union.

27 “Utilizing LinkedIn to Expand Your Professional Network,” noon to 1 p.m., Memorial Union Arikara room. Sponsored by the NDSU Career Center.

28 NDSU Graduate School Information Fair – 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Memorial Union Prairie room. Discuss benefits of graduate education and options for student financing. Representatives from NDSU graduate programs will share information and answer questions.

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