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A NEWSLETTER FOR EMPLOYEES AND FRIENDS OF MINOT STATE UNIVERSITY

MSU hosting 'Energy Independence and Security' as part of Western North Dakota Energy Impact Symposia series

Minot State University will host "Energy Independence and Security," the first in a four-part series, March 14-16. MSU and Dickinson State University are sponsoring the Western North Dakota Energy Impact Symposia in cooperation with the Great Plains Energy Corridor. A U.S. Department of Energy grant funds these symposia.

"This symposium is very important because it will draw a range of experts, enabling us to gain a big-picture as well as a local perspective on the impact of energy in North Dakota," said JoAnn Linrud, dean of the College of Business. "And, it's a great way for students in our Bachelor of Science in energy economics and finance program and other students to network with experts first-hand."

On March 14, in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall at 7 p.m., David Fuller, president of Minot State University, will introduce the first keynote speaker, Barry Asmus, senior economist for the National Center for Policy Analysis. Asmus will discuss "Energy

Independence and Security." Both the presentation and a reception to follow are free and open to the public.

On March 15, U.S. Senator Byron Dorgan will give opening remarks. General Charles Wald, director and senior advisor to the aerospace and defense industry practice for Deloitte LLP, will present "International Energy Security." From 2002 until his retirement from the U.S. Air Force in July 2006, Wald, a Minot native, served as deputy commander of U.S. European Command. Prior to that, he served as the U.S. Air Force deputy chief of staff for air and space operations at the Pentagon.

During the lunch session, Hillard Huntington, executive director of Stanford University's Energy Modeling Forum, will give the keynote address "Geopolitics and Oil Independence in the New Decade."

In the afternoon of the 15th, Bruce Hicks, assistant director of the North Dakota Industrial Commission's Oil and Gas Division, and Patrice Lahlum, a consultant to the Great Plains Institute on their federal biomass program, will discuss "North Dakota's Contribution to U.S. Energy Independence." John Harju, associate director for research at the Energy and Environmental Research Center, will talk about "What is North Dakota's Energy Future?" With North Dakota University System Chancellor Bill Goetz moderating the panel, NDUS members William Gosnold, Cole Gustafson, Kari Knudson and Frank Moseley will discuss "North Dakota University System: Meeting the Needs of an Energy-Based Economy."



Feb. 24, 2010 PIO update

By now, I hope everyone who receives the Inside has had a chance to review our special edition, which was sent out last week.

This version of the newsletter comes as a result of a campus-wide request to shine a stronger light on those faculty, staff and student career-based achievements. And, while these are not the only success stories at Minot State, they do give a general feeling for what happens outside of the classroom.

Minot State University is very proud of the efforts faculty and staff make to push themselves within their career fields and interests. We hope that through a monthly special edition of Inside others will recognize these same efforts and an atmosphere of support and encouragement for these achievements will be fostered.

The information published in these special monthly editions comes directly from submissions to the Office of Public Information. Please submit those career-based achievements and successes, so that the word can continue to spread about the great work accomplished at Minot State University.

— Mark Lyman, director of public information

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Publication Date: Wednesday, March 10 Submissions Due: noon March 3 Administration, second floor Voice: 858-3298 • Fax: 858-4481 linda.benson@minotstateu.edu www.minotstateu.edu/inside/ On March 16, Thomas Hoffman, who recently retired as CONSOL Energy Inc.'s senior vice president for external affairs, will wrap up this symposium's topics with "What Does This Mean for North Dakota?" Larry Leistritz, professor of agribusiness and applied economics at North Dakota State University, will discuss "North Dakota's Energy Sustainability." To conclude the symposium, Justin Kringstad, director of the North Dakota Pipeline Authority, and Sandi Tabor, director of the North Dakota Transmission Authority, will outline "Infrastructure Challenges Essential to Growth."

Additional information and all speakers' biographies for "Energy Independence and Security" are at www.minotstateu. edu/energy.

To attend the symposium, the cost is \$100; the student registration fee is \$50. This registration fee includes all meals and refreshments, but the deadline to register is March 8. Students, faculty and staff of DSU and MSU may attend the symposium free of charge, but registration is still required. To register, go to www.minotstateu.edu/energy.

Dickinson State University will hold the next symposium, "Energy Technology," Aug. 8-10, with two more symposia following in 2011. The Western North Dakota Energy Impact Symposia series will examine broadly the impact of energy development in the region and the trends and strategies for coping with that impact.

