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A Yes vote April 8 is a yes vote for students

The Minot Public School has set April 8, 2014 for the \$39.5 million school bond special election.

Why now?

- The need for the building of a new elementary school, additional classrooms to Edison and Perkett, and safety and security updates are immediate needs that need to be addressed by the Minot Public School District.
- The district is eligible for a \$20 million low-interest rate construction loan from the State of North Dakota if voters approve the proposed bond before May 2014. The interest rate for the school construction loan would be set at 1.72%. The savings in interest over the 20-year bond is \$4,214,205 to the taxpayers.
- The district can also utilize nearly \$222,000 from a state safety and security grant that is available.

What are the safety and security challenges?

- Many school offices are not located near the main entrance, allowing people to come and go without appropriate administrators knowing who is in the building.
- Students traveling from portables to the main building create an increased security risk.



Why a new elementary school?

- There are currently 21 portables being used in Minot Public elementary schools.
Bel Air (3 portables), Edison (2 portables), McKinley (1 portable), Perkett (2 portables), Sunnyside (4 portables), Washington (9 portables)

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26th annual International Military Ball April 12



The International Military Ball, a formal event with a gourmet meal and entertainment, is Saturday, April 12 at the Minot Holiday Inn. The social will begin at 6 p.m.

The formal event will again

include a seven-course gourmet meal. Participants will enjoy an elegant evening of dancing, and dignitaries from both the United States and Canada will attend.

Cost is \$60 per person. For more information or to register, please call 852-6000 or email chamber@minotchamber.org.

52nd annual Honors Banquet celebrates academic achievements

Students and long-time staff and educators will be honored for their hard work at the Minot Area Chamber of Commerce 52nd annual Honors Banquet April 23 at 6:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn.

Kristin Baesler, North Dakota Superintendent of Public Instruction, is scheduled to be the guest speaker.

The event is a time set aside to recognize graduating seniors from eight area schools with a grade point average of 3.75 or higher. More than 100 stu-

dents from Berthold (Lewis & Clark), Bishop Ryan, Glenburn, Minot, Our Redeemer's, Sawyer, Surrey, and Des Lacs Burlington will be honored, along with staff and teachers from the schools with 25 years of service. This event is possible thanks to the generous support of Chamber members who sponsor students and teachers.

For more information call Carla Dolan at 857-8205 or email carla@minotchamber.org.

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

Minot Guaranty & Escrow

1835 16th St. SW - Come out and see the new building!

Thursday, April 24 • 5-7 p.m.

This is an opportunity to network with potential and established clients in a social, fun atmosphere. Enjoy hors d'oeuvres and a chance to win \$500 in Chamber Bucks! If winner is not present, \$50 in Chamber Bucks is guaranteed. (Must be present to win) \$5 charge at the door



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Northridge-Villas.com

Ambassadors helped celebrate the open house of Northridge, a new development which features 33 walkout lots in northwest Minot.

RENEWALS

The Chamber extends a big "THANK YOU" to our members who have renewed their membership Feb. 19 through March 20, 2014. Your continued support helps your Chamber promote the business community and do the work seen in the pages of this newsletter.

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The Welcome Table

Why a new elementary school (continued)?

- Elementary schools are over capacity or near maximum capacity now and the district continues to see enrollment rising.
- Below is a list of all Minot Public School District elementary schools with the capacity of the existing buildings.

Bel Air	300 capacity	353 enrolled	(53)
Bell	140 capacity	128 enrolled	12
Dakota	400 capacity	417 enrolled	(17)
Edison	400 capacity	453 enrolled	(53)
Lewis & Clark	440 capacity	434 enrolled	6
Longfellow	480 capacity	420 enrolled	60
McKinley	100 capacity	133 enrolled	(33)
North Plains	360 capacity	325 enrolled	35
Perkett	260 capacity	326 enrolled	(66)
Roosevelt	140 capacity	131 enrolled	9
Sunnysid	320 capacity	344 enrolled	(24)
Washington	300 capacity	494 enrolled	(194)

Why did the bond decrease by over \$80 million from the original proposal in December 2013?

- The school board listened to the voters, as 50% indicated that they couldn't support the previous bond. The biggest reasons were the sheer size of the bond and the fact that it addressed high school challenges that aren't as immediate as the elementary challenges.
- The original bond proposal from the Minot Public School district in December 2013 was for \$125 million.
- The December 2013 bond breakdown is below:
 1. Safety, security and general upgrades district-wide
 2. New elementary school
 3. Classroom additions and renovations at Edison and Perkett
 4. **New 9-12 high school

5. **Convert Central Campus to a 6-8 middle school
 6. **Convert Magic City Campus to a comprehensive 9-12 high school
- The new proposal eliminates the changes to Magic City and Central Campus and building a new high school (**eliminating items 4, 5 and 6 listed above).

What will the impact be to homeowners in the Minot Public School District?

- The estimated number of mills needed to make the annual payment is 13.76.
- Below is the impact on homeowners:

	Annual Tax	Monthly
\$100,000 Market Value Home	\$ 61.92	\$ 5.16
\$200,000 Market Value Home	\$123.83	\$10.32
\$300,000 Market Value Home	\$185.75	\$15.48

Election details

- Election is Tuesday, April 8, 2014 at the Minot Municipal Auditorium from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.
- Early voting will take place at the Ward County Courthouse and absentee ballots are available.

