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

### Two individuals and one team inducted into MSU **Athletics Hall of Fame**

The Minot State University Department of Athletics officially inducted two alumni

and one athletic team into its Athletics Hall of Fame at halftime of the MSU Homecoming football game Sept. 25. The inductees included Kayla (Blom) Dascher, women's basketball, 1998-2002; Larry Muratore, baseball, 1965-1969; and the 1987 Women's Track and Field Team.

Members of the 1987 team are Jana (Ceglowski) Anderson, Melissa (Kessler) Bosch, Deb (Altringer)

Burlog, Susan (Olson) Ceglowski, Kathy Donnelly, Sara (Tufton) Fahy, Andrea (Limke) Hedberg, Tracy Isrow, Michelle (Henry) Kramer, Darlene (Lindaas) McGovern, Deona (Belt) Payne, Beth (Nelson) Pederson, Renae (Newman) Rudolph, Toni (Phelps) Shaver, Lyndie (Wagner) Sherlock, Kathryn (Tracy)







1987 Track and Field Team

Stephens, Carla (Rodin) Wahlund, Tracy (Hambek) Weisback, Brenda (Mihalicz) Werner and Dawn (Johnson) Schmidt. Wiley Wilson coached the 1987 team, and Jerry Gores and Dean Bachmeier assisted.

## New faculty and staff aboard

Minot State University would like to welcome five new employees, Sharah Carr, Daniel Clegg, Laurie Kent, Charlene Radke and Narayan Thapa, and introduce them to the campus.

Carr, an autism research professional with the North Dakota Center for Persons with Disabilities, was employed at the Sanders-Brown Center on Aging before moving back to North Dakota. This center is at the University of Kentucky in Lexington. She received a bachelor's degree in psychology from North Dakota State University and a master's degree in clinical psychology from Eastern Kentucky University, Louisville.

Clegg is an athletic facility worker with the Office of Facilities Management. He retired from the United States Air Force in 2001, and he is a semi-professional clown. He took prenursing courses at MSU and completed an associate's degree from Williston State College. He enjoys listening to music, reading the Bible and fishing. Clegg and Sonja, his wife, have two children, Jonathan and Sarah.





### Oct 6, 2010 PIO update

MSU and community unite in Homecoming 2010 to 'Paint the Town Red!'

The Minot State University 2010 Homecoming centered on the theme "Paint the Town Red!" Although inclement weather forced the MSU Community Block Party indoors, the weather for the Homecoming Parade and game was glorious.

Thank you to the hard-working team who planned Homecoming Week and thank you to the thousands who attended events all week long.

> — Mark Lyman, director of public information





#### **NEXT ISSUE**

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**Kent** is an administrative assistant for the Center for Extended Learning. She was previously employed at Trinity Health of Minot. As a student, she attended the Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Science and Technology, Moose Jaw.

**Radke** is an athletic facility worker with facilities management. Before moving to Minot, she worked at The University of Mary, Bismarck. She is the mother of two boys, and she enjoys riding motorcycle and spending time with family and friends.



Narayan Thapa, an instructor of mathematics, taught at the University of Oklahoma, Norman. He possesses a master's degree from Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal and master's degrees and a doctorate from OU. Thapa and his wife, Sarala, have a daughter, Namisha, and a son, Nishan. Both children are university students in Oklahoma.

# MSU alumnus told tales of a rocket scientist

Jerry Boatz, principal research chemist at the Air Force Research Laboratory, Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., presented "Tales of a Rocket Scientist" Monday (Oct. 4) as part of the Northwest Art Center lecture series.

Boatz, a 1983 graduate of Minot State University, participated in the lecture series as part of the Distinguished Alumni Series, a program that invites distinguished MSU alumni back to campus to speak to current students. The Underwood native completed four majors in five years at MSU, earning degrees in math, chemistry, physics and computer science. He earned his doctorate from North Dakota State University in 1989, focusing on theoretical chemistry. He spent two years at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City conducting postdoctoral research before joining the Air Force Research Laboratory in 1991.

Additional fall presentations include:

- Oct. 27 Chelsea Starr, assistant professor of social sciences, lectures on "Our Lady of the Documents: Meanings and questions behind Latina depictions of the Virgin Mary."
- Nov. 8 Dan Ringrose, professor of history, discusses "French Vision of Overseas Power: Private Enterprise, Technology and Ports in Japan, Argentina and Africa 1880-1939."
- Nov. 17 Kemerley Moorhouse, instructor of Spanish, presents "Spanish Teachers Training Program in Peru."
- Nov. 29 Robert Kibler, professor of English, highlights "Ancient Pictographs, Shamans and Ghosts: Close Encounters with the Naxi Tribe on the Sino-Tibetan Borderland."

