



## Children help family in need: NOTSTOCK 'BEAVER' art auctioned on eBay Nov. 2-12

Children are a third of the population and all of the future. So in the wake of Minot's worst flood, it is no surprise three children will assist a family of eight through the joy and innocence of art.

Monster Engine artist and MSU NOTSTOCK guest Dave DeVries is comfortable tapping into a child's imagination. DeVries' Monster Engine project asks "What would a child's drawing look like if it were painted realistically?"



Combining ingenuity and talent, NOTSTOCK co-organizer Bill Harbort and DeVries developed a fundraiser to benefit a flood-impacted family. The idea united MSU's beaver mascot and elementary students' "monster beaver" or "beaver rebuilding Minot" drawings with DeVries' Monster Engine interpretations. Harbort received over 100 submissions, and three started the engine.

Second grader Micah Garrett inspired DeVries' creation of the pen-and-ink "Beaver Rebuilding Minot" used as a silkscreen for T-shirts during NOTSTOCK 2011. DeVries said the backhoe and buildings were the details that drew him to Garrett's picture.

Acrylic original "Monster Beaver" is a culmination of two students' talents.

Kindergartner Caz Buckles' Monster Beaver drawing was chosen because of its unusually large teeth.

"When I saw Caz' drawing, I had a visceral reaction to the teeth. His teacher had explained that beavers have large teeth, and Caz drew them larger than anybody," DeVries explained.

Recognizing the similarities between his and DeVries' art, the small, quiet six year old whispered to his mother, "It looks just like mine." Not one to mince words, Buckles' perma-grin said it all.

Second grader Randy Jundt's block-lettered "MINOT" was featured on DeVries' painting.

"Randy's drawing inspired the way I painted," DeVries said. "MINOT reminded me of a city with big buildings, and his beaver towered over them."

When asked what he thought of DeVries' version of his and Buckles' work, Jundt modestly replied, "It's good."

"Beaver Rebuilding Minot" and "Monster Beaver" originals will be available on eBay Nov. 2-12. All proceeds will benefit a flood-impacted family. For more information visit [www.themonsterengine.com](http://www.themonsterengine.com) or [www.eBay.com](http://www.eBay.com).

## Nov. 2, 2011

### PIO update

In August, I wrote a story about Bill Harbort's nieces, Sara and Sophia Bottema, in Mahopac, N.Y., selling lemonade to raise money for Minot's flood recovery efforts. Their industrious work netted over \$400 and allowed Harbort to distribute gift cards to those needing supplies.

Well, he's at it again. Through the generosity of a nationally recognized artist, an art contest and three school kids, Harbort has arranged for two original pieces of NOTSTOCK art to be auctioned on eBay Nov. 2-12.

"Monster Engine" artist Dave DeVries created the pen-and-ink "Beaver Rebuilding Minot" from second grade artist Micah Garrett's submission. DeVries' large and wildly colorful acrylic painting "Monster Beaver" combined the creativity of kindergartner Caz Buckles and second grader Randy Jundt.

Both pieces of original art will be available for only 10 days on eBay. All proceeds will go to a flood-impacted family of eight living in Minot.

That's a mom, dad and six kids in a FEMA trailer.

Visit eBay, keywords: Dave DeVries, Monster Engine or Minot State University to place your bid.

— Susan Ness,  
public information director

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## Native American Awareness Week schedule set

Native American Awareness Week at Minot State University runs Nov. 7-10. The Native American Cultural Awareness Club sponsors the events and presentations, which are free and open to the public.

Activities begin Monday (Nov. 7) with an opening prayer and blessing by Pat Wilkie and welcome by MSU President David Fuller in Aleshire Theater at 1 p.m. A presentation, "Lakota Berenstain Bears," by Sunshine Archambault-Carlow, tribal education manager for the Standing Rock Tribe, follows at 1:30 p.m.

