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There are two companies that are competing to be the contractor to provide the new Ground Based Strategic Deterrent (GBSD), which is the replacement for the Minuteman ICBM, to the Air Force. The program contract, once awarded, will take about ten years to complete and will have a significant impact on the greater Minot area.

On Monday, June 3 Northrop Grumman, one of the contractors, will be in Minot. At 10:30 a.m. they will host an open informational session at the NDSF Center for Chamber members to learn more about the GBSD program, as well as an opportunity to have questions answered. This won't be the

Northrup Grumann Meeting

Monday, June 3, 2019 | Grand Hotel

General session: 10:30 a.m.

Individual meetings: 1 p.m.

**Look for signs
directing you to the meeting**

last time for an event like this, but it is the first. Again, this is an event for members of the Minot Area Chamber of Commerce.

Women Connect event featuring Anne Mahlum postponed

Minot Women Connect has postponed the upcoming June 4, 2019 event at Ann Nicole Nelson Hall featuring Anne Mahlum. The Back on My Feet and [solidcore] founder notified event planners that she was in an accident. Due to the accident, Anne will not be able to travel next week.

Committee member Rianne Kuhn said, "It is unfortunate that we need to postpone the June 4

event but Anne's health and well-being is top priority. Our team has been excited for Anne to share her message with the women in Minot, but we are hopeful for her speedy recovery."

Women Connect and the Minot Area Chamber of Commerce are working with Anne's team and will share an update once more information is available. Women Connect appreciates your patience and understanding.

**For more information about the Women Connect
event featuring Anne Mahlum, email
minotwomenconnect@gmail.com**

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Chamber of Commerce seeks board members

Members of the Minot Area Chamber of Commerce have until June 15 to suggest nominees for the board of directors. Suggestions must be sent in writing to the Nomination Committee at the Chamber office.

The committee will select and secure acceptance of five candidates on or

before July 15. Those names will then be announced in the August newsletter. At that time, members can again nominate candidates by a petition consisting of 15% of the Chamber's voting membership, which must be submitted to the Chamber office by Aug. 15. Call 852-6000 for more information.

Brag Up Ag Golf Scramble:

July 8 • Minot Country Club

The Minot Area Chamber of Commerce Agribusiness Committee will sponsor the annual Brag Up Ag Golf Scramble July 8 at the Minot Country Club. If you would like to sponsor a tee, a green, or have a team, give us a call at 852-6000.

Renewals

The Chamber extends a big "THANK YOU" to our members who have renewed their membership from April 22 through May 23, 2019. Your continued support helps your Chamber promote the business community and do the work seen in the pages of this newsletter.

A-1 Septic Tank Service	Hight Construction LLC	Northland Health Centers
AFLAC - Cassie Loard	Hometown Elegance	Northstar Steel Inc.
All American Trophies & Screen Printing	Houston Engineering, Inc.	Northwestern Electric, Inc.
American Family Agency	Hyatt House - Minot	Northwestern Mutual Financial Network
Blue Cross Blue Shield	Independence, Inc.	O'Day Equipment, Inc.
Bourgault Industries Ltd	Jobbers Moving & Storage Company	Olson Family Dental, PLLC
Brady, Martz & Associates, P.C.	Jost Masonry Construction, Inc.	Duane Poynter
Broadway Family Dentistry	Karl's TV, Appliance and Furniture	Pringle & Herigstad, P.C.
Capital RV Center	Keller Paving	Pure Honda
Captain's Cove	Kiwanis Club of Minot	R & K Contractors, Inc.
Central Power Electric Coop., Inc.	KLJ	Raymond James Financial Services, Inc.
Chiropractic Arts Clinic, LLC	KMCY-TV - ABC	Rolac Contracting
Cognizant	Blake Krabseth	Rotary Club of Minot
Coughlin Construction & Development	Comedian/Magician	Sanford Health
Country Financial	I.F. LaFleur & Sons	Sanford Health HealthCare Accessories
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Dakota Kids Dentistry	Magic City Hoagies	Success Depot LLC
Dakota Tax & Accounting, Inc.	Minot Aero Center	Sundre Sand & Gravel, Inc.
Designs On Broadway	Minot Air Force Base	Top Notch Travel
Dickey's Barbecue Pit	Minot Area Community Foundation	Town & Country Credit Union
Domino's	Minot Area Council of the Arts	Ulteig
Donovan Insurance Agency, LLP	Minot Association of Builders	Val's Cyclery, Inc.
Farstad Oil Inc.	Minot Downtown Business & Professional Association	Wallwork Truck Center
Fiberglass Specialties	Minot Plumbing & Heating Co.	Ward Warehousing & Distribution Co.
First Baptist Church	Minot's Finest Collision Center	Waxing the City
First Western Bank & Trust	Monson Dental Center	Western Agency Inc.
Glass Doctor	Moore Engineering, Inc.	Western Steel & Plumbing
Habitat for Humanity - Northern Lights	North Dakota Guaranty & Title Co	Wold Engineering, P.C.
Hanson-Maves Co / Bekins Van Lines	North Hill Pharmacy	Xcel Energy
Hartland Mutual Insurance	North Prairie Rural Water District	
	Northern Bottling	

Hometown Elegance sponsors successful May event

Congratulations to Hometown Elegance for sponsoring a well-attended successful May Business After Hours. This was the inaugural event for the 1st & 1st Event Center downtown. The 110 people attending enjoyed delicious food, great networking, and a chance at prizes.