Solution

- New elementary school to be located in southeast section of Minot on land already owned by the district.
- Additional classrooms at Perkett and Edison elementary schools.
- Safety and security enhancements will be made to all schools

Total Project Costs **\$40,536,000**

Funding Sources:

Bond Referendum	\$39,500,000
State Safety & Security Grant w/local match	\$444,000
Interim Fund	\$592,000
Total Funding	\$40,536,000

North Dakota State Fair announces 2014 concert lineup

Lady Antebellum, John Mellencamp, The Charlie Daniels Band, Randy Houser, Florida Georgia Line, Three Days Grace and Brad Paisley will all perform at the 2014 North Dakota State Fair, July 18-26. Tickets will go on sale on April 8 at 8am.

Seven-time Grammy Award winning trio, **Lady Antebellum**, will be the first act to perform during the 2014 State Fair on Friday, July 18. Since 2006 the group has risen quickly to become Country Music's most influential group with hits like "Compass", "Downtown", and "Need You Now".

Rock and Roll Hall of Fame member **John Mellencamp** will be the first rock act to perform on Saturday, July 19. With favorites like "Small Town", "Jack & Diane", and "R.O.C.K. In The U.S.A.", Mellencamp is sure to keep attendees on their feet and singing along.

The Charlie Daniels Band will be performing on Sunday, July 20. Charlie Daniels' music is quintessentially Southern with songs like "Uneasy Rider", "Long Haired Country Boy", "The South's Gonna Do It" and of course, "The Devil Went Down to Georgia". Up and coming artist, Randy Houser known for songs like "Runnin' Outta Moonlight", "How Country Feels" and "Goodnight Kiss" will call the State

Fair home on Wednesday, July 23. Florida Georgia Line will be taking the Grandstand by storm on Thursday, July 24. Chart-topping hits like "Cruise", will be accompanied by other fan favorites including "Round Here" and "This is How We Roll".

Three Days Grace will rock the Grandstand on Friday, July 25. This platinum selling rock group will entertain concertgoers with hits like "I Hate Everything about You" and "Animal I've Become".

Brad Paisley will close out the Fair on Saturday, July 26. Since his first #1 single in 1999, Paisley has placed 22 singles at the top of the charts. His current single is "The Mona Lisa", from his album, Wheelhouse, - which also includes the back-to-back #1 hits, "Southern Comfort Zone" and "Beat This Summer". Pair these with hits like "Mud on the Tires" and "Little Moments" and this concert is sure to end the Fair with a bang!

The Grandstand Country Showpass will be \$85 with the option of Standing Room or Reserved Seating tickets available.

2014 Showpass Lineup:

Friday, July 18 – Lady Antebellum
 Sunday, July 20– The Charlie Daniels Band
 Monday, July 21 – Enduro Race*

Tuesday, July 22– IMCA Modified and Stock Car Races*

Wednesday, July 23 – Randy Houser*

Thursday, July 24 –Florida Georgia Line

Saturday, July 26 – Brad Paisley

*General Admission Events

John Mellencamp tickets will be \$65 for standing room or reserved seating. Three Days Grace tickets will be \$25 for standing room or reserved seating. When purchasing any John Mellencamp ticket, rock fans can also add on the purchase of a Three Days Grace ticket for only \$15.

NPRA Championship Bull Riding will be held on Monday, July 21 & Tuesday, July 22. Tickets will be \$14 for adults, \$6 for ages 7-12 and 6 and under will be free. Other items available for purchase include: Season and Daily Gate Passes, Mega Ride Carnival Passes, Ranch Rodeo tickets, beer tickets and nine day camping spots.

Tickets can be purchased online at www.ndstatefair.com, on Facebook at www.facebook.com/ndstatefair, by phone at 701-852-3247 or in person from 8am-5pm, Monday-Friday, at the State Fair Center. Dates for the 2014 State Fair are July 18-26. More information is available at www.ndstatefair.com.

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS



Thank you to Sevens Restaurant and the Vegas Motel for hosting the March Business After Hours March 20. Nearly 100 people enjoyed delicious food, great prizes, and networking.

MARCH LUNCH-N-LEARN



About 20 people attended the March Lunch-N-Learn, which featured the Social Security Administration's Howard Kossover.

Lunch-N-Learn Is Your Business Secure?

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Wednesday, May 7 • Lunch: \$15

11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

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Visit the Chamber Calendar May 7 at

www.minotchamber.org

and sign up today

Weppler named to magazine's top 25 women in business

Shelly Weppler, president of St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation, was named to the *Prairie Business Magazine* top 25 women in business. The March issue was in recognition of the significant role women already play in the northern Plains' business climate.



Shelly Weppler

The St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation serves an eleven-county region in the form of grants to organizations who support the mental, physical, spiritual, and emotional needs of the 150,000 residents in the area.

Weppler is also a Ward County Commissioner, a member of the North Dakota Association of Nonprofit Organizations, and other community groups.

Competitiveness Index offers key indicators to ND business climate

The Greater North Dakota Chamber has published the 2014 Competitiveness Index, a comprehensive listing of key indicators of North Dakota's business climate. The Index demonstrates the competitiveness of the state's businesses and the advantages of doing business and living in North Dakota.

The publication contains numerous business measures in the following categories: Taxes & Revenue, Economic & Business Climate, Education, Natural Resources, Public

Safety & Courts, Health & Welfare, Quality of Life, Workforce & Wages

Each category includes tables that show how North Dakota ranks compared to other states.

"We believe this publication will help business leaders and those involved in economic development identify the state's strengths as well as areas for improvement," said Andy Peterson, president and CEO of the Greater North Dakota Chamber. "This index will serve

as a guide as the business community works together to further enhance North Dakota's business climate and meet the goal of building the best possible business environment for our state."