Specifically, the symposia-series discussions will focus on:

- Establishing a collaborative environment for education, industry and government to partner to address economic, infrastructure, environmental and workforce concerns.
- Developing strategies to address the academic programming necessary to put North Dakota at the forefront of the energy economy.

By identifying the impacts, public and private resources can be devoted to managing energy growth for a healthy future for North Dakota residents.

For questions about "Energy Independence and Security," contact Amy Woodbeck, professional and community education coordinator, at 858-3989, 1-800-777-0750, extension 3989 or amy.woodbeck@minotstateu.edu.

New staff aboard for 2009-2010

Minot State University would like to welcome one new employee, Holly Johnson, and introduce her to the campus.

Johnson is an autism research professional/research associate



with the North Dakota Center for Persons with Disabilities. Before joining MSU, she worked at Edison Elementary School in Minot. Johnson holds a bachelor's degree in rehabilitation and human services from the University of North Dakota. Currently, she is working toward a bachelor's degree

in general studies and an associate degree in developmental

disabilities from Minot State. After completing her degrees at MSU in May, Johnson plans to obtain an autism spectrum disorders graduate certificate from UND in Dec. 2010.

Red-Out continues in DAC quarterfinal play Wednesday night

Both Minot State University women's and men's basketball teams will see action Wednesday (Feb. 24) in first-round play of the Dakota Athletic Conference tournament. The women play host to South Dakota Mines at 7 p.m. in the Dome. Wear red to support the Beavers in the quest for a national tournament berth. The men travel to Jamestown to take on Jamestown College at 7:30 p.m.

For the women's game, the cost to attend is \$8 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, high school students and children. MSU students are admitted free with student ID. No passes accepted.

Vice president for administration and finance interviews set

Interviews are set with two finalists for the vice president for administration and finance position at Minot State University. The campus and the public are invited to meet the first candidate, Tad Torgerson, Miles City, Mont., during an open forum Thursday (Feb. 25) and the second candidate, John Kiefer, Oshkosh, Wis., during an open forum March 4.

The candidates' interviews will follow the same format, including presentations on "As VPAF, how would you position MSU to respond to fiscal challenges and opportunities to make us a premier institution in the Great Plains?" A time for questions will follow their presentations.

Torgerson's open forum will be in the Missouri Room (Student Center, third floor), 10-11 a.m.

Kiefer's open forum will be in the Audubon Room (Student Center, third floor), 10-11 a.m.

The search committee is chaired by Dick Jenkins, vice president for student affairs.

'Hay Fever' introduces the Bliss family

Minot State University's Department of Theatre will present "Hay Fever" in the Aleshire Theater Thursday through Friday (Feb. 25-27) at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday (Feb. 28) at 2 p.m. This cross between high farce and a comedy play is set in an English country house in the 1920s. It deals with the four eccentric members of the Bliss family and their outlandish behavior when they each invite a guest to spend the weekend.

Admission is free to MSU students, faculty and staff with ID. Tickets are \$6 for adults, and \$5 for seniors and other non-MSU individuals.

Chamber Chorale salutes composer Z. Randall Stroope Saturday

The Minot Chamber Chorale will spend "An Evening with Z. Randall Stroope," as it performs several works of the respected composer at its winter concert Saturday (Feb. 27) at 7 p.m. at Ann Nicole Nelson Hall.

A mass choir, including members from the Minot Chamber Chorale and its guests, the Minot State University Concert Choir and the Western Plains Children's Chorus, will perform several of Stroope's compositions. The Chamber Chorale and the Children's Chorus will also perform individually.

At the concert, the mass choir will perform "I Am Not Yours," which portrays the intimacy and longing of a life that is searching for an elusive completeness and total connection to another being. The concert includes several other Stroope compositions, such as "The Pasture," which is his musical setting of a well-known Robert Frost poem, and "Homeland," his arrangement of the patriotic British song set to "Jupiter's Theme" from Gustav Holst's "The Planets."

Brass, percussion and organ will accompany the mass choir's performance of the third movement of Stroope's "Hodie." The Children's Chorus will also be featured in this number, which interpolates the German hymn "Wachet auf," or "Sleepers Awake."

There is no admission charge for this concert, but a freewill offering will be taken.