May Eagle Awards

The Eagle Award winners were recognized in May 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, Rainbow Photo Lab, Anytime Fitness, and Waxing the City** for providing gift certificates for each Eagle recipient.



NATASHA GAVULICH
Badlands Restaurant & Bar



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North Dakota State Fair set for July 19-27 features fun for all

The North Dakota State Fair is back July 19-27 with nine fun-filled days of new things to see, do and eat! This year's carnival is new, and you are not going to want to miss out on the great new rides and games. How much fun can you have at a nine-day carnival? A lot!

Also new this year is KidSpace, designed for kids to learn, explore and have fun! Your kids can play in a Lunar Playground, build a rocket and explore the moon at the Magic City Discovery Center. NASA STEM Ambassadors will help kids create solar systems, robot arms, bead and pipe cleaner astronauts and more. In Full STEAM Ahead, kids can go "Into Orbit" with EV3 LEGO robots on the 2019 FIRST LEGO League mission and game tables!

The Remembering Our Fallen exhibit will be at the Fair for the first time this year. This photographic war memorial honors our country's military fallen from the war on terror. Unlike brick and mortar memorials, this exhibit is designed to travel and includes both military and personal photos. It's a fascinating journey through the legacy left behind by these heroic men and women. You can find this exhibit outside the State Fair Center July 23-27.

Does anyone come to the Fair not thinking of the amazing food? This year there are many new mouthwatering options that are sure to become your favorites. A few of those include Jalapeno Popper Pizza, S'mores Funnel Cake, Deep Fried Greek Pie and Pit-master Fries, which are slow-



smoked, hand-seasoned carnitas pork piled up on crispy curly fries then covered in house-made queso, jalapenos and a drizzle of Carolina BBQ sauce. This is food we wait all year for. Who's hungry?

For more details on everything new and exciting at the Fair this year, visit ndstate-fair.com.

Celebrate military and agribusiness at the North Dakota State Fair July 23, 2019

Military Appreciation Day at the Fair July 23

The ND State Fair, along with the Military Affairs Committee of the Minot Area Chamber of Commerce, will offer special discounts to members of the military with a special coupon Tuesday, July 23.

The day includes a free lunch (sponsored by the ND Beef Commission, the ND Stockmen's Association, and the ND Cattlewomen) from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., free carnival rides from 1 to 3 p.m., 50% off admission with coupon to the NPRA Bull & Ranch Bronc Riding, and 50% off the carnival wristbands with coupon, and 50% off gate admission with a Pepsi product for active military, reserve and National Guard members. Coupons are required to receive the rodeo discounts and may be picked up at the Minot Area Chamber of Commerce office, 1020 20th Ave. SW.

Ag Committee serves breakfast July 23

Agribusiness Committee members get up early to serve breakfast to livestock exhibitors. The Committee will have donuts, coffee, juice, and milk on hand at 7 a.m. for those participating in the competitions. This is an annual event for the group who want to make sure those attending know how much they are appreciated as they represent the state's number one industry.



Visit: [Lignite Energy Council](http://LigniteEnergyCouncil)

Minot women leaders raise over \$10,000 for community

May 15 was a “Day of Giving” for participants of the Women’s Leadership Program (WLP). Armed with \$100 in seed money each, this group of 13 women was tasked to grow the funds in a philanthropic project of their choice for the community. They worked in smaller teams and had six weeks to find a cause and determine the best way to give back.

On May 15, the groups headed out to deliver their surprise donations to a variety of organizations. Recipients included Souris Valley United Way’s Backpack Buddies program, Souris Valley United Way’s Dolly Parton Imagination Library program, Trinity Cancer Care Center’s Look Good Feel Better program, Tie with Title, Sources of Strength for Glenburn and Minot schools, and the Minot Prairie Quilt Guild. In total, the groups gave \$10,417.43 in cash donations and in-kind contributions to area organizations.

With a variety of causes and individual skillsets, each team took a different approach to pay it forward in the community. Kelly Barnett and Whitney

Stephenson focused on raising funds for the Minot Prairie Quilt Guild and raised three times the organization’s annual budget. The Minot Prairie Quilt Guild is dedicated to the advancement of quilting, offering quilts to other organizations such as the hospitals, nursing homes and the Domestic Violence Crisis Center.