The 2014 Competitive Index is available for \$7 (price includes tax and shipping) by contacting the Greater North Dakota Chamber at 701-222-0929 or ndchamber@ndchamber.com.

EAGLE AWARDS

The Eagle Award winners were recognized in March and thanked for superior customer service skills. If you would like to nominate someone for outstanding customer service, please call the Chamber at 852-6000 for a nomination form, or visit the website at minotchamber.org.

A special thank you goes out to **Homesteaders Restaurant** for providing a gift certificate for each Eagle recipient.



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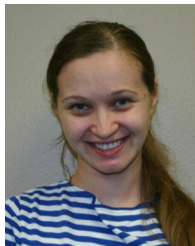
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Join the policy discussion at the Governor's Business Forum

The Greater North Dakota Chamber and Governor Dalrymple will again partner to host the Governor's Business Forum, April 15, at the Alerus Center in Grand Forks.

The Governor's Business Forum was created to provide a platform for business leaders and elected and appointed officials to discuss policy issues that affect North Dakota businesses. It's also an opportunity to celebrate the successes of companies and business people from across the state, and learn about best practices and innovative ideas.

The Forum will kick off with lunch and an address and facilitated discussion with Governor Dalrymple. The afternoon will include presentations and workshops focused on taxes, workforce and education – three issues that will be a high priority during the upcoming legislative session.

The Forum will conclude after dinner with two exciting presentations. The first is the presentation of the Greater North Dakotan Award to Mr. Frank Larson. Mr. Larson is a valued North Dakota businessman and philanthropist, and we are excited to present him with the Chamber's highest honor.

Following the award presentation, there will be a keynote address from Mr. Whit Ayres of North Star Opinion. Whit Ayres is a leading Washington, D.C., political consultant with over 30 years of experience in polling and survey research for high profile political campaigns and associations. Mr. Ayres will talk about the economic and political landscape of our country and how it will impact North Dakota.

A complete Forum agenda can be found at www.ndchamber.com.

Don't miss this opportunity for business leaders, legislators and state officials to build upon North Dakota's proven business climate, and discuss ideas for continuing to develop an environment that will foster additional opportunities for our state.

Registration is available at www.ndchamber.com or by calling the GNDC office at 701-222-0929.



RIBBON CUTTING



Erik Ramstad Middle School - Dedication Ceremony

1215 36th Ave. NW • Minot, ND • 857-4466 • Website: http://www.edline.net/pages/Erik_Ramstad_Middle_School

The Ambassadors and several officials turned out for the dedication of the newly constructed Erik Ramstad Middle School building. The new facility replaced the original building, which was destroyed in the 2011 flood. Following are some of the officials who participated in the ceremony: U.S. Senator John Hoeven, Governor and Mrs. Jack Dalrymple, Mayor Curt Zimbleman, representatives from the offices of U.S. Senator Heidi Heitkamp and U.S. Congressman Kevin Cramer, Minot Public Schools Superintendent Mark Vollmer, Principal Ione Sautner, MPS School Board President Jim Rostad, as well as representatives from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the building contractors, and several school board members.

AMBASSADORS SUPPORT SPECIAL OLYMPICS



The Ambassadors escorted honored guests at the 2014 Special Olympics State Basketball Tournament at the Minot State Dome March 7.

2014 Norsk Høstfest tickets go on sale May 16

Norsk Høstfest announces its main stage entertainment lineup for the 2014 edition of North America's largest Scandinavian festival which runs Sept. 30 - Oct. 4. The 37th annual Norsk Høstfest kicks off Tuesday evening, Sept. 30, with a 7 p.m. opening ceremony followed by the Høstfest Eve Concert, this year featuring Doc Severinsen with the Minot Symphony Orchestra.

Scheduled to appear in The Great Hall of the Vikings over five nights and four days are Doc Severinsen with the Minot Symphony Orchestra, Daniel O'Donnell, Gaither Vocal Band, comedian Bill Engvall, country legend Merle Haggard, Josh Turner with special guest Danielle Bradbery, singer BJ Thomas, 60s pop band Herman's Hermits starring Peter Noone, and country music artist Jennifer Nettles.

"We like to think we're offering something for everyone this year," said David Reiten, Norsk Høstfest president. "From returning favorites, to names new to the Great Hall stage like the legendary Doc Severinsen, whose performance is made even more special with the involvement of Minot's own symphony."

Tickets go on sale 8 a.m., CDT, Friday, May

16, with VIP seats priced at \$82 and regular seats at \$62. Høstfest Eve Concert tickets are \$36. Fans can order tickets online at hostfest.com, by calling 852-2368, or in person at 1020 S. Broadway, Minot, ND 58701. Online ticket purchase is encouraged.

Additional entertainment

In addition to the Great Hall entertainment, Norsk Høstfest offers free stage acts several times each day during the festival. Patrons will see a return of many of their favorites such as Bjørro Haaland and Williams & Ree and enjoy new talent as well, including the Nordic Tenors, Swedish magicians Brynolf & Ljung, and Grammy-award winning country group Diamond Rio. Former Secret Service agent Clint Hill and author Lisa McCubbin are back with a presentation and their most recent book, *Five Days* in November. Ricky Nelson Remembered, a tribute by Gunnar Nelson and Matthew Nelson, also returns for a second year.

Besides great entertainment, Norsk Høstfest will spotlight Scandinavian culture, artisan crafts, Nordic shopping, nightly dances, and of course, great authentic Scandinavian cuisine.

