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A NEWSLETTER FOR EMPLOYEES AND FRIENDS OF MINOT STATE UNIVERSITY





Burr paints murals at MSU

Ryan Burr, an artist and pow-wow dancer, has finished one painted mural in the Minot State University Student Center, and he is working on another.

The subject of his completed work, which is on the wall near the Office of International Programs, is the Blue Mosque in Istanbul, Turkey. Currently, he is working on a second with a native theme on the wall between the entrances of the pool and bookstore. The painting features regional buttes, a sunset sky, prairie grass, a Native American village, buffalo, a beaver hut and a beaver dam. It also includes two portraits: one of an idealized Native American man in his late 20s or early 30s and another of a Native American man in traditional dress. Later, Burr will paint a third mural near the international programs office.

An enrolled member of the Three Affiliated Tribes, Burr began painting professionally in 1988, and he has been creating murals since 2002. The ones at MSU are his first outside of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation. He has done the tribal and tourism logos in the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation's tribal building in New Town, a mural in the Cache restaurant of the 4-Bears Casino, and six murals at the Fort Berthold Community College. At FBCC, he created three with students in classes that he taught, and the college commissioned him to do the others.

He has also displayed his artwork at Indian markets, which feature the work of Native American artists only, pow-wows and art shows.

It's reunion time for the 'Class of 2013'

Minot State University is inviting the "Class of 2013" to reunite Saturday (Feb. 9) during the men's and women's basketball games against Jamestown in the Dome. The women's game begins at 4 p.m., with the men's game following at 6.

The Class of 2013 represents MSU's 100th freshman class during its centennial year, and members played a prominent role in the April 2005 inauguration of President David Fuller.

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'Winter Week 2008: Beavers Don't Hibernate'

Winter carnival at Minot State University this year centers on the theme "Winter Week: Beavers Don't Hibernate." This event officially kicked off last Saturday, but there are still many upcoming activities.

Today (Feb. 6), at 7 p.m., hypnotist Thomas Bresadola will perform in Aleshire Theater.

Corn dogs and fries will be available Thursday in the SGA hallway, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. A Battle of the Unsigned Artist will start at 7 p.m. in the Beaver Dam.

On Friday, hot chocolate, cookies, and popcorn will be served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the SGA hallway. At 5:30 p.m. that night, Winter Week concludes with the Basketball Spirit Night at the MSU Dome.

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Voice: 858-3298 • Fax: 858-4481 linda.benson@minotstateu.edu www.minotstateu.edu/inside/ During the inauguration, about 650 fourth-graders met MSU's new Beaver mascot during its debut and named it "Buckshot." They received a commemorative T-shirt, formed the numbers 2-0-1-3 on the Dome floor and received a photograph documenting their feat.

They will again take the floor during the reunion event, this time forming an "M" for photographs. Games and pizza will be provided.

Now seventh-graders, new T-shirts and reunion invitations are being distributed to them through the schools.

"The event at inauguration was very memorable. My daughter is in the class, and those original T-shirts have been seen time and time again," said Linda Cresap, organizer of the first event. "But now three years later, the shirts are getting a little small. We thought it was time to replace the T-shirts and get the class back together."

Their new shirts will admit members of the Class of 2013 into the games for free. Admission for family members is also free. For more information contact Teresa Loftesnes, marketing director, at 858-3062.

MSU reports spring enrollment

Minot State University is reporting its spring enrollment at 3,323 students compared to 3,386 last year.

A drop in the number of part-time undergraduate students accounts for the largest decrease. Their count fell from 990 to 938.

"The fact that part-time undergraduate students account for 53 of the 63 fewer students is not surprising in light of the healthy economy in our area," MSU President David Fuller said. "It's a recognized axiom that when the employment market is good, people take jobs rather than seek additional education."

Fuller said part-time students are generally less persistent and find it easier to not continue compared to full-time students.

The president said it's positive news that the full-time equivalent (FTE) number shows an even smaller decrease. This spring MSU is reporting an FTE of 2,599 compared to 2,616 last year, a decrease of about one-half percent. The conversion of part-time enrollment into its full-time equivalent is an important indicator of revenue collection. Fuller said the campus had actually been anticipating a 2 percent decline in FTE and budgeting for the resulting reduction in revenue.

