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## Chamber chair promotes continued growth

by Alan Estvold

It is my great pleasure and honor to serve as your Minot Area Chamber of Commerce Chair for the next year. The Chamber is experiencing continued growth in membership which we expect to continue through the years ahead. As the area's business climate keeps us on the forefront of the nation's economy we expect more people and businesses to relocate to this area. In my 40-year-career, I have never seen so many opportunities for both businesses and jobs for those who are willing to put in the effort. For the entrepreneurs among us, the opportunities for success far outweigh the risks. For those of us who want jobs and careers, you need to look no further than the Minot area. There are thousands of them available.



Alan Estvold  
Ackerman-Estvold  
Chamber Chair

We need to keep moving ahead into the future, enhancing our area with different amenities that fulfill those quality of life needs for our present and future residents. We must at all costs keep moving forward, welcoming those challenges that growth will bring. Remember, the reverse is not anywhere any of us should want to go. Our economic climate is very robust with our agricultural and energy sectors leading the charts. For those concerned about the energy bust, all indicators point to that not happening any time soon. My personal opinion is that our grandchildren will have the opportunity to work in the energy field throughout their careers.

The mission and stability of our Minot Air Force Base seem safe for the time being. Also, we survived the 2011 flood and will recover from it over time. So let's keep moving forward with great enthusiasm and keep that spirit up. Remember we are the "Gateway to the Bakken," the land of opportunity.

## Hess Corporation executive featured at annual meeting



Joel Noyes  
Hess Corporation

The Minot Area Chamber of Commerce will hold its 91st annual meeting Thursday, Oct. 16 at the Grand Hotel. Keynote speaker this year will be Joel Noyes, senior manager, Government Affairs & Public Policy for Hess Corporation.

Noyes, based in Houston, is chiefly responsible for state government affairs. He implements Hess state advo-

cacy positions, and manages the relationships with state associations and in-state consultants to ensure Hess positions are properly advocated. Noyes also assists in coordinating the appropriate political strategy to ensure Hess is positioned in alignment with the company's best interests.

Please RSVP by Friday, Oct. 10. Cost is \$25 per person. Register at [www.minotchamber.org](http://www.minotchamber.org). Select October 16 on the Chamber calendar and use your membership login information. For more information call 852-6000.

## MINOT Y'S MEN'S RODEO BUSINESS AFTER HOURS



Wednesday, October 8 • 5 – 7 p.m.

Upper Mezzanine - ND State Fair Center

Enjoy a meal, music, a silent auction, and a drawing for \$500 in Chamber Bucks!  
If winner is not present, \$50 in Chamber Bucks guaranteed. (Must be present to win)  
\$5 charge at the door

## MINOT AREA CHAMBER of COMMERCE COMMUNICATOR

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## NEW MEMBERS.....

The Minot Chamber welcomes new members. Join us in thanking **ND ASIA**. Please let them know how much of a value they are to our community.

### ND ASIA

3400 16th St. SW • Minot, ND • 852-1240 • Website: ND-Asia.com  
ND Asia is Minot's newest Japanese and Chinese cuisine restaurant, offering a full bar and live Hibachi shows all day.

## Governmental Affairs Committee *Legislative Programs*

### Friday, October 17: 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. • Vegas Hotel

Panel Discussion: "Measure 3 - North Dakota Higher Education Governance"

Moderator: Tom Rafferty

Panel participants: Sen. David Hogue, Sen. Joan Heckaman, Rep. Kenton Onstad, Rep. Roscoe Streyle, MSU student Danielle Foster, Thomas Wentz (IRET Properties), Dr. Terry Hjelmstad, and others

### Friday, November 21: 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. • Vegas Hotel

Andy Peterson, President & CEO, Greater North Dakota Chamber (GNDC)

A discussion about the GNDC legislative positions for the 2015 legislative session; a review of the November 4 election results; and how GNDC scores North Dakota legislators, plus more.

## RENEWALS.....

The Chamber extends a big "THANK YOU" to our members who have renewed their membership Aug. 15 through Sept. 24, 2014. Your continued support helps your Chamber promote the business community and do the work seen in the pages of this newsletter.

All America City Glass	HealthSource Chiropractic	Northern Tier Federal Credit Union
All Saints' Episcopal Church	Helegeson-Norton Agency, CLU Inc.	Northwest Contracting
American Bank Center	Hertz Licensee-Minot Rent A Car, Inc.	Power Fuels
Ameriprise Financial Services, Inc.	Holiday Inn	Quality Landscaping, Inc.
Ask Performance & Fitness, Inc.	Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites	Raymond James Financial Services
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Clean Harbors Environmental Services	KXMC CBS13	SecurScreen
Coca Cola Refreshment	Dr. Lowell Latimer	Shoe Carnival
Dakota Agronomy Partners	Magic City Garage Door & Awning	Souris Valley Apartments
Dakota College at Bottineau	Minot Area Council of the Arts	Souris Valley Suites
Dakotah Rose Delights	Minot Commission on Aging, Inc.	St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation
DLA/JLG Architects	Minot Veterinary Clinic Inc.	Star City Golf Course
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FMC Technologies Completion Services	North Hill Bowl, Inc.	Duane Tollefson
Four Points by Sheraton Minot	Northern Brake Service	TRN Abstract & Title
Harley's Arrowhead		TSC Farm Home Auto Store
Health Care Solutions, LLC		

# Three appointed to Chamber board

The Minot Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors Chair, Alan Estvold (Ackerman-Estvold), appointed three new board members to one-year terms as allowed by Chamber bylaws. They are Shannon Webster (Town & Country Credit Union), Jason Zimmerman (First Western Bank & Trust) and Mary Dittus (Harley's Cenex).