Trinity Cancer Care Center’s Look Good Feel Better program received both in-kind and monetary donations thanks to the efforts of Kelly Matalaka and Molly Regan. The mission is to improve the self-image and appearance of women undergoing cancer treatments through complimentary group and virtual beauty sessions. The pair raised awareness of the lack of supplies like wigs and cosmetics which are in high demand.

“Since 2012, the Women’s Leadership Program has raised nearly \$351,000 of cash and in-kind donations for organizations across the state,” said Deidre Hillman, program director of North Dakota Women’s Business Center (NDWBC), a program of CTB.

The Women’s Leadership Program is a six-month program dedicated to expanding the professional, personal, community, and health leadership skills for women of all ages. The program will wrap with a graduation social June 20 at the Grand Hotel in Minot. The public is invited to attend and can buy tickets to the luncheon at <https://wlpminot19.eventbrite.com>.

CTB operates the North Dakota Women’s Business Center (ND WBC), which is part of a national network of more than 100 centers offering one-on-one business counseling, training, networking, workshops, technical assistance, and mentoring to women entrepreneurs on many business development topics, including but not limited to business start-up, financial management, marketing, and procurement. Specific ND WBC programming opportunities include the Women’s Leadership Program, the Women’s Business Summit, the North Dakota Woman Owned Business Certification, and the North Dakota Leading Ladies Luncheons.

Ribbon Cutting

If you know of a business that’s new to town or is having a milestone, like a renovation or addition, contact Carla at 857-8205 to schedule a ribbon cutting.



Edgewood South: 520 28th Ave. SE

Minot Chamber Ambassadors cut the ribbon at Edgewood South during their open house May 16. Edgewood Minot held an open house at its newest acquisition, Edgewood South (formerly known as Emerald Court Memory Care). Renovations are currently underway to refresh and upgrade portions of the secure memory care building that provides specialized care for residents living with Alzheimer’s disease or other forms of dementia

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David Hance, CPA, PC: 710 31st Ave. SW, Suite 2 • 701-240-2410 • davidhance@srt.com • www.davidhancecpa.com
Minot Chamber Ambassadors helped David Hance celebrate the new location of his office, which combined the Minot and Mohall branches. They are a full-service accounting firm offering a broad range of services for business owners, executives, and independent professionals.



Sundara Salon: 2311 Elk Drive • 701-441-9454 • Stephanie Hellebust, Owner
Sundara is a new salon that opened on Elk Drive at a newly renovated space. This booth rental style salon also offers massage therapy. Ambassadors were happy to cut the ribbon at the grand opening April 26.

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Zarr Financial Services: 1 North Main • 701-839-0853 • Steve Zarr, Owner

Minot Chamber Ambassadors cut the ribbon at Zarr Financial Services to celebrate their new location. The office provides more space for additional employees. See Zarr for all your financial and insurance needs.



Enercorp Sand and Solutions: 403 72nd Ave. NE • 701-369-3962

Chamber Ambassadors cut the ribbon at Enercorp Sand and Solutions to celebrate the new company. Enercorp works in the Bakken providing customers leading edge sand management technology.

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Action Plan for National Disaster Resilience application summarized

The City of Minot's final application for the National Disaster Resilience (NDR) Competition, submitted Oct. 27, 2015, included a set of 72 pages called The Action Plan. The Action Plan includes all the projects that the city proposed to do if they earned a full \$174.3 million. While the city was not awarded this full amount, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) did award \$74.3 million and required that the City execute its proposed scaled-down plan for these same projects.

The City of Minot's Action Plan has been available since October 2015 as the Phase 2 NDRC grant application. More than 70 meetings with a large group of stakeholder organizations, as well as open sessions with the general public, were held to get ideas and feedback on the application. Great lengths were taken to reach the public and HUD scored the city's application as earning the highest points possible for public engagement efforts.

The Action Plan available to the public on the city website identifies all the categories of activities and programs and the funds set aside for each one including the Gathering Space, City Hall relocation, acquisition and Low/Moderate Income single family and multi-family projects.

City staff and elected leaders are required to follow the Action Plan as the road map for how project activities will

be carried out. HUD monitors the grantees based on their action plan compliance and allows, with their approval, amendments to the NDR Action Plan. The following outlines some key aspects within the Action Plan:

Acquisitions/Relocations/Demolitions

To reduce flood risk and improve water management, the first project identified in the Action Plan is to acquire properties in low-lying areas of Minot and provide relocation services to move residents out of harm's way. A total of just over \$20 million is budgeted for this part of the plan.

Build affordable resilient neighborhoods

Several visible projects are part of this category within the Action Plan. This includes spending more than \$20 million on multi-family affordable rental housing. This portion of the plan is well underway, with projects like the Park South renovations that finished in August 2018. This effort and others underway will provide additional rental housing for low- and moderate-income (LMI) households in Minot. A second main project is to provide additional single-family affordable housing. With more than \$12 million set aside, the city will continue to rehab existing houses or support constructing new houses for LMI households in resilient neighborhoods.

