

Transportation Tidbits



Greetings,

Welcome to the June issue of the Transportation Tidbits Newsletter! This issue features the latest happenings within the transportation industry along with a list of upcoming transportation conferences and webinars. You can also find some of the latest news from our faculty and students! If you have any questions or comments about this month's issue, please [let us know](#). Enjoy!

Important Dates for NDSU Students

5/1: Last day to Drop standard 4-week classes with 'W' record

5/1: Payments due for NDSU Summer account balances

5/9: Last day of 4-week session classes

Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute Celebrates Transportation Week

North Dakota State University's (NDSU) Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute (UGPTI) got plenty of opportunities to show their transportation pride this year through activities at NDSU campus and interaction with more than 250 elementary schools across the state.

To kick off transportation week UGPTI students and staff set up to greet NDSU students in the NDSU Memorial Union. UGPTI students and staff handed out water and snack to help raise spirits during NDSU's deadweek. In addition to the treats they also gave NDSU students an opportunity to compete for one of the four \$25.00 gift cards to the Bookstore at the Memorial Union. To compete students had to show their Transportation Week Pride by taking a UGPTI Bumper sticker and sending in a creative post showing how they use transportation. In addition UGPTI students and staff handed out information designed to increase awareness of the importance of transportation, and to prompt discussion about careers and academic opportunities in transportation.

5/9: Graduate students Summer Intent to Graduate forms due

5/12: Last day to Withdraw to Zero Credits @ 75% refund (full 12-week session classes only)

5/13: Classes begin for 8-week session

5/13: Undergraduate / Professional Summer Degree Application due

5/15: Last day for Wait Lists to run for 8-week session

5/16: Last day to add classes via campus connection for 8-week session

5/16: Last day for no-record Drop of 8-week session classes @ 100% refund

5/16: Attempted credits calculated for

UGPTI also mailed out transportation week packets to 730 fourth grade classrooms across the state. The packet included a proclamation recognizing the importance of transportation from N.D. Governor Jack Dalrymple as well as activity sheets to help students recognize how important transportation is to their lives, their families and their communities. The packet also included a drawing contest in which one lucky classroom would receive a pizza party on behalf of UGPTI.



Amanda Hlibichick's Fourth Grade class.

Since 1962, Congress has designated the third week of May as National Transportation Week to increase the awareness and appreciation of the transportation industry and to celebrate the transportation professionals who keep our country on the move. NDSU is celebrating transportation earlier in the month in order to do so before students leave for semester break.

Webinars

Check out this list of upcoming [webinars](#) offered by the Transportation Research Board. All participants must register at least 24 hours in advance of the webinar. If you missed a webinar and would like to know more about it [click here](#) for further instructions.

financial aid
SAP (11:59)

5/16: Eligible
Pell/TEACH
Grants based on
enrollment at
11:59 p.m. (8-
week session)

5/16: Last day to
Withdraw to
Zero Credits @
100% refund (8-
week session
classes only)

5/21: Financial
aid applied to
student accounts
(8-week session)

5/21: Last day
to submit
requests to
Audit Pass/ Fail
for 8-week
session

5/30: Last day to
Withdraw to Zero
Credits @ 75%
refund (8-week
session classes
only)

Recent News Updates

[#TechTuesday:
Building Bridges
from the
Ground Up](#)

- **June 7, 2016** - [Developing Best-Practice Guidelines for Improving Bus Operator Health and Retention](#)
- **June 7, 2016** - [Quality Management Plans for Network Level Pavement Data Collection](#)
- **June 9, 2016** - [Considerations for Transporting Passengers to, and Through, Airport Facilities](#)
- **June 15, 2016** - [Application of Human Factors Guideline for Road Systems](#)
- **June 20, 2016** - [Thin Asphalt Concrete Overlays](#)
- **June 23, 2016** - [Introduction to structural Design of Buried Bridges \(Non-seismic\)](#)
- **June 27, 2016** - [Consideration of Preservation in Pavement Design and Analysis Procedures](#)
- **June 30, 2016** - [Converting Paved Roads to Unpaved](#)