**Webster** is the senior vice president of marketing at Town & Country Credit Union since January 2012. Town & Country Credit Union has five offices in Fargo / West Fargo and five in Minot, Kenmare, Stanley and Ryder. She previously served as the marketing director at the North Dakota State Fair for four years.

Webster graduated with a bachelor's degree in marketing and a master's in business administration from the University of North Dakota.

She is a past president and member of the Minot Young Professionals, serves as the 2nd Vice Chair on the Credit Union Association of the Dakotas Board of Directors, is a board member for the Credit Union Foundation of the Dakotas, past president and member of the Minot Sunrise Rotary Club, presenter for

Junior Achievement, and member of the Minot Area Professional Communicators.

She and her husband Jason live in Minot with their miniature dachshund named Throttle, are members of Christ Lutheran Church, and will be expecting their first baby in December.

**Zimmerman** is a business banking officer at First Western Bank and Trust. He received his bachelor's degree in business administration from Moorhead State University. He is a past partner and director of food and beverage with the Holiday Inn, as well as a past partner and general manager of the Holiday Inn Express and Suites.

A Minot native, Zimmerman moved back from New Jersey in 1998. He worked as the flood recovery coordinator for the City of Minot and Ward County after the 2011 flood. He serves on various boards, including as past chair Souris Valley United Way. He is also a past board member of the MADC and Visit Minot. He is a founding member of the Chamber YP, and current member of the MSU



**Shannon Webster**  
Town & Country Credit  
Union



**Jason Zimmerman**  
First Western Bank &  
Trust



**Mary Dittus**  
Harley's Cenex

Board of Regents and the Military Affairs Committee.

He is married to Dusty, and he enjoys the outdoors, including golf, skiing, and hunting.

**Dittus** is an owner/manager at Harley's Cenex. She and her husband Joe have two children: son Andrew and his wife Brittany, and daughter Brittany and her spouse Brandon, as well as two grandchildren, Carson and Hailee.

Dittus has been involved with the PTA and as a member and volunteer of Christ Lutheran Church. She spends much of her time with family and running the business.

# Y's Men's Rodeo adds crane operators' competition

They're an elite bunch; independence and resilience runs through their veins. They're highly respected for what they do, and they're high profile. No, it's not just the cowboys at the Minot Y's Men's Rodeo, but there's a new "gun" in town...crane operators.

For the first time, the Y's Men's Rodeo will host a crane operator and rigger skills competition on the Saturday of rodeo weekend. The crane operator's clinic, formerly called a

crane rodeo, is a way for crane operators to showcase their skills in a competition with other operators. It takes a lot of skill to be a crane operator, using machinery to transport heavy loads, like construction materials around a job site, or earth around a mine.

"Crane operators are an elite group," said Debbie Dickinson, executive director of the Crane Institute Certification, "who are often the most visible link in the (work) chain."

Crane operator competitions have been going on since 2011. They've grown to nine regional competitions across the nation. The two top winners from the Minot competition will go on to the championship event, which will be held in the fall of 2015 in conjunction with a nationwide construction equipment trade show.

The crane competition was a natural fit for the Y's Men's Rodeo, says Max Weppner, committeeman with the rodeo. "There are cranes all over the state with the oil business, and it's big business in North Dakota. We're hoping the addi-

tional event for the weekend will give fans another good reason to come to the Y's Men's Rodeo."

Crane operators will compete in three events: the headache ball challenge (placing the headache ball into barrels); maneuvering 55-gallon drums of water through an obstacle course; and raising a pipe to a vertical position then placing it between a set of cones. The operator is also assessed on his knowledge of basic rigging principles.

The crane operator competition runs from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 11 at the State Fair Center. Crane operators can sign up to compete by visiting [www.craneinstitute certification.com/news/regional-events/](http://www.craneinstitute certification.com/news/regional-events/).



A crane operator performs one of the tasks during a crane operator and rigger skills competition. The Minot Y's Men's Rodeo will host a competition on October 11 at the State Fair Center in Minot

**Admission to the crane operator competition is free.**

**Tickets to the Y's Men's Rodeo, Oct. 9-12, can be purchased online at [www.MinotYsMensRodeo.com](http://www.MinotYsMensRodeo.com) or at the gate.**

**Performances begin at 6:30 p.m. on Oct. 9-11 and at 1:30 p.m. Oct. 12.**

**For more information, visit the rodeo's website at [MinotYsMensRodeo.com](http://MinotYsMensRodeo.com) or call 701-852-5577.**



## Bet on a sure thing: 25th Showcase of Business promises a great time

The 2014 Minot Area Chamber of Commerce Showcase of Business will offer area businesses a chance to display their services and products around a casino theme.

