



## Homecoming king and queen named

Minot State University students selected **Max Buchholz** and **April Asako Nakatani** as the 2012 Homecoming king and queen Sept. 12. Buchholz, a Minot native, is a nursing and Spanish major. He represented Student Government Association. Nakatani, from Sacramento, Calif., is majoring in corporate fitness. She represented Minot State Club of Physical Educators.

Other members of the Homecoming court (with hometown, major and student organization) are **Laura Bakke**, Reynolds, chemistry and biology, SGA; **Benjamin Berg**, Minot, business education, DECA; **Jay Borseth**, Williston, physical education, MSCOPE; **Jana Britz**, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, communication disorders, Student Ambassadors; **Will Feldman**, Stanley, English, English Club; **Corinne Gautron**, Winnipeg, Manitoba, athletic training, Organization of Athletic Training Students; **Justin Goetz**, Minot, music education, MSU Marching Band; **Lance Hartleib**, Minot, history, Archery Club; **Derek Hackett**, Minot, broadcasting, Public Relations Student Society of America; **Jeremy Holman**, Chula Vista, Calif., international business and energy economics and finance, Student Ambassadors; **Piper Jones**, Minot, broadcasting, KMSU; **Tracy Knutson**, Bowbells, elementary education, Archery Club; **Jordan Kluck**, Minot, criminal justice, Greek Life; **Aaron Larson**, Minot, broadcasting, Media Ink; **Jennifer Lock**, Minot, marketing, management and international business, DECA; **Jasmine Massingill**, McClusky, music education, MSU Marching Band; **Amy Olson**, Minot, broadcasting and Spanish education, PRSSA; **Kelsey Ramos**, Tehachapi, Calif., psychology, Greek Life; **Amber Smith**, Wolf Point, Mont., marketing and management, MSU Cheer Team; **Corbin Zerr**, Harvey, English education, English Club.

For questions, contact Callie Cook, Homecoming co-coordinator, at [callie.cook@my.minotstateu.edu](mailto:callie.cook@my.minotstateu.edu).

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### PIO update

Nov. 22, 1963, I was just shy of two years old. My mother says my first complete sentence was “the president’s been shot,” no doubt due to endless media coverage. A friend’s slightly older husband remembers youthful disappointment cartoons were pre-empted. But to the generation before us, JFK’s assassination was the “9/11” of their time.

Tuesday (Sept. 25), at 2 p.m. in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, MSU is honored to host a presentation by Clint Hill, the Secret Service agent assigned to guard Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy from 1960 to 1964. Hill, a Washburn native, is also a Norsk Høstfest 2012 Scandinavian-American Hall of Fame inductee.

Hill will discuss his new book, “Mrs. Kennedy and Me: An Intimate Memoir,” in conversation with co-author Lisa McCubbin and give a multimedia presentation. It is free and open to the public and will be followed by a book signing.

Take advantage of this rare opportunity to share an iconic memory with someone who closely guarded his personal story for five decades.

— Susan Ness,  
public information director

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Hill was the Secret Service agent assigned to guard the glamorous and intensely private Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy from 1960 to 1964. In those four years, he went from being a reluctant guardian to a fiercely loyal watchdog and, in many ways, her closest friend.

Looking back 50 years, Hill tells his story for the first time, with unforgettable details, startling revelations and sparkling intimate moments of a man doing the most exciting job in the world and recounting the tragedy that ended it all too soon.

Hill will present rarely seen personal photographs and videos with Mrs. Kennedy and her children along with a United States Secret Service video of what it was actually like to be in the Presidential Motorcade Nov. 22, 1963, in Dallas, Texas.

Hill’s presentation is free and open to the public.



Hill



## Alumni Association bestows awards

Two Minot State University alumni, Ray Giacoletti and Paul Soderberg, received the MSU Alumni Association’s Golden Award Sept.13. Kristi Berg was awarded the Young Alumni Achievement Award.

The highest award bestowed by the MSU Alumni Association, the Golden Award selections are based on outstanding service to the university or alumni association and distinguished leadership in the recipient’s career or community. The Young Alumni Achievement Award recipient is between the ages of 21 to 39.