Other highlights of MSU spring 2008 enrollment include:

- The number of students from Ward County increased from 1,571 to 1,689, an increase of 7.5 percent.
- The number of full-time graduate students increased from 86 to 130, an increase of 51 percent. Enrollment by international students, not including Canadian, doubled, going from 17 to 34 students.
- Areas that saw slight increases include enrollment by North Dakota residents and enrollment in face-to-face distance education programs.
- Enrollment in online courses was steady.

"Overall there are a lot of bright spots in our enrollment, especially in areas where we have been investing effort and resources," Fuller said.

Enrollment figures were calculated and became official six days later in the term as per a change in State Board of Higher Education policy.

Minot State graduate named Forbes Entrepreneur of the Year



Minot State University graduate Clint Severson '73, was recently named Forbes magazine's Entrepreneur of the Year. Severson was given the award for his overwhelming success with Abaxis, a company that seemed destined for failure, and its

flagship product, the Piccolo.

The Piccolo is a device designed to run a large variety of different blood tests from a relatively small amount of blood taken from a finger or arm. This allows physicians to not only quickly diagnose problems patients may be having, but also cuts back greatly on the cost, machinery, and personnel typically necessary for all the different kinds of blood work usually performed.

However, despite having an innovative and money-saving product, Abaxis was unable to successfully sell or manufacture Piccolo and risked bankruptcy until Severson joined the company. Once he took control, Severson turned it all around by finding cheaper and easier ways of manufacturing the Piccolo, by overcoming a much larger competitor, and by securing numerous buyers for the device.

Abaxis, based in Union City, Calif., was losing \$6 million a year when Severson was hired. Last year, they profited \$11 million off of sales worth \$89 million. This achievement led to Severson being named Forbes Entrepreneur of the Year.

Student activity fee raised

In order to give campus organizations more support and funding, Minot State University approved an increase in student activity fee funding Jan. 31, raising the previous amount of \$255.44 to \$290.94.

Proposals for the increase were submitted earlier this year to the Finance Committee. After receiving the proposals,

the committee discussed and met with some of the groups, with the Student Government Association later voting on them. David Fuller, president of Minot State University, gave final authority for the changes.

Areas receiving increased funding include athletics, Beaver athletic band and MSU men's club hockey. The Student Government Association, Student Activities Committee, Homecoming Committee, and the Student Government Club Funding will also receive additional funding.

The redirection of three current fees to support a new Wellness Center was approved. Those fees are building renovations, Student Union debt retirement, and Gordon B. Olson Library.

The increase is set to go into effect this fall.

MSU helps with North Dakota College Goal Sunday

Personnel from Minot State University will participate in the first North Dakota College Goal Sunday (Feb. 10). They will be available to help students and their families complete and submit college financial aid applications online in the first floor computer lab, Model Hall, 1–3 p.m.

This is a free event for students interested in furthering their education after high school. Many students and their families are unfamiliar with the financial aid application process. College Goal Sunday is designed to get students on the right track toward applying for aid to pay for college.

As an added bonus for participants, all students who complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at North Dakota College Goal Sunday will receive a flash drive. Each location will also give four \$250 scholarships sponsored by Student Loans of North Dakota, one laptop computer and one iPod.

College Goal Sunday was created by the Indiana Student Financial Aid Association with funding from Lilly Endowment Inc. and supplemental support from Lumina Foundation for Education. The North Dakota Association of Student

Financial Aid Administrators received a grant from Lumina Foundation to implement a program in North Dakota. More than 120 local volunteers will be assisting students throughout the state.

Other locations taking part in North Dakota College Goal Sunday are Belcourt, Bismarck, Dickinson, Fort Totten, Fort Yates, Grand Forks and New Town. For specific time and site information, visit www.collegegoalnd.org, call 866-454-3308 or e-mail collegegoal@nd.gov. For specific questions for the Minot site, contact the MSU Office of Financial Aid at 858-3375.

— partially excerpted from Bismarck Tribune

Etiquette dinner to be held

Minot State University Career Services and the Graduate School are sponsoring "a fine points of dining" etiquette dinner Feb. 21 in the Conference Center, 5:30-8 p.m. The event is designed for participants to polish their dining and interviewing etiquette.

The cost is \$10 for students and \$20 for faculty and staff. RSVP and payment are due by Feb. 19 in the Office of Career Services, Student Center, second floor. Seating is limited, and business attire is required. For further information, contact career services at 858-3362 or msujobs@minotstateu.edu.