The event, sponsored by KXMC CBS13, is set for Thursday, Nov. 20 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the ND State Fair Center Magic Place. In its 25th year, the Showcase of Business provides a unique opportunity to showcase the products and services of area businesses and representatives.

Booth space is limited, and many sponsors have already reserved their space. Ample space with wide aisles, as well as special loca-

tions for automobiles, recreational vehicles, and other oversized merchandise, will be available in this festive location.

Booth sizes are 10' x 10' (\$175) or 15' x 15' (\$275). Booths will offer exposure to more than 1,000 potential clients. To register, visit [www.minotchamber.org](http://www.minotchamber.org) and sign up under the online calendar using your representative log-in.

Participants must be present to be eligible for the grand prizes. Most booths will have prizes as well. The cost to attend is just \$10. Expect to see great prizes, food and entertainment.

## BUSINESS AFTER HOURS



*Thanks to Hight Construction, which sponsored the September Business After Hours, kicking off the season with a great event. Nearly 150 people enjoyed delicious food, great networking, and prizes September 11.*

## Celebrate the Cubist movement at Artfest 2014

Celebrate with theme artist, Pablo Picasso, the co-creator of the Cubist Movement, at Artfest 2014. This year's premiere night is Friday, Oct. 17, from 7 to 10 p.m., followed by "Paint the Town Green Saturday" from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the State Fair Center, 2005 Burdick Expressway East, 4H Hall.

Friday night promises to be a fantastic time visiting with artists, enjoying hors d'oeuvres and complimentary cocktails, and live music by "The Book of Poems" and "Guy and a Girl." There will also be a "pop-up" Picasso themed fashion show courtesy of Minot Fashion Week, as well as a silent auction throughout the event. Tickets are \$35 for nonmembers and at the door and \$30 for members, which are available at the Taube Museum of Art, Artistry, and Artmain. Attendees must be 21.

Admission is free during "Paint the Town Green Saturday," on Oct. 18, courtesy of a Hess Corp. grant. Everyone will find something inspiring. Children can enjoy creating their Picasso inspired art, and adults can watch artist demonstrations, browse for that special artwork, and bid on the silent auction.

The featured artist is nationally recognized artist and Fargo glassblower Jon Offutt. He will demonstrate his craft during the event Friday and Saturday with opportunity for sales. Other artists include, but are not limited to, Richard Solberg, Linda Olson, MSU Art Club, Eric Johnson, Elizabeth Woods, Eric Thoenke, Nancy Walter, Margaret Lee, James Skinner, Oscar Fernandez, Jenny Olwage, Benjamin Wilson, and more.

Artfest is a two-day festival, and has been held annually for over 34 years. It is designed to showcase the visual arts in an intimate environment where sales are the primary goal. Artists will sell and promote their works during the indoor fundraising event.

The Taube Museum of Art is proud to be able to bring this fundraiser to the Minot community; proceeds will benefit ongoing programming for the Taube Museum of Art.

For more information, please contact Nancy F. Walter, executive director at 838-4445, visit the website at [www.taubemuseum.org/artfest2013.htm](http://www.taubemuseum.org/artfest2013.htm), or look for the Taube on Facebook.



## EAGLE AWARDS

The Eagle Award winners were recognized in September 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](http://minotchamber.org).

A special thank you goes out to **Homesteaders Restaurant** and **Rainbow Photo Lab** for providing gift certificates for each Eagle recipient.



**AMY LANDSVERK**  
*Holiday Inn*



**BRIAN HOLEN**  
*Marketplace Foods*



**LIZ WASHEK**  
*Harry's Tire Service*



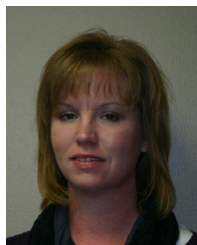
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*Tollberg Homes*



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*Menards*



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*City of Minot*



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*Trinity Hospice*



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*Trinity Hospice*



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*Minot AFB Clinic*

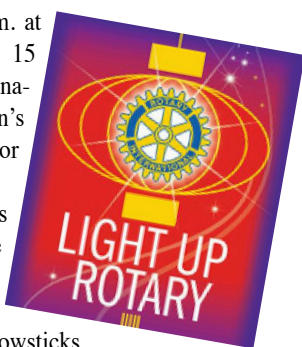


**MIKE COUTURE**  
*Superior Service, Inc.*

### *Sunrise Rotary sponsors book drive*

Sunrise Rotary will offer a fun-filled family event to collect books for local shelters. The event will be held Thursday, Oct. 16 from 5 to 8 p.m. at Berry Acres, 4605 County Road 15 West. Admission is free with a donation of a new or gently used children's or young adult's book per person, or \$5 each.

