

# MINOT AREA CHAMBER EDC COMMUNICATOR


[WWW.MINOTCHAMBER.ORG](http://WWW.MINOTCHAMBER.ORG)
[WWW.MINOTUSA.COM](http://WWW.MINOTUSA.COM)


## Small Business Development Center and Minot Chamber EDC bring Beth Z to Minot

Have you ever wondered if there IS an app for that? The next speaker for Chamber University has the answer.



The Small Business Development Center and the Minot Area Chamber Economic Development Corporation (EDC) invite the Minot Community to Beth Z, your new nerdy best friend.

Since her first Motorola RAZR flip phone, Beth has made a verb out of the word nerd. She's here to help you filter through thousands of apps, gadgets, widgets, and doodads to find the perfect free and bargain technology tools for work and home.

Although the only real trophy she ever won was for making perfect French fries at McDonald's in high school, Beth Z has been featured on Best Speaker lists by several groups that write best speaker lists. She is also a certified Speaking Professional (CSP), the highest earned credential from the National Speakers Association. It's kind of a big deal.

She has written multiple books on apps and has spoken to about 100,000 people, about 99.9% of whom can't pronounce her last name. You can join us live and in person while Beth Z will join us virtually.

**Tuesday, September 7 | The Grand Hotel | 9:00 - 10:30 am**

**\$50 for Chamber Members before September 1 | \$65 after September 1**

**\$75 for Non-Chamber Members before September 1 | \$95 after September 1**

**Register here: <https://bit.ly/37aVgk2>**

## INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

- Chamber EDC Committee Meetings - Page 2
- Eagle Awards - Page 5
- Ribbon Cuttings - Page 6
- NDIA Welcomes 30th Chapter - Page 9
- Member Renewals - Page 10
- Member News - Page 11
- Chamber EDC Events - Page 27



## MINOT AREA CHAMBER EDC

Minot Area Chamber EDC  
PO Box 940 | Minot, ND 58702-0940  
(701) 852-6000  
[www.minotchamber.org](http://www.minotchamber.org)  
[www.magicinminot.com](http://www.magicinminot.com)  
[www.minotusa.com](http://www.minotusa.com)  
[Facebook.com/minotchamber](https://Facebook.com/minotchamber)  
[Instagram.com/minotchamber](https://Instagram.com/minotchamber)

### CHAMBER EDC STAFF

L. John MacMartin, President  
[john@minotchamberedc.com](mailto:john@minotchamberedc.com)

Chanda DeCent, Finance Director  
[chanda@minotchamberedc.com](mailto:chanda@minotchamberedc.com)

Carla Dolan, Vice President  
[carla@minotchamberedc.com](mailto:carla@minotchamberedc.com)

Jaime Hauge, Executive Assistant  
[jaime@minotchamberedc.com](mailto:jaime@minotchamberedc.com)

Mark Lyman, Economic Development Specialist  
[mark@minotchamberedc.com](mailto:mark@minotchamberedc.com)

Lisa Moldenhauer, Program Assistant  
[lisa@minotchamberedc.com](mailto:lisa@minotchamberedc.com)

### MOTOR VEHICLE DEPARTMENT

Carla Vannett, Manager  
Lacey Coleman, Clerk  
Tammy Hanson, Clerk  
Wendy Keldson, Clerk  
Tracey Oja, Clerk  
Kim Reedy, Clerk

### CHAMBER EDC BOARD

Chair- Jonn Knecht,  
American Bank Center

Chair Elect – Randy Hauck,  
Verendrye Electric Cooperative

Vice Chair – Kevin Black,  
Creedence Energy Services

Treasurer – Missy Feist-Erickson,  
Peoples State Bank

Ryan Ackerman, Ackerman-Estfold

Bucky Anderson, Ward County

Cassidy Hjelmstad, SRT Communications, Inc.

Les Knudson, AGT Foods

Brekka Kramer, Odney

Randy Schwan, Trinity Health

Dr. Steve Shirley, Minot State University

Mayor Shaun Sipma, City of Minot

Dr. Mark Vollmer, Minot Public Schools

Jason Zimmerman, Minot Area Community  
Foundation



## Chamber EDC Committee Meetings

**Agribusiness Committee** - August 5, 7:30 am  
*North Central Research Extension Center*  
*The group will learn more about the drought, its impact and help available to farmers and ranchers.*

**Military Affairs Committee** - August 5, noon  
*Sleep Inn & Suites*  
*The group will learn more about Hunting & Fishing in North Dakota.*

**Infrastructure Committee** - August 13, 7:30 am  
*Homesteaders Restaurant*  
*The group will hear from Minot Public Schools Superintendent Mark Vollmer on plans for a second high school.*



Thursday, September 2  
5:00 -7:00 pm

**\$5 Charge at the Door**  
**Slumberland and Waxing the City will**  
**also take part in the event.**  
**Join us for an evening of networking,**  
**food, and drinks!**

305 20th Avenue SW

## CHECK OUT THE NEW MINOT AREA CHAMBER EDC WEBSITE

The Minot Area Chamber EDC is excited to announce the launch of our newly designed website. Visit us at [www.minotchamberedc.com](http://www.minotchamberedc.com).

Since the merger, the staff and board have been working to align messaging and create a new website with updated information and look of the new organization.

Our goal with this new website is to provide our member investors and visitors with an easier way to learn about Minot and the Minot Area Chamber EDC's services and events.



MINOT AREA  
CHAMBER EDC

*Save the Date!*

SHOWCASE OF BUSINESS

November 18  
5:00 - 8:00 PM

FOOD | GIVEAWAYS | DRINKS

ND State Fair Center, Magic Place

## PERFECT DAY FOR GOLF DURING BRAG UP AG GOLF SCRAMBLE

The Minot Area Chamber EDC Agribusiness Committee held its annual Brag Up Ag Golf Scramble July 8 at the Minot Country Club. The event is a day set aside to honor those who are part of the state's number one industry. Thirty teams participated in the friendly competition. A big thanks to Duane Poynter for his work on setting this up each year! Thank you to our sponsors listed below, we appreciate all you do!

