

## HDE CAUSES FOR CELEBRATION December 31st, 2007 (5th Edition)

Nancy A. Paul, MS/CCC-SLP, a Human Development doctoral student in the Gerontology Track presented "Education Needs of Communication Partners of Individuals with Aphasia"

Poster presentation at the American Speech Language Hearing Association's national convention in Boston, MA on November 17, 2007.

Congratulations to Agnes Ngaleyonga on her recent induction to the Tapestry of Diverse Talents on December 7th. Ngaleyonga is a doctoral student in the Education Doctorate Program. She serves on the Vice President's Advisory Board where she was a champion for international and multicultural students on the NDSU campus. She is also a member of the College of Human Development and Education Graduate Student Advisory Council, among numerous other organizations. Her nominators say that she is involved with both on and off-campus activities that positively affect the greater F-M community. They have witnessed her journey toward passions like women's leadership and diversity. She continues to positively impact all who she encounters.

Congratulations to Bison running back, Tyler Roehl, who was named to the 2007 ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America University division first team. Roehl is a junior from West Fargo majoring in physical Education. Congratulations also to wide receiver Kole Heckendorf who was selected to the second team by vote of members of the College Sports Information Directors of America. Heckendorf is also a junior from Mosinee, WI majoring in physical education with a minor in health.

Congratulations to Katherine Bertolini on her nomination for the Odney award for excellence in teaching by students. This campus-wide award is among the more prestigious teaching recognitions at NDSU. The nomination indicates that she has already made a very positive impression on our students in her first semester working for the School of Education.

Gary Liguori and Larry Anenson Jr., Wellness Center Health Educator, have the following poster accepted at the 2008 American College Health Association annual meeting in Orlando: Obesity on Campus: Challenges and Opportunities.

Sharon Query, Sean Brotherson, Angela Berge, and Divya Saxena's proposal "Countdown to Kindergarten: A Collaborative School Readiness Program for Parents and Children" was accepted for a workshop presentation at the 2008 Extension CYFAR Conference in May in San Antonio, TX.

Hyung-Chan Kim and Aditi Hirani - "Integrating Research Based Sustainable Design into Design Studio to Increase Awareness " has been accepted for presentation at the 39th annual meeting of the Environmental Design Research Association in Veracruz, Mexico May 28th-June 1st, 2008.

Hyung-Chan Kim and Joyce Hwang received word that "Design Factors and Energy Cost of Restaurant Operations in A North-Central Region" has been accepted for presentation at the 39th annual meeting of the Environmental Design Research Association in Veracruz, Mexico May 28th-June 1st, 2008.

Dean Aakre has been appointed to a three year term on the National Association of Extension 4-H Agents (NAE4-HA) Organizational Stewardship Committee. Congratulations Dean!

Bryan Christensen was selected to be a manuscript reviewer for the journal Sports Biomechanics. It is published by the International Society for Biomechanics in Sports.

The eXtension Financial Security for All (FSA) Community of Practice (CoP) received word in December that it was awarded a multi year grant of \$449,505 from the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) Foundation to help develop and deliver investment education for farm households across the country. Debra Pankow is one of the collaborators on this grant and is also chair of the FSA CoP. The group will be taking the "Investing for Your Future" program and enhancing it to meet today's Internet user. The FINRA Foundation, the largest foundation in the U.S. dedicated to investor education, has a mission to provide investors with high-quality; easily accessible information and tools to better understand the markets and basic principles of saving and investing.

Congratulations to Ann Ragan and Aditi Hirani who recently received word that they have passed the NCIDQ exam. Completion of the NCIDQ Examination recognizes that an individual has met minimum competency standards for the practice of interior design. The Certificate identifies the qualified practitioner, ensures recognition of expertise and assists development and self-improvement through the individual's understanding of a body of knowledge and a set of professional standards.

Happy New Year! Don't forget to send us your Causes for Celebration during 2008.