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

# MSU NOTSTOCK showcases a wide range of art and music experiences

In its fourth year, Minot State University NOTSTOCK is

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connecting art of all kinds with the university and surrounding community. The unique live art and live music experience began Wednesday (Oct. 6) and runs through Saturday (Oct. 9) in the Student Center Beaver Dam and throughout campus.

This year's NOTSTOCK features a wide range of art and music experiences, including a nationally known spoken-word poet, a documentary filmmaker, rock poster artists and plenty of live, local and regional music groups.

"What we hope to accomplish with this year's NOTSTOCK is to open the doors for all people to connect with today's artists and today's art," said Bill Harbort, professor of art and NOTSTOCK co-organizer. "We feel like this year's eclectic collection of artists and musicians will offer something for everyone."

Throughout the four days of events, NOTSTOCK guests will spend time in local high schools as well as in university courses on Minot State's campus. The first public event is the screening of "American Artifact" tonight (Oct. 6) at 7:30 p.m. in Aleshire Theater. Merle Becker made this documentary on the history of rock poster art. Becker is a television producer and director and the founder of the independent film company Freakfilms Inc. In the late 1990s, she was involved in MTV Animation's programming, including "Beavis and Butthead," "Daria" and "Cartoon Sushi." She left MTV in early 2000 to start Freakfilms. Becker will be at the screening to answer questions, speak with the public and share her knowledge with broadcasting students.

Big Poppa E, a slam poet, will perform live Thursday (Oct. 7) in Aleshire Theater, 7:30 p.m. Big Poppa E's performances mix poetry with stand-up comedy and a dramatic monologue while ranting on topics related to pop culture and relationships. He also plans to spend time in the community with high school students and collaborating with English students at Minot State.

The 2010 version of NOTSTOCK will also feature POTSTOCK, ceramics demonstrations and raku firing by MSU faculty and students. These will occur Thursday and Friday (Oct. 7-8) from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., weather permitting, in the Beaver Dam picnic commons.

One of the closing acts to NOTSTOCK will be guest musical artist Martin Dosh. Dosh will perform Friday evening (Oct. 8) in Aleshire Theater and conduct a Saturday (Oct. 9) workshop for students and community musicians in the Beaver Dam at 1 p.m. Dosh is a multi-instrumentalist based in Minneapolis. His background in drums, keyboards and marimba make him a unique musical artist in the Midwest.

A key and highly successful component of past NOTSTOCK events will continue again this year. Daily (Oct. 7-9) do-it-yourself screen printing will happen from 10 a.m. till 3 p.m.

in the Beaver Dam. This part of NOTSTOCK allows students and the community to chose an art design and "pull" their own screen print. Participants are encouraged to bring their own T-shirt, hoodie, tote bag or other item to be printed. Poster artists Sonnenzimmer and The Little Friends of Printmaking will be a part of NOTSTOCK throughout the four days and will have their work on display in local galleries and for sale at the event.

Laurie Geller, chair of the Department of Math and Computer Science and associate professor of mathematics, co-organized this signature event with Harbort.

For a complete list of times and events for NOTSTOCK, go online to msunotstock.org. All events and performances are free and open to the public.

# Disability advocate's visit kicks off Disability Awareness Month

To begin Disability Awareness Month activities, the Department of Special Education and the Interdisciplinary Committee are bringing Ben Anderson to Minot State University's campus on Thursday (Oct. 7). Anderson, a Kenmare native born with cerebral palsy, is an author, disability awareness advocate and presenter.

"Ben Anderson has unique perspectives on diversity, integration and abilities of people with physical and intellectual challenges. He is a powerful advocate because he has 'walked the walk'," said Jennifer Hefter, special education instructor and resident teacher coordinator. "Ben's positive, enthusiastic personality will impact everyone."

Anderson will discuss his latest book "IQ of 63 — So What?" in the Multicultural Center (Student Center, lower level) from noon to 1 p.m. This discussion precedes a book signing. This book discussion and signing are free and open to the public, and participants are encouraged to bring a lunch.

Anderson will be a guest lecturer in various special education classes throughout the day.

In the evening, Anderson will speak at the Interdisciplinary Social in the Multicultural Center from 5 to 7 p.m. with a book signing to follow. This event is free and open to the public.

Anderson is a 1972 Minot High School graduate. He attended Lake Region Junior College, now Lake Region State College, in Devils Lake and Golden Valley Lutheran College in Golden Valley, Minn. In 1992, Anderson completed a bachelor's degree in vocational rehabilitation with an emphasis in community-based rehabilitation from the University of Wisconsin-Stout at Menomonie.

