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#### A NEWSLETTER FOR EMPLOYEES AND FRIENDS OF MINOT STATE UNIVERSITY

### **MSU College of Arts and Sciences dean**



Conrad Davidson, Ph.D., has been named dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Minot State University, according to Gary Rabe, vice president for academic affairs. Davidson, a professor of communication arts, has been serving as interim dean for the College of Arts and Sciences since August 15. He will begin his new appointment July 1, 2008.

"The College of Arts and Sciences dean search committee needs to be commended for reviewing the credentials and interviewing several qualified candidates. At the end of the search process, it

was clear that we had the best candidate already on campus," said Rabe. "Conrad has the advantage of knowing the history of Minot State University as well as understanding how the College of Arts and Sciences will play a significant role in helping Minot State University achieve Vision 2013. I am delighted to have Conrad serve as a member of my administrative team."

"Everyone on campus — staff, faculty, and administration — plays a part in supporting students and faculty as they engage in scholarship, teaching and lifelong learning. I value everyone's place in that process," said Davidson. "After 22 years on the campus, I look forward to serving Minot State University in a new capacity in support of that mission." Davidson joined MSU in 1986 after teaching at the secondary level for 10 years. He was chair of the Division of Humanities from 1997 to 2006.

Davidson earned a doctoral degree in English from the University of North Dakota, a master's degree in theatre from North Dakota State University and a bachelors degree in theatre from Dickinson State University. He received the 2007 Board of Regents Faculty Achievement Award in service.

Three finalists, including Davidson, interviewed at MSU during late March. JoAnn Linrud, dean of the College of Business, was chair of the search committee.

#### Five at Minot State earn achievement awards

Three faculty members and two staff members received MSU Board of Regents Achievement Awards during Minot State University's Annual Employee Appreciation Banquet March 27. The awards and their recipients are:



Service—Bethany Andreasen, a faculty member in the Division of Social Science since 1991, is a respected teacher and scholar, who has served Minot State University and the community in an exemplary manner. She has twice been the MSU Faculty Senate president, was the faculty representative to the State Board of Higher Education at the time that the Roundtable on Higher Education was established, and has served on numerous committees where she advocates the faculty position with integrity. Andreasen was

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# Symphony ends season with pops perennial

The Minot Symphony Orchestra's 2007-2008 season wraps up Saturday evening (April 12). The Spring Pops Concert is traditionally a brassy affair, and this season is no exception. This is the perennial popular pops concert, and it will begin at 7:30 p.m. in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall. 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. The price for senior citizens is \$13; students 12-18, \$8; children, under 12, \$4 single.

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Publication Date: Wednesday, April 23 Submissions Due: noon April 16 Student Center 309 Voice: 858-3298 • Fax: 858-4481 linda.benson@minotstateu.edu www.minotstateu.edu/inside/ the coordinator of the history department for many years and continues to oversee history service learning projects. These public history projects have allowed students to conduct research that contributes significantly to the history and culture of Minot. Examples of projects include downtown Minot, Eastwood Park and the university's upcoming centennial in 2013. Andreasen was instrumental in writing grant proposals for two successful and prestigious National Endowment for the Humanities summer institutes, of which she was the executive director. Her organizational skills, cooperation with colleagues, involvement of students, and her personal involvement with the community make her an outstanding choice for the excellence in service award.

Teaching—Bill Harbot, a faculty member in graphic arts since 1996, is an innovative and engaging teacher. Every project



he assigns to students is designed to be instructive but also fun and possess a unique twist. It is hard for students not to be engaged when they are being intrigued. Harbort exemplifies Minot State University's core value of "Students First." His advice and assistance entails more than just design and degree advising.

Often a bit of advice or just a sympathetic ear goes a long way, and Harbort is always available. His accessibility has been a key factor in the considerable growth that the graphic arts program has experienced over the years. Harbort has brought several guest artists to the university to speak to students and community members. Initially these speakers were individuals that he knew from his employment as a professional in graphic design. In recent years, Harbort has asked former students to speak. In a sense the network he has nurtured grows with each graduating graphic design student and has additional value in helping students find internships and jobs after college.