The economic and ceremonial importance of the star quilt to be explored

Birgit Hans, chair of the University of North Dakota Indian Studies Department, will present "The Star Quilt: Economic and Ceremonial Importance in American Indian Communities," Feb. 25.

Native American women were taught to quilt by missionaries' wives and extension workers as well as teachers in day and boarding schools once they were confined to reservations. While Native American women were familiar with a wealth of quilt patterns, the star quilt with its large central star has emerged as an important symbol on the northern Plains. In fact, since the second part of the twentieth century the star quilt has assumed economic and ceremonial importance in Native American communities. The ability to make star quilts provides women with an income, since star quilts are needed for a number of ceremonial events, such as honorings.

However, the star quilt has not remained static; some women prefer satin to calico, some include pictorial images, and others experiment with the very shape of the star. The history of the star quilt in Native American communities on the northern Plains, its economic and ceremonial importance, and its complex constructions make a unique contribution to both the regional and national histories of quilting.

All lectures are held in Aleshire Theater at 7 p.m. They are free and open to the public, and refreshments are served afterward.

Strohm music scholarship benefits from 'Messiah' performance

The John Strohm Music Scholarship Fund at Minot State University increased by \$4,225 thanks to the Dec. 2 "Messiah" concert.

The Heritage Singers men's chorus, the Voices of Note women's chorus, area high school students, area orchestral musicians and the MSU Concert Choir combined to present Handel's composition. Admission to the event was by

free-will offering with proceeds directed to the scholarship fund. Additional contributions were made by individuals and businesses in support of the annual performance. The Strohm music scholarship now totals \$73,350.

"We believe in supporting music," said Don Andrews, Heritage Singers. "We never realized the event would get this big."



Photo caption: Don Andrews of Heritage Singers (left) and Roberta Johnson of Voices of Note present the "Messiah" proceeds to Marv Semrau, vice president for advancement at MSU.

Symphony celebrates winter's passing at spring concert March 1

The Minot Symphony Orchestra will present Tchaikovsky's First Symphony, which has the subtitle Winter Daydreams; it is just perfect for the procession through the seasons. Penny Simons, piano faculty, will be the featured piano soloist in the virtuoso "Warsaw Concerto," a beautiful work which once heard is never forgotten. The MSO is also looking forward to performing with the Minot Chamber Chorale. Maestro Dennis Simons, professor of music, is the orchestra's conductor.

MSU faculty, staff and students are admitted free with a current ID. Additional tickets for adults are \$15 per concert or \$50 for a season ticket. The price for senior citizens is \$13 single, \$45 season; students 12-18, \$8 single, \$24 season; children, under 12, \$4 single, \$12 season. All concerts are held in the Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, beginning at 7:30 p.m. The last of "Seasons" is the "Pops Concert," April 12.

New faces

Welcome to the following individuals, who are new to Minot State University:

- Amanda Bibow—administrative assistant, College of Business graduate programs
- Pamela Birrenkott—library associate, Gordon B. Olson Library.
- Lisa Ganje—building custodian, plant services.

- David Getzlaff—athletic facilities worker, plant services.
- Jill Hieb—assistant budget and account analyst, business office.
- Noni McLoed—accounts payable, business office.
- Melinda Rudnick—grants and contracts accounting assistant, business office.
- LeRoy Stolt—building custodian, plant services.
- Kristin Wood—student recruiter, Office of Enrollment Services.

Mentor program workshops open to all MSU students

Faculty and staff are encouraged to recommend the mentor program workshops sponsored by career services to all Minot State University students. While the workshops are a product of the MSU Mentor Program, all students are welcome to attend. The remainder of the spring schedule follows:

- Feb. 7—Happy Hour!, Main 106, 12:30-1:20 p.m.
- Feb. 13—**Money ... I'm Lovin' It,** Main 106, 11-11:50 a.m.
- Feb. 20—**How to Boost Your GPA,** Memorial 114, 2-2:50 p.m.
- Feb. 21—**Etiquette Dinner,** Conference Center, 5:30-8 p.m.
- Feb. 26—Resume Magic, Main 106, 12:30-1:20 p.m.
- March 11—Help! There's No Time to Study, Main 106, 1-1:50 p.m.
- March 12—Stop the Insanity ... How to Manage Your Stress, Memorial 114, 3-3:50 p.m.
- March 19—MSU Job Fair, Conference Center, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- March 20—**Healthy Snacks,** Lura Manor (enter through Student Health Center), 1-1:50 p.m.
- March 25—Don't Take Candy from Strangers, Main 106, 1-1:50 p.m.
- March 31—**Job or No Job,** Memorial 114, 3-3:50 p.m.

