



President Fuller to retire in 2014

Minot State University President David Fuller announced his intentions to retire, effective June 30, 2014. Fuller is MSU's eighth president and also serves as Dakota College at Bottineau president.

"I wish to give our campus, community and the State Board of Higher Education a clear sense of the plans and the date, so that timely preparations can be made to proceed with a search and an orderly transition for my successor," Fuller said.

Until his retirement, Fuller will continue to serve as MSU and DCB president and focus on preparations for MSU's 2013-2014 Centennial celebration, groundwork for an upcoming comprehensive capital campaign and post-flood recovery.

Following his arrival in 2004, Fuller developed a seven-year proposal focused on MSU's 2013 Centennial. "Vision 2013" outlined strategies and tactics to raise awareness of MSU beyond northwestern North Dakota and achieve national distinction in the upper Great Plains. As a result, MSU underwent several initiatives to strengthen campus infrastructure, enhance academic programs and heighten its commitment to student success through on and off-campus learning experiences.



Fuller

MSU releases fall enrollment numbers

Minot State University official fall 2012 enrollment numbers show a 2.7 percent decrease compared to official numbers last year of 3,657. The number reported to the North Dakota University system is 3,560.

"Numbers indicate we are doing a good job of recruiting outside of our area, and that Minot State University's message of being a solid institution with fine academic programs is making inroads," said MSU President David Fuller. "However, housing and the energy industry continue to impact us locally."

Enrollment declines are most prevalent in new freshmen, graduate, Minot Air Force Base and Native American students. Ward County showed a 5 percent total decrease. Other counties showing decreased enrollment trends include many in oil patch country, such as Divide, Williams and Mountrail.

Grow North Dakota, an MSU endeavor to recruit out-of-state and international students by charging a flat tuition rate, fostered growth in student populations from exterior states such as Arizona, California, Florida and Michigan. Increases were also seen in transfer and international students.

North Dakota counties that show enrollment increases include Burke, Burleigh, Cass and Grand Forks.

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PIO update

Minot State University enriches the region's quality of life, not only as an educational institution, but as a cultural entity.

A live, participatory arts and music festival, NOTSTOCK celebrates the many aspects of art in pop culture that permeate everyday life and captivate spectators Thursday through Saturday (Oct. 4-6). In six years, it has grown from one artist and a few participants to several multimedia artists and musicians interacting with hundreds of participants.

In Oct. 10's "Ethnic Swedes on the Great Plains," Raymond Screws, visiting assistant history professor, will examine how Swedes maintained ethnic identity after migrating to America.

Minot Symphony Orchestra opens its 87th season, "A New Era!" Oct. 13 with a new musical director at its helm. Scott Seaton will direct MSO in "Bohemian Sunrise," its first concert of the season and new era.

These are a few of the many events MSU promotes to enhance the experiences of our community.

— Linda Benson,
public information specialist

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MSU NOTSTOCK

Minot State University's annual live signature arts festival, NOTSTOCK, continues to color outside convention's lines. MSU NOTSTOCK 2012 celebrates poster art, poetry, music, ceramics, theatre and politics and features two special art exhibits Thursday through Saturday (Oct. 4-6).

"The NOTSTOCK events allow participants to see art happen through the work of professional artists and then to make art themselves," said Sarah Aleshire, English instructor.

"Winged Shadows: Life Among Birds," a traveling North Dakota Museum of Art exhibit, looks at birds through paintings, photographs, prints, video and electronic media. "Winged Shadows" is open to the public Thursday and Friday (Oct. 4-5), 9 a.m.-4 p.m., and Saturday (Oct. 6), 10 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Conference Center.

Award-winning poet, translator, editor and activist Shaun Griffin will lead WordStock events, including "makeshops" in which participants generate words and graphics on "POWER." The works created at these makeshops, held Thursday and Friday (Oct. 4-5), 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Conference Center, will be displayed in Hartnett Hall. Griffin will give a reading of his work Thursday (Oct. 4) at 7 p.m. in Aleshire Theater. A reception and book-signing will follow.

