Staff Happens

August 2018

Celebrating Staff Senate's 20th Anniversary Year

RECOGNITION

Meet Your Senators

(Left) Pam Shea, Staff Senate Past President. She works in the School of Law and has been on Staff Senate for five and a half years. Her favorite event in Grand Forks is Art on the Red because she sees it as the official kickoff to summer; she loves all of the art vendors, and even more the food vendors. She grew up in Connecticut and New Hampshire, and enjoys spending time at her family's lake place on Lake Winnipesaukee (just like from the movie “What About Bob?”)!

(Middle) Tyler Clauson, Staff Senate President. He works in Human Resources and has been on Staff Senate for three years. His favorite event in Grand Forks is NDMOA Concerts in the Garden. He likes carbonated water, his favorite flavors this summer are coconut and strawberry pineapple.

(Right) Jeremy E. Malheim, Staff Senate Vice President/President Elect. He works in the College of Engineering & Mines and has been on Staff Senate for one year. He loves spending time with his children in the beautiful Grand Forks parks or going for walks/bike rides on the Greenway. He is a huge Pittsburgh Penguins fan.

Full 2018-2019 Executive Committee can be found here and a listing of all 2018-2019 Senators can be found here.
June 2018 U-Shine Award Winner

Kali Stanziano, Telecommunication Analyst for UND Telecommunications. She is above and beyond helpful, super patient, kind, and understanding... read more.

Congratulations Kali!!

Nominate one of your outstanding coworkers for the U-Shine Award here.

Staff Senate Potluck

We just wrapped up another successful Staff Senate Potluck. Thank you to University Catering for all of your amazing food and hard work you put into it. Thank you Staff Senators for participating and helping make this event happen! Thank you to the Wellness Center for providing the awesome space!

A special thank you to President and First Lady Kennedy, Cara Halgren (VP for Student Affairs & Diversity), Debbie Storrs (Dean of Arts and Sciences), Grant McGimpsey (VPRED, Dean of Graduate Studies, VP Research), Jed Shivers (VP for Finance & Operations), and Nancy Vogeljanz-Holm (Professor, Director of CHPPR & University Senate President) for all joining us. We appreciate your support and look forward to continuing our collaborative efforts!

STAFF SENATE FLASHBACK

We are celebrating Staff Senate's 20th Year Anniversary! Here are some cool snippets from 1998-2001.
1998

The planning process to get Staff Senate implemented actually started in 1995. This involved attending NDSU Staff Senate meetings and the formation of a Staff Senate Steering Committee.

The first meeting was held on July 22nd, 1998, where Duane Czapiewski was appointed as the first UND Staff Senate President.

They decided which senators would have 1 or 2 year terms by a random draw of colored paper.

Staff Senate held a logo contest, where the winner received a compact CD player and the runner up received a UND sweatshirt.

1999

Staff Senate President: Linda Sinclair

Staff Senate pushed for Spirit Days, allowing employees to wear UND logo clothing more than just on limited occasions.

2000

Staff Senate President: Marsha Nelson

Staff Senate created cookbooks as a fundraiser for scholarships. They ended up being in high demand, selling 800 copies. These cookbooks were called "Cooking It up With UND Spirit" and included 500 scrumptious recipes turned in from students, faculty, staff, and even the First Lady Adele Kupchella.

2001

Staff Senate President: Mike Powers

31 Days of Glory was created!

A special thank you to Chester Fritz Library for helping us dig up this history!!
In the past month, we "caught" Wade Anderson, Trevor Kalis, Dawn Seydel, Kari Holter, Jeff Gibson, Addela Marzofka, Steph Lee, and Stuart Lickteig. We appreciate all of you! Click on their names to learn more about these coworkers!

We welcome you to "like," and follow the UND Staff Senate Facebook page for daily posts involving UND and community events/information highlighting engagement, development, and recognition for all UND staff. The goal for our Facebook page is to be a useful tool, and provide a fun environment for all UND employees.

DEVELOPMENT

Getting involved in both of these organizations provides a great opportunity for networking and growth!

The Chamber

All UND employees are Chamber Members! This means we have access to discounted rates (such as the monthly Brown Bag Seminar luncheons) and free events (such as the monthly Business After Hours event). The Grand Forks Chamber website is found here.

Greater Grand Forks Young Professionals

UND covers the membership to be in Greater Grand Forks Young Professionals. Anyone is invited to their monthly Lunch & Learns; members get in free and non-members pay a small fee. The GGFYP's website is found here.

EVENTS & DEADLINES

Staff Senate Meeting

August 8th, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. in Memorial Union, River Valley Room. These meetings are open for anyone to attend. Meetings and Agendas are found here.
Seeds for Staff Success

Deadline is August 15th. Application and guidelines are here.

Weekly Events & Deadlines

Events and Deadlines are posted weekly and pinned at the top of the Staff Senate Facebook page! An example is found here.

STAFF SENATE COMMITTEES

Seeking...

**Constitution, Bylaws and Elections** is pleased to announce that there is a **Staff Senator opening**! It would be for a one-year appointment (thru April 2019), so it's a great way to get involved and see if you would want to serve a three-year term. Interested staff members should contact Pam Shea at pam.shea@UND.edu.

**Community Relations** continually accepts **Denim Day payroll deduction**. The form can be found here. Just a few dollars a month go toward great causes!

**Public Relations** is seeking **candy donations** for the Staff Senate Homecoming/Potato Bowl Parade float! If you are interested in donating, please contact Megan Wasylow at megan.wasylow@UND.edu.

**Staff Recognition** continually seeks **U-Shine nominations**. If you know a deserving staff member, nominate them here.

Mission & Vision

**Mission:**

To advocate for staff by supporting engagement, development, and recognition through shared governance and collaboration.

**Vision:**

To be the roots for all UND staff.

Suggestion Box

Staff Senate welcomes questions and ideas. Please click on the Suggestion Box to submit a suggestion.