2014 GREAT HALL ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Sept. 30	Doc Severinsen with The Minot Symphony Orchestra 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 1	Daniel O'Donnell 1 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 1	Gaither Vocal Band 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 2	Bill Engvall 1 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 2	Daniel O'Donnell 7 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 3	Merle Haggard 1 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 3	Josh Turner with special guest Danielle Bradbery 7:30 p.m. (two shows)
Saturday, Oct. 4	BJ Thomas & Herman's Hermits starring Peter Noone • 1 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 4	Jennifer Nettles 7:30 p.m.

Project CLEAN work days set for May 2 & 3

Project CLEAN (Community Leaders Enhancing Area Neighborhoods) Committee is working to do away with the unsightly garbage left behind by melting snow with the annual citywide cleanup Friday, May 2 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, May 3 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The two days helps groups cover a wide area, and also allows business people to permit employees to clean up during business hours. To help, come to the Chamber and sign your team up today. Garbage bags will be provided.

Businesses are encouraged to donate to a non-profit group willing to clean up around their building. For more information, call the Chamber at 852-6000 or email chamber@minotchamber.org.

Mums For Mums

Fundraiser Benefiting Children's Services at
The Village Family Service Center

How to order:

- Orders will be taken through April 8 by phone (credit card only): 701-852-3328, online at **TheVillageFamily.org**, or in person at the Minot Village office (cash, credit or check): 20 1st St. SW, Minot
- Choose from three colors: lavender, white, or yellow (will be a splendid cut flower)
- Orders will be available for pick up thursday, May 8 from Noon to 5 p.m.
- Delivery available May 7 - 9 in city of Minot, free with a \$15 purchase or more.

Just in time for Mother's Day!

1 Mum — \$5
3 Mums — \$10
5 Mums — \$16.50



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Minot, ND 58701
701-852-3328



Prairie Warrior Auction raises funds for Minot Air Force Base

Congratulations and special thanks to Betty Fedorchak (Esoterica), chairperson of the 28th Annual Military Affairs Committee Prairie Warrior Competition Auction, as well as her team of volunteers. The event, which was held March 22, raised nearly \$33,000.

Also, a special thanks goes out to the many sponsors of merchandise. Support by area businesses, organizations and individuals has once again contributed to a successful event. Participants enjoyed refreshments and hors d'oeuvres while previewing the merchandise.

Base coordinators included Lt. Col. Darrin Morgan (5 BW) and Lt. Col. Kathy Dorist (91 MW). Also offering invaluable help was Bill Dennis, Auctioneer John Bearman, Niess Impressions Printing, and the staff of the Holiday Inn.

The Prairie Warrior Auction and the support of the local community will contribute significantly to the wings bringing home the top honors in Air Force competitions.

Fedorchak said donations from businesses, organizations and individuals, along with

those who donate their time, make the auction a success.

Every year, this event raises thousands of dollars to help defray the expenses of bomb and missile wing competitions for Minot Air Force Base competitors. Additionally, funds raised are used to underwrite events designed to improve the morale and lessen financial burdens of the men and women stationed at Minot AFB.

10 North Main	Hight Construction
Ackerman-Estvoid	Home Sweet Home
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Arrowhead Ace Hardware	Karen Krebsbach
Artistry Hairstylists & Day Spa	KXMC CBS13
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Laura Bendickson	Lien's Jewelry
Black Butte Adventures	Lowe's Floral and Garden Center
Bottineau Winter Park	Magic City Beverage
Brady Martz & Associates	Margie's Art Glass Studio
Bremer Bank	Mattson Construction
Charlie's Main Street Café	McGee, Hankla, Backes & Dobrovoly, P.C.
The Computer Store	Minot Area Development Corp.
Grand Hotel	Minot Daily News
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MEMBER BUSINESS BRIEFS

Souris Valley United Way holds annual meeting

The Annual meeting for Souris Valley United Way was held in February.

New officers elected for 2014 included: Megan Grundstrom (The Preferred Companies), president; Kevin Harmon (Minot State University), vice president; Scott Moum (Minot Public Schools), treasurer; and Jarid Lundeen (Tires Plus), past president.

John MacMartin was recognized for his leadership as Campaign Chair during the 2013 Fall Campaign. This year \$593,274 was raised to assist 29 local programs which help those in need.

Leslie Coughlin (Coughlin Development), retired from the Board of Directors, and was commended for her many years of service and stewardship.

"The annual meeting is a good time for us to reflect on the past year and what we want to accomplish for the community in the future," said Patricia Smith, executive director.

"Campaign pledges are down 3% from the prior year," said Smith. "This will definitely have an impact on the dollars granted back to our local community partners. The SVUW Board will make grant funding decisions in April. With this short-

fall, they will carefully review all the grant requests."

Souris Valley United Way is committed to supporting the community by helping individuals and families achieve their potential through education, income stability, and healthy lives.

For more information visit www.svunited-way.com call 839.2994.

Heitkamp hired as Veterans Center director

Andy Heitkamp has been named Veterans Center director at Minot State University, according to Dick Jenkins, vice president for student affairs. Heitkamp assumes his new duties March 31.

"We are delighted to have Heitkamp join the Office of Student Affairs as the director of the Veterans Center," Jenkins said. "With his extensive knowledge of the university and the region and his military background, we anticipate providing a high level of service to an expanding population of active duty military members, veterans and their dependents as they

seek to use their educational benefits at Minot State."

For 19 years, Heitkamp has been an assistant football coach for Minot State and assisted in recruiting. He came to MSU in 1995 after being an assistant coach at Mayville State University for seven years. Before his collegiate coaching career, he worked as an assistant coach at Barnsville, Minn., Fargo, Wahpeton and Hillsboro. He was selected as the American Football Monthly NAIA Special Teams Coach of the Year in 2002. Heitkamp served in the U.S. Army National Guard from 1983 to 1991.