On Tuesday (Nov. 8), Vernon Lambert, Indian studies instructor from Candeska Cikana Community College, Fort Totten, will present "Using Our Dual Citizen Status" in the Conference Center, 9-9:50 a.m. At 1 p.m., Marilyn Hudson from the Three Affiliated Tribes will present "'Waterbuster' Film Revisited" in Cyril Moore 160. Clips from the film will be used. MSU has the film available in the library collection.

On Nov. 9, Duane McGillis and Keira Hosie, former Little Shell Powwow Princess, will present "Native American Traditions and Dance" in the Conference Room, 9-11 a.m. Fry bread tacos will be sold in the first-floor hallway of Old Main, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. At 2 p.m., Wilkie will give "What You Always Wanted to Know, but were Afraid to Ask," a presentation about Native American culture and traditions, in the Conference Center. Nelrene Yellowbird, assistant professor of social work, and Harry Hoffman, associate professor of sociology, will facilitate the discussion.

As part of the Nov. 10 Native American veterans presentation, the Myron Johnson/Nathan Goodiron Honor Guard, Mandaree, will present the flags and staff, and Dennis Bercier, Turtle Mountain Tribe, will give a Native American veteran eulogy in the Quad, 9-9:30 a.m. President Fuller will offer closing remarks. In case of inclement weather, this event will move into the Student Center Atrium. The NACAC will host a breakfast and conversation with Bercier about tribal and state leadership in the Native American Center, 10-11 a.m.

Nov. 7-10, Native American art will be displayed in the Conference Center in the Student Center, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

For questions, contact Annette Mennem, Native American Center director, at 858-3365 or [annette.mennem@minotstateu.edu](mailto:annette.mennem@minotstateu.edu).

## Wellness Fair promotes healthy lifestyles

Minot State University's Wellness Committee will host a Wellness Fair Thursday (Nov. 3) in the Student Center Atrium from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. MSU's philosophy of wellness is:

"Wellness is a way of life that emphasizes the whole person through a positive approach to healthy living and is more than the absence of disease. It involves education, prevention and promotion of self-responsibility."

Vendors will provide information on topics such as healthy eating, the benefits of exercise and integration of wellness into a lifestyle. Senior nursing students will give flu shots to anyone with a current MSU ID. The cost is \$10 for students and \$20 for



faculty and staff. Trinity Health will administer cholesterol checks for \$15.

Other health care representatives include a chiropractor, massage therapist and the North Dakota Department of Health.

The fair is free and open to all students, faculty and staff. For questions, contact Caren Barnett, Student Health Center director, at 858-3371.

## MSU Development Foundation to build 32-unit apartment complex

Construction has started on a 32-unit apartment complex on property owned by the Minot State University Development Foundation. The foundation has owned rental property and vacant lots along 10th Avenue Northwest for several years and has considered developing the property.

"Following a year of nearly full student housing on campus, conversations began with builders and developers last spring on an appropriate use of the properties," said Marv Semrau, executive director of the MSU Development Foundation. "When the tragic flood hit this summer, the project was moved forward in a deliberate and expedient manner."

Mindt Construction of Minot is building the complex. The foundation gave salvageable rental properties to the Minot Housing Authority for placement on MHA lots.

The complex will have 16 four-bedroom suites and 16 two-bedroom suites, designed to be affordable and attractive to MSU students.

The MSU Development Foundation is a non-profit charitable educational foundation which exists to establish, promote and stimulate financial support for the benefit of Minot State University.

For questions, contact Semrau at 858-4482 or [marv.semrau@minotstateu.edu](mailto:marv.semrau@minotstateu.edu).

## RCJC to mobilize domestic violence and sexual assault response

The Rural Crime and Justice Center at Minot State University was recently awarded a two-year \$723,000 contract with the North Dakota Department of Health. The NDDoH was awarded federal funding from the Department of Justice Office of Violence Against Women under the Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders Program.

The two-year contract partners RCJC and NDDoH with the North Dakota Council on Abused Women's Services and the University of North Dakota's Tribal Judicial Institute to establish best practices for responding to domestic violence, provide statewide training and technical assistance on sexual assault investigative policy implementation and response, improve policies and procedures for sexual assault investigation and improve the standards for domestic violence and sexual assault data collection.

