

# *FYI* Campus Newsletter

Bismarck State College – October 25, 2005

## Chemistry demos with a ‘bang’ set for Wednesday night

Birds do it – but how did we get in the air? Or fill super highways with gas-powered cars?

BSC presents Dr. John J. Fortman on the science of flight and the automobile as part of National Chemistry Week activities. During the Wednesday, Oct. 26, program at 7 p.m., Fortman produces chemistry demonstrations with a “bang” in the BSC Armory.

Dr. Fortman is professor emeritus of chemistry at Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio. He has demonstrations scheduled at BSC, Bismarck High School, and Gateway to Science.

Events are free and open to the public. Sponsors are BSC Foundation, Gateway to Science, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, and North Dakota Society of Professional Engineers.

## Campus Development Day begins at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday

Tomorrow’s the day. Head to the Ramkota Hotel across from Kirkwood Mall in time for lunch between 11:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. If you’ve never experienced Campus Development Day before, prepare yourselves for a fun and interesting day with your colleagues. It’s also a day for dressing casually.

Presentations, including President Donna Thigpen’s State of the College, begin right after lunch. The Learning Innovation Team committee asks everyone to wear your BSC name badge, and though not required, to show your support for CAMPUS READ by wearing your Campus Read T-shirt. The complete schedule was e-mailed to everyone by Wes Braun on Oct. 20.

## BSC welcomes new employees

**Fred Gunn**, security officer, graduated in May 2005 with an AAS degree in criminal justice from United Tribes Technical College. He has security officer certification from the state Private Investigation and Security Board and CPR and First Aid certification from the Red Cross. Gunn has worked six years in the security field at St. Alexius Medical Center and Target. He grew up in New Town, has three children, and enjoys walking, family and friends. Gunn can be reached from 3:30 p.m. to midnight in the Annex Building, 104D, 224-5789, cell 527-1972.

**David Adcox**, OSHA safety and health consultant, just retired from 21 years in the U.S. Air Force, where he specialized in biological and environmental engineering. Master Sgt. Adcox did training on homeland defense and weapons of mass destruction for military personnel. His most recent assignment was at Minot Air Force Base as team chief for homeland defense, teaching identification, detection, and monitoring of chemical, biological, nuclear, and radiological explosives. Adcox grew up in Lumberton,

N.C., and earned an AS degree from Community College of the Air Force. He has a 15-year-old daughter and enjoys golfing, hiking, and reading.

## BSC wins regional first place award for BSC Catalog

The 2005-07 edition of the BSC Catalog recently won the Gold Medallion Award of Excellence in the communications contest of the National Council for Marketing and Public Relations, District 5.

**Crystal Forster**, public information assistant, designed the catalog cover and section divider pages. Editor of the catalog is **Jordis Conrad**, director of communications.

NCMPR is a council of the American Association of Community Colleges. District 5 comprises Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota and Manitoba.

## Tom Porter appointed to arts council

**Dr. Tom Porter**, associate professor of music, has been appointed by Gov. John Hoeven to serve a five-year term on the North Dakota Council on the Arts. Porter will represent the 10-county area of Region 7 and is among nine board members serving throughout the state. This summer, Porter presented a program on folk music at the Stump Lake Pioneer Village near Lakota, N.D. He talked about his research as a North Dakota Humanities Council Larry Remele Memorial Fellow and demonstrated how American folk songs are adapted to choral art. His composition of "Brother Eagle, Sister Sky" recently received honors from the Oregon Bach Festival and the Euphonia Composition Competition.

## Open house for public at Allied Health Campus Nov. 15

An open house and ribbon-cutting ceremony with the Bismarck-Mandan Chamber of Commerce is scheduled at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15, at BSC's Allied Health Campus. The open house for the public continues until 6:30 p.m.

BSC began holding classes this semester in the Allied Health Campus at 500 E. Front St., just north of the Civic Center. Students enrolled in massage therapy, nursing, and surgical technology are enjoying improved facilities for their classes and labs in the newly remodeled space on the second floor of the building.

Also located in the new facility is the Certified Nursing Assistant program offered through Corporate & Continuing Education. In addition to classrooms and labs, there are two Interactive Video Network classrooms, a conference room, a 10-station computer lab, and a library reference room.