As part of the Action Plan, the city has committed to build or rehabilitate a fam-

ily homeless shelter with a commercial kitchen, and a community food pantry (as funds are available). The Vulnerable Populations Committee, made up of community members, identified a family shelter as a critical need for Minot and the region.

The Downtown Public Gathering Space is identified in the Action Plan and described as a 2-acre public space where residents can enjoy special attributes of Minot and the surrounding region. The space may include the following: historical and cultural features of Minot; a fountain dedicated to the heroism of Minot's citizens, volunteers, and public servants; walking paths; or space to stage farmer's markets, local festivals or other applicable events.

Relocate City Hall/Center for Technical Education

The city's Action Plan calls for relocating City Hall out of the floodplain into a rehabilitated downtown location and to create a one-stop shop for social services in the same building. A recently approved waiver from HUD allows the city to house the Action-Plan-approved Center for Technical Education in the same building as City Hall. The City of Minot is working closely with Minot State University, Dakota College at Bottineau, and other stakeholders to develop post-secondary training programs that will enable a more resilient and diverse workforce in Minot and the outlying region.

Thank you for cleaning up Minot

Minot entrances look a lot more inviting following the citywide cleanup May 3 & 4. Project CLEAN (Community Leaders Enhancing Area Neighbor-

hoods), a committee of the Chamber, asked its members to help and they came out in full force. Thank you to the following businesses and individuals who took

part in the effort! A big thank you to the City of Minot as well for providing the bags needed to pick up the garbage.

Thank you to the following:

Ackerman Estvold

Bishop Ryan Catholic Schools

Bremer Bank

Brokers 12

Connie Burk & Family

CHS SunPrairie

Carpet Garage

Carpetland

Sandy Cech – Bible Study Group

Century 21

Dakota Agronomy

Enbridge Pipelines (North Dakota) LLC

Cori Esselman

Farm Credit Services of North Dakota, ACA

First International Bank & Trust

Houston Engineering

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Grade Military Council

Minot International

Airport

Minot Lions Club

Northern Bottling

Rotary Club of Minot

Scheels

Signal Realtors

SkySkopes

Slumberland

SRT Communications, Inc.

Town & Country Credit Union

Trinity Health - St Joseph's Same Day Surgery

Verendrye Electric

Cooperative

The View

Wells Fargo

Wingate by Wyndham

Minot's Ribfest is sure to be smokin' at the ND State Fairgrounds

The summer's big BBQ will hit the North Dakota State Fairgrounds in Minot, June 14-16 for three awesome days of grillin' heaven. Delicious, sticky and unbelievable succulent ribs, BBQ chicken, and sweet pulled pork will be served by regional award winning Ribbers.

Ribfest will feature bounce houses, go karts, an escape room, and vendors throughout the entire festival. There will

be free music Friday and Saturday evening, with an Eagles Tribute Band featured Saturday night. Also during Ribfest, there will be a Monster Truck Show in the Grandstand. On Sunday, The Pursuit Church will hold a Father's Day Service at 10:30 a.m. open to everyone.

Admission to Ribfest is \$5, but there are opportunities to enter free. On Friday, admission is free to all from 11 a.m. to 3

p.m. Saturday there is free admission to anyone who buys a Monster Truck Show ticket in advance. Sunday admission is free until noon.

For more information and the full schedule please visit our website minotribfest.com. Come enjoy Father's Day weekend at Minot's Ribfest!

Military Day at Roosevelt Park Zoo set for June 28

The Minot Area Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs Committee, in conjunction with the Minot Park System, Roosevelt Park Zoo, and MAYSA Arena, will sponsor Military Day at the Zoo Friday, June 28.

The event, which starts at 10 a.m. and runs through 8 p.m., will feature free admission to the zoo and pool (weather

permitting) with military ID. The pool is open from 1 to 8 p.m. There will also be a free meal from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. under the tent just west of the zoo. Military members and their families can ice skate for free at the MAYSA Arena from 4 to 6 p.m. Military members will also receive a free round of golf with a military ID at the Souris Valley Golf

Course. Call 857-4189 in advance for a tee time. The day is set aside for active and retired military and their families.

This is made possible thanks to the Minot Park District and the Minot Area Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs Committee. For more information contact the Chamber at 852-6000.



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Junior Achievement remains strong in Minot area schools

Junior Achievement has been in Minot for more than 20 years and continues to be a strong part of Minot public and private schools. This year, 129 classrooms heard the message of the free enterprise system in grades K – 5. Trained volunteer consultants are in the classroom one hour a week for five weeks. The outside expertise is vital to students as they learn about money management, city planning and assembly work among other topics.

Junior Achievement would not be possi-

ble without the volunteer hours and donations from businesses and individuals who take the time to make sure this happens. There is no cost to the schools, so JA relies on donations and grants from area businesses. Please take a moment to read through the list below of those businesses that generously donated money to help supply the \$210 per classroom kits that supply the materials needed for the classrooms. Let them know how appreciative we are of their financial support. Also take



a moment to thank the volunteers who spend their personal time teaching our future leaders.