Teaching—Jerry Stai, a faculty member in the Department of Accounting and Finance, joined Minot State University in



1999. He teaches finance, a discipline that many students find difficult; however, student course evaluations consistently rank his teaching very high. He has a passion for teaching, and his students respect his commitment to facilitating learning for all students. In addition to transferring knowledge, Stai is very

focused on engaging students in the application of that knowledge. His previous professional activities and current business consulting give him perspective and experiences that supplement textbook information. Desiring to grow intellectually so he can give more to his students, Stai is pursuing certification as a chartered financial analyst. He has played an integral role in shaping the finance program. As the internship coordinator for the program, Stai works directly with students to create professional learning experiences. Jennifer Sick began her employment at Minot State University in August 2003 as a part-time scheduling coordinator



in the records office. At the time, she was a full-time student finishing her bachelor's degree in elementary education and special education; she graduated in December 2005. In February 2006 Sick's full-time position of associate registrar was created. She is responsible for maintaining the undergraduate catalog and term and room

schedules and assists in providing data to various individuals on campus. In the past year Sick has worked to streamline processes with online forms and has provided CampusConnection and policy training to students, faculty and staff. Further demonstrating her professionalism and customer-orientation, Sick has developed training materials and instructional quick guides to make utilization of CampusConnection easier for students, faculty and staff. In addition, she is a full-time student pursuing a master's degree in special education.

As the president's executive assistant, Deb Wentz keeps President David Fuller on track and in the process, does the



same for the rest of the Minot State campus. She interacts every day with students, faculty, administrators, staff and community members and treats each in a respectful manner. Wentz started at MSU in November 2004 after working for over 20 years in the financial industry. She demonstrates MSU's core values by her

devotion to the qualities of academic excellence and engagement that the campus has defined for student success. Her role in the Office of the President and participation in campus activities reveals her personal commitment to Vision 2013 and the quality of the students' experiences at Minot State. Wentz understands and practices Minot State's beliefs about engagement and excellence in service. She consistently projects a professional personal image and represents a positive image of MSU. Within the community, Wentz serves on United Way's board of directors and works tirelessly to support its activities.

# Nursing department releases results of two tobacco studies

The Department of Nursing at Minot State University recently shared the results of two new tobacco studies. One looked at the impact of North Dakota's smoke-free law on sales in restaurants and bars, and the second indicated how well businesses are complying with the smoke-free law, according to Kelly Buettner-Schmidt, department chair. Both studies were commissioned by the N.D. Department of Health Division of Tobacco Prevention and Control.

Beginning August 1, 2005, state law required most public places and workplaces to be smoke free with some exemptions.

The first study, authored by Buettner-Schmidt, reviewed taxable sales from 2003 through the third quarter of 2006 for the retail trade sector and for the food services and drinking places subsector. Major findings indicated that sales continued to increase after the smoke-free law was implemented.

"Previous studies done in cities and states that have enacted smoke-free laws have consistently shown that either there is no impact on sales in restaurants and bars or sales have gone up," said Buettner-Schmidt. "This study indicates that North Dakota is following this positive trend."

Findings from the second study, the compliance survey showed that overall compliance with the law is high. However, compliance rates were lower in co-located establishments – those located inside or connected to another business. Noncompliance included permitting smoking in areas required to be smoke free; not separately enclosing bars located inside another business, and not keeping doors of co-located establishments closed. The authors said that the high level of compliance with the current law suggests that establishing smoke-free laws to reduce exposure to secondhand smoke would be an effective method to reduce such exposure.

Co-authors of the compliance study with Buettner-Schmidt are Kathleen Mangskau and Clint Boots. Boots is employed by the tobacco prevention and control division and Mangskau was employed there during the time of the study.

Given that the U.S. Surgeon General warns that secondhand smoke causes early death and illness for those who do not smoke and that there is no risk-free level of exposure, the authors recommend that health care advocates and policy makers continue working toward establishing smoke-free environments in all public and employment places so all workers and patrons are protected.

## HLC team visit was successful

A Higher Learning Commission evaluation team visited Minot State University March 31-April 2. The HLC team chair reported that the team's recommendation was that MSU had met all five criteria for 10-year re-accreditation. While the team's recommendations are preliminary and will not be formalized by the commission for about six months, the initial recommendation was very positive.

# Women's Heritage Month activities wrapping up

Today Women's Heritage Month activities will conclude with a presentation titled "Women and Hinduism," by J.A. Joshi, an alumna of the University of Wales, Cardiff. Her first presentation will be during a luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the YWCA, 1020 North Broadway. At 4 p.m., she will speak in the Gordon B. Olson Library Media Center. An art collection titled "Celebrating Women Artists: Selections from the MSU Collection" will be displayed in the lower level of the library through April 10. Curators are Michelle Borkhuis, Linda Olson, Erin Twomey, Mary Wager, and the MSU art department. Books related to Women's Heritage are also on display in the library.

