Homecoming centers on western exploration theme:
“Westward Homecoming” takes place this week on the ISU campus and features a variety of events culminating with the ISU Bengals vs. Montana Grizzlies football game Saturday in Holt Arena. Tours are scheduled of the L.E. and Thelma E. Stephens Performing Arts Center and campus. To be recognized at the President’s Alumni Recognition Dinner on Friday are: William Hansen, Distinguished Alumnus; Kraig C. and Karen McGee, William J. Bartz Award; and Alyce Sato, ISU Achievement Award. President’s Medallions will go to Clark Carlile, former Gov. John V. and Lola Evans, James M. and Betty Kelly, Dr. M.R. “Mick” Mickelson, and Jerry and Susan Robinson.

NIH grant funds pharmacy tamoxifen research:
Three College of Pharmacy researchers have received a $128,820 National Institutes of Health (NIH) grant to conduct research to more effectively fight breast cancer. Drs. Nandita G. Das, Sudip K. Das and Cindy M. Wilson are examining how to administer the drug tamoxifen more effectively by using the human body’s lymphatic system. Tamoxifen is one of the oldest, most widely prescribed and successful therapies known for the treatment of estrogen receptor positive breast cancers. ISU researchers believe that using the body’s lymphatic system could improve the drug’s cancer-fighting abilities.

Teleconference, exhibit mark World Food Day:
An educational exhibit produced by the ISU dietetics program and a worldwide teleconference on the ISU campus will observe the 19th annual World Food Day on Thursday, Oct. 16 has been designated World Food Day to increase awareness of hunger issues in the world. It is observed in more than 150 nations. The teleconference, focusing on sub-Sahara Africa, will be from 10 to 11 a.m. in the Eli M. Oboler Library, Room 266. The Dietetics Club exhibit will be located near the Pond Student Union Building information desk from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and will focus on hunger in southeast Idaho.

Phi Kappa Phi lecture focuses on Antarctica:
Dr. Peter D. Sheridan, a member of the ISU microbiology faculty in the department of biological sciences, will talk about “Antarctica - A Cool Place to Do Research” as the fall scholarly lecturer sponsored by ISU Chapter 110 of Phi Kappa Phi interdisciplinary honor society. His lecture begins at 8 p.m. Oct. 21 in the Pond Student Union Building Salmon River Suite. The lecture is free and open to the public. Although Sheridan will discuss his research in Antarctica, he says his lecture will be “light on science” and more of a travelogue that will appeal to a broad audience.

New choral director to present first choirs concert:
Mark F. Lawlor has taken over as director of choral activities for ISU’s nationally renowned choral program, replacing Scott Anderson, who left at the end of spring semester. Lawlor came to ISU from Arizona State University, where he was associate director of choral activities. He also has taught at Marist College in New York and held the position of choral conductor at the United States Military Academy at West Point for eight years. The ISU Choirs will present their first concert at 7:30 p.m. Friday in Goranson Hall and will host the ISU Choral Invitational on Oct. 25.

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