**Giacoletti**, assistant men’s basketball coach at Gonzaga University, Spokane, Wash., graduated from Minot State University in 1985 with a bachelor’s degree in physical education. He was a four-year letterman in men’s basketball, starting three seasons and serving as team captain twice. He was a student assistant coach at MSU in 1984-85. His first head coaching job was from 1998 to 2000 at North Dakota State University, where he went 48-33.



Giacoletti

**Soderberg**, retired rear admiral, United States Navy, graduated from Minot State University in 1965 with a Bachelor of Science in mathematics and physical education. At MSU, he made the All Conference Team in basketball and football, served as Student Association president as a junior and was selected to “Who’s Who in American Colleges & Universities” his senior year. He was inducted into the MSU Athletic Hall of Fame in 1992.



Soderberg

**Berg**, assistant business information technology professor, graduated from Minot State University in 1995 with a Bachelor of Science in business education. While teaching at Quentin Burdick Job Corps, she began graduate studies and teaching part-time at MSU. She began teaching full-time at MSU after completing a Master of Science in management in 2000. An active Young Professionals-Minot member, Berg recently worked with the Minot Area Community Foundation on its “Rebuilding Neighborhoods” initiative following the 2011 Souris River Flood.



Berg

To read the full article about the award recipients, visit <http://www.minotstateu.edu/news/000543.shtml>.

## New faculty and staff aboard

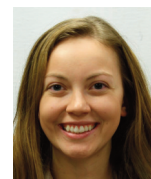
Minot State University would like to welcome four new employees, Aimee Duchsherer, Kylee Geer, Keryl Lesmann and Jack Nelson.

**Duchsherer**, Great Plains Center for Community Research and Service administrative assistant, previously worked at Gourmet Chef. She completed a bachelor’s degree in history at MSU.

**Geer** is the Communication Disorders Clinic supervisor. She holds a bachelor’s degree in communication disorders and a master’s degree in speech-language pathology from MSU. In 2012, she received an autism certificate from the University of North Dakota.

**Lesmann** is the POWER Center program assistant. She has an associate degree in registered medical assistant from Dakota College at Bottineau.

**Nelson**, assistant men’s basketball coach, comes to MSU from Bellevue University, Neb. He earned an associate degree from Blackhawk College, a bachelor’s degree in sports management from Saint Mary’s University of Minnesota and a master’s degree in education leadership from Winona State University.



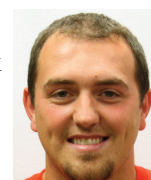
Duchsherer



Geer



Lesmann



Nelson

## Native Andean instruments analyzed in Hispanic Heritage Month

To commemorate Hispanic Heritage Month, musician Oscar Rios Pohirieth will give a presentation Wednesday evening (Sept. 19) in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall at 7 p.m. MSU Spanish Club is sponsoring the presentation, which is open and free to the public.

Pohirieth analyzes the history, development and playing techniques of various Native Andean instruments such as the zampoñas (Andean pan pipes), the auena (a recorder-like flute) and the bombo (drum from African influence). Through this process, he hopes to create curiosity, cooperation and collaboration for exploring new music and culture.

For questions, contact Paul Cristofaro, assistant Spanish professor, at 858-4048 or paul.cristofaro@minotstateu.edu.



## Players play for a day

The stage is once again ready for the Minot State University Campus Players' 24-hour Play Festival Friday and Saturday (Sept. 21-22) in Aleshire Theater.

Peg Morris and Josh Snyder are leading this year's festival.

The festival starts Friday at 7:30 p.m. with a meeting of all the writers, directors and actors. Actors bring one prop and one costume. A photograph is taken and given to the writers. At 8:30 p.m., everyone leaves but the writers, who spend the night creating five new 10-minute plays.

Scripts are due Saturday at 6 a.m.; and at 7 a.m., directors arrive to read the scripts and create their own vision of the plays. Actors come in at 8 a.m., and memorization and rehearsal begin.

Technical support arrives at 3 p.m., and the curtain goes up at 7:30 p.m. The performance admission is \$3, and reservations are not required.

## International Film Series begins year with Spanish film

The 2012-2013 Minot State University International Film Series begins with the Spanish film "The Motorcycle Diaries" Tuesday (Sept. 25) in Aleshire Theater at 7:30 p.m.

