



MSU Fall Kickoff Celebration gathers campus community

The MSU Fall Kickoff Celebration, coordinated by Minot State University Staff Senate, was Aug. 17 on the lawn in front of Old Main. The event offered food, fun and entertainment by Melissa Spelchen, Rick Watson, Kelly Drevecky and friends. A free-will offering collected a total of \$509.16 for the MSU Flood Families Fund.

Gifts, large or small, to help members of the MSU family during this difficult time



can still be mailed to MSU Flood Families Fund, MSU Development Foundation, 500 University Avenue W., Minot, N.D., 58707. Donations may also be given securely online by going to the Alumni and Donor webpage at www.minotstateu.edu/alumni.shtml. For questions, about the MSU Flood Families Fund, call 858-4243.

August 24, 2011 PIO update

This summer, to me, became “The Summer That Never Was.” There were no picnics in the park, lounging by the pool, visits to the zoo, checking out a book, blizzards at the neighborhood Dairy Queen or bike rides through great, old, tree-filled neighborhoods.

“Back to School” represents a time to reconvene and get involved in something outside of ourselves. In the absence of all things familiar, this is a great time to join an organization or promote a cause outside of our comfort zone, learn new things, meet new people with common interests, contribute to a greater need and create a routine that builds upon our acquired skill sets, crafting something bigger and better than what we ever imagined.

“The Summer That Never Was” can become the launch pad for “The Year We Survived” and the foundation for “A Better Us.”

— Susan Ness, *public information director*

Minot State hires campus security and safety superintendent

William Chew has been hired as Minot State University’s first superintendent of campus security and safety, announced Roger Kluck, assistant vice president for facilities management. Chew will begin his new duties Sept. 4.

“With his law enforcement background, including drug enforcement and undercover work, and previous work in a public school setting, he is well suited for this position,” Kluck said.

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MSU is transitioning from a campus security program employing a combination of off-duty police officers and private security guards to an internal department supplemented by contract security.

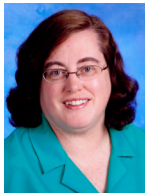
Chew has a gang task force and undercover drug enforcement background and experience as a probation and parole officer. He most recently worked with student retention in a K-12 school system in Modesto, Calif.

Chew earned a bachelor's degree in criminal justice administration from California State University, Hayward. He also was a military policeman while in the U.S. Army.

MSU is committed to student safety and has proactively taken steps in the last year to strengthen campus security. Ongoing physical improvements to safety include a campus master landscaping plan, an improved east/west corridor through campus and security cameras in buildings and parking lots. Funds have been secured for a blue-light system that should also be installed this year.

For questions, contact Kluck at 858-3210 or roger.kluck@minotstateu.edu.

CETL hires Andreasen



Bethany Andreasen, associate professor of history, is the new director for first-year experience and engagement, according to Beth Odahlen, director of Minot State University's Center for Engaged Teaching and Learning. She started her new duties Aug. 15.

"The CETL staff and I are very excited to welcome Dr. Andreasen as the director for first-year experience and engagement. She brings with her a wealth of knowledge and experience in first-year learning communities, as well as engaged teaching and learning," Odahlen said. "Dr. Andreasen will be a valuable addition to CETL and to increasing student success at Minot State University."

Andreasen's responsibilities include organizing the First-Year Engagement Learning Community Program and coordinating the infusion of engagement activities into courses and programs across MSU and the community. Vision 2013 requires campus, community and professional engagement throughout each student's academic career.

The director for first-year experience and engagement position has a two-year rotation and was created by combining two part-time positions.

"The First-Year Experience program is helping our freshmen find their place more quickly within the academic community at MSU. I look forward to working with the students, faculty and staff who are investing their energy and creativity into this program and also to assisting with efforts to increase student engagement in the local community," Andreasen said.

A Division of Social Science faculty member since 1991, Andreasen is a respected teacher and scholar. She served twice as Faculty Senate president and was the faculty representative to the State Board of Higher Education when the Roundtable on Higher Education was established.

Andreasen received her bachelor's degree in history from the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire and her master's and doctoral degrees in history from Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y.