Berry Acres facility offers bales of fun with slides, an obstacle course, a corn box, an 8-acre corn maze, mini mazes, and more. The first 200 people will receive free glowsticks.



### *Minot YP sponsors kick-off luncheon*

Please join the Young Professionals 2014-2015 Kick-Off Luncheon to introduce the business community to the new Young Professionals Leadership Team. The event will feature Mark Lindquist speaking about leadership through service, and will also have a brief recap of the accomplishments of Minot YP.

Mark J. Lindquist is a nationally recognized speaker and world-touring entertainer who has performed for over a half-a-million people throughout his career.

As an actor, he has appeared in ABC's *Lost*, CBS' *Hawaii Five-O*, and the Universal Studios movie *Battleship*. He has performed for Grammy winning artists, Academy Award nominated actors, foreign dignitaries around the world, as well as staffers at the White House. Lindquist has been featured on CNN.com, C-Span, The Washington Post, and the Korea Today Newspaper (Seoul, South Korea).

All Minot Area Chamber of Commerce members are invited to attend this great event from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost to attend is \$15 per person. Please RSVP by Wednesday, Oct. 22.

### *Social Security agency resumes mailing statements*

The Social Security agency will resume periodic mailing of Social Security Statements — once every five years for most workers — while encouraging everyone to create a secure my Social Security account to immediately access their statement online, anytime. The statement is a valuable financial planning tool providing adult workers with important individualized information regarding earnings, tax contributions, and estimates for future retirement, disability, and survivors benefits.

Beginning this month, workers attaining ages 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, and 60 who are not receiving Social Security benefits and who are not

registered for a my Social Security account will receive the Statement in the mail about 3 months before their birthday. After age 60, people will receive a Statement every year. The agency expects to send nearly 48 million Statements each year.

The Social Security Statement helps people plan for their financial future. In addition to providing future benefit estimates, the Statement highlights a person's complete earnings history, allowing workers to verify the accuracy of their earnings. This is important because an individual's future benefit amount is determined by the amount of their earnings over their

lifetime. To date, more than 14 million people have established a personalized my Social Security account at [www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount).

With a my Social Security account, people may access the statement from the comfort of their home, office or library whenever they choose. Individuals who currently receive benefits should sign up for a my Social Security account to manage their benefit payments and, when the need arises, get an instant benefit verification letter, change their address and phone number, and start or change direct deposit of their benefit payment.





## Evolution Salon

1524 S. Broadway, Suite 5 • Minot  
839-9090

Myndi Johnson & Kamie Richardson, Owners

Email: [evolutionsalon10@gmail.com](mailto:evolutionsalon10@gmail.com)

*Ambassadors helped celebrate Evolution Salon's re-grand opening Sept. 9. Evolution Salon's goal is to bring the best experience to clients, and after four years, the remodeled salon will help accomplish that goal.*



## Enerbase Travel Plaza

4750 Hwy. 83 N. • Minot  
839-7520 • Main office downtown: 852-2501

Enerbase Cooperative Resources

Website: [www.enerbase.coop/](http://www.enerbase.coop/)

*Ambassadors helped celebrate a ribbon cutting for the new travel plaza. Located north of Minot, this 24/7 travel plaza offers a restaurant area and a drive up for foods like chicken, subs, seafood, Mexican food, and even gourmet coffee. In addition to offering fuel for motorists, it also offers showers and other conveniences for truckers. The 13,000 square foot facility will employ about 40.*



## Roosevelt Park Zoo - Penguins Exhibit

1219 Burdick Expressway East • Minot  
857-4166 • Fax: 857-4169

Minot Park District

Email: [inforpz@srt.com](mailto:inforpz@srt.com)

Website: <http://www.rpzoo.com>

*Ambassadors helped celebrate the return of the African penguins. The exhibit has been under repair since the 2011 flood.*



## The Commons at Southgate

1400 31st Ave. SW • Minot • 837-7368 (RENT)  
IRET Properties • [www.iretapartments.com](http://www.iretapartments.com)

*Ambassadors helped celebrate the grand opening of IRET Properties luxury apartment homes, The Commons at Southgate. This pet-friendly apartment community features in-unit laundry, underground heated parking, granite counterops, a fitness center, community room, indoor and outdoor swimming pool, and bark park. Located in southwest Minot behind Cash Wise Foods, it provides easy access to Dakota Square, surrounding restaurants, and the Minot Family YMCA.*



## RIBBON CUTTINGS



### Camp Owetti - Dakota Horizons Girl Scouts

Oak Park • Minot

Office: 525 31st Ave. SW • Minot

852-5611 • 1-800-279-5306 • Fax: 838-1574

Minot Park District/Dakota Horizons Girl Scouts

Website: <http://gsdakotahorizons.org/for-girls/camps/camp-properties/camp-owetti/>

*Ambassadors helped celebrate the re-opening of Camp Owetti, which suffered damage after the 2011 flood. The camp is owned by the Minot Park District and maintained by the Dakota Horizons Girl Scouts. It is located in the middle of Oak Park, and offers hiking opportunities, a campfire circle, and a cozy cabin space with a kitchen.*