In 1978, Anderson began Break Through Inc. in Amery, Wis. Break Through Inc., a non-profit organization, provides leadership training to churches, community civic groups, schools, universities, businesses and professional groups. The training enables the various entities to build a new awareness of and sensitivity towards persons with disabilities. Anderson

travels nationwide as Break Through's chief executive officer and chief trainer.

To learn more about Anderson and Break Through Inc., visit www.bendanderson.com.

For questions about Anderson's visit to MSU, contact Hefter at 858-4248 or jennifer.hefter@minotstateu.edu.

# Symphony opens 85th season of 'Old World, New World' Saturday



The Minot Symphony Orchestra will present its first concert of the season Saturday (Oct. 9). This "Season Premiere: Exploring a New World" takes the audience back to the time of Lewis and Clark as their journey is told through the music

of Philip Glass. Stage pianist Paul Barnes and Ron Warren will perform Piano Concerto No. 2 "After Lewis and Clark." The evening closes with Beethoven's Symphony No. 3 titled "Eroica." Maestro Dennis Simons, professor of music, conducts the orchestra.

Minot State University students, faculty and students 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, ages under 12, \$5 single, \$15 season. All concerts are held in the Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, beginning at 7:30 p.m. The remainder of "Old World, New World" includes "Autumn Concert: An Old World Romance," Nov. 13; "Family Concert: A Rich Full Day," Jan. 29; "Spring Concert: A Night to Remember/An Affair to Remember," March 5; "Pops Concert: The Long Way Home," April 16.

# 'Wonder of the World' opens main stage season

The Minot State University Program of Theatre Arts is opening its main stage season with "Wonder of the World," by David Lindsay-Abaire, Oct. 21-24 in Aleshire Theater. Performances begin at 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 21 to 23 and at 2 p.m. on Oct. 24. Paula Lindekugel, associate professor of communication arts, will direct this production.

"Wonder of the World," an unconventional comedy, begins with the character Cass leaving her husband Kip after discovering a bizarre secret Kip has been keeping from her. Cass boards a bus to Niagara Falls and ends up having crazy adventures along the way.

Brittany Knickerbocker, Minot, plays Cass, and Brett Olson, Maxbass, plays Kip. Other cast members include Jillian Bechtold, West Fargo; Jake Flaten, Velva; Ashley Nilsen, Riverdale; Justin Pierce, Gwinner; Terri Rubbert, Upham; Grey Wallstrum, Kenmare; and Chelsea Wynegar, Minot. All MSU faculty, staff and current students get in free with an MSU ID. Tickets at the door are \$6 for adults and \$5 for senior citizens and children. Reservations are recommended and can be made by calling 858-3172.

# Marilyn Weiser selected for prestigious geography award

The National Council for Geographic Education named Marilyn Weiser, North Dakota Geographic Alliance director, as a 2010 recipient of the Outstanding Support for Geographic Education Award. NCGE presented the award to Weiser during an awards ceremony at the National Council Conference on Geographic Education, Sept. 30-Oct. 3, in Savannah, Ga.



"Marilyn Weiser is a very dynamic person, who is supportive of Minot State University's geography program and the university as a whole," said Johnny Coomansingh, assistant professor of geography. Coomansingh nominated Weiser for the award.

The 2010 Outstanding Support for Geography Education Award recognizes and honors individuals whose work takes place outside of the formal classroom, but who have made outstanding contributions to support geography education or geography educators.

Weiser retired from a 34-year teaching career and joined NDGA in 2008. A Wahpeton High School graduate, Weiser received a bachelor's degree in education from Concordia University in River Forest, Ill., and a master's degree in applied geography from Texas State University, San Marcos.

"North Dakota students experience, on a daily basis, a global and interactive world. Geographic skills are central to the understanding of this physical and human environment on Earth. I believe that geography literacy holds the key to preparing K-12 students for the nature of the world in which they live and will work," Weiser said. "Geography education teaches students to use those skills to help make good decisions necessary for productive employment and global citizenship."

Chartered in 1915, the NCGE promotes geographic education at all levels of instruction. It currently has more than 2,000 members worldwide.

The NDGA, located on Minot State University campus, promotes geographic education in North Dakota. NDGA offers teacher-development programs, which serve its members and their students. To learn more about NDGA, call 1-800-235-1948 or 858-3063 or go to www.minotstateu.edu/ndga.