Junior Achievement Contributors

Affinity First Federal Credit Union	Dakota PTA	I Keating Furniture World	McDonalds Restaurants of Minot	Roosevelt PTA
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Brady Martz & Associates	First Western Bank & Trust	KLJ	Fund	Sertoma Club
Capital Financial Services	Gate City Bank	Kiwanis Club of Minot	Minot Credit Association	Town & Country Credit Union
CleanTech	GEM Federal Credit Union	Knowles Jewelry	Minot Spouses Club	United Community Bank
Cognizant	Grand Hotel	Lewis & Clark PTA	North Dakota Guaranty & Title	Souris Valley United Way
Coldwell Banker/1st Minot Realty	Houston Engineering	Longfellow PTA	North Plains PTA	Xcel Energy

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Zach Burdick	United Community Bank of ND	Brenda Lakoduk	Trinity Health	Kathy Sivertson	Midco
Theresa Burgoyne	First International Bank & Trust	Denise Larson	First International Bank & Trust	Gail Slinde	
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Donna Bye	Houston Engineering, Inc.	David Lozensky (2)	Cognizant	Jason Soles	Minot Air Force Base
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Victoria Coffell		Mark Lyman	Odney	Nicholes Swenson	Minot Air Force Base
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Relay for Life set for June 8

The Minot Relay for Life is set for Saturday, June 8th in Downtown Minot. The event will begin with a survivor celebration at 2 p.m. and opening ceremonies begin at 3 p.m.

This event is open to the public, and as always, will include food, fun, and games for everyone. There will also be a DJ and a silent auction.

Teams, participants, and sponsors are still invited to participate. To get involved, call Laurie today at 701-208-0773 or register at MinotRelay.com. For more information email minotrelay@yahoo.com or call 701-838-7047.

First International names winners of the 2019 Live First Community Grants

First International Bank & Trust (FIB&T) is proud to announce the winners of the Fifth Annual Live First

Community Giving Campaign. A record 91 entries were submitted this year, which received more than 17,000 votes!

Harvey Ambulance Service received the grand prize grant of \$10,000. The non-profit has provided emergency transport for a coverage area spanning 1,000 square miles. First International is proud to support their efforts to train more volunteer EMT's, which will help keep the critical service in Harvey and the surrounding areas.

In celebration of five years of community giving, awards totaling \$25,000 have been designated across the First International Bank and Trust footprint.

- \$10,000 Grand Prize Winner:
Harvey Ambulance Service - Harvey, ND
- \$2,000 Rising Star Winners:
Prairie Grit Adaptive Sports - Minot, ND

Wolf Pup Day Care - Watford City, ND
Justin's Break the Silence - Fargo, ND
Veterans Outdoor Adventures - Mott, ND

Arizona Helping Hands - Phoenix, AZ

- \$1,000 Fan Favorite Winners:

Turtle Mountain Animal Rescue - Rolla, ND

United Chinese Americans of Fargo-Moorhead - Fargo, ND

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- Bonus Grants:

Safe Kids Grand Forks (\$750)

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RoughRider AMUCS (\$750)

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Thank you to everyone who submitted or voted! We're already looking forward to year six of Live First Community Grants.

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Elite Real Estate welcomes Bianco

Elite Real Estate welcomes a new agent, Matt Bianco. Bianco is an Air Force retiree and graduate from Trident University, where he received his bachelor's of science in business administration. He prides himself in providing the commitment, professionalism and integrity clients deserve and expect from a real estate agent.



Matt Bianco

As a veteran with 24 years of military service, and certified Military Relocation Professional (MRP), he also possesses invaluable knowledge of the PCS process and the VA Loan process to assist our many veterans and active duty members. Whether you're buying or selling a home, Bianco is dedicated to making that transition easier for you.

NDSC to host free training event

The North Dakota Safety Council (NDSC) is hosting a free member training event in Minot: "Incident Investigation: What Every Employer Should Know" Tuesday, June 11 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and includes a free lunch sponsored by CHS Pipelines & Terminals.

Incident investigations that focus on identifying and correcting root causes, instead of finding fault or blame, improve workplace morale and increase productivity by demonstrating an employer's commitment to a safe and healthy workplace. During this engaging and interactive training session, attendees will:

- learn the National Safety Council's (NSC) 6 FUNDAMENTAL STEPS to a comprehensive incident investigation
- test their knowledge during a MOCK INVESTIGATION group exercise
- PRACTICE the NSC's fundamental steps
- learn key items to include in an incident investigation toolkit

Plus, all attendees will walk away with a free copy of the NSC's Incident Investigation Toolkit Checklist.

The event is free to NDSC members and only \$30 for non-members. Seating is limited. Register online at www.ndsc.org.

