



## **01 October 2014**

*Greetings from the Office of Multicultural Programs (OMP)!*



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## **LGBTQ Pride Month**

October is LGBTQ month. Through the Equity and Diversity Center, LGBTQ Programs serves members of the NDSU community who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer or questioning (LGBTQ). All month long, the LGBTQ programs will have various events, meetings, and workshops. Some of the events are:

### **TUESDAY, OCT. 21**

#### **“Cross-dressing and Gender Diversity: A Personal Story”**

**Brittney James**

**6:30 – 8 p.m., Arikara room, Memorial Union**

“Brittney” is a 22-year veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps and U.S. Army National Guard who served three combat tours and is the Bronze Star Medal recipient. For more than 12 years, James has been speaking about life and experiences as a cross-dresser. She will discuss the complexities of being a “family man” in the community alongside doing transgender outreach.

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### **THURSDAY, OCT. 23**

#### **LGBTQ Pride Month Event:**

#### **“Accept Yourself Before You Wreck Yourself: A Humorous Guide to Living Out Loud”**

**Robin Cloud, speaker, comedian, writer and actor**

**6:30 p.m., Atrium, McGovern Alumni Center**

Combining humor and her own personal experience, Cloud explores the power and freedom that she gained when she bravely came out of the closet as a teenager. This program aims to educate and enlighten audience members on the LGBTQ experience and inspire all individuals to transform their fears into acts of courage. Refreshments and networking to follow, with comedy by Robin at 8 p.m.



## **Safe Zone Training**

### **Safe Zone is a program designed to:**

- Educate people about sexual orientation and gender identity/expression issues.
- Create a visible network of Allies to provide support to the NDSU lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and questioning (LGBTQ) community.
- Provide accurate information about sexual orientation and gender identity/expression issues and resources within the community.

### **October 2014: Trainings will be held on Fridays at 9am**

- Friday, October 3: Level 1 - "Becoming a Safe Zone Ally"
- Friday, October 10: Level 2 - "Gender Identity/Expression"
- Friday, October 17: Level 3 - "Upstander Training"



### **Personal Empowerment Course**

The Jeremiah Program presents the Personal Empowerment Course. Personal Empowerment is based on the idea that the more people regulate their state of mind, the more powerful they feel - and the more equipped to succeed in life. Personal Empowerment training helps individuals develop important personal characteristics that can make the difference between merely getting a job and maintaining that job for a career. Applications are accepted for the fall of 2014 until October 3<sup>rd</sup> and they can be found at [www.jeremiahprogram.org](http://www.jeremiahprogram.org). Contact Amanda Volmer at [AVolmer@jeremiahprogram.org](mailto:AVolmer@jeremiahprogram.org) or call 701-541-0929 for further inquiries.



### **Black Student Association Weekly Meetings**

Come attend and participate in the weekly meetings of the Black Student Association. It is a great way to get involved on campus! Contact Junior Smith at [Junior.smith@ndsu.edu](mailto:Junior.smith@ndsu.edu) for more information regarding meetings times, dates, and location.



### **All Nations Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation**

All Nations Louis Stokes Alliance for Minorities Program has partnered with the Office of Multicultural Programs at NDSU. This program provides stipends for undergraduate multicultural students who are full-time enrolled in Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics (STEM) disciplines. Students who meet the criteria are encouraged to apply. Students can contact Jaclynn Walette, at [jaclynn.walette@ndsu.edu](mailto:jaclynn.walette@ndsu.edu), and at 701-231-7314 for an application.



### **NDSU Graduate Students receive Doctoral Scholars Award**

Three NDSU doctoral students have been selected to participate in the prestigious Southern Regional Education Board program, which encourages minorities to pursue doctorates and seek academic careers in higher education. The students include Jennifer Odom, who is studying plant pathology; Liz Cambron, a graduate student in cellular and molecular biology; and Jamin Ashley, who is studying electrical and computer engineering. The Office of Multicultural Programs would like to congratulate these three scholar students.



## Tutoring

Students looking for help with their classes can check the tutoring schedule in the Office of Multicultural Programs. Subjects that are available by appointment throughout the week are: English Composition, Writing, English Literature, Literary Analysis, Math, Physics, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Electrical and Computer Engineering, and Electrical Engineering.

Students can check the binder in the office to sign up (at least one day in advance) for a tutoring session. Students who are interested in tutoring are encouraged to volunteer. Contact the Office of Multicultural Programs for more information, at [ndsuhm@ndsu.edu](mailto:ndsuhm@ndsu.edu).



**EVENT CALENDAR:** Check out the monthly Diversity Events Calendar, the Diversity Community Calendar & the NDSU Diversity Calendar

[http://www.ndsu.edu/fileadmin/multicultural/EDGO\\_7639\\_fall\\_Diversity\\_Events.pdf](http://www.ndsu.edu/fileadmin/multicultural/EDGO_7639_fall_Diversity_Events.pdf)

Also check out the Interfaith Calendar at [www.interfaithcalendar.org/](http://www.interfaithcalendar.org/)

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