Volunteers assist freshmen moving in

Faculty, staff and students helped freshmen move into the residence halls on Move-in Day. Accompanied by a picnic, the Office of the President sponsored the event to welcome students and their families to campus.



New faculty and staff aboard

Minot State University welcomes new employees to the campus.

Enas Abo-Halaf a Fulbright foreign language teaching assistant from Israel, will teach Arabic at Minot State University. She previously taught at Al Najah High School in Rahat, Israel. She attended Alqasemi Academy, Baqa Alqarbeya, Israel, where she studied English.



Abo-Halaf

Eduardo Hernan Ayala, a FLTA, taught English in his native Argentina. He will teach Spanish and learn about American teaching methodologies and culture.



Ayala

Ann Beste-Guldborg, assistant professor of communication disorders, moved to Minot from Wolf Point, Mont., where she was employed by Wolf Point Schools. She completed her bachelor's and master's degrees in communication disorders at the University of Duluth, Minn., and her doctorate at the University of North Dakota.



Beste-Guldborg

Micah Bloom, assistant professor of art, comes to MSU from the University of Iowa, Iowa City. He received a bachelor degree in art education and elementary education from Southwest Minnesota State University, Marshall, and a master's degrees in painting and drawing from UI.



Bloom

Shawn Chaffin, assistant women's basketball coach, most recently worked in the admissions office at Montana State University-Northern, Havre. He has a bachelor's degree in elementary education from MSU-Western, Dillon.



Chaffin

Paul Cristofaro, assistant professor of Spanish, last taught at the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa. He possesses a bachelor's degree in business administration from Washington State University, Pullman, master's degrees in business administration and Spanish from the University of Mississippi, Oxford, and a doctorate in romance languages from UA. Cristofaro enjoys the outdoors and recreational sports, such as tennis, basketball and soccer.



Cristofaro

Sara Deutsch, a Minot native and alumna, is an instructor in the Department of Teacher Education and Human Performance. Last year, she was an adjunct faculty member. She completed a bachelor's degree in physical education from MSU and a master's degree in exercise and wellness from Arizona State University, Phoenix. She and her husband Dustin have a two-year-old son, Noah, and are expecting a second child in January.



Deutsch

Dawn Fredrich, nursing instructor, was previously employed by Trinity Hospital in Minot. Initially, she received a bachelor's degree in medical technology from MSU, but she returned later to complete a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. She completed a master's degree in nursing, with specialization in nursing education, from UND. Fredrich has an MSU family — her daughter received an art degree from MSU and her twin sons are seniors in the computer science program.



Fredrich

Tamara Johnson, who previously worked for Williston's Upper Missouri Health Unit, is an instructor of public health nursing. She has bachelor's and master's degrees in nursing from UND. She and her husband Gene farm northeast of Williston. They have three grown daughters.



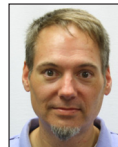
Johnson

Lori Kalash, assistant professor in the Department of Teacher Education and Human Performance, previously was the North Dakota Center for Persons with Disabilities' associate director of community service. She completed her bachelor's degrees in education and physical education, master's degree in special education with an autism certificate and doctorate in teacher education at UND. She and her husband Joe have two children, Isabella and Joseph. The family enjoys biking and camping.



Kalash

Erik Kana, an alumnus and instructor in the Department of Teacher Education and Human Performance, was a teaching and learning graduate teaching assistant at UND before returning to MSU. He attained his bachelor's degree in English from Minnesota State University, Moorhead and a Master of Education from MSU.



Kana

Joseph Krieg, assistant professor of geoscience, started at MSU in January. The Killdeer native returned to North Dakota after teaching at the University of Wisconsin-Parkside, Kenosha. He received his bachelor's degree in geoscience and anthropology from North Dakota State University and his master's and doctoral degrees in geoscience from the UI. He has a basset hound, Ogden, and a cat, Latchkey.



Krieg

John Lemons, director of studies of community and environment, was most recently a professor emeritus of biology and environmental science at the University of New England, Biddeford, Maine. Lemons received a bachelor's degree in zoology from California State University, Long Beach, and master's and doctoral degrees in zoology and physiology from the University of Wyoming, Laramie. He has a dog, Dwight.