During the two-year project, much of the focus will be on the northwest portion of North Dakota. North Dakota is experiencing shortages in law enforcement personnel and an increase in population, particularly in the northwest region of the state. This





funding will enable project staff to develop community teams, including law enforcement, domestic violence advocacy programs and state's attorneys, to develop strategies for improving the collaborative response to domestic violence incidents. At a statewide level, the project builds on past efforts regarding sexual assault investigative policies for law enforcement by providing training and technical assistance to law enforcement agencies on the adaption of the state's model policy.

"This is an extremely timely and much needed project for North Dakota. No one person or agency can solve these problems. It takes a team approach, said Gary Rabe, executive director of RCJC. "All of the partners are fully committed to this project, and I look forward to working with them on this problem and having a positive impact on North Dakota."



## UND Staff Senate delivers flood-relief supplies to MSU

University of North Dakota Staff Senate members delivered flood-relief supplies to Minot State University Oct. 19.

"We experienced what Minot is going through now and the donations came in from all over the U.S. (in 1997). It was very humbling for us," said Janice Hoffarth, UND Staff Senate past president. "So, if anyone understands what Minot is going through it's the Grand Forks citizens."

Tools, painting supplies, kitchen utensils, bedding and cookware were among the items delivered to Minot State and given to Minot State employees and UND medical school employees impacted by the flood.

The UND Staff Senate challenged other North Dakota University System schools to help rebuild Minot, and North Dakota State University undertook the challenge. NDSU students and a NDSU Staff Senate member will deliver items Thursday (Nov. 3).

## Woiwode and Watson explore 'Double Dakota Endurance'

North Dakotan Poet Laureate Larry Woiwode and Minot poet and musician Rick Watson will present "Double Dakota Endurance" Monday (Nov. 7) in the Aleshire Theater at 7 p.m. as part of the Northwest Art Center lecture series.

Through a series of dramatic presentations, some to music, and reading of poems and sections of Woiwode's novel, "Beyond

the Bedroom Wall," Woiwode and Watson will explore the phenomenon of North Dakota endurance. Woiwode believes a particular quality of character allows North Dakotans to endure drastic setbacks as few other Americans do. He will explore the unique character of North Dakota endurance using the universal bridge of words.

Woiwode is currently writer in residence at Jamestown College.

Watson teaches pop culture, speech, English and music at Minot State University.

The lecture is free and open to the public. An informal reception will follow the program.

## Minot Symphony Orchestra promotes 'Lisztomania'

The Minot Symphony Orchestra will present the "Autumn Concert: Lisztomania" of its 86th season Nov. 12 in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m. Maestro Dennis Simons, professor of music, conducts the orchestra.

Paul Barnes will appear as piano soloist at the MSO concert. A Liszt scholar, Barnes teaches at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln School of Music and the Vienna International Piano Academy.

On Nov. 13, Barnes will give a benefit lecture/recital, "Liszt and the Cross: Music as Sacrament in the B Minor Sonata," for Minot flood relief in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall at 3 p.m. This year, he has toured with the lecture/recital in celebration of the

200th anniversary of Liszt's birth. The lecture explores the relationship between religion and art in Liszt's life and music. The program is sponsored jointly by the Minot Symphony Orchestra and the Northwest Art Center lecture series. A free-will offering will be accepted with proceeds going to the Salvation Army for Minot flood relief.

Minot State University students, faculty and staff are admitted free with a current ID to MSO concerts. 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. The remainder of "The Dance: Celebration of 10 Years!" includes "Family Concert: Fancy Free," Jan. 27-28; "Spring Concert: Masquerade, March 3; "Pops Concert: Can I Have This Dance?" April 21.