"I am looking forward to helping future, current and former service members put their benefits to work by investing in their futures through the educational opportunities available here at Minot State University," Heitkamp said.

The Matador native earned his bachelor's degree in physical education from Mayville State. He and his wife, Deb, have three children, Derrek, Heather and Gary, along with seven grandchildren, Natasha, Madelynn, Isaac, Caitlyn, Harley, Alicia and Evie.

For questions, contact Heitkamp at Andy.Heitkamp@minotstateu.edu.



Andy Heitkamp

MEMBER BUSINESS BRIEFS

Mrozik appointed as MSU College of Business dean

Jacek Mrozik has accepted the position as dean of Minot State University's College of Business. He will continue to serve as interim through this contract period and assume full appointment as dean beginning July 1.

"I believe Dr. Mrozik brings the skills needed to the position to lead the College of Business, including his willingness to put the needs of the students, faculty and staff first, and to work collaboratively with all of us on moving the college forward," said Lenore Koczon, vice president for academic affairs.

"The College of Business has the tradition of providing our students with quality education and is concerned about meeting the present and future educational needs of North Dakota residents," Mrozik said. "I believe MSU and the College of Business have a positive future, and I am happy to be a part of it."

Mrozik joined MSU as an assistant professor of business administration in 2011, after being a visiting professor at Clemson University, S.C. Before entering academia, he worked in the telecom industry for 19 years as a marketing manager. He possesses a bachelor's degree from the University of Manchester, United Kingdom, a master's degree from Clemson University and a doctorate from the University of Warsaw, Poland.

For questions, contact Koczon at lenore.koczon@minotstateu.edu or Mrozik at jacek.mrozik@minotstateu.edu.

Dr. Todd Gray joins St. Alexius

Todd Gray, MD, recently joined The Clinics of St. Alexius as an adult and pediatric urologist.

Dr. Gray received his medical degree from University of New Mexico School of Medicine in Albuquerque, New Mexico. He completed his urology residency at University of Utah Affiliated Hospitals, Salt Lake City, Utah, following two years of general surgery residency at University of New Mexico Affiliated Hospitals, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Dr. Gray is certified by the American Board of Urology and is a member of the American Urological Association.

Community Health Foundation grants exceed \$4.8 million

St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation will award \$600,000 in grants to area organizations.

St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation is an independent public charity foundation set up

with proceeds donated by the Sisters of St. Francis from the sale of a local hospital in 1998. Over \$4.8 million have been granted to area organizations to benefit the residents in the counties of Bottineau, Burke, McHenry, McLean, Mountrail, Pierce, Renville, Rolette, Sheridan, Ward, and Wells. A board of directors governs the Foundation.

St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation grants funds to promote and support the improvement, availability and provision of the mental, physical and spiritual needs for people residing in the eleven counties served by the Foundation. The Foundation meets this goal by welcoming grant requests from all area agencies in northcentral North Dakota committed to meeting the needs of residents in our service area.

Grantmaking is guided by the foundation's core values dedicated to upholding the dignity of all persons and responding in a just manner to basic human needs. "We focus on funding projects that can offer long-term solutions to current and future community health needs, promote health education and access to a full range of programs and services," said Shelly C. Weppner, president. "The Foundation can also help organizations and individuals establish endowment funds that will help meet emerging and changing community care needs."

Gifts to the Foundation are tax deductible and can be made in a variety of ways. The Foundation encourages people to consult their lawyer, banker, accountant or financial advisor in making these decisions. For further information regarding the St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation please write to 308 2nd Ave. SW, Minot, ND 58701, call 837-1726 or visit the website Communityhealthfoundationnd.com.

Brown & Saenger consultants recognized

Cheri Ostlund, Minot furniture consultant at Brown & Saenger, was awarded the President's Award for exceptional monthly sales performance throughout 2013. Ostlund is a repeat winner of the President's Club.

The General Line sales person of the year award went to Linda Dansman Nichols of Sioux Falls, and Furniture sales person of the year went to Kaia Staatz, also of Sioux Falls.

Other recipients of the President's Club include Al Nickles (Sioux Falls), Dave DeBoer (Sioux Falls), Ginger Baumberger (Sioux Falls), Greg Weeldreyer (Huron, SD), Jamie Odegaard (Fargo), Kyle Hellman (Bismarck), and Linda Dansman-Nichols (Sioux Falls).

Brown & Saenger have been providing office and marketing supplies since 1889.

Eaton joins Karvacko Engineering

Lynn Eaton, P.E., has joined the staff of Karvacko Engineering as vice president of engineering. Eaton is based out of the Bemidji office and will focus on business development throughout the region and oversight of the engineering team.

Eaton comes to Karvacko Engineering from the Minnesota Department of Transportation where he began his career in 1984. His most recent assignment was the assistant division director for operations based in St. Paul, MN.

He received his bachelor of science degree in civil engineering from the University of North Dakota, and his master's in management technology from the University of Minnesota Carlson School. He also attended the AASHTO Leadership Institute and the AASHTO Advanced Leadership Institute.



Lynn Eaton, P.E.
Karvacko Engineering

MSU students sponsor bone marrow drive

The Minot State University Biology Department, Club Biology, and biology students are teaming up with Delete Blood Cancer, an organization leading the fight to eradicate blood cancer, to host a bone marrow drive April 2, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Beaver Dam (Student Center, second floor).