A foreign language faculty member will introduce the film and facilitate discussion afterward. The film is free and open to the public.

There will be a door prize drawing consisting of a \$20 dinner gift certificate to an area international restaurant.

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

## Assessment Day

Fall Assessment Day is scheduled for Oct. 3, and activity information will be forthcoming. There are no classes until 3 p.m.

## 'Strange Like Me' promotes acceptance

In celebration of National Diversity Day (Oct. 5), Minot State University is sponsoring "Strange Like Me," an interactive theatrical performance in Aleshire Theater, 3 p.m. GTC Dramatic Dialogues, a Minneapolis theater troupe, will present the program.

This event is designed to encourage students to examine and discuss their feelings and actions when confronting people who are "different" from themselves. Two scenes follow six students as they navigate the sometimes difficult terrain of multicultural campus relationships. During talk-backs, audience members can confront the characters and voice their own opinions on issues of racism, sexism and homophobia. The diversity discussion is capped off by a short theatrical scene that reveals the lasting scars prejudice leaves on its victims.

For more information, contact Bethany Keusch, global education coordinator, at bethany.stai@minotstateu.edu or 858-4645 or Annette Mennem, Native American Center director, at annette.mennem@minotstateu.edu or 858-3112.

## NDCPD to host disability-health awareness walk

The North Dakota Center for Persons with Disabilities, a University Center of Excellence on developmental disabilities on Minot State University's campus, is hosting "Talk, Walk and Roll," a disability health-awareness walk Oct. 12, 4-6 p.m. People of all abilities are welcome to participate, and participants will meet in front of Old Main at 4 p.m.

"This event is intended to promote inclusive communities and raise health awareness for people with disabilities in a fun and unique way," said Emily Rodacker, NDCPD project coordinator. "Talk, Walk and Roll provides an opportunity for participants to talk with people as they walk around the beautiful MSU campus and roll through the evening with friends, just for the health of it."

October is National Disability Awareness month. Local organizations and businesses will be stationed along the route to provide information and resources on disabilities. Participants can also tour the new Student Wellness Center and see other improvements happening at MSU.

For questions, contact Rodacker at emily.rodacker@minotstateu.edu or 858-3546.

## In the galleries

Sept. 19-26 — "Americas 2012: All Media," a national juried competition with juror Travis Head, Hartnett Gallery.

Sept. 19-Oct. 17 — "From Sheep to Shawl," handiwork of four Minnesota fabric artists, Katy Olson, Joan Jarvis Ellison, Karen Aakre and Sharon Marquardt, Library Gallery.

## Faculty and staff achievements

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**Jeanne MacDonald**, business administration instructor for the Bismarck program, presented "Building Community Leaders" at MSU's Energy Impact Solutions Aug. 14. A written summary of the Energy Impact Solutions Grant findings is being compiled and will be available in September.

**John Girard**, professor of business administration, presented at the International Conference on Information and Knowledge Engineering and facilitated a knowledge management tutorial in Las Vegas, July 16-19. He also was the keynote speaker at "Knowledge Management: Improving and Sustaining Quality," a knowledge management conference in Novi Sad, Serbia, June 26-28.

**Audra Myerchin**, assistant broadcasting professor, **Kevin Neuharth**, associate communication arts professor, and **Nancy Pearson**, communication arts instructor, chaired or served on

panels at the Communication, Speech, Theatre Association of North Dakota conference in Mandan, Sept. 13-15.

Myerchin chaired "Incivility in the Classroom and What We Can Do about It," and Pearson served on the panel. Myerchin also chaired "Travel Abroad Programs."

Neuharth participated on a panel discussing the problems all small theatre departments share.

Pearson chaired "Service Learning from the Student Perspective," and Myerchin was a panelist.

**Pearson** authored Chapter 21, "Bring Your Cell Phone to Class," in Faith Mullen's "Teaching Communication Creatively." Mullen's book will be used as a resource for teachers and graduate students in Liberty University's Communications Department. Pearson originally presented her idea at a National Communication Association convention.

**David Rochholz**, human performance programs coordinator, was selected for induction into the North Dakota High Schools Activities Association's Officials Hall of Fame for his contributions as a wrestling official. Rochholz officiated high school and college wrestling in North Dakota for 22 years.

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