Davidson and Watson talk about 'Johnny Squeaky: Anatomy of an Operetta'

Conrad Davidson, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and professor of communication arts, and Rick Watson, instructor of humanities, will present "Johnny Squeaky: Anatomy of an Operetta," March 3 as part of the Northwest Art Center lecture series.

"Johnny Squeaky" is based on the classic comic opera, "Gianni Schicchi" by Gicomo Puccini. Davidson and Watson adapted the opera into a parody for production by the Western Plains Opera Company, then into a one-act play and eventually into a musical with songs by Watson.

In their presentation, the two will follow the creative trail that brought "Johnny Squeaky" to its present state. Opera buffs may discover some plot twists have crept in that were not in Puccini's original; in "Johnny Squeaky," the deceased uncle leaves all his money to the prairie dogs.

Davidson has worked professionally as an educator and theater artist for more than 30 years. Seven of his original plays have been accepted for publication with over 1,200 productions.

Two one-act plays were produced at off-off-Broadway theaters in New York.

Watson teaches pop culture, speech, English and music at MSU. He is a singer, songwriter, and poet; he has worked with the North Dakota Council on the Arts and the North Dakota Humanities Council on various programs. Watson was named 1978 Dakota Arts Quarterly state songwriter, and in 2004 was appointed North Dakota associate poet laureate.

All NAC lectures are held in Aleshire Theater, 7 p.m. Admission is free and open to the public; refreshments are served afterward.

Watch MSU Men's Club Hockey at ACHA national tournament

The MSU Men's Club Hockey Team will compete at the 2010 American College Hockey Association national tournament in Bensenville, Ill. They will play Oakland University, Rochester, Mich., in opening round play March 6 at 5 p.m. This game will be live-streamed in the Beaver Dam at 5 p.m.

The winner of this game will advance to play the winner of the Lindenwood University/Rutgers University game March 7 at 4 p.m. (If the MSU Men's Club Hockey Team win their March 6 game, this is the time they will play.) Come and help cheer the Beaver hockey team on to a national championship!

Symphony celebrates winter's passing at spring concert March 6

To continue with the "Myths and Legends" of music, the Minot Symphony Orchestra will bring violinist Anna



Karkowska to Ann Nicole Nelson Hall's stage March 6, 7:30 p.m. She will perform "Violin Concerto No. 1," a work by violin legend and virtuoso, Nicolo Paganini. "The Swan of Tuonela from the Lemminkäinen Suite" by Jean Sibelius tells a story of a magical swan and its hunter, which is from

Finnish mythology. The evening closes with the famous and elegant "Sleeping Beauty" by Pyotr Tchaikovsky.

Maestro Dennis Simons, professor of music, is the orchestra's conductor.

Minot State University students, faculty and staff are admitted free with a current ID. Additional tickets for adults are \$20 per concert or \$65 for a season ticket. The price for senior citizens is \$15 single, \$50 season; students 12-18, \$10 single, \$30 season; children, \$5 single, \$15 season. The last of "Myths and Legends" is the Pops Concert, Apr. 24.

Women's Heritage Month focuses on 'Women's Voices'

To celebrate Women's Heritage Month, Minot State
University will showcase this year's theme of "Women's Voices."
Events will focus on the variety of voices
through which women speak, sing, shout
and share their hopes, fears, dreams,
concerns, memories and wisdom.

Speakers and individuals from

MSU and its surrounding community will combine to offer a variety of events calling attention to women's voices and accomplishments. All events are free and open to the public.

On March 4 at 2 p.m. in Minot State's Conference Center (Student Center, third floor), the Women's Heritage Committee will offer "Women Talking Together: A Consciousness-Raising Workshop." This participatory event's objective is to raise awareness of the similarities and differences that women have. All that is required is to be able to talk to other women about the experiences of one's own life. All women are welcome, and a lively session is anticipated.

In "The Horizontal World: Bridging History" on March 8, author and musician Debra Marquart will discuss her memoir, "The Horizontal World: Growing Up Wild in the Middle of Nowhere," and other works. Marquart, a Napoleon native, is a professor in the Department of English and the Master of Fine Arts program in creative writing and environment at Iowa State University, Ames. This evening of readings, conversation and song begins at 6:30 p.m. in Aleshire Theater. Marquart will also give a presentation March 7 in the Taube Museum of Art, 2 p.m.