Descriptions of the workshops are available at (www. minotstateu.edu/mentoring), and questions may be directed to Debra Chandler, student services advisor, at 858-3144 or (debra.chandler@minotstateu.edu). Registration is requested.

Announcements

Post Office moves

The Minot State University Post Office will move to its new location in the Student Center atrium Monday (Feb. 11). On Monday, pick up and drop mail as usual at the old location. The Post Office will be operational in its new location on Tuesday.

— Helen Otto, post office

MSU to host Business After Hours March 4

Minot State University is hosting Business After Hours on March 4, from 5 to 7 p.m. This event, sponsored by the Minot Area Chamber of Commerce, is generally held on a monthly basis and invitations are mailed to its membership list. When MSU hosted this event last year, it was a great success. Consequently, President's Staff decided that it would be a good opportunity to once again showcase our campus for this audience. Attendance of approximately 300 people is expected.

We plan to show off the new Information Center and remodeled Atrium and set up displays throughout the first floor of the Student Center. President Fuller, Teresa Loftesnes, marketing director, and I invite participation from any department/division/student service area that would like to be represented. We will provide a table for display and to hold materials. You are welcome to be as interactive as you would like.

We recognize that this date may not be ideal for all since it occurs during Spring Break, but this business mixer involves alcohol. Therefore, it was decided that the best time to hold it was while classes are not in session.

Please plan to join us for this social. Invitations will be distributed soon to the campus. Please contact Teresa Loftesnes or me by Feb. 26 if your department wishes to participate. Thank you for your consideration.

— Kimberlee Thompson, director of public information

Submit spring events to electronic campus calendar

Please submit your spring events to the Web-based common calendar. Input of information to the common calendar is vital, and now that the electronic calendar has been implemented, those individuals scheduling campus events are responsible for inputting their own information. The Office of Public Information widely distributes the information from the campus calendar both on and off campus through the Inside newsletter. It is also made available weekly to the Minot Daily News. To submit events, you will need to be added as a user by contacting the PIO at 858-3298. Afterward you will log in using your MSU e-mail address for your User-ID and password.

— Kim Thompson, director of public information

MSU Jazz Ensemble performing in Beaver Dam

The MSU Jazz Ensemble will be performing student compositions Thursday in the Beaver Dam, 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. There will be free food and music, so come and enjoy!

I look forward to seeing you there!

— Mark Boren, Coordinator of Brass Studies

MSU foreign faculty and staff gathering planned

Faculty and staff of international origin are invited to a potluck gathering Feb. 8 at 7 p.m. in the Multicultural Center.

The purpose of the gathering (aside from the enjoyment of an eclectic selection of international foods) is to gauge interest in the formation of an international/foreign faculty and staff council and/or association or club. It is suggested that the potluck contributions be a dish eaten in your native country. Family members of international faculty and staff are welcome to attend.

Please RSVP to: ernst.pijning@minotstateu.edu (we don't know who and how many to expect).

— Chris Keller, associate professor and chair of biology

MSU offers condolences to Curtis family

The Minot State University community has been saddened by the death of John Curtis, a retired faculty member in the English department, on Jan. 23. He started his teaching career at MSU in 1964 and retired in 1995. Please join MSU in extending sincere condolences and support to his family during this difficult time.

— Kim Thompson, director of public information

Graduation applications due to registrar's office Friday

Faculty: Graduation applications for spring and summer 2008 are due in the Office of the Registrar this Friday (Feb. 8). Please ensure that all appropriate signatures are present prior to submitting the application to the registrar's office. Early-walk-through cards are also due on Feb. 8.

— Tania L. Balas, registrar

Student speaker nominations for commencement needed

Faculty: Please submit your recommendations for the student speaker at this year's 2008 commencement ceremony. The theme of the ceremony will follow Strategy 2 of Vision 2013: Fostering Engaged Learning and Place for the Benefit of Student.