Hundreds of thousands of people are diagnosed with blood cancer and other life-threatening blood-related diseases each year. Many of these patients require a blood stem cell transplant, and in many cases that requires a matching blood stem cell donor. Presently, there are not enough potential donors, and only half of those who need a donor will find a suitable match. That is why everyone's help is desperately needed.

"Most everybody knows somebody who has had cancer, or somebody who has a blood cancer or a blood disorder that would require bone marrow donation — for example, Conrad Davidson (College of Arts and Sciences dean) is one. Had he not been able to donate his own stem cells back to himself, a donor would have been sought through a registry such as this," said Heidi Super, biology associate professor. "This is a pretty painless way to save a life without giving your own."

All it takes to join the national bone marrow registry is a simple cheek swab to collect cells for tissue typing and a willingness to donate stem cells if an individual a match to a person with a blood cancer or other blood disorder.

For more information, contact Super at 858-3079, or heidi.super@minotstateu.edu. If you have questions about stem cell donation and get-



Todd Gray, M.D.

MEMBER BUSINESS BRIEFS

Boston Marathon medical provider to keynote Mass Casualty Seminar

A medical provider who was present at last year's Boston Marathon bombing will be the featured speaker at a seminar on mass casualty response held in conjunction with the North Dakota Athletic Trainers Association (NDATA) annual meeting April 11-12 at Minot State University. Members of the emergency medical services community and the public at large are welcome to attend.



Wanda Swiger

Dr. Wanda Swiger, associate professor of physical education at Keene State College in New Hampshire, will speak Friday, April 11, at a session sponsored by Trinity Health. The event is free to the public. Emergency personnel who register will be eligible for continuing education credit.

Robyn Gust, Trinity Sports Medicine manager and event co-chair, says the focus of Friday's session will be helping schools and communities prepare for a mass casualty event in an athletic environment.

"As Sports Medicine providers we constantly strive to prepare for anything that might happen at our events," Gust said. "We realized that we weren't ready if a mass casualty incident were to occur. This event is designed to help bridge the gap between those on site at the time of the incident and the emergency responders so that appropriate care can be immediate and organized."

Dr. Swiger was a member of the medical team that provided coverage at the finish line of the 2013 Boston Marathon. She will discuss the bombing and give insight on how to prepare for mass casualties. Also featured will be a panel discussion by personnel from the Minot Police Department, Minot Fire and Rescue, Minot Dispatch and Ward County Emergency Response. Gust will conclude the presentation with an update on Trinity Sports Medicine's efforts to implement a mass casualty preparedness plan for its athletic clients in Ward County.

The ND Department of Health's Division of Emergency Medical Services and Trauma has approved the seminar for 2.5 CEU hours in the LCCR Category for emergency personnel. Registration is available online at www.trinity-health.org and clicking on "Emergency Preparedness for Mass Casualty in Athletic Environment." Athletic trainers may register for credit through NDATA.

Registration at the event will begin at 6 p.m. with the program starting at 7 p.m. on the second level of Swain Hall. For more information, call Gust at 857-3486.

Plans for downtown revitalization on display during April 3 open house

An open house will be held Thursday, April 3 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Minot Auditorium to unveil the Minot River Front and Center- Downtown and Neighborhood Revitalization plans. Plans for downtown and the six neighborhoods will be on display during an open house. A brief, formal presentation will be made at 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.

These plans are an accumulation of ideas and visions shared by residents, business owners and stakeholders in the renewal of downtown and neighborhoods. These plans offer a voice to help define the vision for the future of Minot. Plans explore new trails, greenway corridor, and improved connectivity from downtown to all neighborhoods. Detailed plans address downtown revitalization, connections to the river, new parks and open space, neighborhood safety, land use, redevelopment, flood mitigation impacts and opportunities for the greenway corridor.

Please come and celebrate Minot's path to the future.

MSU leadership group organizes fundraiser

A Minot State University College of Business leadership group is organizing "Stand Up. Speak Out. Stop It!" for the Northern Plains Children's Advocacy Center & Family Services April 4 at Minot's Grand Hotel at 5:30 p.m. This fundraising event will feature speakers from NPCAC, along with local law enforcement, volunteers and an abuse victim.

The event's social hour begins at 5:30 p.m. with dinner served at 6:30 p.m. A silent auction will run from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Tickets can be purchased for \$50 at any of the five Minot locations of Marketplace Food's customer service counters.

Ashley Maercklein and Ellen Fenner, Leadership Initiative alumnae, along with Jeanne LeMay, NPCAC director, and Jay Wahlund, MSU accounting and finance assistant professor, are advising the students in coordinating the event.

"It is my privilege as a community member, and especially as a mother, to guide this year's students through such an amazing event to create awareness and raise funds to help end child abuse," Fenner said.

Silent auction items are being accepted. Please contact standup.minot@hotmail.com with donation information.

April, National Child Abuse Prevention Month, is a time to recognize that each individual can assist in promoting the social and emotional well-being of children and families. NPCAC encourages all individuals and organizations to play a role in making Minot a better place for children



and families.

Research shows that when parents possess six protective factors, the risk for neglect and abuse diminishes and optimal outcomes for children, youth and families are promoted. The six protective factors are nurturing and attachment, knowledge of parenting and of child youth development, parental resilience, social connections, concrete support for parents, and social and emotional developmental well-being.

"Everyone's participation is critical," said LeMay. "Focusing on ways to build and promote the protective factors, in every interaction with children and families, is the best thing our community can do to prevent child maltreatment and promote optional child development."