On March 11 at 7 p.m. in the Beaver Dam, "Many Voices Celebrating Womyn's Music" will feature local performers, including Jazmine Wolff and Melissa Spelchen, and an openmike session. Womyn's music, defined as music by women, for women and about women, originally served as the musical expression of the second-wave feminist movement. This event is co-sponsored by the Student Activities Committee.

Stage works by Eve Ensler will be performed March 11-13, as a part of Women's Heritage Month. "A Memory, a Monologue, a Rant, and a Prayer," which features a male and female cast, will be presented March 11. "Vagina Monologues," which has a female cast, is slated for March 12-13. All shows begin at 7:30 p.m. in Aleshire Theater. This project is also in conjunction with the International V-Day celebration with 90 percent of the proceeds going to the Minot Domestic Violence Crisis Center and 10 percent to the national V-Day campaign. For the national campaign this year, funds are being sent to the women of the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Because of the charitable nature of these productions, MSU students cannot get in with their IDs. Tickets are \$10 for every person.

On March 24 at 7 p.m. in the Aleshire Theater, the Northwest Art Center and the Women's Heritage Committee will offer a lecture titled "Life Lessons: Indigenous Women, Indigenous Storytelling" by Alyce Spotted Bear and Jennifer Young Bear of the Three Affiliated Tribes. The stories of indigenous peoples of America are rooted in their intimate relations with the land. Spotted Bear and Young Bear will discuss this tradition in the context of contemporary indigenous life.

On March 30, Women's Heritage Month activities will conclude with the Women's Heritage Month student poster session from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Student Center Atrium. MSU students are encouraged to submit posters, in any discipline, that focus on women's heritage. Prizes will be awarded for best design, best content, best overall and to the poster selected as the popular favorite. The awards ceremony, including a performance by the MSU Women's Chorus, is at 1 p.m. The deadline to register for the session is March 24. Posters from the 2009 session are on display at the Gordon B. Olson Library.

The Women's Heritage Month Planning Committee includes Bethany Andreasen, Linda Benson, Harry Hoffman, Ruth Kihm, Deb Kunkel, Diane Meneses, Linda Olson, Chelsea Starr, Kelly Warren, Johnna Westby and Brandy Wilson.

The sponsors for Women's Heritage Month activities are the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, the College of Arts and Sciences, the Northwest Arts Center, the Division of Humanities, the Division of Social Science, Student Activities Committee, the North Dakota Humanities Council, the Native American Cultural Awareness Club, Chartwells and the YWCA.

For additional information on Women's Heritage Month activities, visit the WHM Web site at www.minotstateu. edu/women/ or contact Andreasen at 858-3243 or bethany. andreasen@minotstateu.edu.

Lutheran Campus Ministry and SGA become involved in Haiti earthquake relief

Lutheran Campus Ministry and Student Government Association made health-care kits for earthquake victims in Haiti. The kits contained a toothbrush, a soap bar, a hand towel, a face towel, a comb and a nail clipper. These are items that help with the basic necessities as they recover.



Life Skill workshops continue

Faculty and staff are encouraged to recommend the Life Skill workshops sponsored by the Office of 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 fall schedule is as follows:

 Monday (March 2) — "What?!? I Cheated?" (how not to plagiarize), Main 106, 1 p.m. • Tuesday (March 3) — "Healthy Snacks," Lura Manor, lower level, 1 p.m.

For additional information, contact Debra Chandler, student services advisor, at 858-3144 or debra.chandler@minotstateu.edu.

Wellness works

The Surgeon General's vision for a healthy and fit nation fact sheet

Today's obesity epidemic threatens the historic progress made in increasing American's quality and years of healthy life. The hard facts:

- Two-thirds of adults and nearly one in three children are overweight or obese.
- 70 percent of American Indian/Alaskan Native adults are overweight or obese.
- The prevalence of obesity in the U.S. more than doubled (from 15 to 34 percent) among adults and more than tripled (from 5 to 17 percent) among children and adolescents from 1980 to 2008.
- An obese teenager has more than a 70 percent greater risk of becoming an obese adult.
- Obesity is more common among non-Hispanic black teenagers (29 percent) than Hispanic teenagers (17.5 percent) or non-Hispanic white teenagers (14.5 percent).

To stop the obesity epidemic in this country, we must remember that Americans will be more likely to change their behavior if they have a meaningful reward, something more than just reaching a certain weight or dress size. The real reward has to be something that people can feel and enjoy and celebrate. That reward is invigorating, energizing, joyous health.