The deadline for submitting applications will be Feb. 15. Along with the student's name, please list a profile of the student with major, accomplishments, etc., so the commencement committee can make an informed decision. Please let me know if you have any questions.

— Tania L. Balas, registrar

Deadlines for ordering student commencement regalia set

Advisors: If your advisees plan to participate in this spring 2008 commencement ceremony that will take place on May 9 at the MSU Dome, please know that the regalia must be ordered online by March 14 through the Web site found at the following address: http://www1.herffjones.com/college/graduation/index.cfm.

In order to assist graduating students with this ordering process, the Minot State Student Government Association and the Student Ambassadors will be manning the computers outside the Beaver Dam during Winter Week on Thursday and Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be food and activities taking place throughout the week!

If students do not have their regalia order place by March 14, there is no guarantee they will receive their regalia in time for the commencement ceremony.

Honor stoles can be purchased directly from the bookstore for the cost of \$11.50. The bookstore staff will confirm the student has honors prior to selling the student the stole. A silver tassel will no longer be issued for honor graduates; all graduates will wear a black tassel.

— Tania L. Balas, registrar

Faculty and staff regalia must be ordered through the bookstore

Faculty and staff commencement regalia rental orders are due by March 10 to ensure that the regalia are here for the 2008 Commencement. Rental order forms are available at the Minot State University Bookstore. Rental regalia orders must be paid at the time that the order is placed.

— Sandy Foley, MSU Bookstore manager

First aid and CPR training offered

Faculty and staff: First Aid and Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training will be available for interested staff and faculty members during the week of March 3-7. This training is provided by the American Red Cross.

Each first aid training session will be held from 10 a.m. to noon and each CPR training session will be held from 1 to 4:30 p.m. You may sign up for one session of each either on the same day or different days to accommodate your schedule. (If you can sign up for sessions on the same day, this is best.) Go to this link to register: http://www.minotstateu.edu/signup/index.php?event=55.

The training will cover first aid in the context of what to do while waiting for paramedics. The CPR training will cover the use of automatic external defibrillators (AED) and provide certification in the use of CPR techniques.

The cost of the first aid training and CPR certification for adults is covered by MSU. CPR techniques for adults are

different than those for infants. The additional cost of \$10 for infant certification is optional expense for those who desire the certification.

There are only 12 slots available for each training session.

— Wes Matthews, director of human resources

Campus Sustainability Committee seeks campus input

I would like your input on one topic in relation to campus paper use and have an opportunity for those that want to take part:

- I would like to know your short thoughts on how paper use could be reduced campus wide. The comments I get will then be sorted through and posted on our science Web page for all to see. I will remove names to protect the innocent. These comments will then be digested by the Sustainability Committee and used as a starting point for reduction of paper use.
- For those that want to use them, there are recycling containers available that attach to the side of your office wastebasket. These were pulled from use several years ago because they were not being used properly (trash inclusion). If these would make your recycling easier, you can e-mail me, and I can get some delivered to you. Currently the janitorial staff is not under obligation to empty these, so the recycling containers are for those who will take the time to empty them on your own into the big blue building recycling bins.

You may have noticed your big blue building recycling bins had not been emptied for a while last week. This was due to a glitch in when the Minot Vocational Workshop Recycling Center could take our recycling. We hopefully have cleared that up and are back on track. If you have an area that needs a bin, let me know. Brad Brentrup from plant services will be putting out a few more over the next week or so, and we may have a few extra after that.

Please, once again, remind everyone that the bins are for paper only—office paper, magazines, newspapers, junk mail and the like. No pizza boxes! For those so inclined, there is usually a large box in the car shop for recycling cardboard. Utilize this if you would like. Any questions, let me know.

— Guy A. Hanley, chair of the Campus Sustainability Committee

IRB policy regarding research conducted by faculty, staff, and students outlined

I have recently had a question about whether Minot State University's Institutional Review Board needs to approve the research of those who have the approval of an outside entity to conduct human subjects research. In order to clarify our policy, I quote from the IRB policy document:

"All research involving human subjects conducted at Minot State University by faculty, staff, or students at MSU must have IRB review and approval before such research can be initiated. MSU's IRB requires that research protocols approved by IRBs from state, federal, or external funding agencies must also have approval by MSU's IRB before research may be undertaken." (p. 10-11) (This document is online, accessible from the IRB Web site.)