## Fundraiser adds a new twist: KMSU asks Minot to record the good, the bad and the moldy

For the first time ever, all funds raised by the Dec. 6 KMSU live television auction will be given away. The Minot State University Program of Broadcasting added a "Beavers Rebuild" fundraiser to the auction as a



new and inspiring way to help flood victims.

"KMSU's had an outpouring of support in the community with donations for our live, televised auction and we would like to encourage anyone who is interested in donating to contact us," said Janna McKechnie, KMSU Auction coordinator.

Applicants for the KMSU Beavers Rebuild fundraiser may submit a three-to-five minute YouTube video of their damaged property along with a 1,000-character essay and picture (the opportunity is not limited to personal or business property). Recipients will be determined based on a needs assessment. The fundraiser will run through Nov. 15. Eligibility rules and application are at [www.minotchrysler.com](http://www.minotchrysler.com). Minot Chrysler Center, the proud corporate sponsor of the Beavers Rebuild fundraiser, is matching donations up to \$10,000.

The KMSU Auction, in its 13th year, is broadcast live on channel 19 on Dec. 6 at 6:30 p.m., to over 20,000 homes.

For questions, contact McKechnie at 720-0089 or [jannalynn51@yahoo.com](mailto:jannalynn51@yahoo.com) or Audra Myerchin, KMSU Auction advisor, at 858-4238 or [audra.myerchin@minotstateu.edu](mailto:audra.myerchin@minotstateu.edu).



## New faculty and staff aboard

Minot State University welcomes two new employees, Jon Blackburn and Rhonda Lenton.

Blackburn is the Athletic Department's strength and conditioning coach. He is also a business partner and director of human performance of Minot's ASK Fitness and Performance. An alumnus, he completed a bachelor's degree in corporate fitness in 2000. He is a member of the Gymnastic Gymnastics and the Minot Area Chamber of Commerce, and he has three children, Kennedy, Riley and Easton.

Lenton is a custodian in the Office of Facilities Management. Previously, she worked in the dietary department of Trinity Homes in Minot. She has two daughters and one granddaughter. She enjoys riding horse and all-terrain vehicles, taking pictures, painting, camping and spending time with her four dogs and numerous cats.



*Blackburn*



*Lenton*

## International activities continue

Enas Abo-Halaf, a Fulbright foreign language teaching assistant from Palestine, will discuss being a Palestinian in Israel in a Fulbright Scholar Talk Wednesday (Nov. 2) in Hartnett 328W at 3 p.m. A reception featuring Arabic and Israeli food will follow.

Eduardo Hernan Ayala, a Fulbright foreign language teaching assistant from Argentina, will discuss "Why Argentina?" Nov. 16 in Hartnett 328W at 3 p.m. This Fulbright Scholar presentation is based on Ayala's understanding of his country's unique place in world culture. South American food will be served after his talk.

The 2011-2012 Minot State University International Film Series continues with "Honey," Tuesday (Nov. 8) at 7:30 pm in Aleshire Theater. Semih Kaplanoglu directed this 2010 Turkish drama film.

All films, open and free to the public, are followed by a discussion period. A door prize drawing for a \$20 gift certificate to an area international restaurant will be held.

This semester's remaining film is "The Whalerider" Dec. 6 in Memorial 114.

For questions, contact Scott Sigel, assistant Spanish professor and foreign languages coordinator, at 858-4265 or [scott.sigel@minotstateu.edu](mailto:scott.sigel@minotstateu.edu).



*Student nurses: Pamela Singleton, Kasie Sander, Micaela Walth, Carrie Brown and Kristin Settersten*

## Nursing students help Operation Mugs and Hugs

Operation Mugs and Hugs, sponsored by Clear Channel Radio Oct. 8, is an annual event with the purpose of keeping children safe. Students from the Minot State University nursing program participated as part of their clinical experience for pediatric nursing. Five student nurses helped at the event by measuring the height and weight of each child. Approximately, 785 children attended the event.