Key actions outlined in "The Surgeon General's Vision for a Healthy and Fit Nation" include:

- Individual healthy choices and healthy home environments
 — Change starts with the individual choices Americans make each day. To help achieve and maintain a healthy lifestyle, Americans of all ages should reduce consumption of sodas and juices with added sugars; eat more fruits, vegetables, whole grains and lean proteins; drink more water and choose low-fat or non-fat dairy products; limit television time to no more than two hours per day; and be more physically active.
- Creating healthy child care settings It is estimated that over 12 million children ages 0–6 years receive child care on a regular basis. Child care programs should identify and implement approaches that reflect expert recommendations on physical activity, screen-time limitations, good nutrition and healthy sleep practices. Parents should talk with their child care providers about changes to promote their children's health.
- Creating healthy schools Each school day provides opportunities for students to learn about health and practice healthy behaviors such as regular physical activity and good nutrition. To help students develop life-long

- healthy habits, schools should provide appealing healthy food options including fresh fruits and vegetables, whole grains, water and low-fat or non-fat beverages. School systems should also require daily physical education for students allowing 150 minutes per week for elementary schools and 225 minutes per week for secondary schools.
- Creating healthy work sites The majority of 140 million people employed in the United States spend a significant amount of time each week at their work site. Because obesity reduces worker productivity and increases health-care costs, employers are becoming aware of the need to help promote health within the workplace. Employers can implement wellness programs that promote healthy eating in cafeterias, encourage physical activity through group classes and stairwell programs and create incentives for employees to participate.
- Mobilizing the medical community Doctors and other health-care providers are often the most trusted source of health information and are powerful role models for healthy lifestyle habits. Medical-care providers must make it a priority to teach their patients about the importance of good health. When discussing patients' Body Mass Index, providers should explain the connection between BMI and increased risk for disease and, when appropriate, refer patients to resources that will help them meet their physical, nutritional and psychological needs.
- Improving our communities Americans need to live and work in environments that help them practice healthy behaviors. Neighborhoods and communities should become actively involved in creating healthier environments. Communities should consider the geographic availability of their supermarkets, improving residents' access to outdoor recreational facilities, limiting advertisements of less healthy foods and beverages, building and enhancing infrastructures to support more walking and bicycling, and improving the safety of neighborhoods to facilitate outdoor physical activity.

All U.S. Department of Health and Human Services press releases, fact sheets and other press materials are available at www.hhs.gov/news.

For questions, contact Caren Barnett, director of the Student Health Center, at 858-3371 or caren.barnett@minotstateu.edu.

North Dakota community colleges working to raise awareness

BISMARCK, N.D. – North Dakota's five community colleges launched a cooperative campaign to increase understanding of the value of community college education yesterday (Feb. 23) at Bismarck State College.

The campaign focuses on the vital role community colleges play in preparing students for success, either in the workforce or when moving on for four year degrees. "Our five community colleges help build the specialized workforce needed for many high-demand careers and prepare students to obtain more advanced degrees," said Bill Goetz, chancellor of the North Dakota University System. "From manufacturing to energy, from business to nursing — North Dakota's community colleges are preparing students to contribute to the future of our state and nation."

"I commend this cooperative approach to responding to North Dakota's workforce demands," said Rep. Bob Skarphol, chair of the interim Higher Education Committee and a strong supporter of the initiative. "This is an excellent example of connecting our higher education system to state needs."

State community colleges partnering in the campaign are BSC, Dakota College at Bottineau, Lake Region State College, North Dakota State College of Science and Williston State College. The initial phase of the campaign includes an online landing page to connect visitors to the colleges as well as television, print and statewide radio ads.

For more information about NDUS, visit www.ndus.edu. To see the campaign pieces, go to ndcommunitycolleges.com.

— NDUS news release

Announcements

Submit items for special monthly edition of Inside

For the next special edition of Inside, the submission deadline is March. 10 at noon. This special monthly edition will include professional or civic achievements or successes accomplished in recent months. Submissions should be a brief paragraph explaining the accomplishment. Send submissions to publicinformation@minotstateu.edu or to the Office of Public Information. The special edition, as other editions of Inside, is released electronically to the campus.

For questions, contact 858-3199 or linda.benson@minotstateu.edu.