#### Wellness works

## MSU is a CEO Cancer Gold Standard<sup>TM</sup> accredited organization

Minot State University became a CEO Cancer Gold Standard TM accredited organization

June 1, 2009. The CEO Roundtable on Cancer developed the CEO Cancer Gold Standard TM to assist organizations in reducing the burden of cancer.

Organizations that adopt the Gold Standard demonstrate a commitment to improving the health and lives of their employees and their family members by maintaining a culture that fosters healthy lifestyles and provides support when a diagnosis of cancer becomes a reality. In addition, they offer benefits and programs that lower the risk of cancer, detect it earlier and provide access to high-quality treatment, including clinical trials.

Minot State's re-accreditation process will take place later this year; currently, MSU is one of two North Dakota universities that have attained this prestigious recognition. Presently, there are 67 accredited employers in the U.S., and 1,404,748 lives are covered.

The Wellness Committee encourages all MSU employees to focus on those five pillars and work towards becoming their healthiest ever.

For questions, contact 858-3371 or caren.barnett@minotstateu.edu.

#### **Announcements**

# Reporting lines for the Office of Publications and Design Services realigned

In a continued effort to best align Minot State University services with appropriate reporting lines, the Office of Publications and Design Services will now report to Vice President for Advancement Mary Semrau.

—Brian Foisy, vice president for administration and finance, and Marv Semrau, vice president for advancement

## Reminder concerning SmarThinking services at MSU

To help students succeed academically, MSU Online purchases hours of SmarThinking, an online tutoring program. SmarThinking is an addition, not a replacement, to the current offerings of academic assistance on the campus.

All students are required to utilize the MSU Writing Center prior to requesting access to SmarThinking for writing and essay service. SmarThinking is not meant for, or to be used as, a *faculty* resource but only as a student resource.

There are several reasons why it is more beneficial for students to use the Writing Center prior to going to SmarThinking.

Cost efficiency is one reason (SmarThinking is a pay-per-hour

site), but the most important reason of all is so that our own MSU resources and student/faculty talents are exhausted before seeking an outside source such as SmarThinking. It is a win/win situation for our Writing Center and for our students to require the use of campus resources prior to using SmarThinking.

For any further questions or information regarding our SmarThinking services, contact trisha.nelson@minotstateu.edu.

—Trisha Nelson, professional academic advisor

#### Praxis II review session scheduled for Oct. 13

As of July 1, 2010, all secondary preservice teachers are required to pass the Principles of Learning and Teaching, a test in the Praxis II series. Minot will offer the test in November, January, March, April and July, and registration is available at www.ets.org/praxis. In preparation for this test, Minot State University faculty members Lisa Borden-King and Kathy Hintz will conduct a review session Oct. 13 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in Swain 112. Students who are intending to graduate in the next year should attend this session.

Contact 858-3572 or kathy.hintz@minotstateu.edu for any questions.

-Kathy Hintz, assistant professor of education

# Teacher-education poster presentations requested

The first annual Effective Systems and Practices in Teacher Education poster session is Nov. 7. This coincides with the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education accreditation survey. The deadline to submit a short summary of a poster session to Lori Garnes, associate professor of special education, is Oct. 22.

Posters from students, faculty and community partners are welcome. Anyone involved in preparing teachers at Minot State University can participate.

Contact 858-3139 or lori.garnes@minotstateu.edu for additional information.

-Lori Garnes, associate professor of special education

### **CETL** minigrants now available

The Center for Engaged Teaching and Learning announces that applications for CETL minigrants are now available. These minigrants may be used to enhance student success through engaged teaching and learning and/or enhanced civic or community engagement. CETL encourages any interested faculty or staff to apply for this minigrant by Oct. 29. CETL will notify those receiving minigrants no later than Nov. 15. Information is on the CETL Web site, www.minotstateu.edu/cetl.

CETL will also hold a grant workshop on Tuesday (Oct. 12) in Main 102 at 3:30 p.m. This workshop is to assist those applying for CETL minigrants. Participants should bring their

ideas and a draft of their proposal to the workshop. RSVP to Beth Odahlen beth.odahlen@minotstateu.edu by Oct. 11.

For questions, contact beth.odahlen@minotstateu.edu or 858-3177.

—Beth Odahlen, director of the Center for Engaged Teaching and Learning

### In the galleries

Oct. 6-Oct. 25 — "The Unapologetic Landscape," photographs by Chuck Kimmerle, Grand Forks, N.D., Library Gallery. Oct. 6-9 — NOTSTOCK poster display, Hartnett Hall Gallery.

Oct. 12-Nov. 10 — Ceramics exhibit by Loren Johnson, Crosby, Hartnett Hall Gallery

The public reception for ceramics by Johnson in Hartnett Hall Gallery is Oct. 12, 6:30–8 p.m.