The program encourages adults to keep thorough records of each child in case the child should go missing. Each child is given a packet that includes information such as name and birth date, height, weight, eye and hair color, social security number and identifiable marks such as birth marks and scars. There is also a place on the card for fingerprints, which is completed by the police department. Rainbow Photo provided free updated photos of each child. A DNA kit of hair and a mouth swab can also be completed and kept with the information.

"I think this was a great experience and an awesome event for our community. It is important for parents to be prepared should the worst case scenario happen and this simple kit could make a world of difference when searching for a child," said Micaela Walth, nursing student. "As a student nurse it was a perfect way to gain experience with children because we saw all age groups. Knowing that you are helping to protect them is very rewarding."

## Partners in Learning re-established

The Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs announces the re-establishment of the Partners in Learning Program. This year, the program will run for the spring semester



and will fund five pair of faculty members interested in undertaking a peer-to-peer exploration of teaching effectiveness. Working together, faculty will visit and observe each other's classes, interview each other's students and share results, for the purpose of improving instruction at Minot State University. Upon completion of the program, faculty will be compensated at the rate of \$500 each.

More information and application materials are available at <http://www.minotstateu.edu/pil/index.shtml>.

To apply, each member of a pair should submit a completed application form to Celeste Simmons, administrative assistant, and the compensation agreement form to the VPAA office no later than Nov. 22. Electronic submissions will be accepted at [celeste.simmons@minotstateu.edu](mailto:celeste.simmons@minotstateu.edu).

For more information, contact Lenore Koczon, VPAA, at 858-3329 or [lenore.koczon@minotstateu.edu](mailto:lenore.koczon@minotstateu.edu) or Paul Markel, co-director of the Great Plains Center for Community Research and Service and professor of psychology, at 858-4296 or [paul.markel@minotstateu.edu](mailto:paul.markel@minotstateu.edu).

## Two hired at HCI

Minot State University's Healthy Communities International recently hired two additional project assistants. Ann Rivera and Tricia Vondal joined HCI and will be responsible for providing technical assistance to communities pursuing smoke free workplaces, promoting smoke-free policy initiatives, and researching best practice policy approaches. Kelly Buettner-Schmidt, assistant professor of nursing, directs HCI.

## Ersland honored

Minot State University head wrestling coach Robin Ersland was honored by his former school the University of Central Missouri by being inducted into the Mules Wrestling Class of 2011 Legends Oct. 7. Ersland was the Mules head coach for 15 years before coming to Minot State to re-establish wrestling. He compiled a 134-126-2 record at UCM, coaching 32 All-Americans and led the Mules to their highest national finish, an 11th place finish in 2001.

## Wellness works

### MSU Fitness Center promotes active lifestyle

The Minot State University Fitness Center promotes exercise is for everybody and that everyone can and should strive to live an active lifestyle. Fitness is an essential part of living a healthy and productive life.

The fitness center, located on the east side of the third floor of the Dome, is available to the campus community from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays. The center features 17 pieces of cardiovascular equipment, 16 pieces of Hammer Strength machines, free weights and much more. There is also recreational equipment that can be checked out at the front desk.

Open recreation nights and fitness classes in Swain Hall are offered by the fitness center. For those interested, personal training is also available.

Stop by the fitness center or contact Paul Brekke, MSU Fitness Center coordinator, at 858-3485 or

[paul.brekke@minotstateu.edu](mailto:paul.brekke@minotstateu.edu) and start living the many benefits of an active lifestyle!

## Announcements

### Norwegian percussionist and American marimbist give workshop and recital

North Dakota percussionists are bringing two internationally noted percussion performers to Minot State University Friday (Nov. 4) for a daylong percussion workshop culminated by a free evening percussion recital. Christian Michael Berg, principal percussionist with the Oslo, Norway, Philharmonic Orchestra, and marimbist Kevin Bobo, associate professor of music at Indiana University, Bloomington, will present workshops on snare drum, auxiliary percussion, keyboard percussion and timpani.

The percussion workshop is open to all interested students and educators; no audition is required. A \$5 workshop participation fee will be charged. The 7 p.m. evening percussion recital is free and open to the public.