— Mark Lyman, director of public information

Deadline for BOR faculty and staff achievement-award nominations is Monday

Nominations for Minot State University Board of Regents faculty and staff achievement awards are due in the Office of the President by Monday (March 1). There are separate forms, criteria and selection committees for each award. In brief:

 Faculty: Nominations may be made by anyone knowledgeable about the achievement and contributions of the faculty member. Self-nominations are allowed. Selfnominations must include an endorsement by a faculty member or supervisor. Nominations must be specific for the area of teaching, scholarship or service and must include a one-page supporting narrative. • Staff: Nominations may be made by anyone knowledgeable about the staff member. A description of the personal characteristics and accomplishments of the nominee must be provided.

Details that are more specific are contained on the nomination forms. The forms are on the MSU Web site, www.minotstateu.edu.

The awards will be presented at the MSU Employee Appreciation Banquet, April 15.

— MSU Employee Appreciation Banquet Committee

Deadline for small research proposals nears

Faculty: The 2010-11 call for small research proposals is fast approaching; the deadline is Friday (Feb. 26). All submissions should be made electronically. For chairperson signature, an individual may include a scanned, signed face page with a proposal or have the chairperson send an e-mail to linda. cresap@minotstateu.edu indicating approval of the project.

For further detail, go to the Small Grant Proposal RFP, www.minotstateu.edu/rsp/small_r_grants.shtml.

— Linda Cresap, dean of the Graduate School and Research and Sponsored Programs

Foreign languages surveying students

To help with strategic planning, the Department of Foreign Languages is surveying students regarding the languages they are most interested in studying at Minot State University.

Amina Escalera, instructor of humanities, Kemerly Moorhouse, instructor of Spanish, and John Morrow, associate professor of Spanish, French and Arabic-Islamic studies and coordinator of the Department of Foreign Languages, will be surveying the students in their classes. The Spanish Club will be conducting surveys in the Beaver Dam.

They are also conducting surveys online. Voluntary participation of future and current MSU students in the language survey is available online at vovici.com/wsb.dll/s/6dabg42e51.

For questions, contact 858-4265 or john.morrow@minotstateu.edu.

—John Morrow, associate professor of Spanish, French and Arabic-Islamic studies and coordinator of the Department of Foreign Languages

Computer crime lecture on the MSU Web site

Captain Bill Brown of the Minot Police Department presented a Northwest Art Center lecture on common cyber crimes and scams and how to protect yourself. In our increasingly connected world, this information becomes more and more pertinent. This lecture is now available in a two-part video at www.minotstateu.edu/videos/v005.shtml.

— Rick Heit, social networking specialist

Regalia rental orders due March 19

Faculty and staff commencement regalia rental orders are due by March 19 to ensure the regalia are here for the 2010 Commencement. Rental order forms are available at the Minot State University Bookstore. Rental regalia orders must be paid at the time the order is placed.

For questions, contact sm607@bncollege.com, 858-3220 or 858-3391.

— Sandy Foley, bookstore manager

Invitation to participate in MSU's 4th annual MSU at the Mall

The date is set for March 27 from noon to 3 p.m. for this grand event for our community, and the entire campus is invited to participate. This venue provides a great opportunity for Minot State University to showcase its academic programs, student services, student organizations, research projects, technology, students, staff and faculty. Go red! Go green! Go MSU to the mall on March 27! To request a table, please contact teresa.loftesnes@minotstateu.edu by March 11.

— Teresa Loftesnes, director of marketing

Research poster session scheduled

Faculty: You and your students are invited to share your research and scholarly work at the 2010 Research Poster Session, March 27, from noon until 3 p.m. This is at Dakota Square Mall in conjunction with the annual MSU at the Mall celebration. The deadline for proposals is March 12.

For questions, contact 858-3250 or linda.cresap@minotstateu.edu.

— Linda Cresap, dean of the Graduate School and Research and Sponsored Programs

Join other MSU Facebook fans

Become a fan of Minot State University's Facebook page. You will receive updates of campus happenings, and you can view pictures and videos from different MSU events. See what your peers are up to or maybe just catch a glimpse of yourself by clicking on the Facebook icon on the MSU Web site.

— Rick Heit, social networking specialist

Summer and fall 2010 faculty book orders requested

Faculty: Help reduce the price of textbooks. The national and local press continues to carry many stories on the rising costs of college textbooks. You can help reduce the price of textbooks to our students.