### Fuddruckers

1603 35th Ave. SW • Minot

857-4000 • 857-4001

Owners: Celal Alaz Adali

Website: [www.fuddruckers.com](http://www.fuddruckers.com)

*Ambassadors helped celebrate a ribbon cutting ceremony for Fuddruckers, offering the "world's greatest hamburgers."*



*A ribbon cutting ceremony was held Monday, Sept. 29 to mark the completion of the newly opened runway at Minot Air Force Base.*



## RIBBON CUTTING .....



### **Minot Family YMCA**

3515 16th St. SW • Minot  
852-0141

Roger Mazurek, executive director  
Website: <http://www.ymcaminot.org/>

*Ambassadors helped celebrate at a ribbon cutting and dedication ceremony for the Community Outdoor Fitness Park. The event was held indoors due to the weather.*

## GROUND BREAKINGS .....



### **JL Beers**

2201 22nd Ave. SW • Minot  
838-2337 (BEER)

Owners: Jesse Zwak & Wayne Zwak  
Website: [www.jlbeers.com](http://www.jlbeers.com)

*Ambassadors helped celebrate a groundbreaking ceremony for JL Beers. JL Beers serves award-winning hamburgers, fresh cut fries and chips, and 40 craft draught beers. With "seating for 1,000, 49 at a time," there's room for everyone.*



### **Minot Country Club - Clubhouse**

1908 Valley Bluff Drive • Minot • 701-852-3591 • Email: [info@mccminot.com](mailto:info@mccminot.com) • Website: <http://minotcountryclub.com/>

*A ground-breaking ceremony was held at the site of the Minot Country Club's new clubhouse, which will feature a golf shop, restaurant, grille, conference room and locker room facilities.*



MEMBER BUSINESS BRIEFS

Eggen-Paurus hired as cash management representative at First International

First International Bank & Trust is proud to welcome Karla Eggen-Paurus as cash management representative. Eggen-Paurus will be responsible for identifying, analyzing, marketing, selling and supporting online products and services; both personal and business. She will be located at the Minot Broadway branch.



Karla Eggen-Paurus

Eggen-Paurus has worked in the treasury/cash management field for more than 20 years. She has spent 13 1/2 years with the Target Corporation and seven years with Damark International/Click Ship Direct. She received a BS in Accounting with a concentration in Banking & Finance.

In her spare time, she enjoys golf, tennis, reading, crocheting, music, movies and home improvement projects. She is involved with her church choir and craft shows. She is married to Mike and they have one daughter Jenny who is at her first year of college at NDSU.

St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation to award \$450,000

The deadline for Letters of Intent for grants from St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation is set for Oct. 15. This year \$450,000.00 in grant funds are available to organizations for projects and initiatives that address the mental, physical, emotional and/or spiritual needs of residents in the counties of Bottineau, Burke, McHenry, McLean, Mountrail, Pierce, Renville, Rolette, Sheridan, Ward and Wells.

The letter of intent form is available on-line at [www.communityhealthfoundationnd.com](http://www.communityhealthfoundationnd.com) or by contacting Shelly Weppler, president, St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation, 308 2nd Ave SW, Minot, ND 58701, 837-1726 or e-mail [sjchf@minot.com](mailto:sjchf@minot.com).

St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation is an independent 501(c)(3) public charity community foundation formed in June of 1998. The Foundation has awarded over \$4.8 million in grants to organizations for many worthwhile projects to assist with programs that address quality of life issues in their communities.

KK BOLD announces its "Silver and Bold" 25th anniversary celebration

KK BOLD advertising agency today announced its "Silver and Bold" 25th anniversary celebration. Special events recognizing

clients and employees are planned for the agency's Bismarck and Minot offices.

KK BOLD began as Kranzler Kingsley Advertising, Marketing and Public Relations in 1989 and was rebranded in 2010. The agency provides fully integrated marketing services and helps clients build more effective brands by combining brand strategy with brand identity. While dedication to client services has always been a hallmark of KK BOLD, communicating with clients has changed dramatically over the years.

"In 1989, our business tools were telephones, electric typewriters, typesetters and X-Acto knives," said Wayne Kranzler, chairman. "Technology has changed not only the way we do business, but also the breadth of services we provide."

With new technologies comes an increased need for agency expertise to guide an organization's marketing decisions, according to LaRoy Kingsley, president.

Looking back at the agency's first 25 years, Kingsley also sees KK BOLD as well positioned for the future, specifically focused on growth and expansion into other geographic markets.

With offices in Bismarck, Minot, and Las Vegas, KK BOLD provides services in advertising, branding, interactive, media, public relations, marketing and public affairs consulting.

Catholic Health Initiatives and St. Alexius Medical Center sign affiliation agreement

Catholic Health Initiatives and St. Alexius Medical Center have officially signed an affiliation agreement, making St. Alexius a direct affiliate of the CHI system. The signing concludes several months of discussion and research. St Alexius will remain under the sponsorship of the Benedictine Sisters of Annunciation Monastery and retain a local Board of Directors.