Upcoming Conferences

- **2016 International Symposium on Enhancing Highway Performance**
 - [June 14-16, 2016](#)
 - [Berlin, Germany](#)
- **8th International Conference on Bridge Maintenance, Safety and Management**
 - [June 23-30, 2016](#)
 - [Foz do Iguacu, Brazil](#)
- **American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) 2016 International Conference**
 - [June 26-29, 2016](#)
 - [Houston, Texas](#)
- **2016 National Equipment Fleet Management Conference**
 - [June 27-30, 2016](#)
 - [Columbus, OH](#)
- **Transportation-Related Environmental Analysis, Ecology and Historic and Archaeological Preservation Summer Conference**
 - [July 2016](#)
 - [Salt Lake City, UT](#)
- **3rd International Conference on Access Management**
 - [July 6-7, 2016](#)
 - [Pretoria, South Africa](#)
- **11th National Conference on Transportation Asset Management**
 - [July 10-12, 2016](#)
 - [Minneapolis, MN](#)
- **International Conference on Transportation Infrastructure and Materials**
 - [July 16-18, 2016](#)

[New Rebate Program Allow Pilots to Experience Nextgen Safety Benefits](#)

[Connected Vehicle Pilot Deployments- The Future of Transportation is Here](#)

[On Your Marks. Get Set. Zero?](#)

[UTC's Turn Today's Innovation into Tomorrow's Reality](#)

[Building Ladders of Opportunity in Columbus](#)

UGPTI in the Spotlight

[Safety Talk- Safe Work Habits](#)

[Monthly Grain Industry Reports Updated](#)

[Safety Talk- Back Injury Prevention](#)

- [Xi'an, China](#)
- **Transportation- Related Noise and Vibration Committee Summer Conference**
 - [July 24-27, 2016](#)
 - [Missoula, Montana](#)
- **GeoChina 2016 International Conference**
 - [July 25-27, 2016](#)
 - [Shandong, China](#)
- **Resource Conference and Recovery Summer Conference**
 - [July 26-29, 2016](#)
 - [Asheville, NC](#)
- **Transportation Planning and Air Quality Conference**
 - [August 4-5, 2016](#)
 - [Minneapolis, Minnesota](#)
- **Istanbul Bridge Conference: Early Registration Available Until June 1, 2016**
 - [August 8-10, 2016](#)
 - [Istanbul, Turkey](#)
- **3rd International Conference on Transportation Geotechnics**
 - [September 4-7, 2016](#)
 - [Guimaraes, Portugal](#)
- **15th National Tools of the Trade**
 - [September 12-14, 2016](#)
 - [Charleston, South Carolina](#)
- **21st Century Waterways: The Changing Tide of Harbor Safety**
 - [September 13-15, 2016](#)
 - [Portland, Oregon](#)
- **5th International Conference on Accelerated Pavement Testing**
 - [September 19-21, 2016](#)
 - [San Jose, Costa Rica](#)
- **8th World Congress on Joints, Bearings and Seismic Systems for Concrete Structures**
 - [September 25-29, 2016](#)
 - [Atlanta, Georgia](#)
- **International Conference on Demand Responsive Transportation**
 - [September 26-28, 2016](#)
 - [Breckenridge, Colorado](#)
- **22nd International Conference on Rural Public and Intercity Bus Transportation**
 - [October 2-5, 2016](#)
 - [Barcelona, Spain](#)

Workshops/ Meetings

- **TRB: Standing Committee on Roadside Safety Design (AFB20) Summer Meeting**
 - June 20-23, 2016
 - Baltimore, Maryland

[Center for
Transportation
Studies](#)

[Safety Talk:
Aerial Platform
Safety](#)

[Guidelines for
Effective LTAP
Course
Evaluation](#)

New Student Biography

Narendra Malagoda earned his BA in Agricultural Sciences and Management from Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka. He continued his education by earning his MS in International Agribusiness here at North Dakota State University, and is currently pursuing his PhD in Transportation and Logistics. Malagoda is a part of the Sri Lankan Student Association at NDSU, and plans to use his degree to become a professor at a distinguished university.



Hally Turner of Leadville, Colorado, is pursuing a certificate in Transportation and Urban Systems. Previously, Turner earned her bachelor's degree in Psychology from the University of Colorado at Denver. She also earned her MPH in Public Health Administration and Policy from the University of Minnesota. Turner became interested in transportation as an intern after completing her studies in public health. In her spare time Turner enjoys traveling whenever and wherever is possible. She has visited all seven continents in her past travels. Turner's future goals are to establish more technical knowledge in transit planning.

A Pep Talk for the World



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If you have items that you would like to submit for our next monthly Transportation Tidbits newsletter, please email Makenzie Schmidt at makenzie.lee.schmidt@ndsu.edu by the 15th of the month.