Lemons

Denise MacDonald, instructor of nursing, was a registered nurse at Minot's REM ND and a part-time online instructor for Benedictine University, Naperville, Ill. She has a nursing diploma from Minot's Trinity School of Nursing, bachelor's and master's degrees in nursing from the University of Mary, Bismarck, and a doctorate in nursing education from Capella University, Minneapolis. She and her husband David live at Lake Audubon and have three children and a Great Dane, Earl.



MacDonald

Jacek Mrozik, assistant professor of business administration, was previously a visiting professor at Clemson University, S.C. Before joining academia, Mrozik worked in the telecom industry for 19 years as a marketing manager. He possesses a bachelor's degree from the University of Manchester, United Kingdom, a master's degree from Clemson University and a doctorate from the University of Warsaw, Poland. He and his wife Malgorzata have a daughter and two sons.



Mrozik

Karen Pearson, is NDCPD's housing resource specialist. She was previously employed by North Dakota Protection and Advocacy in Bismarck. She attended UND and Bemidji State University, Minn. She has three daughters and two granddaughters. She was elected to Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society. She enjoys reading and needlework.



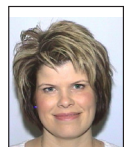
Pearson

Long Pham, assistant professor of business administration, comes from the National Economics University, Hanoi, Vietnam. He received his bachelor's degree in banking and finance from NEU. He attained a master's degree in business administration from the University of Thai Chamber of Commerce, Bangkok, Thailand, and a doctorate in management from New Mexico State University, Las Cruces.



Pham

Amy Roberts, instructor of nursing, previously worked at Trinity Health. An alumna, she has a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from MSU and a master's degree in nursing with education specialization from UND. She and her husband Neil have a daughter, Madison.



Roberts

Courtney Rockvoy, NDCPD administrative assistant, worked at the Minot Daily News before joining MSU. An alumna, she completed a bachelor's degree in psychology at MSU. She has two younger sisters, Chelsey and Cassie Jo, a dog, Jasmine, and a cat, Molly. Since she loves the outdoors, she enjoys fishing and camping.



Rockvoy

Nicola Roed, chair of the Department of Nursing, is an alumna. She returns to MSU after working at Minot Air Force Base's Veterans Administration Community-Based Outpatient Clinic. She possesses a nursing diploma from Trinity School of Nursing, a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from MSU and a master's degree in nursing management from U-Mary. She is married to Dale.



Roed

Raymond Screws, is a visiting history professor in the Division of Social Science. He previously taught at the University of Arkansas, Little Rock. He completed a master's degree at Pittsburg State University, Pittsburg, Kan., and a doctorate at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Screws is a youth track coach and USA track and field official. He and his wife Alice have a 13-year-old son, Ryan.

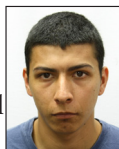


Screws



Spooner

Dionne Spooner, an instructor of social work, comes to MSU from Minot's Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch. A Minot native, she completed a bachelor's degree in social work at MSU and a master's degree in social work at Florida State University, Tallahassee. She plans to pursue a doctoral degree in clinical social work this year. She and her husband Nolan are MSU alumni; they have three children, Coy, Hope and Keagen.



Vargas

Moises Vargas is a building custodian for the Office of Facilities Management.



Wiedewitsch

Jane Wiedewitsch, NDCPD consumer housing resource specialist, previously worked for the Fargo Housing and Redevelopment Authority. She has a bachelor's degree from North Dakota State University. She enjoys reading and baking.

'A Tale of Two Adventures' opens lecture series

Travelers from the Minot State University study-abroad program will open the Northwest Art Center's 2011-2012 lecture series Tuesday (Aug. 30) with "A Tale of Two Adventures: MSU Faculty and Students in Europe and Central America." The presentation is in Aleshire Theater at 7 p.m.