## Nominations sought for outstanding alumni

The BSC National Alumni Association board is seeking nominations of alumni for the 2006 Alumni of the Year Award. The nominee must be a BSC graduate, but anyone can make a nomination. Those making nominations are asked to think about alumni who have been successful in their careers, have received other recognition, are active volunteers, and are held in high regard by others.

Recipients are honored in May at a dinner and at commencement.

Deadline for submitting nominations is Nov. 15. An awards committee will review nominations and forward the names of finalists to the board, which selects one or two honorees.

For nomination forms, contact Jason Matthews, alumni coordinator, 224-5692 or by e-mail at Jason.Matthews.1@bsc.nodak.edu, or submit the form online at [www.bismarckstate.edu/alumni](http://www.bismarckstate.edu/alumni).

## Revised Organizational Chart is on the Web

A revised BSC chart of organization can be found on the Web site at <http://www.bismarckstate.edu/hr/orgchart.pdf>

## Faculty & Staff News

Staff from the Human Resources office attended the N.D. Human Resource Conference in Fargo Sept. 21-23. The theme of the conference was "HR, It's All About People, Unlocking the Mystery." Attending from BSC were **Rita Lindgren**, chief human resources officer; **Paula Kemnitz**, human resources technician; **Pat Vannett** and **Angie Friez**, office assistants.

**Lynette Borjeson Painter**, assistant professor of computer information systems, was recently granted the CIW Professional certification and Microsoft Office Specialist Master Instructor certification. The CIW certification was granted after passing two certification exams in the CIW curriculum, in addition to holding a CIW Associate certification. The CIW curriculum is offered in the BSC's Web Page Development and Design program. The Microsoft Office Specialist certification at the Master Instructor level is the most advanced certification in the Microsoft Office Specialist certification program.

**Donna Fricke**, SW Region Tech Prep Coordinator, traveled to Orlando, Fla., Sept. 28-Oct. 1 for the National Tech Prep Conference and National Association of Tech Prep Leaders Forum.

**Marjory Zalk Enerson**, marketing coordinator, and **Zachery Allen**, ETO multimedia coordinator, attended the Utility Procurement Management Group Conference in Los Angeles Oct. 2-5.

**Wendy Tschida**, network administrator, attended Security 505: Securing Windows SANS EDU Training in Indianapolis Oct. 3-8. The course is preparation for a certification in Windows Security.

**Bill Wahlman**, ETO programs director, **Dan Schmidt** and **Bruce Emmil**, ETO program managers, and **Carla Braun Hixson**, associate vice president for corporate and continuing education, traveled to Washington, D.C., Oct. 4-7 for the Advanced Technological Education (ATE) Principle Investigators Conference for NSF Nuclear Grants.

**Dave Clark**, executive vice president, and **Dr. Wayne Boekes**, provost and vice president for academic and student affairs, attended the President's Roundtable in Scottsdale Ariz., Oct. 4-7.

Members of the BSC AQIP Implementation Team, **President Donna S. Thigpen**, and State Board of Higher Education member **Dr. Richard Kunkel** attended the Strategy Forum of the Academic Quality Improvement Program near Chicago Oct. 5-8. The Strategy Forum is part of the process to help campuses move to AQIP for renewing accreditation with the North Central Association Higher Learning Commission. Members of the AQIP Implementation Team attending were **Marlene Anderson**, director of library services; **Dr. Drake Carter**, associate vice president for academic affairs; **Dr. Donna Fishbeck**, dean of student development; **Mike Kubisiak**, institutional research analyst; **Dr. Janelle**

**Masters**, dean of faculty; **Jane Schreck**, assistant professor of English; and **Julie Schroer**, chair of Medical Arts & Emergency Services Department.

**James Wright**, associate professor of management, attended the Annual National Association for Community College Entrepreneurship (NACCE) Conference on Entrepreneurship Education at Community Colleges in Las Vegas Oct. 9-12.

**Carla Braun Hixson**, associate vice president for CCE; **Dan Schmidt**, ETO program manager; and **Marjory Zalk Enerson**, marketing coordinator, traveled to Houston Oct. 19-21 for the Center for Advancement of Process Technology Conference.