As part of Women's Heritage Month, a poster contest was held April 3. The winners of the poster contest were: Dianne Walbeck, an English major from Minot, first place with her poster "Rosie the Riveter: The Women Behind the Myth;" Maggie Backen, a history and social science education major from Minot, second place for "Women of the Mexican Revolution;" and Jennifer Bloomberg, a history major from Minot Air Force Base, third place for "Nancy Drew." Walbeck also won the People's Choice Award. The YWCA provided cash prizes for the contestants. Twenty-two students submitted sixteen posters for the contest this year.

#### Poster session invite

Minot State University faculty members will share their research and scholarship activities, particularly that which has occurred in collaboration with students, at the 2008 Research Poster Session. The session will take place Friday (April 11) in the Student Center atrium area, noon-2 p.m. The campus and community are invited to attend.

### Assessment Day slated for April 15

April 15, 2008 is Assessment Day at Minot State University. The schedule for Assessment Day with speaker Jillian Kinzie assistant director of the NSSE Institute for Effective Educational Practice and project manager of the Documenting Effective Educational Practices (DEEP) initiative, is as follows:

- 8–8:30 a.m.—Continental breakfast
- 8:30-10 a.m.—Plenary session
- 10–10:15 a.m.—Break
- 10:15–11:45 a.m.—Our common goals: focus on first year, issues of engagement in departments and courses
- Noon–1:20 p.m.—Lunch with all members of Foundations of Excellence Committees
- 1:30–2:20 p.m.—Student Government Association, student clubs and all students
- 2:30–3:30 p.m.—General Education Committee and all faculty teaching general education courses

Detailed information about the schedule, locations and reading materials are available in the public information campus announcements archives:

http://www.minotstateu.edu/newsletter/archive.php in the April 4 Public Information Announcements. For any questions, contact Rita Curl-Langager at 858-3585 or <u>rita.curl-langager@</u> <u>minotstateu.edu</u>.

# MSU to host Trinidad musician

The Minot State University Division of Music will host guest percussionist Harold Headley from the University of the West Indies, an accomplished steel pannist and tabla player, April 14-20.

Headley will work with MSU music students and the MSU Percussion Ensemble, and he will be the featured soloist on the Percussion Ensemble Spring Concert on April 20, at 3 p.m. in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall.

Headley will present a master class on the music of Trinidad and Tobago in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, April 17, 1 p.m. On April 18, Headley and the MSU Percussion Ensemble will perform at an informal "Caribbean Sounds Jam Session" in the Student Center Beaver Dam from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

"Headley is visiting MSU to observe classes and learn more about the MSU music division for potential future student exchanges," said MSU percussion instructor Avis Veikley. Last year two MSU faculty, Johnny Coomansingh and Ron Royer, along with Libby Claerbout, director of international programs, traveled to the University of the West Indies in Trinidad on a similar fact-finding visit.

Headley's visit is sponsored through the Janet Wentz Memorial Endowment, the MSU Student Government Association, MSU Division of Music and the MSU Office of International Programs.

All events are free and open to the public.

## MSU students on 'Who's Who' list

Seventeen juniors and seniors from Minot State University have been selected for inclusion in the 2008 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges." A campus nomination committee and editors of the annual directory chose the MSU students based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

Listed alphabetically by last name, they are: Aileen Aldrich, biology and chemistry, Minot; Kristen Allan, music education, Minot; George Anderson, finance, Leeds; Vanessa Anderson, sociology and German, Buchanan; Susan Brooks, English, Minot; Lucas Brown, music education, Minot; Kaley (Schumaker) Chick, elementary education, Minot; Robin Deutsch, business education, Watford City; Rebecca Holler, music education, Drake; Amber Jensen, broadcasting, Kenmare; Jordan King, physical education; Minot; Kayla Mitchell, accounting, Portage la Prairie, Manitoba; Joshua Moen, music education, Nekoma; Erin Morrison, marketing and management, Bozeman, Mont.; Donna Randash, music education, Minot; Troy Roness, physical education, Crosby; Courtney Wankel, broadcasting, Luseland, Saskatchewan.