"CHI is excited to welcome St. Alexius to our system. As our presence in North Dakota grows so does our deeply held commitment to build strong relationships and healthier communities to better serve the people of North Dakota," said Kevin Lofton, chief executive officer, CHI.

"Since 1885, the Benedictine Sisters of Annunciation Monastery have been committed to providing quality healthcare in North Dakota," stated Sister Nancy Miller, OSB, St. Alexius' board president.

St. Alexius President and CEO, Gary P. Miller said, "This is an historic time for healthcare in our region. The coming together of St. Alexius and CHI is about enhancing patient care and meeting growing medical needs in North Dakota."

Job Service North Dakota sponsors multi-industry job fair

Job Service North Dakota will host a multi-industry Job Fair Oct. 28, 2014, from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Vegas Motel Ballroom.

Employers may recruit and interview as many individuals as needed. Job Service will provide generic applications for those requesting them. Set up starts at 3:30 p.m. for the employers, and the job fair will start at 4 p.m. for service to veterans, and 5 p.m. for the general public.

The cost to participate is \$100 per table, and availability is limited. Your company must have jobs listed on the [jobsnd.com](http://jobsnd.com) prior to attending. Please complete the following information and mail with your check by Monday, Oct. 20 to the Minot Job Service, PO Box 1727, Minot, ND 58702-1727. For more information, call Rose at 857-7521 or email [rkrukenb@nd.gov](mailto:rkrukenb@nd.gov), or Darly at 857-7525 or [dwilliams@nd.gov](mailto:dwilliams@nd.gov).

Company name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Number of tables at \$100 per table \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of interviewer(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Title of positions to be filled \_\_\_\_\_

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## MEMBER BUSINESS BRIEFS

### ***Hubrig hired as marketing director for United Community Bank***



***Jennifer Hubrig***

Jennifer Hubrig has joined United Community Bank of Minot as director of marketing for all four locations. She brings with her eight years of marketing experience. Jennifer is originally from Velva and graduated from North Dakota State University with a degree in Mass Communications. She and her husband, Tracy, live near Velva where he farms and they have one daughter, Parker. Jennifer is active in the Minot Optimist Club and the Ward County Extension Advisory Board.

### ***Beyond Shelter, Inc. appoints new CEO***

The Beyond Shelter, Inc. (BSI) Board of Directors has appointed Daniel Madler as the organization's new Chief Executive Officer.

Madler has over 20 years in the affordable housing industry, including over 11 years with BSI, most recently serving as the organization's chief operating officer. He is currently an Advisory Council member of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines, IA, and is a board member of the North Dakota Association of Nonprofit Organizations (NDANO) serving as chairman of NDANO's finance and public policy committees.



***Daniel Madler***

BSI is a nonprofit developer of affordable housing whose mission is "improving lives and creating communities by developing housing for those most in need." To date, BSI has participated in the development of 31 affordable housing projects totaling 845 apartment homes, helping to ensure that those most in need, can remain in the communities that they call home.

### ***Integrity Viking Funds named one of top 25 best small companies to work for in region***

Integrity Viking Funds was named one of the "Top 25 best small companies to work for in the region," according to a survey in *Prairie Business* magazine's September issue. Integrity Viking Funds is one of only two companies that are headquartered in Minot that made the list.

Integrity Viking Funds is locally owned,

including ownership by employees. The company is unique to this region, in that it creates and manages mutual funds. All aspects of the company are handled internally by 43 employees; this includes portfolio management, marketing, fund accounting and shareholder services, as well as information technology and compliance.

The company currently has 11 mutual funds with a diverse variety of investment objectives. The funds have a total of over \$1 billion in assets under management. The mutual funds are distributed through financial advisors across the nation.

Integrity Viking Funds takes pride in being a contributing member of the community. Along with being the named corporate sponsor of the annual Integrity Jazz Festival, Integrity Viking is also involved in the Downtown Business Association, sponsors the Integrity Viking Minot State University Scholarship Endowments and supports numerous other community and charitable programs.

### ***DFC Consultants promotes Schaffer***

Deb Schaffer, project manager, has been promoted to the DFC management team and will be responsible for helping set strategy and direction for the company. Schaffer has 19 years of experience and has worked for DFC Consultants for four years. She is a Microsoft Certified Trainer specializing in Microsoft Dynamics GP and Microsoft Dynamics CRM.

### ***Karvacko Engineering named to list of fastest-growing companies***

Karvacko Engineering was named #788 on the 2014 Inc. 5000 list, an exclusive ranking of the nation's fastest-growing private companies. In addition to their overall ranking, the local consulting firm was named the seventh fastest-growing engineering firm in the nation.

"It was an absolute honor to be included on the Inc. 5000 list," said Mike Karvacko, president of Karvacko Engineering.

The 2014 Inc. 5000 list ranks the top 5000 companies in the nation according to the percentage of revenue growth from 2010 to 2013. To be eligible, companies must be based in the U.S., privately held, for profit, and independent—not subsidiaries or divisions of other companies—as of December 31, 2013.