The demand for NPCAC's services is increasing. In 2010, NPCAC saw 129 clients; in 2011, 172 clients; in 2012, 226 clients; and in 2013, 270 clients. Clients do not pay any out-of-pocket expenses for NPCAC services. Health insurances are billed when available, however, not all insurances pay for NPCAC services. Additional funding for services is obtained by grant-proposal writing, community donations and the annual fundraising gala.

Contact standup.minot@hotmail.com for any additional information. Individuals can spread the word about this event by "liking" the page on Facebook – Stand Up Speak Out Stop It.

Veterans of U.S. Wars present writings

April 3 in Aleshire Theater at 7 p.m., veterans of U.S. wars will present work they completed in "Warrior Words," a monologue-writing workshop offered by The Greater Grand Forks Community Theatre in four North Dakota cities. Conrad Davidson, Minot State University College of Arts and Sciences dean, taught the Minot workshop, which consisted of eight sessions. The Minot presenters will be Mike Carswell, Claire Eide, Orlan Hall, Tim Knickerbocker, Millo Wallace and Max Zurcher. This event is free and open to the public.

"We expected stories about sacrifice, but there was also humor, as veterans from various generations and branches of service shared their experiences," Davidson said.

Warrior Words was open to veterans of any American war or conflict who had an interest in creating work based on their experiences as soldiers. The workshops were funded in part by the North Dakota Humanities Council, a nonprofit, independent state partner of the National Endowment for the Humanities. Workshop writers will be invited to Grand Forks for a collective reading on May 22. For questions, contact Davidson at 858-3159 or conrad.davidson@minotstateu.edu.

MEMBER BUSINESS BRIEFS

Staybridge Suites receives J.D. Power award

Staybridge Suites®, a member of the IHG (InterContinental Hotels Group) extended stay brand and managed by NHS (National Hospitality Services) of Fargo, has been recognized as a J.D. Power 2014 Customer Champion. This recognition is given only to 50 companies nationwide that exceed customer expectations.

Qualifications necessary to receive this honor include providing the highest level of customer service. J.D. Power compares these companies against the Customer Champion analysis including: People, Presentation, Process, Product, and Price to determine the 2014 Customer Champions.

Minot Staybridge Suites, General Manager David Bussard commented, "We are thrilled and excited about this prestigious honor. It is exciting that an admirable organization has recognized Staybridge Suites. We will take this one guest at a time. We love to be their home away from home."

According to their website, J.D. Power evaluated more than 600 brands. The 2014 Champions were identified based on customer feedback, opinions, and perceptions gathered primarily from J.D. Power's research in 2013. The 50 representatives embody traits and qualities of the highest-performing U.S. companies.

NHS is headquartered in Fargo, ND and is a nationally recognized and award winning lodging company that operates hotels throughout the United States, including the Staybridge Suites in Fargo. NHS utilizes inventive operating, financial, sales, and marketing strategies increasing the potential of each lodging property. NHS manages extended stay, limited service, full service and conference centers. For more information contact: Brenda Warren

at bwarren@nationalhospitality.biz or visit www.nationalhospitality.biz

Curves offers promotion to benefit food drive

Curves International, Inc. (<http://www.curves.com/>), the largest chain of fitness centers for women in the world, announced that the 2014 Curves Food Drive will take place March 10 - March 23 at participating Curves Clubs across the U.S. and Canada. This year, Curves is inviting both non-members and members to take part in the Food Drive by bringing in a bag of non-perishable food or a monetary contribution of at least \$30 to be donated to a local community food bank. All new members who make a food or monetary donation will receive a \$0 service fee when joining Curves as either a Fitness or Curves Complete member. (Some restrictions apply.)

"Once again we are honored to offer the Curves Food Drive as a unique way for the community to

come together and feed the needs of local food banks while simultaneously feeding the need for women's health and fitness," said Debbie Currie of Curves of Minot. "This year, donations will benefit Lord's Cupboard and Our Lady of Grace."

Now in its 16th year, the Curves Food Drive has gathered and donated more than 75 million pounds of food to benefit local community food banks. Over the years, Curves members have participated in unique ways including friendly in-club competitions and grocery cart parades. For more information, visit Curves.com or Curves of Minot at 3421 15th St. SW or call 852-1699.

Shirley named Minot State University president

The State Board of Higher Education named Steven Shirley, Ph.D., as the next president of Minot State University in February.

Shirley currently serves as president of Valley City State University, where he leads a campus of over 1,300 students, 111 faculty members and 110 staff members.

"The board is pleased to appoint such a passionate leader as Dr. Shirley to serve as the president of Minot State University," said SBHE Chair Kirsten Diederich. "His strong understanding of what's important to students, especially in North Dakota, clearly demonstrates that he is someone who can continue to drive the growth of this university."

"Dr. Shirley has already shown himself to be a strong leader and a great partner in higher education in North Dakota. I look forward to continuing to work with him as the president of Minot State," Interim Chancellor Larry C. Skogen added.

SBHE Vice Chair Terry Hjelmstad chaired the campus committee that screened applicants, interviewed semifinalists and forwarded its recommended finalists for the position to the board.

"The President Search Committee deserves

credit for its thorough work," said Hjelmstad. "The committee was impressed by Dr. Shirley's passion for and understanding of Minot State University, and I expect he will do an excellent job leading the university."

Shirley previously served as vice president and dean of student affairs at Dakota State University and as an assistant professor and director of study abroad at the University of Minnesota, Crookston. He is a Fargo native with strong ties to the Minot community.

Shirley earned a doctorate in teaching and learning; higher education from the University of North Dakota. He also holds a Master of Business Administration degree (M.B.A.) with emphasis on marketing and global business and a bachelor's degree in business administration from the same university.