"Who's Who" recipients will be honored at a luncheon April 16 at noon in the MSU Conference Center, third floor of the Student Center. For more information about the luncheon or to make a reservation, contact the Office of Student Affairs at 858-3299 or 1-800-777-0750, ext. 3299.

# MSU Walking Club kicks off April 16

The MSU Walking Club is going to get moving on April 16 and join the American Heart Association National Start! Walking Day. Heart disease is the Number 1 killer in the United States. And physical inactivity doubles the risk of heart disease. Start walking at work and start reducing your risk. Please join the kick-off of the walking club at 2:30 p.m. in front of Old Main for a walk around the campus. For more information, call Paul Brekke, Fitness Center, 858-3485 or Caren Barnett, Student Health Center, 858-3371.

# Retirement social slated for April 17

The annual retirement social will be April 17 in the Conference Center, 2-4 p.m. This year two Minot State University employees, who have recently retired or will retire at the end of this semester, will be honored. The honorees are George Clark, Gordon B. Olson Library, Bonnie Farhart, Department of Nursing, and Sandra Star, Division of Music.

Faculty, staff, and other MSU retirees in the Minot area are invited to attend. The formal welcome will be at 2:30 p.m. and refreshments will be served. For additional information, contact Wes Matthews at 858-3352 or 1-800-777-0750, ext. 3352.

#### Be in the Know continues on tour

Be in the Know on Tour highlights faculty and student research, unique demonstrations, student organizations and field trips and other academic experiences. One stop remains on the Be in the Know on Tour.

The final stop of the tour will be the Department of Communication Disorders on April 24, 12:30-1:30 p.m. This department is on the first floor of Memorial Hall, west side. The communication disorders program is recognized as one of the top programs with the best clinical facility in the nation. Take part in this tour to view the high-tech labs and clinics used by students and faculty. You need to leave the hallways of Memorial Hall to see how CD majors are engaged in their learning process and why they are sought after before graduation. Refreshments will be served.

## Last French film to be shown Friday

The French-American Cultural Exchange and the Cultural Services of the French Embassy in cooperation with Minot State University's Department of Foreign Languages, Minot State University College of Arts and Sciences and the Northwest Art Center are presenting the Tournées Festival French films on campus. The last film, which is in French with English subtitles, will be "Stupeur et Tremblements" or "Fear and Trembling" on Friday (April 11) in Aleshire Theater, 8 p.m.

This film is free and open to the public. For additional information, contact Amina Escalera at 858-4335 or amina.escalera@minotstateu.edu.

### Announcements

#### Summer work study requests due tomorrow

This is a reminder that requests for summer work study are due in by tomorrow (April 10). To be considered for summer work study, a student must:

- Have a 2008-2009 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) processed by March 15 for the upcoming year.
- Have completed verification (if necessary).
- Have eligibility for work study.
- Be enrolled in at least one credit for summer term (new for 2008).
- Have completed a summer financial aid application (available after April 1 at the financial aid office).
- Be enrolled full-time for fall.

If you have student workers who will be working during summer term, please visit with them regarding these criteria.

Please send me a list of the students who are interested in summer work study by tomorrow. Due to time constraints in awarding summer financial aid, no requests will be considered after tomorrow.

Also, please send me the names of any work study students you will have returning to your department in the fall. Please let me know if you have questions. Thanks for your help!

— Merri Jo Connole, financial aid counselor

#### **Education Job Fair slated for Friday**

Faculty, staff and students: Please notify any education candidates about the North Dakota Education Connection, an education job fair, to be held Friday (April 11) in the multipurpose gym in the Hyslop Sports Center on the University of North Dakota campus in Grand Forks.

This fair is sponsored by all the North Dakota universities and colleges that prepare teachers. Consequently, this event can attract a wide variety of school districts. Last year 89 representatives from 49 school districts and 18 different states attended the fair.

Register or get more information at career services, second floor of the Student Center or call 858-3362. A \$15 registration fee will be charged at the door. View attending employers at: http://www.ndedfair.nodak.edu.

— Lynda Bertsch, director of career services

# First-year students are looking for their advisors

Enrollment services, in connection with the Foundations of Excellence Transition Dimension Committee, has decided to engage first-year students in meeting their advisors. These students received correspondence directing them to get their advisor's signature and the department stamp on this letter. They must return the signed letter to the enrollment services office by April 14 to receive a coupon for a free smoothie to be used at the Tiki/Smoothie Bar.