### **Meals**

First International Bank & Trust

### **Hole in One**

United Agronomy, Vision  
Research Park  
Western Agency

### **Beverage Carts**

First Western Bank & Trust  
Optimum Ag Solutions

### **Registration Table**

Optimum Ag Solutions

### **Green and Tee Sponsors**

BASF  
Bremer Bank  
CHS Agronomy  
Conservis  
Cornerstone Bank  
Farm Credit Services  
Genesis  
Gooseneck Implement  
Hartland Mutual Insurance  
Heartland Ag Systems  
KMOT Ag Expo  
Northern Plains Equipment  
Peoples State Bank  
Probitas Promotion  
Renville, McClean &  
Powers Lake Elevators  
Signal Realtors  
Syngenta/NK  
Town & Country Credit Union  
Town & Country Insurance

### **United Community Bank**

UPL  
Western Agency  
Wilbur Ellis  
Wilbur Ellis- Sawyer

### **Gold**

Verendrye Electric  
Cooperative

### **Silver**

North Star Community  
Credit Union  
Scheels

### **Bronze**

Westlie Truck Center

### **Team**

Elmcroft of Minot

### **Closest to the Cooler**

Winfield United  
Roan Farms

### **Longest Putt**

Corteva  
Finken Farms & Seeds, LLP

### **Closest to the Pin**

Hartland Mutual Insurance  
Winfield United

CIVIL ENGINEERING | ARCHITECTURE



# Growing Communities. Creating Connections.

From Tioga to the Turtle Mountains, Mohall to Minot, and all the spaces and places in-between, we are ready to serve your infrastructure and architectural needs.



MINOT, ND | FARGO, ND | WILLISTON, ND | BOISE, ID ■ [WWW.ACKERMAN-ESTVOLD.COM](http://WWW.ACKERMAN-ESTVOLD.COM)



# EAGLE AWARDS

July recipients of the Minot Area Chamber EDC Eagle Award Program are:



**Deanne Johnson**  
Trinity Health



**Gary Brevig**  
(Retired)



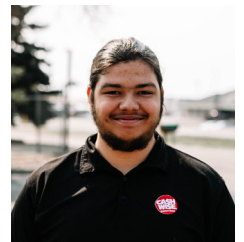
**Alex Skarsgard**  
Liechty Homes



**Alexander Taylor**  
Unifi Service



**Amy Strand**  
The Wellington Assisted Living



**Christian Aguiluz**  
Cash Wise Foods



**Clint Olson**  
Dakota Fence



**Dr. Daryl Pierce**  
Trinity CancerCare Center



**Irma Lopez**  
Mi Mexico



**Jeremiah Conway**  
Karl's TV, Appliance & Furniture



**Katharyn Burgardt, FNP-C**  
Trinity Health



**Ken Banker**  
SRT Communications, Inc.



**Morgan Raap**  
Trinity Health



**Ramona Sorenson**  
Trinity Medical Arts Clinic



**Randy Ihli**  
AT&T



**Ron Gebur**  
IMM



**Roxann Brown**  
Trinity Riverside



**Ryan Schaan**  
Heartland Home Supply



**Sophia Nichols**  
Home Depot



**Tammy Anderson**  
Tollefson's Carpetland



**Tom Ahmann**  
Kevin's Plumbing & Heating



**Tyrone Tyndell**  
Cash Wise Foods



**Vanessa Latendresse**  
Farmers Union Insurance



**Dr. Vanna Binning**  
Trinity Medical Center



**Sam Leighton**  
Dakota Fence

Thank you to Homesteaders Restaurant, Waxing the City, and Anytime Fitness for providing gift certificates for award recipients.



# RIBBON CUTTINGS



## **NORTH CENTRAL RESEARCH EXTENSION CENTER SEED CONDITIONING FACILITY**

5400 Highway 83 South  
701-857-7679

[www.ag.ndsu.edu/NorthCentralIREC](http://www.ag.ndsu.edu/NorthCentralIREC)  
Shana Forster, Director

*North Central Research Extension Center has a new seed conditioning facility and Ambassadors cut the ribbon to celebrate! To see more on this project turn to page 23.*



## **NORTH DAKOTA STATE FAIR**

2005 Burdick Expressway East  
[www.ndstatefair.com](http://www.ndstatefair.com)  
701-857-7620

*Minot Chamber EDC Ambassadors were happy to cut the ribbon to kick off the 2021 ND State Fair.*



## **ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS**

905 21st Avenue SE  
701-852-9746

[www.abmnow.com](http://www.abmnow.com)  
Toni Troftgruben, Minot Manager

*Advanced Business Methods has been in business for 50 years and celebrated with an open house and Minot Chamber Ambassadors cut the ribbon to mark the occasion.*

**Members of our Agribusiness  
Committee served an early breakfast  
to youth livestock exhibitors at the  
North Dakota State Fair on July 27.**



# Life is about building your legacy

With more than 25 years of combined experience in the Oil and Gas industry, Cathrine and Jeff are the top choices to help navigate the complexities of your Oil and Gas rights. They understand the concerns of mineral or land owners and know how to best position their clients to build and preserve your wealth.



**Jeff Skaare**

Landman / Business Development  
Mineral & Land Services  
(701) 751-8543 | jskaare@FIBT.com



**Cathrine Grimsrud**

Managing Director  
Mineral and Land Services  
(701) 842-7516 | cgrimsrud@FIBT.com



FIBT.com | MineralTracker.com



# JURY RULES IN FAVOR OF CITY IN DOWNTOWN PARKING STRUCTURE LAWSUIT

A North Central District Court jury ruled in the City of Minot's favor in a dispute with Cypress Development, LLC involving a public-private partnership project that included the development, design, and construction of two downtown parking structures. The jury's decision came after more than a week of testimony before North Central District Court Judge Gary Lee.

"We're glad to have this issue behind us after investing so much time, money, and emotion into these structures," said Minot Mayor Shaun Sipma. "Now we can focus on moving forward for the benefit of the City."

The City's relationship with Cypress began in 2011, when the City selected Cypress for a development contract following a Request for Qualifications process. The City and Cypress entered into a series of agreements pursuant to which Cypress agreed to develop, design, and construct two mixed-use developments including parking, retail space, and apartment homes on City land; the City agreed to contribute \$4,937,500 per structure from a combination of MAGIC Fund and federal funds towards the construction of the parking structures. The Renaissance and Central parking structures opened in 2016, but Cypress did not complete the retail space and apartment homes.

The City terminated its contracts with Cypress and filed suit for breach of contract in March 2018. At trial, the jury awarded the City \$2,442,479.94. Those amounts included unpaid rent and excess costs the City incurred constructing the parking structures. They also include costs incurred by the City to install the exterior walls and roofs on the two structures, which were the obligation of Cypress but were completed by the City. The City has managed and operated the structures since March 2018. Cypress' countersuit, which was denied by the jury in its entirety, sought more than \$50 million in damages related to excess construction costs and lost profits.

Sipma said efforts will begin to find a partner to construct apartments on top of the two structures and complete the development of the existing commercial space. "We appreciate the hard work done throughout this lengthy process by Jocelyn Knoll and Kate Johnson from the Dorsey & Whitney law firm, who represented the City in Court, as well as the City Attorney's office and current and former City staff," Sipma said. "We presented a strong case to the jury, and we're happy they agreed with us."