Taube Museum: "Meet the Artist, Be the Artist"

Looking for that summer activity to bring out the creativity in your children? The Taube Museum of Art is offering the Annual Summer Art Camp July 29 – August 1, with two sessions to choose from: 9 a.m. to noon, or 1 to 4 p.m. This camp is open to children ages 5 and up. Your child will explore and observe the artworks of Louise Nevelson, Georgia O'Keefe, Frida Khalo, and Kerri Ambrosino. Projects will include print-making, acrylic painting, 3D sculpture, model magic clay, and more! This is an art camp for children interested in a hands-on experience with the visual arts. Experienced art educators will work with your children developing their art skills.

The Taube is now offering a Mini Art Camp for children ages 3-4. Artist, Artist, What Do You Paint is offered June 18 – 19, with two sessions to choose from: 10

a.m. to noon or 1 to 4 p.m.

An additional 31 summer art classes will be offered and are available for online registration, calling, or stopping by the museum. Classes will begin the first week of June and run all summer through August, so there is sure to be a class that will tempt your child to be inspired. For all the information be sure to check our website or Facebook.

For more information about classes at the Taube Museum of Art, call 838-4445, email taubeeducation@srt.com, or visit online at www.taubemuseum.org/education.htm.

Contact Rachel Alfaro, gallery coordinator at the Taube Museum of Art at 838-4445 for further information.

Preston joins Houston Engineering

Billy Preston has joined Houston Engineering, Inc.'s (HEI) Minot team as a

Survey Technician I. Preston will be performing a variety of field survey and job site duties gathering data, performing survey calculations, and assisting survey



Billy Preston

crew chiefs on various projects. In addition, Preston is a licensed drone pilot and can operate a seafloor survey boat system. He grew up in the nearby city of Burlington and previously worked as a land surveyor and mechanic.

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UCB awards area high school students with community-based scholarships

Throughout the month of May area UCB locations made surprise visits to area schools to recognize and award selected high school seniors with a \$1000 scholarship.

The Our Community Scholarship Program has been put in place to showcase exemplary high school seniors who have given their time through non-profit and community service organizations to help make our communities better places.

Scholarships were awarded from each UCB location: Minot, Burlington, Drake and Leeds. The Minot and Burlington scholarships included an additional \$500

donation to each awarded student allowing them to donate it to a local non-profit organization on their behalf.

The scholarship recipients and selected non-profits were:

- Minot: Brooke Peterson, Minot High – Y's Men's Wild West Rodeo
- Minot: Parker Larson, Minot High - Prairie Grit Adaptive Sports
- Minot: Becca Boen, Minot High - Trinity Cancer Care Center
- Burlington: Benjamin Van Berkorn, DLB – DLB FFA
- Burlington: Ashten Frasier, DLB – Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch
- Drake: Jill Rotherham, Drake
- Leeds: Reganne Ritterman, Leeds



Left to right: Jen Hubrig (UCB), Al Evon (Trinity Health Foundation), Becca Boen, Shane Jordan (Trinity Cancer Care Center), Todd Vangsness (UCB)



Left to right: Stephanie Fitzgerald (Y's Men's Wild West Rodeo), Jen Hubrig (UCB), Brooke Peterson, Todd Vangsness (UCB)



Left to right: Jen Hubrig (UCB), Drew Hanson (Prairie Grit), Parker Larson, Todd Vangsness (UCB)



Left to right: Brandon Quam (DLB FFA), Ben Van Berkorn, Jeana Rynestad



Left to right: Sherry Wagner (DBGR), Laurie Dannewitz (DBGR), Ashten Frazier, Jeana Rynestad (UCB)

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Town & Country Credit Union to open third Minot location

Town & Country Credit Union is set to open their third location in the Minot area this fall next to Dakota Square Mall. The new location at 1525 24th Avenue SW will include lobby and drive-thru hours, as well as a 24-hour ATM to accommodate members' needs.

"The Minot community has supported us for over 80 years," said Jeremiah Kossen, president/CEO of Town & Country Credit Union. "South Minot is growing. This third location allows us to give back to our members in that area with increased convenience combined with the exceptional service and meaningful value we're known for."

Located on the corner of 16th Street SW across from Tesoro, this full-service location will be equipped to handle daily transactions as well as open accounts, offer loans and instantly print debit cards.

Town & Country Credit Union has two additional Minot locations – the Main branch on South Broadway next to the post office and a smaller location on 37th Avenue SW in the Corner Express gas station across from Wal-Mart.

Town & Country Credit Union named one of the healthiest credit unions

Town & Country Credit Union was recently named one of the Top 200 Healthiest Credit Unions in America; the only financial institution in either Fargo or Minot to be included.

DepositAccounts.com, a subsidiary of LendingTree, analyzes financial institutions nationwide and publishes the Top 200 list for healthy banks and credit unions.

"While many other credit unions are losing members, Town & Country is growing," said Jeremiah Kossen, President/CEO of Town & Country Credit Union.