"Poster Offensive," a show promoting peace and democracy, will be on exhibit Monday through Friday (Oct. 1-5), 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., and Saturday (Oct. 6), 10 a.m. -3 p.m. in the Hartnett Gallery. Twin Cities artists, Peet Fetsch, Nick Zdon and Kelly Perlick, will speak about "Poster Offensive" and their work Friday (Oct. 5) at 9 a.m., in Aleshire Theater. They will also conduct screen-printing workshops Thursday (Oct. 4), 9 a.m.-4 p.m. and Friday (Oct. 5), 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Chicago artists Jay Ryan and Justin Santora will screen print live in the Beaver Dam throughout the event. Santora and Ryan will give presentations of their work Thursday and Friday (Oct. 4-5), respectively, at noon in Aleshire Theater.



POTSTOCK opens its third year with North Dakota natives Sarah Snavelly and Kendra Rodgers. Snavelly, Rodgers and MSU faculty and students will give ceramics demonstrations and raku firings Thursday and Friday (Oct. 4-5) on the Beaver Dam patio, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

New to NOTSTOCK are theatre productions. The Lampshade Brigade, an alternative forms theatre group, will present "An Exploration of Improvised Forms to Delight All Sensibilities" Thursday and Friday (Oct. 4-5) in Hartnett

Hall's Black Box Theater, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

A favorite NOTSTOCK activity continues: daily do-it-yourself screen printing Thursday and Friday (Oct. 4-5), 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday (Oct. 6), 9 a.m.-3 p.m. in the Beaver Dam. Visitors, who are encouraged to bring a T-shirt, hoodie, tote bag or other item to be printed, choose a NOTSTOCK design and "pull" their own screen print.

NOTSTOCK will host a special concert with Minnesota folksinger and songwriter Charlie Parr Friday (Oct. 5), 8 p.m. in Aleshire Theater. Parr, who will soon release his eighth album, will also host an informal workshop in the Beaver Dam Saturday (Oct. 6) at 1 p.m. Local bands will open for Parr, play daily in the Beaver Dam, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., and perform at the NOTSTOCK closing reception at 62 Doors Gallery & Studios Saturday (Oct. 6), 7 p.m.

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



'Strange Like Me' promotes acceptance

For National Diversity Day (Oct. 5), GTC Dramatic Dialogues, a Minneapolis theater troupe, will present "Strange Like Me" in Aleshire Theater, 3 p.m.

This interactive theatrical performance encourages university students to examine their feelings and actions when confronting people who are "different" from themselves. Two scenes follow six students as they navigate the 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 about "Strange Like Me," contact Bethany Keusch, global education coordinator, at bethany.stai@minotstateu.edu or Annette Mennem, Native American Center director, at annette.mennem@minotstateu.edu.

Sociology Club hosting political candidates

The Minot State University Sociology Club is sponsoring a political town hall meeting Oct. 9 in Aleshire Theater, 1-2:30 p.m. The forum is free and open to the public.

"It's a great opportunity for students to meet some of the candidates that are running to represent them," said Jolita Bennett, Sociology Club president.

The students invited every candidate that Minot voters can elect in November. Invitations were extended to candidates from national to local races. Candidates who indicated they will attend the forum are: Kristen Baesler, superintendent of public instruction candidate; Robert "Bob" Frantzvog, state representative District 40 candidate; Robert Kibler, state representative District 38 candidate; Ross Mushik, state treasurer candidate; Tom Potter, state insurance commissioner candidate; Tracy Potter, superintendent of public instruction candidate; Roland Riemer, state governor candidate; Ryan Taylor, state governor candidate; and Joshua Voytek, public service commissioner candidate.

For questions, contact Bennett at jolita.bennett@my.minotstateu.edu.

New staff aboard

Minot State University would like to welcome new employees, **Roxann Hayhurst** and **Cheryl Jenkins**.

Hayhurst, North Dakota Center for Persons with Disabilities research associate, previously was an early hearing follow-up coordinator. She holds a bachelor's degree in accounting from MSU.