## NDIA WELCOMES ITS 30TH CHAPTER, REPRESENTING U.S. NORTHERN TIER

The National Defense Industrial Association is proud to announce its 30th chapter, representing the Northern Tier of the United States.

The new chapter debuted Wednesday, July 14, during a virtual event that included several officials, among them the first chapter president, Terry Sando, NDIA's Executive Vice President James Boozer and NDIA's Chair Emeritus and Emerging Technologies Institute chair Dick McConn.

"As a native of North Dakota, I'm proud of the small role I played in catalyzing this new chapter," McConn said. "I know there are tremendous opportunities for defense and national security companies in these five states, and NDIA is the right association to ensure we effectively leverage their contributions."

"We believe the chapter will find ways to educate stakeholders about arms control issues, bombers, intercontinental ballistic missiles and upgrades to nuclear command, control and communication," Boozer said. He also noted the chapter's "deep expertise in unmanned aircraft systems."

Among the chapter's goals is support of the U.S. Global Strike Command. Representing Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wyoming, four of 20th Air Force's major operating locations and two of 8th Air Force's major operating locations are in the Northern Tier chapter's region.

Other officers include Brenda Wyland, vice president for North Dakota; Mike Johnson, vice president for Minnesota; James Cluff, vice president for Montana; Dale Steenbergen, vice president for Wyoming; Joleen Leier, secretary; and Brekka Kramer, treasurer.

More information on the chapter can be found [here](#). For more information on NDIA, visit [NDIA.org](https://www.ndia.org) online.

### **About NDIA**

The National Defense Industrial Association (NDIA) is America's leading defense industry association promoting national security. NDIA provides a legal and ethical forum for the exchange of information between industry and government on national security issues. NDIA and its members foster the development of the most innovative and superior equipment, training, and support for warfighters and first responders through its divisions, local chapters, affiliated associations, and events. For more information, visit [www.ndia.org](https://www.ndia.org)

## PRARIE WARRIOR AUCTION RAISES MONEY FOR MINOT AIR FORCE BASE

The 2021 Prairie Warrior Auction is now in the books and a big thank you goes out to all who participated! Final numbers and expenses are being calculated and a total will be known soon. The 2022 event is set for March 5, 2022 at the Clarion Hotel.



## MINOT CHAMBER EDC AGRIBUSINESS COMMITTEE MEETING TO BE HELD AUGUST 5

The Minot Chamber EDC Agribusiness Committee will host a meeting on Thursday, August 5 at 7:30 a.m. at North Central Research Extension Center. The group will hear from Grant Buck, the County Executive Director for Farm Services Agency (FSA) in Ward County. He will discuss government programs, specifically new and expanded programs to help producers affected by drought.

## JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT RECEIVES MINOT COMMUNITY ENDOWMENT FUND GRANT

The Minot Community Endowment Fund recently awarded a total of \$66,497 to 15 local nonprofit organizations. Minot Area Chamber EDC was awarded a grant for the Junior Achievement program, an educational program delivered by corporate and community volunteers that provides relevant, hands-on experiences that give students from kindergarten through 5th grade knowledge and skills in financial literacy, work readiness, and entrepreneurship.

Other grant recipients include: Minot Area Homeless Coalition, Operation Homefront, Inc., Companions for Children, Mouse River Player Community Theater, Minot Rotary Club, Minot Commission on Aging, Project BEE, Minot Rural Fire Protection District, Magic City Blessing Bank, Minot Social Club for Exceptional Persons, The Welcome Table, Northern Plains Children's Advocacy Center, Gymagic Gymnastics, and 1,000 Trees for Minot.

The Minot Community Endowment Fund was established in 1981 by a grant from the Otto Bremer Trust and is a permanent part of the North Dakota Community Foundation, which provides professional management of the fund. For more information, or to make a contribution, please visit [www.ndcf.net/minot](http://www.ndcf.net/minot).

# MEMBER RENEWALS

Alliance Real Estate

Arrowhead Ace Hardware

Dakota Fence

Dickey's Barbecue Pit

Hometown Radio Group (WGO/ZOO/SUNNY Radio)

I.F. LaFleur & Sons

Magic City Hoagies

Mattson Construction Co.

Mindt Construction

Minot Electric

Minot Optimist Club

Minot State University

Niess Impressions

Nodak Insurance Company - Kelsey Holt

North Dakota Guaranty & Title Co

Northwest Tire & Auto Service

Ryan GMC/Buick/Cadillac

Sanford Health

Slim Chickens

Sport Specialties Inc.

John Stewart

# MEMBER NEWS

## RESILIENT HOMEBUYER PROGRAM HELPS 50TH PARTICIPANT PURCHASE A HOME

The City of Minot's Resilient Homebuyer Program reached a milestone today by assisting its 50th participant to buy a home in Minot.

The Resilient Homebuyer Program is funded through the National Disaster Resilience Competition, a grant awarded to the City of Minot in 2016 by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). This grant, one of only 13 awarded nationally, has helped the City become more resilient and has assisted in the recovery for residents impacted by the 2011 flood. The Resilient Homebuyer Program helps eligible buyers whose homes were destroyed or significantly damaged by the 2011 flood purchase a qualified home in a resilient neighborhood.

"The Resilient Homebuyer Program made it significantly more attainable for me to purchase a home in Minot, the city where I grew up. It is important to me to be able to stay close to my family in the Minot area and be part of the future of this community," said Alex Gorze, the 50th buyer.



The Resilient Homebuyer Program provides qualified buyers an opportunity to receive a NDR GAP loan that can be forgiven after 15 years of owning the home, subject to certain requirements. The City of Minot is working with the North Dakota Housing Finance Agency to manage the NDR GAP loan underwriting, as well as finalize buyer eligibility.

"This program has been a tremendous success," Minot Mayor Shaun Sipma said. "It has helped people whose homes were damaged or destroyed by the flood buy a home and continue to be part of our community. The City Council is pleased to have played a role in this process, and we continue to be supportive of the program."

"We are pleased with the results we are seeing with this program. More families are qualifying and purchasing homes that they might not have been able to buy without this assistance. As a result, the community of Minot continues to strengthen its tax base and retain residents," said Resilience Program Manager John Zakian. "This program has helped the City of Minot become more resilient and provide home ownership opportunities for some residents impacted by the flood, which is an important goal of the NDR program."

The primary qualification requirements for the Resilient Homebuyer Program are:

- Buyer's household income must be at or below the current low-and-moderate income limits based on the family size for Ward County
- Homes must be located within the City of Minot, within a designated resilience area, and outside of FEMA's proposed 100-year flood plain.
- The purchase price of the home may not exceed the current maximum price reviewed annually by NDHFA, which is \$311,979.
- The property must pass a HUD Housing Quality Standards inspection to be eligible for the program.
- Buyers must secure a 30-year fixed rate first mortgage from a participating lender.
- Buyers must complete and secure a certificate of completion from an approved Homebuyer Education course.