DepositAccounts.com evaluates the

Dale Carnegie graduates recognized for professional development

Dale Carnegie of ND and MN recently held a nine-week course in Minot, from Feb. 21 to April 18, 2019. The course is presented so participants can "discover how to form closer, more rewarding relationships built on trust and respect." Graduates of the course will be able to "increase their confidence and competence in interacting with others, which will gain the influence you need to reach new heights in your personal and professional life."

All awards were presented by course trainer and area manager, Michelle Wall, who notes that "The Dale Carnegie Course is a transformational experience."

For more information, please call Naomi Schempp, director of operations, Dale Carnegie of ND and MN, at 701-636-7540 or visit www.northdakota.dalecarnegie.com.



At the graduation session April 18, the following were awarded for their efforts. Left to right: Business Application Project Award: Cheryl Walker (Fargo Glass & Paint), Human Relations Champion: Kristi MacDonald (Trinity), Business Application Project Award: Cody Hammer (Tires Plus), Highest Award for Achievement: Michelle Phillips (Hess Corporation), Business Application Project Award: Jennifer Mattson (Rugby Manufacturing)

financial health of over 10,000 banks and credit unions in the United States once per quarter. To determine ranking and recognition, each institution is graded on a number of factors including capitalization, deposit growth and loan-to-reserve ratios. Town & Country Credit Union received a ranking of #37 out of 200 in the Top Healthiest Credit Unions list, the highest ranking of any North Dakota credit union.

For a complete listing of the 2019 Top 200 Healthiest Credit Unions in America, visit: <https://www.depositaccounts.com/banks/health.aspx>. To learn more about Town & Country Credit Union, visit www.townandcountry.org.

Verendrye Electric annual meeting set for June 13 at ND State Fair Center

The 80th Annual Verendrye Electric Cooperative meeting is set for Thursday, June 13 at the ND State Fair Center. Registration begins at 4 p.m. A complimentary roast beef

supper will be served from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Special entertainment by "The Replacements" will entertain guests from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be called to order at 6:30 p.m. and should conclude by 8:15 p.m.

JLG Architects named Design Firm of the Year

ENR Mountain States, one of the top publications for the architecture, engineering, and construction industry, has named JLG Architects Design Firm of the Year. According to ENR, "Design Firms of the Year are chosen by a vote of the regional ENR editors across the country from a carefully selected group of finalists based on regional revenues, new initiatives, current projects, and several other factors." JLG was selected for the area encompassing South and North Dakota, Colorado, and Wyoming.

The selection factors can be found here: <https://www.enr.com/blogs/9-talk-of-the-rockies/post/46795-enr-mountain-states-announces-2019-design-firms-of-the-year>



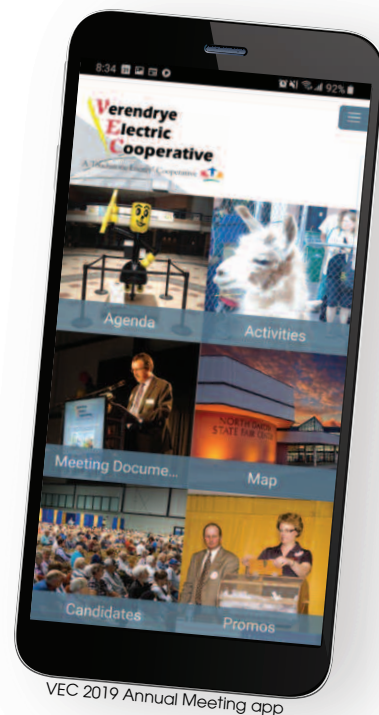
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First Western names Gunderson ag lending officer

Logan Gunderson is a Berthold, ND native. He graduated from Berthold High School and Minot State University with bachelor degrees in both accounting and finance. Heavily rooted in the local ag economy, Gunderson grew up working on the family farm and ranch, and he has also worked as an ag Lender after college. First Western Bank & Trust was excited to have him join our team as an ag lending officer in April of 2019.



Logan Gunderson

DVCC benefits from 8th annual Ride to Remember Poker Run Aug. 10

The 8th annual Ride to Remember Poker Run will take place Aug. 10, 2019.

The event begins and ends at the Landing Bar in Minot, ND. Registration begins at 11 a.m. All proceeds will go to the Domestic Violence Crisis Center. The event will feature food, grab bags, raffles, and live music. For more information, call 701-852-2258.

Minot International Airport prepares for emergency exercise

The Minot International Airport will conduct a full-scale emergency exercise on June 12 from approximately 1 to 4 p.m. The exercise will be completed in conjunction with a number of other local agencies, including the Minot Police Department, Minot Fire Department, City of Minot Public Works Department, Trinity Health, Community Ambulance, Ward County Emergency Management, Enbridge, N.D. Highway Patrol, and Minot Air Force Base.

While the event is only a drill, it will be broadcast across emergency channels as a real event and realistic simulations such as smoke, a rollover apparatus, and sirens will be used. Airport officials ask that members of the public refrain from coming to the airport to watch the exercise, and to refrain from calling 911 regarding the simulation. Also, passengers at the airport that day should not panic if they witness elements of the simulated emergency and response.