For more information or to register for the workshop, contact 858-3264 or [avis.veikley@minotstateu.edu](mailto:avis.veikley@minotstateu.edu).

— *Avis Veikley, percussion instructor and Northwest Art Center director*

### Deadline to request a tutor approaches

The final day for students to request a tutor for weekly assigned tutoring (one-on-one tutoring for two hours each week) is Nov. 11. Students must complete and submit the Tutor Request form, which can be found in the Center for Engaged Teaching and Learning (Old Main 101) or online at [www.minotstateu.edu/ctl/peer\\_tutoring.shtml](http://www.minotstateu.edu/ctl/peer_tutoring.shtml).

Weekly assigned tutoring is available for one course per student per semester. Students may utilize all available clinics for drop-in tutoring through the semester's end.

For questions, contact [jessica.smestad@minotstateu.edu](mailto:jessica.smestad@minotstateu.edu) or 858-4039.

— *Jessica Smestad, CETL tutoring and mentoring coordinator*

### NDCPD seeks public input

The North Dakota Center for Persons with Disabilities at Minot State University seeks input for its five-year strategic plan and invites North Dakota residents to complete a survey to help prioritize goals and activities. The survey can be completed online or in another format with responses accepted until 4:30 p.m. on Nov. 28.

The Administration on Developmental Disabilities at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services requires NDCPD to develop a five-year plan. In preparation for the 2012-2017 plan, NDCPD asks community members for input on potential activities related to services, research, education, community training and information dissemination for persons with developmental disabilities in North Dakota.

On the NDCPD website, [ndcpd.org/](http://ndcpd.org/), participants should click on the "Share Your Voice" banner in the center of the webpage to link to the survey. The survey consists of only two questions. They should select the top six issues they view as the most important for NDCPD to address in its 2012-2017 plan of work.

Individuals unable to complete the online survey, or who simply prefer a paper survey or alternate format, may contact NDCPD by calling toll-free (800) 233-1737 or emailing [ndcpd@minotstateu.edu](mailto:ndcpd@minotstateu.edu).

Individuals and organizations may also submit written comments and suggestions to North Dakota Center for Persons with Disabilities, 500 University Ave. W., Minot, N.D., 58707.

— Brent Askvig, NDCPD executive director

## Holiday bakers needed

Minot State University Staff Senate is coordinating a campus-wide service project to bring holiday cheer to the staff, faculty and food-service workers. Staff Senate is creating 125 goodie trays to be delivered to designated individuals on campus. Participation would be greatly appreciated. Please consider making two dozen extra of a favorite holiday treat or buy a bag of holiday candy to share.

It is important to know how many people will be donating to ensure all 125 trays are filled. Please communicate with the Staff Senate by Friday (Nov. 4) by contacting Sarah Carr at 858-4365 or [sarah.carr@minotstateu.edu](mailto:sarah.carr@minotstateu.edu).

Further details will be provided via email to those who sign up to participate.

Thank you for giving time to make a fellow MSU employee's holiday brighter!

— MSU Staff Senate

## Faculty recital slated

Minot State University music faculty Adam Estes and Dianna Anderson will present a faculty recital Monday (Nov. 7) in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall at 7:30 p.m. The concert's theme is "Women and the Saxophone." Elise Boyer Hall, a pioneer in the saxophone community at the turn-of-the-century, commissioned many of the most important works for the saxophone in the early 1900s. Perhaps the most famous of the works commissioned by Hall is the "Rhapsodie" by Claude Debussy. Estes and Anderson will present this work in addition to pieces by Amy Quate, Paule Maurice and Stacy Garrop on this concert.

— Adam Estes, assistant professor of woodwinds

## In the galleries

Nov. 2-Nov. 23 — "Walk as a Woman: The Resurrected Treasures," ceramics, drawings and paintings by MSU student Michele McKamy, Hartnett Gallery.

Nov. 2-30 — "Touched and Untouched" by North Dakota printmakers, Library Gallery.

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