To receive additional information about the program or discuss the requirements and submit an application, contact Tammy Small at the Minot Disaster Recovery Office, 701-837-5813, [smallt@cdmsmith.com](mailto:smallt@cdmsmith.com).



## MEMBER NEWS

### WHISKEY NINE BRINGS A NEW SPIN TO DINING AND GOLF IN DOWNTOWN MINOT

Whether you are an avid golfer looking to hit the links year-round or you enjoy handcrafted cocktails and gourmet eats, Whiskey Nine has something to offer you. Four local families and current downtown business owners, Kevin and Kalli Black, Jeremy and Misty Mahany, Jason and Marie Sanders, and Andrew and McKenna Gudmunson are excited to bring another experience to downtown Minot.

Whiskey Nine will house aboutGOLF simulators. Featuring curved screens, 70+ courses, picture-in-picture viewing, club fitting, and even bar and arcade games, these simulators are state of the art and will bring a new level of play to Minot. To enhance your golfing experience, club storage with valet service and order ahead beverages and appetizers will ensure an all-inclusive experience for you and your friends.

In addition to the simulators, an indoor putting green will be featured in the lower level to help improve your short game. This level boasts a pub-style casual environment that is perfect for hosting private parties and events.

League play will be available this fall with many opportunities to reserve the simulators by the hour, as well. To sign up for the fall league starting November 15, 2021, please visit [whiskeyninend.com/leaguesignup](http://whiskeyninend.com/leaguesignup) to secure your team spot.

In addition to golf, Whiskey Nine is really focused on providing a unique bar and restaurant experience. Co-owner, Jeremy Mahany, has designed a full menu of nibbles, sharables, handhelds, plateables, and delectables. Bourbon Candied Bacon, Beast Burger with Bourbon Bacon Jam, and Creme Brulee Bread Pudding with Bourbon Bacon Caramel sauce are just a few of the mouthwatering eats coming to Minot. Prime Rib steak nights on Friday and Saturday nights are another reason you'll want to spend your evenings downtown. They will have the finest selections of whiskey and bourbons in the area along with many hand-crafted cocktails and spirits creating variety for all. The bar and restaurant will be open daily from 11am to close with early morning golf tee times available in the future. The main floor is family friendly while the lower level is designed for ages 21 and over.

Stay tuned to their Facebook page at [whiskeyninend](http://whiskeyninend) for more information as they get closer to a grand opening slated for Fall 2021.

### JUAREZ PROMOTED AT TOWN & COUNTRY CREDIT UNION

Angela Juarez was promoted to Senior Business Analyst at Town & Country Credit Union. A Velvea native, Juarez brings 14 years of experience in the financial services industry to her new role. She joined Town & Country Credit Union in 2013 as a loan servicing associate and moved to her previous business analyst role in 2017.

In her new position, Juarez will take on a larger project management role in addition to working with both end users and technical staff to ensure systems are being fully, effectively, and efficiently utilized within the credit union. Juarez is based in the credit union's Minot Main location.



Angela Juarez





## MEMBER NEWS

### TO MAKE A PRAIRIE SUSAN BREKKE UPPER GALLERY EXHIBITION

The Taube Museum of Art will be exhibiting large scale oil paintings and hand-built ceramic pieces by local artist Susan Brekke. Brekke's exhibition To Make a Prairie will be on display at the Taube Museum of Art from July 22 through August 27.

Susan Brekke, a Minot native, is known for creating what is important to her. She uses paint and clay to help her express the joy she feels when she sees the first flowers of spring blooming. She infuses her paintings and hand-built ceramics with emotion, so it is more than just a colorful canvas or a bright bowl; she wants her artwork to be a testament to the best, most beautiful things this world has to offer.

Through her paintings, Susan brings the outside in. She strives to create an immersive, emotional experience. According to Brekke, "Real life has texture and dimension and emotion!" She paints on large canvases to suggest the immersive, emotional experience you feel when squinting at an electric sunset or opening the curtains on a gentle snowfall. Susan works with acrylics when painting and a variety of tools including her own fingers and hands to capture movement and life. Although an added dimension, her approach to ceramics is identical to that of painting. Her hand-built ceramics are expressive and colorful.

There will be a reception for Brekke's artwork on July 29 from 5:30-7:00 pm at the Taube Museum of Art.

Museum and Gift Shop hours: Tues-Fri 10:30-5:30pm and Sat 11-4pm, or by special appointment. There is no charge for admission, but contributions are accepted to help the Taube Museum fulfill their mission of enriching lives through the visual arts.

These exhibitions are made possible with support from the North Dakota Council on the Arts.

For more information call 838-4445: Rachel Alfaro, Executive Director.

### DAK JAM MUSIC & ARTS FESTIVAL IS BRINGING ALL THE RAD VIBES THIS SUMMER!

Dak Jam Music & Arts Festival is set to bring the ultimate summer party on August 11 - 14th at the North Dakota State Fairgrounds in Minot, ND. Immerse yourself in four nights of totally radical live music, urban camping, fresh interactive art experiences and so much more with your festies! All ages are welcome to hangout and enjoy everything this festival has to offer.

Enjoy genre-defying music on three different stages throughout the festival from internationally acclaimed headliners alongside up and coming artists! The Gymnasium Stage will feature Vince Neil and Great White on Wednesday, August 11th; Third Eye Blind and Bret Michaels on Thursday, August 12th; Goo Goo Dolls and Gin Blossoms on Friday, August 13th; and Big & Rich and Rodney Atkins on Saturday, August 14th. The Drive-In Stage will feature twelve rocking' artists and the Miller's Cocktails and Dreams Stage will feature four artists. Performances will start at 7PM on Wednesday and 1PM on Thursday - Saturday.

Aside from dope entertainment on these stages, there will be interactive art experiences throughout the festival grounds. These include life-size pieces, instagrammable spots, concept booths, live art and plenty more. You might even get the chance to vibe by the DeLorean!

To fully experience what Dak Jam has to offer, there are multiple urban camping options on site. There is electrical RV camping, primitive RV camping, and tent camping available for you and your crew to hang throughout the festival. Mike Miller, owner of Dak Jam, stated "We are a very unique music and arts festival in that we are urban and camping at the same time, which means you can stay in hotels or as a local person you can go back and forth to your homes or you can camp and have the full experience of the festival on the grounds. You have many options to choose from to enjoy the full Dak Jam experience."

Passes are NOW ON SALE for this tubular festival! Passes start at \$79. To purchase your Miller's Cocktails & Dreams (VIP), four-day, single day or camping pass and for the full lineup and all the deets, check out our website: [dakjam.com](http://dakjam.com).