The average company on the list achieved a three-year revenue growth of 516%. Karvacko Engineering found themselves above that average with a three year growth of 579%. The Inc. 5000's collective revenue is \$211 billion, gen-

erating 505,000 jobs over the past three years. For a complete listing of the award recipients, visit [www.inc.com/inc5000](http://www.inc.com/inc5000).

Karvacko Engineering is headquartered in Bemidji, with branch offices in Minot and Chassell, MI. The firm strives to improve the quality of life now and for future generations through innovative solutions and fresh ideas in engineering, surveying, planning, and landscape architecture.

### ***Minot Area Council of the Arts Receives Arts Grant***

In support of their efforts to provide arts programming in their community, The Minot Area Council of the Arts was awarded a \$10,000 Institutional Support grant by the North Dakota Council on the Arts.

The Institutional Support program is designed to benefit artists, arts organizations, and the general public. The program provides general support for qualifying arts and cultural organizations that have proven they have strong management and leadership, quality artistic programming and services, and are an important part of the arts infrastructure in their communities. A total of \$423,921 was awarded during this grant round.

"Every aspect of our programming is enhanced by this grant" said Terri Aldrich, executive director "We are truly grateful for this support that allows us to sustain programming that is so valuable to Minot."

For more than 30 years, the Minot Area Council of the Arts has provided service to arts organizations and the community. Organizational membership includes arts and cultural organizations within Minot and the area, including Stanley, Kenmare, Bottineau and Velva. Programs and services include the summer concert series "Arts in the Parks," and the Integrity Jazz Festival. All programs enhance the quality of life in the region. The [newmyndarts.com](http://newmyndarts.com) provides information to the community and promotion and marketing for arts organizations and artists. The "Arts in the Schools" program provides resources for area teachers, schools and students.

The North Dakota Council on the Arts is the state agency responsible for the support and development of the arts throughout North Dakota, and is funded by the state legislature and the National Endowment for the Arts.

For more information on this and other grant programs, visit the North Dakota Council on the Arts web site at [www.nd.gov/arts](http://www.nd.gov/arts) or contact NDCA directly at 328-7590.



## MEMBER BUSINESS BRIEFS

### ***Minot Commission on Aging seeks volunteers to deliver hot meals to seniors***

The Minot Commission on Aging has a need for volunteers who would be willing to deliver hot meals to homebound seniors living in the Minot community. Meals are delivered Monday through Friday between 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Volunteers may take as little as one route per month; some organizations take one route on one certain day of the week. Most routes can be completed within 45 to 60 minutes. Volunteers provide their own vehicle to deliver the meals. If you would like additional information, please call Peggy at 852-0561. Thank you for your consideration and help with this need.

### ***NDCPD, RCJC, and NDDoH to provide suicide prevention training***

Minot State University's North Dakota Center for Persons with Disabilities and Rural Crime and Justice Center and the North Dakota Department of Health, Suicide Prevention Program are collaborating on a new project for suicide prevention. The North Dakota Suicide Prevention and Incarceration Project is designed to provide law enforcement and jail personnel with training and information on policies, procedures and operations techniques to reduce suicides and suicide attempts in jails.

Brent Askvig, NDCPD executive director and this project's director, indicated that the program will bring in a nationally recognized consultant to train law enforcement and jail personnel of safety, security and policy issues. Then, NDCPD and RCJC staff will provide individualized technical assistance to incarceration facilities and personnel related to policy and procedures as outlined by the training consultant.

"Our goal is to provide training and assistance to law enforcement and jail staff who face challenges of staffing time, facilities-structure issues and operational procedures so that prisoners would not engage in risk behaviors related to suicide," Askvig said.

The project, which will run through June 30, 2015, is funded by the NDDoH Suicide Prevention Program. For more information, contact

Askvig at [brent.askvig@minotstateu.edu](mailto:brent.askvig@minotstateu.edu) or 858-3580 or Micki Savelkoul, North Dakota Suicide Prevention Program, at [mlsavelkoul@nd.gov](mailto:mlsavelkoul@nd.gov) or 328-4580.

### ***Lutheran Social Services of ND offers Peacemaking Circle Training***

Lutheran Social Services of ND will offer "Peacemaking Circle Training: Learning the Process by Experiencing the Process" Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 27 and 28 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The training will be held at Lutheran Social Services of ND at 1905 2nd St. SE, Suite 1B, in Minot.

This training is ideal for practitioners who work with youth, families, violence, education or leadership. The curriculum offers a flexible set of tools that can be applied to a range of settings and for a variety of groups.

The Peacemaking circle is a structured process for organizing effective group communication, relationship building, decision-making, and conflict resolution. The circle is an intentional space designed to support and engage participants and is particularly useful for working with children, youth and families.

Circles embody a set of unique characteristics that distinguish them from other communication processes, one being the use of a talking piece to regulate the dialogue of participants. Circles are being used in a variety of settings including schools, neighborhoods, churches and workplaces.