Please be on the lookout for these first-year students. If you have any questions, contact Rebecca Porter at <u>rebecca.porter@</u><u>minotstateu.edu</u>.

— Lynda Opp, enrollment services

#### Dru Sjodin's mother to speak at Central Campus April 24

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month and Child Abuse Prevention Month. Linda Walker, mother of Dru Sjodin, will speak at Minot High School's Central Campus auditorium on April 24, 7 p.m. She will address important legislation on violence against women and children along with Dru's story.

Walker's appearance is sponsored by the Minot Air Force Base Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program, Family Advocacy Program, Domestic Violence Crisis Center and the YWCA.

— Caren Barnett, director of Student Health Center

#### Library now has vending machines

The Gordon B. Olson Library is happy to announce the addition of vending machines which are available to all library patrons. The machines are located in the hallway next to the Computer Lab in the lower level of the library. Students, faculty and staff may now enjoy cold beverages while studying, researching or using the computer lab. Enjoy!

— Sheila Collins, director of the Gordon B. Olson Library

#### CampusConnection upgrade announced

Attention all faculty, staff, and students! This June, our PeopleSoft CampusConnection system will undergo a required upgrade to a new version. The impacts of this upgrade to you should be minimal and the information you use in the current system will be retained and transferred to the updated version. In fact, you will see some improvements in the look and feel of the system and in some cases you may notice improvements in how you step through a particular function/feature.

The project team, consisting of many technical, functional, and campus staff, has worked on the upgrade for several months and asks that you please review the following important information:

- The current CampusConnection production system will be unavailable from June 13 at about 6 p.m. CDT through most of June 18 while the final upgrade steps are performed.
- Although the production system will be unavailable during that time, faculty and staff will still be able to inquire and look up information in a copy of the system.
- In late April through June, instructional materials and open house informational sessions will be provided; however, please note that the team anticipates that minimal instruction will be required.

• To find out more about the upgrade, please attend the CampusConnection upgrade IVN meeting on April 21, 4-4:30 p.m. CDT; this is an open IVN meeting available to any interested faculty, staff and students (the exact rooms will be communicated soon).

Thank you and if you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Kunz, the project manager, at: jennifer.kunz@ndus. nodak.edu or 701-777-0766.

— Jonelle Watson, controller

# News from Minot State University-Bottineau

# Minot State University-Bottineau provided the following update:

- The MSU-Bottineau Lumberjack hockey team captured its sixth National Championship in Canton, N.Y., on March 2. They defeated North Country Community College 8-1 in the semifinals, and overcame Monroe Community College 6-1 in the championship game. Three Lumberjacks were named to the All-Tournament team, and Tyson Friesen was the tournament MVP. Coach Travis Rybchinski was selected as coach of the year. (Lumberjack Hockey History: National Champions: 2008, 2007, 2003, 1998, 1991, 1986; National Runner-Ups: 1976, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1992, 1993, 1995, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2004)
- A search committee for an advertising/marketing instructor is reviewing applications and selecting candidates for interviews. Another search committee will be formed within the month to select a new head librarian. The library position will become vacant at the end of the calendar year.
- MSU-Bottineau's Registration Rally will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. on April 3. This event is a retention effort that was initiated in the spring of 2007. Last year it was a success in that significantly more students registered for fall than had done so in previous spring registration sessions. The rally incorporates student extracurricular activities and door prizes into the process and is held in an arena type environment.
- Several faculty members will participate in the "Great Teachers Seminar" in Medora in May. The seminar is not so much a gathering of teachers who are already great, as it is a group of dedicated educators in search of the great teacher within themselves.
- The college has applied for a Recreational Trail Program Grant to fund a walking trail or path through the campus. The trail will focus on native North Dakota plants, grasses and wildlife including individual stations that describe each feature's role in the environmental history of the state.

- The MSU-Bottineau horticulture and forestry departments are working with the City Council on a signage/beautification project for Highway 5 and Main Street. The landscape design will promote the horticulture and forestry programs to tourists and others as they travel through our community.
- A committee of faculty, staff and students is working on developing a new logo for the college's athletic teams. A logo contest will be advertised soon and it will be open to anyone interested.

# In the galleries

April 9-May 1— Juried student art show, Hartnett Hall Gallery. April 9-28— "Wheelin' & Dealin'" by Yvonn Quijano,

Dickinson, Olson Library Gallery.