## MEMBER NEWS

### ANNUAL SUMMER GOURMET PICNIC 32ND ANNUAL GREAT TOMATO FESTIVAL

The 32nd Annual Great Tomato Festival will be held on Wednesday, August 11, 2021 at the ND State Fair Center, 4-H Hall, 2005 Burdick Expressway East. Doors open for browsing at 5:30 pm with social hour at 6:00 pm, and dinner served at 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$30.00 in advance and \$35.00 at the door. Attendees must be at least 21 years old to attend.

This classic community fundraising event was established in 1989 by Jeff and Peggy Miller. It has become the annual end of summer gourmet picnic to attend! The menu consists of smoked pork chops cooked to perfection by master chefs, a top-secret recipe of roasted tomatoes stuffed with rice, along with chips and salsa, tomato and cucumber salad, beer batter bread and brownies.

New this year will be mobile bidding! To make check in and check out easier and faster, attendees can pre-register to receive their bidding number and view items online in advance. Simply visit <https://gtf.cbo.io> to register and view auction items. Mobile bidding will open Monday August 9th. An event ticket is not required to bid, allowing patrons near and far the opportunity to support the event through the mobile bidding platform. The physical items will be at the event for in-person viewing. There will be exclusive items in-person that will not be available on the digital platform. "Bidding Butlers" will be available at the event for anyone without a mobile device to place bids on their behalf.



The evening will include live music, a social hour featuring tomato hors d'oeuvres, creative tomato displays, Great Getaway raffle, silent and live auction. The Great Getaway raffle winner will receive their choice of one of three trips including: 1-Glamping Getaway (3-nights Airstream camping near Yosemite or the Russian River and round-trip airfare for 2) 2-NASCAR Driver for a Day (NASCAR racing experience for 2, 2-nights lodging, and round-trip airfare for 2) or 3-Weekend Getaway to New York (2 tickets to select Broadway show, \$200 dining, 3-night weekend hotel accommodations, and round-trip airfare for 2.) The silent auction features over 200 auction items, including tickets for things to do in and around Minot, restaurant meals, kids' activities, vacation stays, art, furniture, and more. The live auction includes vacation destination getaways, a cheesecake donated by Michelle Schoenberg (recently featured at the Symphony Secret Garden Tour), a one of a kind framed pull from a 1964 Walter Piehl woodcut, VIP symphony parking, and more.

Entries are still being accepted for the Great Chocolate Cake Revival! Bakers can enter a chocolate cake into the Great Chocolate Cake Revival Contest. The cakes will be available to bid on in-person at the event and the highest bidder will take it home that evening. The cake with the overall highest bid will receive a gift certificate to Gourmet Chef.

If you would like to volunteer for the event, please contact Ellen at 701-858-4228 or visit [www.greattomatofestival.com](http://www.greattomatofestival.com) to sign up. The Minot Symphony and the Taube Museum of Art are looking for volunteers to help with the 32nd annual Great Tomato festival! No experience required. The tasks are simple, yet require the hands of many. Please share this great opportunity to support two of Minot's premier arts organizations with your colleagues, friends, and employees. Call 701-838-4445 or follow this link to sign up: <https://volunteersignup.org/P4CAL>

#### **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED**

Tuesday, August 10th      9:00 am - 12 pm and 12:30 pm - 4:00 pm  
Wednesday, August 11th    9:00 am - 12 pm and 6:45 pm - 9:00 pm

Tickets are \$30.00 in advance and \$35.00 at the door. Attendees must be 21+ to attend. Advance tickets are available at the Taube Museum of Art, Artmain, Minot Public Library, North Star Community Credit Union Minot and Minot Air Force Base locations, or online at [www.greattomatofestival.com](http://www.greattomatofestival.com). Pick up your tickets now to ensure yourself a spot at this fun-filled evening!

The Great Tomato Festival is a community fundraiser, which has benefitted several non-profit organizations since its inception. The mission of the fundraiser is "Working together with the purpose of raising funds to enhance the services of the specific nonprofit organizations." It currently benefits the Taube Museum of Art and the Minot Symphony Orchestra. All net proceeds from ticket sales and silent auction are directly granted to the nonprofit organizations.

For more information please contact the Taube Museum of Art Facebook or call 701-838-4445 or Minot Symphony Orchestra Facebook or call 701-858-4228 or email [greattomatofestival@srt.com](mailto:greattomatofestival@srt.com).

## MEMBER NEWS

### BEMOBILE'S 8TH ANNUAL BACKPACK GIVEAWAY, AUGUST 2ND - 5TH

BeMobile is proud to host their annual backpack giveaway event at BeMobile Verizon! They invite the community to join them as they give away over \$100,000 in school supplies to local children.

FAQs:

- Limit three per family.
- Backpacks available, while supplies last.
- Event is only during store hours, see the website for store details.
- You do not have to be a current Verizon customer to attend.
- No early pickups or holds.



**JOHN STEWART, CPA**  
**FINANCIAL CONSULTING**  
BUSINESS & PERSONAL



***Are you sure?***

**Let's talk it through...**

***701.833.8821    [jstewart@srt.com](mailto:jstewart@srt.com)***



## MEMBER NEWS

# MAGIC CITY DISCOVERY CENTER BEGINS CONSTRUCTION

The Magic City Discovery Center began construction on its building, located on north hill, in May. The building will have four levels including a magnificent rooftop patio with an unparalleled view of Minot.

This new discovery center is a hybrid children's museum and science center designed for children from birth to age 14. There are 12 exhibit galleries that offer over 150 interactive exhibits sure to keep all visitors engaged. Exhibits are focused on Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math (STEAM).

While most exhibits will offer something for everyone, there are a couple of targeted exhibits. Outside My Window is designed specifically for small children from birth to age 7 while the Smithsonian Spark!Lab Invention Center is generally for older children and will be the only such lab in the region.

Even before the center opens, the Magic City Discovery Center is offering education through their Discovery on the Go! outreach program. Check out the website, [MagicCityDiscoveryCenter.com](http://MagicCityDiscoveryCenter.com), for educational offerings and construction site updates every hour. The Magic City Discovery Center will open its doors in late 2022.





## MEMBER NEWS

### KLJ NAMES CEO

The KLJ Solutions Holding Co., parent organization to KLJ Engineering LLC (KLJ), and its Board of Directors has announced Eric Michel, as the organization's chief executive officer (CEO). Michel fills the gap left by previous CEO Barry Schuchard, who passed away in March of this year. "It's really an exciting time at KLJ. Eric brings a combination of extensive industry experience and an enthusiasm for growth to this role. With his leadership, we are looking forward to building upon the strong KLJ foundation and expanding the opportunity to positively impact people and communities across the United States through engineering infrastructure," said Dan Bayston, Vice Chair of the KLJ Solutions Holding Co. Board of Directors.