The training will be led by Joel Friesz, MSSL, program director for Lutheran Social Services Restorative Justice. He has worked in the field of restorative justice since 2005. He earned his bachelor's degree from North Dakota State University, and his master's of strategic leadership from the University of Mary.

Registration is \$175 per person, which includes lunch both days and a Heart of Hope Resource Guide. Inquire about continuing education units for North Dakota social workers, counselors, teachers, and human resource professionals. To register or for more information, call 701-271-3241 or 1-866-271-3241, or email [jfriesz@lssnd.org](mailto:jfriesz@lssnd.org).

### ***MADC welcomes new marketing director***

Mia Camarata is the new marketing director for the Minot Area Development Corporation. Camarata will drive business attraction for various industries that will help diversify and grow Minot's local economy.

Camarata is a recent graduate from St. Catherine University in St. Paul, MN, where



**Joel Friesz**

she earned a bachelor of science degree in business administration, marketing and management, supported by a sales minor. Camarata previously worked at 3M as a marketing administrator where she was responsible for growth initiatives in the Industrial Tapes and Adhesives Division. Additional experience includes social media marketing for the specialized boutique, Buyer at Large, where she managed and analyzed all online marketing.

Camarata is new to Minot and looks forward to taking part in the community. She is eager to contribute to MADC's efforts and success to provide a stronger and more stable economy.

### ***Souris River Designs sponsors re-grand opening week Oct. 20-24***

Souris River Designs will host a re-grand opening event the week of Oct. 20-24 to celebrate a showroom expansion. All Minot Chamber of Commerce members are invited to a week's worth of events.

#### **Tuesday, Oct. 21: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

Realtors are invited to a free lunch. Stop by the showroom to see the updated space, and speak to designers to familiarize yourself with products and services.

#### **Wednesday, Oct. 22: 5 - 7 p.m.**

The showroom will be open late to the public! Come in and introduce yourself, learn more about the company, and speak to one of the designers about an upcoming project you may be planning. Refreshments will be served.

#### **Thursday, Oct. 23: 6 - 9 p.m.**

Contractors and builders are invited to enjoy pulled pork sandwiches and beer. Designers will be available to answer any questions, show the many products offered, and discuss the design and installation services.

#### **Friday, Oct. 24: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

The public is invited to enjoy free lunch, stop by the showroom, speak to a designer, or simply explore the products and services.

Great prizes will be given away Friday, Oct. 24 at 1 p.m., including a bathroom vanity countertop in quartz or granite with undermount sink and faucet (over \$1,400 value); kitchen cabinet hardware from Top Knobs or Jeffrey Alexander (up to \$500 value); a beautiful cheeseboard in Cambria quartz; and the grand prize: tile backsplash installed (up to 40 square feet) with tile from Syverson Tile & Stone (over \$2,200 value).

Stop in anytime during the week for refreshments and to register for the prize drawings.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3 <b>Ambassador's Committee,</b> 7:30 a.m., Homesteaders Restaurant	4
5	6 <b>Ribbon Cutting, ND Asia,</b> 10 a.m., 3400 16th St. SW	7	8 <b>Right Start Presentation,</b> 10 a.m., MAFB <b>Y's Men's Rodeo Business After Hours,</b> 5–7 p.m., ND State Fair Center	9 <b>Community Leadership Institute,</b> 8 a.m., Erik Ramstad Middle School <b>Junior Achievement Committee,</b> Noon, Chamber Office <b>Military Affairs Committee,</b> Noon, Grand Hotel	10 <b>Infrastructure Committee,</b> 7:30 a.m., Homesteaders Restaurant	11
12	13	14 <b>Eagle Awards Presentation,</b> 10 a.m., Chamber office	15 <b>Agribusiness Committee,</b> Noon, North Central Research Extension Center	16 <b>Community Leadership Institute Healthcare Session,</b> 8 a.m., Trinity Health <b>Chamber Annual Meeting,</b> 11:30 a.m., Grand Hotel	17 <b>Governmental Affairs Committee,</b> 11:30 a.m., Grand Hotel	18
19	20 <b>Ribbon Cutting</b> 10 a.m., Souris River Designs & Home Improvement, 405 4th Ave. NE	21 <b>Board of Directors,</b> 7:30 a.m., Grand Hotel <b>Ribbon Cutting</b> 11:30 a.m., North Highland Apartments, 1100 27th Ave. NW <b>Ribbon Cutting</b> 4 p.m., Fairfield Inn, 900 24th Ave SW	22 <b>Right Start Presentation,</b> 10 a.m., MAFB	23 <b>CLI Media Session,</b> 8 a.m., various locations <b>Ribbon Cutting</b> 10 a.m., Edward Jones Jessie Seideman, 1829 S. Bdwy. <b>Energy Committee,</b> 11:30 a.m., Vegas Motel <b>Agribusiness Committee,</b> Noon, CHS SunPrairie Grain	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 <b>Community Leadership Institute Economic Development Session,</b> 8 a.m., Enbridge	31	

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