#### Calendar April 9-May 22, 2008

#### April

- 9 Baseball vs. Dickinson State U., Corbett Field,
  2 and 5 p.m.
  9 President's Chat, Beaver Dam, 9–10 a.m.
- 9 Women's Heritage Month lunch and presentation:
   "Women and Hinduism," J.A. Joshi, alumna of U. of
   Wales, Cardiff, YWCA (1020 N. Broadway), 11:30 a.m.
- 9 Math track meet, grades 11–12, Dome, 12:30 p.m.
- Women's Heritage Month presentation: "Women and Hinduism," J.A. Joshi, Media Center, Olson Library, 4 p.m.
- Beaver Boosters Spring Party, Grand International Inn,6 p.m.
- 9 NAC: public reception for juried student art show with juror Yvonn Quijano, Hartnett Hall Gallery, 6:30–8 p.m.
- 9 SAC: movie, Beaver Dam 3 p.m., Aleshire Theater 9 p.m.
- 9-May 1 NAC exhibit: Juried student art show, Hartnett Hall Gallery.
- 10 President's Staff Retreat, President's Office.
- 10 Professional Aspirations Seminar "Ethics: At the Crossroads," Aleshire Theater, 8:30–11 a.m.
- 10 SAC: Everyday Jones, Beaver Dam, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.
- 10 Admission to teacher education seminar, Main 106, 12:30 p.m.
- 10 Webinar: Autism Identification, Memorial 236, 2–4 p.m.
- 10 Application to student teach Spring 2009 available, Main 202.
- 11 MSU Brass Festival, Nelson Hall, all day.
- 11 Outdoor Track & Field at Dickinson State U.
- 11 French film festival: "Fear and Trembling," Aleshire Theater, 7:30 p.m.

- 12 Speech Meet: Region 8 Class B meet, Hartnett Hall.
- 12 Minot Symphony Orchestra: "Pops!" Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 12-13 Baseball at Valley City State U.
- 12-13 Softball at Valley City State U.
- 13 Outdoor Track & Field at University of Mary.
- 13 Concert: Brass Band of Minot, Nelson Hall, 4 p.m.
- 13-14 Golf at Rapid City, S.D.
- SAC: Johnny Holm Band, N.D. State Fair Grounds,9 p.m.
- 14-18 Registration for summer and fall 2008 semesters by currently enrolled students.
- 15 Assessment Day.
- 15 Science open house hosted by MSU Science Club, Biology Club and AUGITE, Cyril Moore Science Center, 8:30 a.m.–3 p.m.
- 15 Staff Senate, Jones Room, 9 a.m.
- Blood pressure clinic, second floor Student Center, 2–3 p.m.
- 16 University Cabinet, Westlie Room, 9 a.m.
- 16 Who's Who recognition luncheon, Conference Center, noon.
- 16 Math track meet, grades 9–10, Dome, 12:30 p.m.
- Softball vs. Valley City State U., South Hill Complex,2 and 4 p.m.
- 16 Kick-off of MSU Walking Club, front of Old Main, 2:30 p.m.
- 16 SAC: Coffee Shop Night, Beaver Dam, 7 p.m.
- 17 Second eight-week classes: last day to drop a second eight-week class.
- Master class on the music of Trinidad and Tobago by Harold Headley, U. of the West Indies, Nelson Hall, 1 p.m.
- Annual Retirement Social, Conference Center, 2–3:30 p.m.
- 17 Dedication of the Sister Mabel Meng Conference Room, Memorial Hall third floor, 2–4 p.m.
- 17 Golf at Bismarck.
- 17 Concert: Chamber music by Lynne Rumney, Dianna Anderson and Julianne Boren, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 18 MSU Brass Festival, Nelson Hall.
- 18 Webinar: Using Learning Objects in Web-based Training, 9:30 a.m.
- 18 "Caribbean Sounds Jam Session," performed by MSU Percussion Ensemble and Harold Headley, U. of the West Indies, Beaver Dam, 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- 19 Outdoor Track & Field host Minot State Open, Herb Parker Stadium, noon.
- 19 Baseball at Jamestown College.
- 19 Softball at Jamestown College.
- Senior recital: Olga Dvornikova, violin, Nelson Hall,
   7:30 p.m.
- 20 Baseball vs. Jamestown College, Corbett Field, 1 and 4 p.m.