Michel brings decades of construction, engineering, and leadership experience to the role. In joining the nearly 85-year-old company, he also brings enthusiasm for the firm and the industry, having previously spent time with the company as the Vice President of Energy and Natural Resources. "It is such a privilege to return to KLJ in this capacity. Solid strategic groundwork has been laid, and along with the energy and drive of the employee-owners, KLJ's future is bright. I am looking forward to working with the entire company and the clients and communities we serve," said Michel.



Eric Michael

He received a bachelor's degree in electrical and electronics engineering from North Dakota State University and is a registered Professional Engineer in North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, and Wyoming. He is past President of the North Dakota Chapter of American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) and current member of the Minnesota Chapter of ACEC. Michel is a North Dakota State University Foundation Life Trustee. He will locate out of the company's Saint Paul, Minn. office.



### NORSK HØSTFEST PLANNING FOR 2022

Norsk Høstfest is moving ahead with plans for the 2022 festival under the leadership of a new board of directors and president.

Tim Mihalick has been named the new board president, taking over for David Reiten who retired this spring. Mihalick says the new board is receiving guidance from a Minneapolis-based festival consultant to devise the best path forward. "The board is working closely with the consultant to make sure that when Høstfest returns next year, it will be on solid footing to continue the legacy of the festival while positioning itself for future growth."

Mihalick says the decision to cancel the 2021 festival was unavoidable given several factors. First, the US/Canadian border remains largely closed, shutting off a large portion of Høstfest's traditional audience. Second, other international travel — especially from Scandinavia — is likewise limited, leaving in doubt the ability to welcome Nordic visitors. In addition, planning for a large festival such as Høstfest requires a long lead time and the uncertainty surrounding the pandemic has made it impossible to make required arrangements in time to finalize this year's event.

Mihalick stresses that he and the new board are fully engaged and have confidence Norsk Høstfest will be held in September of 2022, re-starting a tradition that has been a big part of North Dakota for over 40 years. Exact dates of the 2022 festival will be announced in the coming months.

### LEARN MORE ABOUT THE DIFFERENCE

Want to learn about a new chamber member The Difference, a Minot based non-profit? Give a call to the director Shelly Bohl at (701) 263-5518 or come to the Make a Difference Poker Run on September 18th with registration at 11:00 am at the Section 8 Bar in Upham, ND. You can make the run with motorcycles, cars, trucks or busses.

## MEMBER NEWS

### ST. JOES COMMUNITY HEALTH FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES NEW BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS FOR 2021-2022



St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation announces the election of officers and new board members appointed at the annual board meeting held on June 24. Officers are Board Chairman, Rick Beall, Minot, CEO, People's State Bank; Vice-Chair, Jane Hirst, Minot, retired dietician; Treasurer, Randy Hauck, Velva, General Manager, Verendrye Electric; and Secretary, JoAnn Linrud, Bottineau, retired university administrator.

Newly appointed Board members are Jill Fuller, Garrison, retired hospital CEO; Jim English, investment representative, Harvey; and David "Doc" Brien, Rolla, consultant and Director of Tribal Affairs for Houston Engineering Inc. Foundation President, Shelly Weppler, announced, "It is an honor to welcome these thoughtful and talented individuals to our board."

Other board members include: Marisa Albertson, MD, Trinity Health, Minot; Melissa Burud, RN, BSN, First District Health, Kenmare; Elizabeth "Becky" Brodell, retired university nursing instructor, Minot; Diane K. Lutt, owner, Law office of Diane K Lutt, PLLC, Minot; Alecia Pulver, HS Principal, Stanley Public Schools and Shelly Weppler, President, Ex-Officio.



Recognition and gratitude of thanks were provided to Diane Lutt for 2 years of service as the Board Chair and to outgoing board members Alisa Dahl, Garrison, Anna Dykeman, Minot and Curt Guss, Minot.

St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation is an independent 501(c)(3) public charity foundation formed in June 1998 with funding from the sale of a local hospital. The Foundation serves 120,000 people residing in an eleven-county service area by building a permanent charitable endowment, making philanthropic grants and collaborating with other organizations to provide services that contribute to the health and vitality of area communities. Over \$9.6 million has been granted to communities in the counties served by the Foundation and investments reached a new level of \$18.8 million.

Grant applications are currently being accepted through the online grant portal found on the website at [sjchfnd.com](http://sjchfnd.com) and [twiceblessednd.com](http://twiceblessednd.com). The deadline for grants is August 16.

WATCH NOW

**COAL MOVIE:  
POWERING THE PAST,  
PRESENT & FUTURE**

WATCH MOVIE HERE: [HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=ABNT2BLM53K](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ABNT2BLM53K)



**AFFORDABLE.  
RELIABLE.  
SMART.**

Along with affordable and reliable electricity, Verendrye Electric Cooperative strives to provide the best possible customer service. Our SmartHub online account access and SmartHub mobile app offer easy ways to manage payments, receive information and check usage down to the hour. Members who sign up for SmartHub with paperless statements could even win a \$25 bill credit.

**When innovation helps our members get better service, that's the power of human connections.**

A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative  
[www.verendrye.com](http://www.verendrye.com)



**Verendrye  
Electric  
Cooperative**



## MEMBER NEWS

### WELLS FARGO DONATES \$15,000 TO HABITAT FOR HUMANITY NORTHERN LIGHTS

Habitat for Humanity Northern Lights is one of more than 220 Habitat organizations awarded a grant from Wells Fargo as part of its nationwide initiative to help low-to-moderate income families construct and improve homes across the country.

Wells Fargo is proud to support Habitat for Humanity in providing homeownership opportunities for hundreds of families nationwide through Wells Fargo Builds.

Habitat for Humanity Northern Lights will receive \$15,000.00 and use the funding to build wheelchair ramps and renovate a Habitat house in Minot. "Until we raise the funds to build a new house, we try help homeowners with items like building these ramps," said Roxy Volk, Executive Director.

The grant is part of a \$7.75 million donation Wells Fargo is making to Habitat for Humanity International through Wells Fargo Builds, an initiative that provides philanthropic financial support and volunteerism to create sustainable affordable housing. More than 340 homes will be constructed or repaired with Habitat in over 40 states through the initiative this year. Wells Fargo Builds is part of Wells Fargo's \$1 billion philanthropic commitment to create more housing affordability solutions by 2025.