The Federal Aviation Administration requires the airport to complete a full-scale emergency training exercise every three years.

For additional information contact the Public Information Office at 857-4727 or by email at pio@minotnd.org.

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Brokers 12 welcomes Austin Gleave

North Dakota native Austin Gleave joined Brokers 12 Real Estate. This 2013 Surrey High School graduate has experience working in the Bakken, building and repairing pumping units, and lives in Minot.



Austin Gleave

Gleave feels that his passion for real estate and overall work ethic sets a great foundation as a licensed realtor.

Minot Association of Builders wins two national awards

The Minot Association of Builders received two national Awards of Excellence from the Executive Officers Council (EOC) of the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) on May 15. The MAB earned both Best Publication (Print or Electronic) for its member magazine, *The MAB Homefront*, and Best Membership Event for 2018's Builders' Bash.

"The MAB has advanced in so many ways over the past few years, and I'm so proud to be a part of the process and now recognition," said MAB Executive Officer Elysha Head.

The MAB Homefront is the official publication of the Minot Association of Builders (MAB). *The MAB Homefront* is a high-quality, glossy magazine that is printed and mailed four times per year to its members and others associated with the building industry. It is also viewable in e-magazine format.

The Builders' Bash is a culmination of the MAB's awards presentations into one big night. This is where attendees come together to honor the industry, celebrate everything the MAB has accomplished in the past year, and recognize the great work its members do by presenting its annual awards while wearing ugly Christmas sweaters. MAB member Gravel Products worked in conjunction with the MAB to make the 2018 Builders' Bash come to life.

"These awards illustrate the innovative programs that HBAs across the NAHB Federation are developing for their members," said Mike Means, EOC President and EVP of the Oklahoma HBA.

Kids Safety Day in the Park June 22

Dakota Safety Strategies wants to bring safety to families, so it's hosting Kids Safety Day in the Park June 22. The free event brings education to families on summer safety and takes place from 11

a.m. until 3 p.m. in Oak Park. Hamburgers, hot dogs, chips and beverages will be provided. The event includes displays and presentations by Minot Rural Fire Department, YMCA swimming education, JC Penney's Kids Zone, Ace from the Saber Dogs and so much more. Two bikes with helmets will be given away every hour.

SRT Communications, Inc. annual meeting set for June 20

The SRT Annual Meeting will be Thursday, June 20 at the ND State Fair Center. The night will include a complimentary meal, great entertainment, a Kids Zone, and chances to win some great prizes!

Doors open at 4:30 p.m., meal begins serving at 5 p.m., and the business meeting begins at 7:05 p.m., followed by door prizes. The 2019 theme is "Technology for Every Generation."

Expressionistic art show set to open June 6 at Taube

The Taube Museum of Art's Main Gallery will feature Arcane, a series expressionistic mixed-media paintings by artist Chase Lock.

Lock is originally a North Dakota native, but now working in Los Angeles, CA. His body of work is inspired by the textural value found in graffiti. He creates large scale paintings primarily in oil, bringing graffiti into the fine art realm balancing the sometimes chaotic nature of graffiti with the finesse of the fine art world.

The body of work I will be showing is a body of figurative expressionism paintings. Many pieces have been inspired by skid row Los Angeles and the Minot prohibition/history along with personal experiences.

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Lock was particularly inspired by the layers of paint that build up in the graffiti laden areas of Los Angeles. His work will be displayed in both the upper and lower gallery, creating a fully immersive experience.

An opening reception with the artist will be held June 6, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. In conjunction with the exhibition, a raffle will be held for Lock's piece "Man and His Horse," a 60" x 72" mixed media painting valued at \$8,000.

Tickets can be purchased at the Taube for \$10. The raffle will conclude July 23 at 6:15 p.m. Raffle tickets will be available at other local businesses. Please contact the Taube for more information or

if you would like to sell tickets at your establishment!

Local food will be provided by Gravel Products, 10 N Main, Plant Perks, Mandi Carroll Photography and Concrete Mobile, with drinks provided by Atypical Brewery and Gravel Products.

The exhibition will run June 6 – July 19, 2019 at the Taube Museum of Art.





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9	10	11 Eagle Award Presentations , 10 a.m., Chamber office Groundbreaking , 2 p.m., Colton Ave Bridge, Burlington	12 Right Start Presentation , 9:45 a.m., MAFB Agribusiness Committee , noon, Elevation Restaurant	13	14 Infrastructure Committee , 7:30 a.m., Homesteaders Restaurant	15
16	17	18 Board of Directors , 7:30 a.m., Grand Hotel	19 Coffee with the President , 1:30 p.m., Chamber office	20	21 Agribusiness Committee serves breakfast , 7 a.m., Ward County Shootout, ND State Fairgrounds	22
23	24	25	26 Right Start Presentation , 9:45 a.m., MAFB	27	28 Military Day at the Zoo	29
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To view meeting changes or community events, log on to www.minotchamber.org