Shirley will take over as president by July 2014. He will succeed David Fuller, Ph.D., who announced he will retire after 10 years.

Shirley and his wife, Jennifer, have a daughter, Anna.

Magic City Networking sponsors open house

Magic City Networking is happy to announce a free open house for Chamber members Wednesday, April 30, 2014 from 11:30 am to 1 pm at the Vegas Motel on North Broadway.

Magic City Networking is a business education and referral group that meets every Thursday morning at the Homesteaders Restaurant. Members learn about each other's business, share ideas and pass referrals. There will be time for networking, free food, door prizes, and a grand prize. Bring your business cards.

This event will be an opportunity to learn about Magic City Networking, how it works, and if it can work for you.

Join us for a Retirement Open House

to thank Janice Katin for her years
of dedication and commitment.

April 25th from 11-5 pm

Affinity First Federal Credit Union
811 South Broadway - Minot, ND
Come enjoy coffee and cake.

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MEMBER BUSINESS BRIEFS

NDGT locations transition to one corporate name

North Dakota Guaranty & Title Co. announced the transition to one corporate name for all eight of its North Dakota offices.

"As our team strives to continue providing the best title and closing services throughout central and western North Dakota, it is important for our customers to know we are one team – one company here to serve their needs," said Nick Hacker, president. "Unifying our names into North Dakota Guaranty & Title Co. provides increased continuity of services and a recognizable brand for our customers. This change will help customers get through the challenges of relocating from one town to the next, knowing they are in good hands when they sell their home and move to a new market and purchase another."

The eight North Dakota offices now operating under the North Dakota Guaranty & Title Co. name are:

- North Dakota Guaranty & Title Co., Bismarck,
- Dickinson Guaranty & Title Co., Dickinson
- Dunn County Guaranty & Title Co., Killdeer
- Mandan Guaranty & Title Co., Mandan
- * McKenzie County Guaranty & Title Co., Watford City
- Minot Guaranty & Escrow Co., Minot
- Renville County Guaranty & Title Co, Mohall
- North Dakota Guaranty & Title Co., Williston

Known as "The Title Team," North Dakota Guaranty & Title Co. was founded in 1955. NDGT offers complete residential and commercial title and real estate closing services in each of its eight offices in North Dakota and one in Sidney, Mont. For more information about NDGT, go to: www.thetitleteam.com.

Ackerman-Estvold welcomes Murphy as senior construction project manager

James Murphy has joined the Ackerman-Estvold Minot office as a Senior Construction Project Manager. Murphy spent 42 years working at the Minot Air Force Base for the United States Air Force and the US Army Corps of Engineers. His roles included draftsperson, engineering technician, supervisory engineering technician, and most recently construction inspector. Mr. Murphy also served for over 25 years in the North Dakota National Guard. He will be responsible for the oversight of construction engineering projects throughout the region.

Visit Minot announces 2014 board of directors

Visit Minot announced the names of community leaders who will serve as members of the organization's 2014 board of directors. The induction of officers will take place at the Visit Minot annual meeting at the Holiday Inn, April 17, 2014, at 11:30 a.m.

"We are very fortunate that community and business leaders step up and serve as members of our board," said Wendy Howe, executive director. "Visit Minot is integral to the growth of our community and region, making these leadership positions vitally important to our future. We are grateful for the vision and direction board members provide our organization."

The 2014 Visit Minot board members are:

Officers:

Bill Thomas – President
Maria Effertz Hanson – 1st Vice President
Dave Bussard – 2nd Vice President

Directors:

Chad Thompson – Q'doba
Jim Mello – Grand Hotel
Mark Jantzer – The Computer Store,
City Alderman
Terri Aldrich – Minot Area Council of the Arts
Teresa Loftesnes – Minot State University

In addition to the induction of officers, the meeting agenda includes release of the 2013 Visit Minot annual report and a keynote speaker. The event is open to the public, and the \$10 admission fee includes lunch. For more information or to purchase a ticket, call Visit Minot at 857-8206 or email info@visitminot.org. Tickets will be on sale through Friday, April 11, 2014.

Changes coming to services provided at local Social Security offices across the country

Beginning August 2014, the Social Security Administration will no longer issue Social Security number printouts in local field offices. Individuals, who need proof of their Social Security number (SSN) and cannot find their card, will need to apply for a free replacement card. Businesses can verify employee SSN's online at no charge with Business Services Online.

Detailed instructions for how to replace or update a Social Security card are on the SSA website, www.socialsecurity.gov. People can learn what evidence is needed and download the required application. But, to protect identity information, they cannot transmit the application electronically. Their completed application, with original, not photocopied, evidence can be brought or mailed to the local Social Security office. All evidence is returned.

A change that might be more important begins in October 2014. Beginning then, local Social Security offices will stop providing benefit verification letters, except in emergency situations. Free benefit verification letters are available online, and can be obtained by registering for a my Social Security account at www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount, or requested through the Social Security national toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213 / TTY 1-800-325-0778 (7 a.m. – 7 p.m. business days). Letters mailed to beneficiaries during the year, for example at the time of cost-of-living adjustment changes, also verify benefit amounts.

It is important to note that SSN cards and benefit verification letters are mailed from central processing points, not the local office. People should plan ahead and allow about 10 days to receive either one.

Additional materials are in the fact-sheets section at <http://www.socialsecurity.gov/thirdparty/whatsnew.html>. Included are several printable SSN fact-sheets that can be displayed.

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To view meeting changes or community events, log on to www.minotchamber.org