### SEVERAL HIRES AT FIRST WESTERN BANK & TRUST MAIN BRANCH

Amy Makeef joins the First Western Bank & Trust team as the Assistant Chief Credit Officer. Amy is a native of Ryder, N.D. and graduated from North Shore High School. She holds a bachelor's degree from Minot State University and Master's degree from Liberty University. She brings with her over 21 years of banking and financial experience.

John Leddon serves as Investment Officer at First Western Bank & Trust. John grew up in Minot and graduated from Minot State University with a bachelor's in finance. He went on to earn his MBA from Southeastern Oklahoma State and has worked in the investment industry for over 15 years.

Mark Medalen returned to First Western Bank & Trust as a Consumer Lender. Mark started as an intern in the Trust department in January 2021. He attended Des Lacs High School and recently graduated from Minot State University in May with a bachelor's degree in Finance.

Vince Azzarello comes to First Western Bank & Trust as the Marketing & Public Relations Specialist for the Minot region. Vince grew up in Ohio and earned a Bachelor of Communications degree from Anderson University in Indiana.



Amy Makeef



John Leddon



Mark Medalen



Vince Azzarello



## MEMBER NEWS

### MINOT JUNIOR GOLF ASSOCIATION HIRES DUSTY ZIMMERMAN AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Minot Junior Golf Association (MJGA) is pleased to announce the hiring of Dusty Zimmerman as Executive Director.

Ms. Zimmerman is the first to hold the title of Executive Director of the Association. With a newly designed golf course, the organization is expanding efforts to facilitate golf programming and experiences for Minot's youth. The new position will allow the non-profit to focus resources on the growth and development of the Jack Hoeven Wee Links and golf opportunities for children throughout the area.

"We are so excited to have Dusty as our new Executive Director for MJGA. Dusty is the perfect fit at the perfect time to move our organization forward and really expand what we do for junior golf in the Minot area" said MJGA President, Reed Argent.



**Dusty Zimmerman**

Ms. Zimmerman is a graduate of Minot State University with a degree in Business Management. She has worked in a number of capacities in various non and for profit organizations throughout the City of Minot and brings over 20 years of experience in organizational leadership, marketing, public relations, communications and business development.

Minot Junior Golf Association was established in 1989 as a non-profit organization designed to foster golf and life skills among the youth in the Minot area. In 2003, the organization established, and currently manages the Jack Hoeven Wee Links Golf Course providing a 9-hole real golf course for kids. The course required a redesign as a result of the Mouse River Enhanced Flood Protection Project and re-opened in 2021. MJGA's desire to provide children with affordable activities to build physical, social and community skills is emphasized as children 14 years of age and under golf for \$1 and adults may accompany them for \$5. Youth golf clubs are also available to rent for an additional \$1. For more information, visit the Jack Hoeven Wee Links Facebook page.

### MINOT JUNIOR GOLF ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES 2021 TOURNAMENTS FOR AREA YOUTH

Minot Junior Golf Association (MJGA) is pleased to announce the 2021 tournament schedule.

Minot Junior Golf Association is proud to host and facilitate a number of junior golf tournaments in Minot each year. Although the schedule is evolving, we currently have the following tournaments scheduled:

August 3, 2021 **Qdoba Youth Tournament** - Jack Hoeven Wee Links  
To register, contact Wee Links.

August 5, 2021 **Marketplace Youth Tournament**- Jack Hoeven Wee Links  
To register, contact Wee Links.

August 14, 2021 **Legacy Financial Partners Adult/Youth Tournament** - Jack Hoeven Wee Links  
To register, contact Wee Links.

August 18, 2021 **Pro Pee Wee Tournament**- Jack Hoeven Wee Links  
To register, contact Wee Links.

For more information, contact Jack Hoeven Wee Links where noted at 701-857-1570.

## MEMBER NEWS

### MINOT WALK TO END ALZHEIMER'S

Held annually in more than 600 communities nationwide, the Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's® is the world's largest fundraiser for Alzheimer's care, support and research. This inspiring event calls on participants of all ages and abilities to join the fight against the disease.

While there is no fee to register for Walk, all participants are encouraged to raise critical funds that allow the Alzheimer's Association to provide 24/7 care and support and advance research toward methods of prevention, treatment and, ultimately, a cure.

The Alzheimer's Association leads the way to end Alzheimer's and all other dementia — by accelerating global research, driving risk reduction and early detection, and maximizing quality care and support. We're walking to support a world without Alzheimer's and all other dementia and we invite you to join us!

**Event Time & Date:**

Start Date/Time: Sat. Sept. 25 at 9 am

End Date/Time: Sat. Sept 25 at 1 pm

**Venue/Location:** Oak Park

**Event Website:** <https://act.alz.org/minot> **Event Cost:** Free!



### WORKFORCE TRAINING FUNDING WITH JOB SERVICE NORTH DAKOTA

Are you looking for employees, but not finding applicants with all the qualifications you desire? In today's market it can be a challenge to find a qualified candidate. Are there any options for employers? Have you ever considered providing On-the-Job Training (OJT)? Job Service North Dakota may be able to assist you with the costs associated with providing OJT through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) program.

Under WIOA, OJT is an option for eligible participants. Meaning, the applicant you are considering hiring must qualify for the program. Employers can be reimbursed up to 50 percent of the hourly wage during the training period which can run from 4 to 26 weeks. The applicant cannot be hired prior to the formal contract between the employer and Job Service being developed, signed and in place. Have questions? Contact Cindy Bitz at 701-857-7546 or by e-mail at [cbitz@nd.gov](mailto:cbitz@nd.gov).

### DR. KURT DATZ JOINS NORTHLAND PACE AS MEDICAL DIRECTOR

Northland PACE is pleased to announce the appointment of Kurt Datz, DO, as Medical Director. Dr. Datz joins us with nearly 20 years of medical experience in hospital and clinic settings, and has held positions as a medical consultant, medical director, and chief hospitalist. We are confident that Dr. Datz will continue to uphold our tradition of outstanding patient care.

In his new role as Medical Director, Dr. Datz is responsible for the basic health care needs of Northland PACE participants by focusing on general wellness and prevention of ailments through assessments and health screenings. He will assist in the implementation and oversight of quality improvement and projects. Dr. Datz will serve as the lead in the design of the medical components for Northland PACE and as a liaison to the medical community on behalf of Northland PACE. As a physician member of the Northland PACE team, he also serves as the consultant and resource to the Northland PACE primary provider team.

Dr. Datz received his Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in Philadelphia, Penn. He completed an internship at The Methodist Hospital in Brooklyn, N.Y., and completed his residency at St. Vincent's Medical Center in New York, N.Y. Dr. Datz is certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine and holds professional memberships with the American Society of Addiction Medicine, Society of Hospital Medicine, and North Dakota Medical Association.