For example, if an employee of MSU is conducting humansubjects research for the purpose of producing a doctoral dissertation from, say, UND, and has the approval of UND's IRB, that person must also have the approval of MSU's IRB.

Please note that Minot State's IRB's intent is not to make things difficult for faculty, staff, or students. Our concern is that the rights of human research subjects be protected. The IRB makes every effort to handle all requests for approval expeditiously.

If you have any questions about this policy, please contact me.

— Margi Coxwell, Ed.D., chair of the Minot State University
Institutional Review Board

Flu cases are up and vaccine is still available

There are 160 confirmed flu cases in North Dakota—up from 90 at this time last year.

It is not too late to get your flu vaccine—call the Student Health Center at 858-3371 to schedule an appointment. The cost is \$25 for faculty and staff.

— Caren Barnett, director of Student Health Center

In the galleries

- Feb. 6-19—"Formed Paper Sculptures," by James W. Coates of Lyndeborough, N.H., Best of Show, Americas 2000 Paper Works, Library Gallery.
- Feb. 6-27—"Americas 2000: Paper Works," national juried exhibition, Elizabeth Dove of Missoula, Mont., juror, Hartnett Hall Gallery.

Calendar Feb. 6-March 16, 2008

February

- 6 SAC: Winter Week 2008, lunch, Student Center, 11 a.m.
- 6 Ash Wednesday observance, labyrinth, Conference Center, 11 a.m.–2 p.m.
- 6 SAC: Winter Week 2008, Hypnotist Thomas Bresadola, Aleshire Theater, 7 p.m.
- 7 SAC: Winter Week 2008, lunch, Student Center, 11 a.m.
- Workshop: Happy Hour!, Main 106, 12:30 p.m.
- 7 Admission to teacher education seminar, Main 106, 3:30 p.m.
- 7 SAC: Winter Week 2008, Battle of the Unsigned Artist, Beaver Dam, 7 p.m.
- 8 SAC: Winter Week 2008, snacks, Student Center, 11 a.m.
- 8 Beaver Boosters luncheon, Sevens Restaurant, noon.
- 8 Spring and summer semester applications for graduation due to Registrar's Office.
- 8 Foreign faculty and staff potluck, Multicultural Center, 7 p.m.
- 8 SAC: Winter Week 2008, basketball spirit night at Dome, 5:30 p.m.
- Women's & Men's Basketball vs. Valley City State U., Dome, 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.
- 9 Women's & Men's Basketball vs. Jamestown College, Dome, 4 and 6 p.m.
- 9 Indoor Track & Field at Bemidji State U.
- 9–10 Men's Club Hockey at North Dakota State U.
- 10 College Goal Sunday, FAFSA online help, first floor computer lab, Model Hall, 1–3 p.m.
- 10 Concert: Luminus Piano Trio, Nelson Hall, 3 p.m.
- National Instructional Materials Accessibility Standard webcast, Memorial 236, 2–3:30 p.m.
- 11 Student Government Association, Westlie Room, 7 p.m.
- 12 Curriculum Committee, Jones Room, 12:30 p.m.
- Wellness hour and blood pressure clinic, second floor Student Center, 2–3 p.m.
- Ward County Spelling Bee, Conference Center.
- Workshop: Money ... I'm Lovin It, Main 106, 11 a.m.
- 13 President's Chat, Beaver Dam, 2–3 p.m.
- SAC: movie, Beaver Dam 3 p.m., Aleshire Theater 9 p.m.
- Faculty Senate, Westlie Room, 3:30 p.m.
- Magic City Jazz Festival Concert, Nelson Hall,7:30 p.m.
- 15 Women's & Men's Basketball at Mayville State U.
- 16 Craft and Create Day sponsored by Club Hockey, Dome, 9 a.m.–8 p.m.
- 16 Indoor Track & Field hosts MSU Open, Dome, noon.