## Calendar

Oct. 6-Oct. 23, 2010

#### Oct.

- 6 Volleyball vs. Dickinson State University, Dome, 7 p.m.
- 6 NOTSTOCK film presentation "American Artifact," Aleshire Theater, 7:30 p.m.
- 6 NAC public reception for NOTSTOCK poster display, Hartnett Hall Gallery, 6:30–8 p.m.
- 6-9 NAC exhibit: NOTSTOCK poster display, Hartnett Hall Gallery.
- 7 NOTSTOCK, Beaver Dam, 10 a.m.
- 7 Guest Speaker: Ben Anderson, Multicultural Center, noon.
- 7 Faculty Senate, Swain Hall 118, 3:30 p.m.
- 7 Interdisciplinary Social with guest speaker Ben Anderson, Multicultural Center, 5–7 p.m.
- 7 NOTSTOCK slam poet performance by Big Poppa E, Aleshire Theater, 7:30 p.m.
- Speech and hearing screening, Memorial Hall 138, 9–11 a m
- 8 NOTSTOCK, Beaver Dam, 10 a.m.
- 8 NOTSTOCK music by Dosh, Aleshire Theater, 8 p.m.
- 9 NOTSTOCK, Beaver Dam, 10 a.m.
- 9 Football at Dakota State University, Madison, S.D.
- 9 Soccer vs. Rocky Mountain College, Herb Parker Stadium, 7 p.m.
- 9 NOTSTOCK, closing reception, 62 Doors Gallery and Studio, 11b South Main Street, Minot, 7 p.m.
- 9 Minot Symphony Orchestra, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- Student Government Association, Westlie Room, 7 p.m.
- 12 SAC: music by Ziv, Beaver Dam, noon.
- 12 NAC public reception for ceramics by Loren Johnson, Crosby, N.D., Hartnett Hall Gallery, 6:30–8 p.m.
- 12 Jazz Ensemble concert, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.

12-Nov	. 10 NAC exhibit: ceramics by Loren Johnson, Crosby,	16	Football vs. South Dakota School of Mines, Herb
	N.D., Hartnett Hall Gallery.		Parker Stadium, 1:30 p.m.
13	Weight Management Club, Jones Room, 8:30 a.m.	16	Women's Basketball alumni game, Dome, 4 p.m.
13	Brown Bag Book Talk: Walter Piehl, art, on "Painting	16	Volleyball vs. Valley City State University, Dome, 7 p.m.
	Below Zero: Notes on a Life in Art," by James	17	Soccer at St. Cloud State University.
	Rosenquist, Olson Library, noon.	18	Midterm grades for 16-week classes due.
13	Student success workshop: "Stop the Insanity How	18	Young Men's Choral Concert, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
	to Manage Your Stress," Old Main 106, 1–1:50 p.m.	18	SAC: comedian Cristela Alonzo, Beaver Dam, 8 p.m.
13	SAC: movie, Beaver Dam, 3 and 9 p.m.	19	Staff Senate, Jones Room, 9 a.m.
13	Soccer at University of Sioux Falls.	19-20	Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference visit.
13	Volleyball at Briercrest College, Caronport, Sask.	20	Women's Basketball scrimmage, Dome, 4 p.m.
13-14	Final exams for first 8-week classes.	20	Men's Basketball scrimmage, Dome, 6:30 p.m.
14	SAC: musician Tim Mahoney, Beaver Dam, noon.	21	Faculty Senate, Westlie Room, 3:30 p.m.
14	Admission to teacher education seminar, Swain Hall	21	SAC: Battle of the Bands, Beaver Dam, 7 p.m.
	112, 12:30 p.m.	21-24	Theatre: "Wonder of the World," Aleshire Theater,
15	Spring semester undergrad graduation applications due		Thursday-Saturday 7:30 p.m., Sunday 2 p.m.
	to advisors.	22	Soccer at Bemidji State University.
15	Beaver athletic luncheon, Grand International, noon.	22	Volleyball at South Dakota Mines, Rapid City, S.D.
15	Cross Country Minot State invitational, Souris Valley	23	Football at Black Hills State University, Spearfish, S.D.
	Golf Course, 4 p.m.	23	Cross Country at Mount Marty invitational, Yankton, S.D.
15	Volleyball vs. Jamestown College, Dome, 7 p.m.	23	Volleyball at Black Hills State University, Spearfish, S.D.
16	Football tailgating, east parking lot of Dome, 11 a.m.	23	International Artist Series, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.

## 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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