Jenkins, senior financial aid counselor, completed a bachelor's degree in accounting from the College of St. Scholastica, Duluth, Minn.



Hayhurst



Jenkins

Raymond Screws to discuss 'Ethnic Swedes on the Great Plains'

Raymond Screws, visiting assistant history professor, will present "Ethnic Swedes on the Great Plains" Oct. 10 in Aleshire Theater at 7 p.m. as part of the Northwest Art Center lecture series. All lectures are free and open to the public.

During the late 19th and early 20th centuries, thousands of Swedish immigrants journeyed to the Great Plains. Screws will examine how the Swedes maintained ethnic identity through social, cultural, religious and educational institutions. The lecture is based on research conducted on Saunders County, Neb., but applies to other areas of the Great Plains, including North Dakota.

A question-and-answer period and informal reception will follow the presentation.

MSO launches 'A New Era!'

The Minot Symphony Orchestra will open its 87th season, "A New Era!" with the "Bohemian Sunrise" concert Oct. 13 in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m. Scott Seaton, new musical director, conducts the orchestra.

Gabriela Martinez, of Venezuela, will appear as piano soloist. She will play Beethoven's "Piano Concerto No. 5."

Minot State University students, faculty and staff are admitted free with



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a current ID to MSO concerts. Additional tickets range from \$5 to \$25 by age and seating choice, with season ticket prices available.

For more information about MSO, visit <http://www.minotstateu.edu/symphony/>.

Anderson and Girard endorse study abroad

Minot State University student Anthony Anderson, who traveled to Ireland last summer as part of the MSU Study Abroad Program, will share his experience in a presentation Oct. 13 in Aleshire Theater at 11 a.m.

John Girard, business administration professor, will present "Semester at Sea" Oct. 13 at noon in Aleshire Theater. Girard served as a faculty member on the Maymester voyage of Semester at Sea May 15-June 15, 2012.

Anderson and Girard will recap their trips in pictures and anecdotes. Both presentations are free and open to the public.

International Film Series highlights the Arab Spring

The Minot State University International Film Series continues with "Inside the Arab Spring" Oct. 16 in Aleshire Theater at 7:30 p.m. Islam Farag, Arabic Fulbright language teaching assistant from Egypt, will show current documentaries and lead discussion about the Arab Spring, the events that led to increased interest in how democracy and stability can take root in the Middle East. The presentation is free and open to the public.

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

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

In the galleries

Oct. 3-17 — "From Sheep to Shawl" showcases the handiwork of four Minnesota fabric artists, Katy Olson, Joan Jarvis Ellison, Karen Aakre and Sharon Marquardt, Library Gallery.

Oct. 3-26 — "Poster Offensive 6," a show promoting peace and democracy through the medium of posters, Hartnett Gallery.

Faculty and staff achievements

The Office of Public Information proudly shares the many accomplishments of faculty and staff with the campus community in every issue.

Dean Frantsvog, associate accounting professor, **Tom Seymour**, business information technology professor, and **John Freneymon**, business student, had their article, "Cloud Computing," published in the fourth quarter 2012 edition of International Journal of Management & Information Systems.

JoAnn Linrud, College of Business dean, was chosen by

Minot YWCA for the YWCA – Woman of Distinction Award. She will be recognized at a banquet Oct. 12. YWCA honors community women for leadership in championing issues of women, girls and people of color.

Lesley Magnus, associate communication disorders professor, and two graduate students, **Janell Meyer** and **Dayna Rogers**, presented "Collaboration in ESL" Sept. 14 in Bismarck at the North Dakota Association for Lifelong Learning fall conference. The presentation showcased the collaborative efforts between the Communication Disorders Clinic and the Minot Adult Learning Center.

Mary Mercer, NDCPD assistant director for program management, presented a seminar, "Active Support," at the National Association of Qualified Developmental Disabilities Professionals conference in Chicago in August. Mercer also co-presented a session on the NAQ credential program offered in collaboration with MSU.

Seymour chaired the campus evaluation visit to the Thomas M. Cooley Law School in Riverview, Fla., Sept. 24. He represented The Higher Learning Commission, North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

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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