- 20 Softball vs. Jamestown College, South Hill Complex, 1 and 3 p.m.
- 20 Concert: Percussion Ensemble, Nelson Hall, 3 p.m.
- 20 Faculty recital: "Luminus" and DeVera Bowles, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 20-21 Golf at Spearfish, S.D.
- 20-21 Outdoor Track & Field DAC Multi-events Championships, Dickinson.
- 21 Senior Send-off & Student Appreciation, Quad, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.
- 21 SAC: Dan Lornitis, comedy hypnotist, Conference Center, 9 p.m.
- 21 Student Government Association, Westlie Room, 7 p.m.
- 21 Concert: String Ensemble, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 22 Development Foundation, Westlie Room, 7:30 a.m.
- Blood pressure clinic, second floor Student Center,2–3 p.m.
- 22 International Artist Series: "On Broadway!" Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 23 Math track meet, grades 7–8, Dome, 12:30 p.m.
- 23 Softball at Mayville State U.
- 23-25 N.D. Association of Community Facilities conference, coordinated by NDCPD, Fargo, N.D.
- 24 Be in the Know on Tour: Communication Disorders Department, 12:30–1:30 p.m.
- 24 Softball at Dakota State U.
- 24-27 Theatre: "I Hate Hamlet," Aleshire Theater, Thursday–Saturday 7:30 p.m., Sunday 2 p.m.
- 25 MSU Board of Regents, Conference Center.
- 25-26 CONNECT: orientation and registration by invitation, call 858-3350, Nelson Hall.
- 25-26 Institute of Dance and Ballet Theatre, "Overture of the Fairies" and "A Midsummer Night's Dream, Nelson Hall, 7 p.m.
- 26 Outdoor Track & Field at Jamestown College.
- 26 Softball at Dickinson State U.
- 26 Baseball at Dickinson State U.
- 27 Softball vs. Dickinson State U., South Hill Complex, 1 and 3 p.m.
- 27 Baseball vs. Dickinson State U., Corbett Field, 1 and 4 p.m.
- 27 Senior recital: Rebecca Holler, Nelson Hall, 3 p.m.
- 28 Western Plains Children's Choir, Nelson Hall, 7 p.m.
- NAC lecture: "To Keep the Schools Filled with Indian Pupils: Reservations and Education" by Carole Barrett, U. of Mary, Aleshire Theater, 7 p.m.
- Blood pressure clinic, second floor Student Center,
   2–3 p.m.
- 29 Concert: Concert Band, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 30 SAC: movie, Beaver Dam 3 p.m., Aleshire Theater 9 p.m.
- Senior Recital: Olga Dvornikova, piano, Nelson Hall,
   7:30 p.m.



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#### May

- 1 Admission to teacher education seminar, Main 214, 12:30 p.m.
- 1 Faculty Senate, Westlie Room, 3:30 p.m.
- 1 NAC: public reception for senior art show by Tara Bulow and Erin Twomey, Library Gallery, 6:30–8 p.m.
- 1 NAC lecture: "Moudawana: The Moroccan Family Code" by Amina Escalera, foreign language, Aleshire Theater, 7 p.m.
- 1 Concert: MSU Choirs, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 1-3 Baseball DAC Tournament, Valley City, N.D.
- 1-28 NAC exhibit: "On the Tree," senior show by Tara Bulow, and "Within These Walls: Objects and Architecture," senior show by Erin Twomey, Library Gallery.
- 2 Outdoor Track & Field DAC Championship, Jamestown College.

- 2 Senior recital: Evan Meiers, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 2-3 Softball DAC Tournament, Jamestown, N.D.
- 3 N.D. Class B Music Festival.
- 5 Student Government Association, Westlie Room, 7 p.m.
- 5-8 16-week classes: final exams.
- 7-8 Second eight-week classes: final exams.
- 7 NAC: public reception for "One Voice, One Message," senior art show by Michele Borkhuis, Melissa Ditalo and Mary Wagenr, Hartnett Hall Gallery, 6:30–8 p.m.
- 7-June 11 NAC exhibit, "One Voice, One Message," senior show by Michele Borkhuis, Melissa Ditalo and Mary Wagner, Hartnett Hall Gallery.
- 9 MSU Commencement, Dome, 10 a.m.
- 11 Outdoor Track & Field Last Chance Meet.
- 11-26 China Study Tour.
- 20 Staff Senate, Jones Room, 9 a.m.
- 22 Old Main Society recognition, Conference Center, 5:30–9 p.m.

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