**Dr. Kurt Datz**

## MEMBER NEWS

### NDDOH RECOGNIZES WORLD BREASTFEEDING WEEK AND THE ROLE BUSINESSES PLAY IN SUPPORTING BREASTFEEDING MOMS

During World Breastfeeding Week, August 1 through 7, the North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) is calling on businesses to learn how they can help support an employee's decision to breastfeed.

In 2019, over 80% of North Dakota babies began their lives being breastfed. Breastfeeding has health benefits for both baby and mom, and can protect against many illnesses and infections, meaning fewer absences from work. Unfortunately, research from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) shows breastfeeding rates significantly decrease when mothers return to work, with only about half still breastfeeding after three months.

Returning to work and continuing to breastfeed can be challenging for many mothers, causing them to discontinue breastfeeding. A Kids Count Data report from 2019 indicated mothers of young children represent 76% of North Dakota's workforce, which puts businesses in a unique position to help promote and support breastfeeding.

"Making accommodations for your employees to feel comfortable during this short time in their lives builds trust and loyalty between the employee and company," says Janna Curry, human resources manager for West Acres Development in Fargo.

To ensure a supportive environment for new mothers in her workplace, Curry helped her company become designated as an Infant Friendly Workplace through the NDDoH. This designation is awarded to businesses that adopt breastfeeding support policies allowing new mothers to privately and comfortably pump breastmilk during the workday.

"It's an important way for companies to show they care about their employees' personal lives, especially something as life-changing and exciting as a new baby," says Curry.

The first step toward becoming an Infant Friendly Workplace is to establish your workplace breastfeeding policy. The policy should include guidelines for adequate break time; a clean, private location for milk expression; and resources for clean water and breast milk storage.

To learn more and apply, go to [health.nd.gov/infant-friendly](http://health.nd.gov/infant-friendly), or contact Mikaela Schlosser, Maternal and Child Health Nutritionist, at [mlschlosser@nd.gov](mailto:mlschlosser@nd.gov) or (701) 328-4529.

### NDSU NORTH CENTRAL RESEARCH EXTENSION IN MINOT OPENS NEW SEED CLEANING FACILITY

Adeena Balthazor, KX News

A new facility to help growers sort harvest is now open in the Minot area. On Wednesday, July 21, 2021 a ribbon cutting was held to celebrate more than 10 years of work to open a new seed cleaning building.

Center Director Shana Forster said the facility will be able to clean and separate seeds by size and even by color, essentially removing the unwanted seeds farmers don't want.

"This new facility, our optical sorter, can actually remove those yellow flacks from the brown which is not something you can usually do," Forster said.

Forster said they sell products all over the state and neighboring states and this machine will help produce more products, faster.





## MEMBER NEWS



**JOB SERVICE ND WANTS YOU TO ATTEND  
THEIR MULTI-INDUSTRY INFORMATIONAL  
WALK THROUGH JOB FAIR!  
THIS IS A FREE EVENT!**

- LOCATION:** Minot Park & Recreation Auditorium parking lot  
(off of Burdick Expressway)  
420 3rd Ave SW Minot ND (there will be no parking in the lot)  
Use the North East parking lot or side street parking.
- DATE:** August 19, 2021
- TIME:** 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- WHAT:** Bring company brochures, business cards, application website address, and a list of open positions. Spend up to 5 minutes informing the walk-thru job seekers on why they should want to work for you!

### Registration

(To participate you must be a preferred registered employer with Job Service ND)

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

There will be a table and 2 chairs for each business registered. No electrical hookups or WI-FI. No food or beverages will be provided at this event. Check in at the Job Service table. Set up is 1/2 hr before the event.

Mail or email registration form to: Attn: Cindy Bitz  
Job Service ND  
3416 N Broadway  
Minot ND 58703

Registration must be received Friday, August 13, 2021.

**COVID-19 VACCINATIONS AVAILABLE AT THE JOB SERVICE ND WALK  
THROUGH JOB FAIR**

**VISIT [WWW.NDVAX.ORG](http://WWW.NDVAX.ORG) TO REGISTER**

## MEMBER NEWS

---



### You're Invited to a Virtual Preferred Employer Workshop **Employee Recruitment & Retention**

**When:** August 26, 2021  
**Where:** Virtual Event-Talentspace.io  
**Time:** 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

#### Topics:

- Employee Recruitment process
- Employee Retention

#### Presenter:

Jason Sutheimer, SPHR, SHRM-SCP

Human Resource Director Job Service ND

\*If you are a registered employer with Job Service ND you will receive an instructional email with the link to register for the workshop. If you are not a registered employer with Job Service ND, and would like to attend, you will need to create an employer account.

## NATIONAL NIGHT OUT TO RETURN

The Minot Police Department is excited to announce that after taking a break last year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, National Night Out will be back, on Tuesday August 3rd at 5:30pm – 8:00pm at Roosevelt Park.

In 1984, the National Association of Town Watch started National Night Out, which is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. The first event involved 2.5 million neighbors across 400 communities in 23 states. In its 38 years, National Night Out has grown to include 16,000 communities across the nation, reaching 38 million participants. National Night Out events have been held in 20 North Dakota communities including The City of Minot beginning in 2010.

Admission is free and includes games, food, prizes, educational booths, K9 demonstrations, vehicles and equipment from area law enforcement agencies as well as US Air Force Security Forces. Other area first responders will be on hand with vehicles and equipment including the NorthStar Criticare helicopter.



# It's Magic in Minot!

There's a positive movement going on in Minot. We're rediscovering that our community is full of energy and a spirit for being a better place to live, to visit and to love. We have friendly and helpful faces, big ideas, a can-do attitude and fun things to do everywhere. Get excited again about the Magic City. Join the conversation and share why you think it's #MagicInMinot.



[MAGICINMINOT.COM](http://MAGICINMINOT.COM)



# August 2021 - Chamber EDC Meetings and Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	<b>5</b> <b>Ag Committee</b> 7:30 am North Central Research Extension Center  <b>Military Affairs Committee</b> noon Sleep Inn and Suites	<b>6</b> <b>Ambassadors Committee</b> 7:30 am Burger King  <b>Ribbon Cutting</b> Up Your Axe 2:00 pm 21 East Central Ave Suite 201	<b>7</b> <b>Ribbon Cutting</b> 11:00 am Community Centennial Celebration Roosevelt Park Zoo
8	9	<b>10</b> <b>Eagle Awards Presentation</b> 10:00 am Chamber EDC Office	<b>11</b> <b>Board of Directors</b> 7:30 am Chamber EDC Office	12	<b>13</b> <b>Infrastructure Committee</b> 7:30 am Homesteaders Restaurant	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	<b>25</b> <b>Right Start Presentation</b> 9:50 am Minot Air Force Base	26	27	28
29	30	31				