Give the MSU Bookstore your course and book information on or before March 1 for summer session 2010 and on or before April 1 for fall semester 2010. Getting your textbook requests early allows us to pay students who choose to sell their books 50 percent of the book price at buy back. When we buy back books on campus, those books are sold as used books next term, reducing the price to students by 25 percent.

Your bookstore team is always here to help. Stop by our bookstore, e-mail us at joseph.mujule@minotstateu.edu or sm607@bncollege.com or call us at 858-3220 or 858-3391.

 Sandy Foley, bookstore manager, Joseph Mujule, textbook manager, and Kim Withus, assistant textbook manager

In the galleries

Feb. 24-March 15 — "Prairie Pastels," by Cris Fulton, Bowman, N.D., Library Gallery.

March 6 — Gallery preview of faculty art show, McFarland Gallery, 7–9 p.m.

March 8-April 1 — Faculty art show, Hartnett Hall Gallery. The public reception for the faculty art show and "Prairie Pastels" by Cris Fulton is March 8, Hartnett Gallery, 6:30–8 p.m.

Calendar Feb. 24-March 6, 2010

Feb.

- Women's Basketball vs. South Dakota Mines, DAC quarterfinals, Dome, 7 p.m.
- Men's Basketball at Jamestown College, DAC quarterfinals, Jamestown, 7:30 p.m.
- Vice President for Administration and Finance candidate open forum, Conference Center, 10 a.m.
- Finger printing and license seminar to student teach fall 2010, Conference Center, 12:30–1:30 p.m.
- 25 Faculty Senate executive board, Souris Room, 3:30 p.m.
- 25 Minot School Employees Credit Union meeting, Conference Center, 3:30 p.m.
- 25 SAC: guest speaker C.L. Lindsay, online social networks, Nelson Hall, 8 p.m.
- 25-28 Theatre: "Hay Fever," Aleshire Theater, Thursday—Saturday 7:30 p.m., Sunday 2 p.m.
- Job search for elementary educators seminar to student teach fall 2010, Conference Center, 1–4 p.m.
- Men's Club Hockey vs. North Dakota State University, MAYSA Arena, 7:30 p.m.
- 27 Minot Chamber Chorale, Nelson Hall, 7 p.m.
- 27 Men's Club Hockey vs. North Dakota State University, MAYSA Arena, 7:30 p.m.
- 27-28 Baseball vs. Mount Marty College, Metrodome, Minneapolis, Minn.
- 28 Men's Club Hockey vs. North Dakota State University, MAYSA Arena, noon.
- 28 Student music recital by Jennifer Brenna, trombonist, Nelson Hall, 3 p.m.

March		4	SAC: poet Gabrieia Garcia Medina, beaver Dam,
1 1 2	Weight Management Club, Jones Room, 8:30 a.m. Blood pressure and health information, Student Center Atrium, 9 a.m. Finger printing and license seminar to student teach fall 2010, Conference Center, 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.	4 4 4-6	Women's Heritage Month workshop: "Women Talking Together: A Consciousness-Raising Workshop," Conference Center, 12:30–2 p.m. N.D. Class B Girls Basketball Tournament, Dome. Indoor Track and Field at NAIA National Championships, Johnson City, Tenn. Graduate School: last day for thesis/project proposal presentation and approval if planning to participate in May Commencement. Softball at Hastings Invitational, Hastings, Neb. Men's Club Hockey at ACHA national tournament, broadcast live, Beaver Dam, 5 p.m. NAC exhibit: gallery preview of faculty art show, McFarland Gallery, 7–9 p.m.
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2 3 3	SAC: comedian Dan Cummings, Beaver Dam, 8 p.m. Workshop: "Healthy Snacks," Student Health Center, Lura Manor, 1 p.m. NAC lecture: "Johnny Squeaky: Anatomy of an Operetta," presented by Conrad Davidson, MSU dean, and Rick Watson, MSU humanities, Aleshire Theater, 7 p.m.	5 5-6 6	
3-4	Final exams for first 8-week classes.	6	
4	Vice President for Administration and Finance candidate open forum, Conference Center, 10 a.m.	6	

Minot State University Mission

Minot State University is first and foremost dedicated to the success of all students: their growth and development as educated citizens, their confidence, and their life-long devotion to the common good and the welfare of others.

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