This summer, Andrea Donovan, assistant professor of humanities, led a group of students to England, France and Italy; and John Girard, professor of business administration and business information technology, accompanied students on a cruise to ports in the Caribbean and Central America. Travelers Erik Berland, Hazen, Jessika Cooper, Berthold, and Micheal Ough, Minot, will join Donovan and Girard to recap the two trips in pictures and anecdotes. Information also will be provided on study-abroad trips planned in 2012.

A question-and-answer period and informal reception will follow. The program is free and open to the public.

For more information about Northwest Art Center activities, call 858-3264 or visit its website, www.minotstateu.edu/nac.

Healthy Communities International to expand in 2011-2012

Healthy Communities International will expand its responsibilities and staff at Minot State University. HCI received \$416,000 from the North Dakota Center for Tobacco Prevention and Control Policy to expand its Tobacco Policy and Environmental Change Collaborative from August 2011 to June 2012.



Buettner-Schmidt

"These funds will allow HCI: TPECC to conduct studies, develop policy models, serve on advisory teams and provide technical assistance to the center and its grantees in order to fulfill the center's goal to significantly reduce tobacco use and its health and economic consequences through evidenced-based practices, policies and programs," said Kelly Buettner-Schmidt, HCI executive director.

HCI will hire two additional project assistants this fall to assist in its expansion. HCI is currently staffed by Tara Bjornson, project assistant, and Cassie Loard, business manager.

HCI began at MSU in 2003, with funding from a Robert Wood Johnson/American Medical Association Smokeless States grant to impact smoke-free policies throughout the Midwest region of the United States. HCI has also been funded by the American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association and various other foundations and organizations. HCI is located on third floor of Memorial Hall.

Wellness works

Keeping students healthy

The mission of the Student Health Center is to enhance student learning by promoting a healthy lifestyle, reducing risk behaviors and providing health education to Minot State University students. SHC's goal is to improve the status of health and the quality of life of the Minot State students as they plan for the future. SHC is staffed by Heidi Peterson, family nurse practitioner, Caren Barnett, SHC director and registered nurse, and Kathie Eslinger, licensed practical nurse.

Students who come to the SHC will be diagnosed and treated or referred to the University of North Dakota Center of Family Medicine as indicated by their health care needs.

SHC is fully funded through the student activity fee, and SHC provides services at no charge or for a very reasonable fee. SHC is open for appointments Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. during the fall and spring semesters. Summer hours are Tuesday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

SHC asks that faculty and staff encourage students having health issues to contact the center for an assessment. SHC is not an emergency service, nor do personnel make house calls. If a student needs emergency services, call 911.

SHC is available to faculty and staff for blood-pressure checks; however, SHC requests that faculty and staff contact their local health care provider for any other health-related issues.

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

Announcements

Housing needed

As part of the flood recovery plan, Minot State University has made efforts to insure that all employees have a place to live either permanently or temporarily. Many have already opened their homes to friends and colleagues, but as the new semester begins a housing need for others may be discovered. This could be the case for returning faculty and staff as well as some who may be new to the university. MSU asks everyone to consider sharing any extra space in their home. That space could be an unused apartment or a spare room or two.

MSU appreciates efforts on behalf of the university. For questions, contact 858-3169 or flood.anderson@minotstateu.edu.

—*Rob Anderson, MSU ombudsman*

CETL seeks minigrants proposals

The Center for Engaged Teaching and Learning is accepting proposals for minigrants for engagement from faculty or staff through Sept. 1. These minigrants may be used to enhance student success through engaged teaching and learning and/or enhanced civic or community engagement. Review of proposals started Aug. 1.

Information regarding the CETL minigrant proposal requirements is on the CETL website, www.minotstateu.edu/cetl/Minigrantinstructions.shtml.

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

—*Beth Odahlen, CETL director*

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

—*Susan Ness, director of public information*

In the galleries

Aug. 24-Sept. 22 — Mixed media sculpture by Mindy Herrin, Johnson City, Tenn., Best of Show Americas 2010: All Media Competition, Library Gallery.

Aug. 24-Sept. 29 — “Americas 2011: All Media Competition,” Douglas Kinsey, juror, Hartnett Gallery.

The public reception for the exhibits is Sept. 1 in the Library Gallery, 6:30-8 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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