Monday, February 29

Parenting Students at NDSU
Noon, Room of Nations
Caitlin Johnson: Mediator/Panelist, Equity and Diversity Center Graduate Assistant; Panelists: Ruth Buffalo, Public Health Graduate Research Assistant; Cassandra Coghill, McNair Scholar; Simeon Edosomwan, Pharmacy Graduate Teaching Assistant

This panel will help you learn about parenting student perspectives to help shed a light on an often overlooked population and help identify ways to provide support for this growing population of students at NDSU by examining their roles as mothers and fathers. It also will highlight a range of experiences of balancing school, work and home responsibilities of raising (a) child/ren. It will touch on how the role of parenting and nurturing impacted their academic studies and experiences.

Bystander Intervention > Personal Safety
2 p.m., Hidatsa
Kelsey Keimig, Assistant Director Sexual Assault Prevention and Advocacy; Kristy Brandt, Violence Prevention Educator

“Why don’t women just learn how to defend themselves?” Find out why that doesn’t work on a mass scale, and why teaching bystander intervention is the best skill we can all learn to protect women.

Becoming Darcy
7 p.m., Century Theater
Darcy Corbitt, Ph.D. Student, Psychology

Darcy Corbitt, award-winning transgender advocate, will share her lived experiences of transitioning in a small, conservative southern town and the lessons learned throughout her journey. She will discuss her discovery that loving yourself gives ordinary people the strength to do extraordinary things during their journey to become better versions of themselves. She also will discuss how we can all work to make our communities in the tri-state area more open and accepting of transgender individuals through policy and social changes.

Tuesday, March 1

Out in the Night: A Film and Discussion about the Intersectionality of Sexism, Heterosexism and Racism
12:30 p.m., Meadow Lark
Christi McGeorge, Professor, Human Development and Family Science

This session will involve viewing a segment of and discussing the documentary, “Out in the Night,” which explores the struggle for justice of four lesbian African-American women. The discussion will focus on the role that race, gender identity and sexual orientation play in our criminal justice system.

Out of Bondage: My Escape from Abuse
2-3:30 p.m., Hidatsa
Kathleen Swanson, DNP, RN, Assistant Professor of Practice, NDSU School of Nursing; Pat Olson, Counselor, Rape and Abuse Crisis Center

Swanson will share her personal story of escape from emotional spousal abuse in the rural Midwest and her journey of healing. A discussion will follow regarding hidden warning signs of emotional abuse, the impact of emotional abuse on families and components of healthy relationships.

NDSU Young Lakota
6 p.m., Century Theater
Lillian Jones: Mediator; Panelists: Cecelia Fire Thunder, first female president of the Oglala Lakota; Ruth Buffalo, Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara and Chirichaua Apache, Public Health Graduate Research Assistant; Tanya Red Road, Anishinaabe, Site Coordinator at regroup, Project Coordinator for Native American Christian Ministries and F/M Native American Center, Fargo Human Relations Commission; Jamie Holding Eagle, North Dakota State University

Join us for a screening of the documentary, “Young Lakota,” and panel discussion with Cecilia Fire Thunder, first female president of the Oglala Lakota, and three local Native American women who are cutting new paths in our community.

Sponsors: American Civil Liberties Union of North Dakota, Planned Parenthood Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota
Wednesday, March 2

**Hairy Pits, Man-haters and Radicals: Dispelling the Myths of Feminism**

Noon, Room of Nations

Ashley Baggett, Assistant Professor of History; Ann Burnett, Director of Women and Gender Studies; Chelsea Pace, Assistant Professor of Theatre; Zachary Sauvageau, Sociology Student

When considering what a feminist “looks like,” we often confront myths, such as those appearing in the title of this presentation. This session seeks to dispel those myths through presentation, discussion and uniniminating activities.

**Feminist Resistance Across Time, Cultures and Media**

2 p.m., Century Theater

Nesreen A. El Doliey, Ph.D. Student, English; Ashleigh Petts, Ph.D. Student, English

This panel will explore powerful examples of feminist resistance to injustice through film, television and early 20th century speeches.

**Film: Suffragette**

7 p.m., Century Theater

Co-sponsored by Campus Attractions

In early 20th century Britain, the growing suffragette movement forever changed the life of working wife and mother Maud Watts (Carey Mulligan). Galvanized by political activist Emmeline Pankhurst (Meryl Streep), Watts joined a diverse group of women who fight for equality and the right to vote. Faced with increasing police action, Maud and her dedicated suffragettes must play a dangerous game of cat-and-mouse, risking their jobs, homes, family and lives for a just cause.

Thursday, March 3

**The Business of Sex: Melvina Massey and Early Fargo’s Sex Trade**

12:30 p.m., Meadow Lark

Angela Smith, Assistant Professor of Public History; Kristen Fellows, Assistant Professor of Anthropology; Anna M. Munns, M.A. Candidate in Anthropology

A short documentary on Melvina Massey, Fargo’s notorious African-American brothel owner, will be screened. Following the film, researchers will update the audience on a larger project exploring the historical sex trade in North Dakota.

**Women at NDSU: Building a Legacy**

2 p.m., Hidatsa

NDSU Library Staff: Alicia Kubas, Beth Twomey, Merete Christianson, Trista Raezer-Stursa

This presentation will examine overlooked stories of women whose names we know so well: Alba Bales, Evelyn Morrow Lebedeff, Jessamine Slaughter Burgum, Katherine Kilbourne Burgum, Mary Darrow Weible, Matilda Thompson and Pearl Dinan. A variety of primary resources from the NDSU Archives — including photographs, correspondence, news articles and university records — will be utilized to illuminate the lives behind these names and highlight the larger contributions women have made on campus. Between them, the women featured in this presentation have contributed hundreds of years of service to the university, serving as inspiration for future women leaders at NDSU.

Friday, March 4

**Hope on the Range: One Woman’s Rise in Academic Leadership Through Subtle Feminism**

Noon, Room of Nations

Heather L. Fischer, B.Arch., MDS-HP, Department of Architecture and Landscape Architecture

The presentation will focus on the story of one woman’s journey from being a stay-at-home mother to provost in a region known for culture against women, in particular, in the workplace. It will examine the conflict of local culture during her role as provost. Also included in her presentation is what others may learn from her leadership through subtle persistent action rather than protest.

**Pole Fitness**

2 p.m., Hidatsa

Stacey Ann Schulte, Women and Gender Studies Alumna and panel of pole advocates

This session will include a demonstration on how pole fitness is bucking the stigma of stripper subculture while allowing students and practitioners to reach fitness goals while providing a safe, challenging and supportive environment where students can discover their own confidence and power.

Events will be in the NDSU Memorial Union, 1401 Administration Ave., Fargo, ND 58102, unless otherwise noted.