- 16 Faculty recital: Dennis and Penny Simons, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 16 Women's & Men's Basketball at Dakota State U.
- 17 MSU Track & Field Clinic, Dome, noon.
- 17 Concert: Brass Band of Minot, Nelson Hall, 4 p.m.
- 18 Holiday: Presidents Day, university closed.
- 19 Staff Senate, Jones Room, 9 a.m.
- 19 Wellness hour and blood pressure clinic, second floor Student Center, 2–3 p.m.
- 19 Concert: Percussion Ensemble, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- Incomplete grades of "I" from fall semester roll to "F."
- 20 Math Counts competition, Conference Center.
- Workshop: How to Boost Your GPA, Memorial 114, 2 p.m.
- Women's & Men's Basketball vs. Dickinson State U., Dome, 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.
- 21 State Board of Higher Education meeting, Mayville State University.
- 21 Seminar for student teaching fall 2008, Conference Center, 8 a.m.
- 21 Etiquette dinner, sponsored by Career Services, Conference Center, 5:30 p.m.
- 21–24 Theatre: "Brighton Beach Memoirs," Aleshire Theater, Thursday–Saturday 7:30 p.m., Sunday 2 p.m.
- 22 Seminar for student teaching fall 2008, Conference Center, 8 a.m.
- 22–23 Indoor Track & Field DAC Championships, Spearfish, S.D.
- 23 Super Saturday open house for high school students, Conference Center, 1–4 p.m.
- 23 National Federated Gold Cup Music Festival.
- 22-23 Men's Club Hockey at Iowa State U.
- 25 Student Government Association, Westlie Room, 7 p.m.
- 25 NAC lecture: "The Star Quilt: Economic and Ceremonial Importance in American Indian Communities" by Birgit Hans, UND Indian Studies, N.D. Humanities Council Remele Fellow, Aleshire Theater, 7 p.m.
- 25-March 25 NAC exhibit: "Customized," ceramics by Jim Bailey, Minot, Olson Library Gallery.
- Workshop: Résumé Magic, Main 106, 12:30 p.m.
- Wellness hour and blood pressure clinic, second floor Student Center, 2–3 p.m.
- 27 University Cabinet, Westlie Room, 9 a.m.
- SAC: movie, Beaver Dam 3 p.m., Aleshire Theater 9 p.m.
- 27 Brown Bag Book Talk: Michael Loy, communication arts, on "The Dog Says How" by Kevin Kling, Olson Library, noon.
- 27-28 First eight-week classes: final exams.

- President's Chat, Beaver Dam, 10–11 a.m.
- Faculty Senate, Westlie Room, 3:30 p.m.
- 28–March 1 N.D. Class B Girls Basketball Tournament, Dome.
- 29 Concert: MSU Band and Choirs Concert, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.

March

- 1 Minot Symphony Orchestra and Minot Chamber Chorale: "Winter Daydreams," Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 2–7 Golf at Phoenix, Ariz.
- 2–7 Softball at Tucson, Ariz.
- 2–8 Baseball at Cocoa Beach, Fla.
- 3-4&6 Region 6 Boys Basketball Tournament, Dome.
- 3–7 Spring Break.
- 3–7 First Aid/CPR Training for staff and faculty, Conference Center, 10 a.m.–4:30 p.m.
- 4 Minot Area Chamber of Commerce "Business After Hours," Student Center, 5–7 p.m.
- 9 Concert: Karen Atwood, piano, and Tara Wiley, violin, Nelson Hall, 3 p.m.
- NAC: public reception for MSU art faculty biennial show, Hartnett Hall Gallery, 6:30–8 p.m.
- 10-April 2 NAC exhibit: MSU art faculty biennial show, Hartnett Hall Gallery.
- 11 Clubs and Student Organizations meeting, Jones Room, noon.
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- 11 Wellness hour and blood pressure clinic, second floor Student Center, 2–3 p.m.
- Workshop: Stop the Insanity ... How to Manage Your Stress, Memorial 114, 3 p.m.
- SAC: movie, Beaver Dam 3 p.m., Aleshire Theater 9 p.m.
- 13 Brown Bag Book Talk: ShaunAnne Tangney, English, will give talk titled "Chick Lit: the Genre We Love to Hate," Olson Library, noon.
- 13–15 Theatre: "21-A," solo performance by Matt Murphy, Black Box Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
- 14 16-week classes: last day to drop a 16-week class.
- 14 Deadline for ordering graduation regalia.
- 14 Graduate School: last day to file permit to take written comprehensive exam in Graduate School Office by noon.
- 15-16 Baseball at Rapid City, S.D.
- 16 International Artist Series: Angela Jia Kim, pianist, Nelson Hall, 3 p.m.

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