First CONNECT orientation and registration welcomes new students May 30-31

To help new students get acclimated at Minot State University, enrollment services is sponsoring CONNECT, a series of two-day orientation and registration events. The first CONNECT session will be on Thursday and Friday. All students are mailed CONNECT information and registration forms along with their acceptance letter to MSU.

Other Thursday-Friday dates for CONNECT are June 21-22, July 12-13, and July 19-20. The CONNECT events begin at noon on Thursday and end at noon on Friday. The $45 fee for CONNECT includes all meals. Thursday night lodging is available at the residence halls for $10 or at a local hotel for $65.

Activities on Thursday include touring the campus and learning about campus services, financial aid, international programs and housing. The day concludes with dinner and entertainment. Friday's schedule will include getting your student ID and parking pass, meeting with an advisor and registering for classes.

Minot State is dedicated to helping students succeed, and requiring orientation for all new students (freshman and transfer) is an important first step. Freshmen must attend the full event, while transfer students are required only to attend Friday. However, transfer students are welcome to also attend Thursday. Parent and family orientation is not required but highly recommended. Family members, too, will learn about Minot State University and its services and have the chance to CONNECT with families of new and current college students. It's a great opportunity to learn what to expect during their student's first year at MSU.

All new students are automatically billed the $45 fee for CONNECT.

A committee exists to consider attendance exemptions and a virtual orientation is available for students who are provided an exemption.

The registration form for CONNECT may also be completed online and found at (www.minotstateu.edu/orientation_form.html). Questions may be directed to enrollment services at 858-4348 or by e-mailing (msu_registration@minotstateu.edu).

North Broadway construction continues to impact access to MSU campus

Access to Minot State University continues to be impacted by construction on North Broadway. The west side of the North Broadway and 11th Avenue North will be closed for approximately three weeks. This means that 11th Avenue and the north side of the Minot State University campus cannot be accessed from Broadway. On the east side of Broadway, one lane of north and south traffic will continue.

The west side of the North Broadway and University Avenue intersection was reopened May 24. There is a single lane east- and westbound covered with gravel. Please note that during the summer term, no permits are required to use the residence hall and unreserved parking.

May 30, 2007

‘Li’l Abner’ is Summer Theatre opener

“Li’l Abner” opens the season for Minot State University’s 42nd edition of Summer Theatre, June 12-17. Based on the comic strip “Li’l Abner” by Al Capp, the show is about the happenings in the rural Southern community of Dogpatch, U.S.A.


All shows are in the MSU Amphitheater at 8:30 p.m. Tickets are $8 for adults, $7 for senior citizens and children over 12, $5 for children 12 and under, and $2 for MSU personnel and summer students with current MSU ID. Reservations may be made by calling the Summer Theatre box office at 858-3228.
lots. Those of you who normally park in the lots near the Administration and Student Union buildings may want to use the lots near Cook Hall and Lura Manor. Those who park in the Dome lots may want to consider accessing those lots from the west or north. The intersections at 19th Avenue and 20th Avenue North remain open. (Although left turns off Broadway at lighted 20th are not allowed).

For your safety and the safety of construction workers, drivers are asked to stay alert when traveling through the construction zone. Along the construction route, the maximum speed limit is 25 mph south of 11th Avenue and 30 mph just north of 11th Avenue. Police are patrolling access and frontage roads.

The Office of Public Information will continue to provide updates such as these, and new information will be posted to the MSU home page. Please do your best to relay this information to guests and visitors to campus.

If further information or assistance is needed, please contact the Office of Public Information at 858-3298.

**Girard accepts summer management of enrollment services**

Gary Rabe, vice president for academic affairs, announced May 16 that John Girard, associate professor with the College of Business, will provide consulting and management services for the Office of Enrollment Services for the period of May 15 through August 15.

During that time, Girard will be reviewing enrollment services’ communication plan, staffing and position responsibilities. As well as providing supervision, he will conduct interviews to fill the two vacant recruiting positions. A major responsibility will be to prepare a strategic plan to guide MSU in recruiting and enrollment management decisions.

Rabe said he is pleased that Girard agreed to assist MSU in this manner and in this important function of the university. Girard remains a faculty member in the College of Business and will return to teaching in the fall.

**Work continues on campus master plan**

Architects JoAnne Kissel, Dennis Scheer and Kent Munster will return to Minot State University May 30-31 with their final results. The three are part of Clark Enerson Partners, an architectural firm based out of Kansas City, Mo.

The main focus of the meetings is campus landscape and signage. They will meet with members of the Aesthetics Committee Wednesday. Other campus members are invited to attend. Additional meetings are with representatives from the student center, Steering Committee and President Fuller.

**DCM returns June 4-10**

The Dakota Chamber Music Institute and competition for strings and piano will celebrate its 11th season June 4-10. The festival brings professional artists together with talented and motivated students and adults for intensive performance and study. Erik Anderson, Jon Runnney, and Dianna Anderson are members of the 2007 festival faculty.

The Dakota Chamber Music faculty recital will be in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall on June 7, 7 p.m. The participant concert on June 8 will be in the Gordon B. Olson Library, 11 a.m.

The remaining two participant concerts will be in Nelson Hall on June 9 at 7 p.m. and on June 10 at 2 p.m.

For further information call Erik Anderson at 858-3576 or e-mail (erik.anderson@minotstateu.edu).

**SBHE is preparing for UND president search**

The North Dakota State Board of Higher Education is forming a search committee to select the next president of the University of North Dakota. Potential members were named May 18.

Charles Kupchella, president of UND, announced in January he intends to retire early next year. The naming of the search committee was delayed by the 2007 legislative session and by three other North Dakota University System searches: one to replace the NDUS chancellor and two to replace presidents at Mayville State University and the North Dakota State College of Science in Wahpeton.

John Paulson, president of SBHE, said previously the committee likely will have about 15 members.

—partially excerpted from Associated Press

**Kids are at college again**

Once again, Minot State's Center for Extended Learning is undertaking its perennially popular “College for Kids.” Fifteen summer camps will be offered throughout June and July. The 2007 camps include: Art in the Garden, The “Art” of Planting Flowers, “You’re on the Air,” Forensic Science, Imagine It…Create It! 1 and 2, Business of Babysitting, Riddles and Mysteries Young Writers Workshop, Web Page Fun, and Exploring Robotics 1, 2, and 3. Schedules, age groups and prices vary.

For additional information, contact CEL at 858-3989 or on the Web at www.minotstateu.edu/CEL/ced_kids.shtml.

MSU personnel receive a $10 discount for each child for each enrollment.
Athletic camps build skills

Children’s summer athletic camps have been scheduled at Minot State University. Children of MSU employees receive a $10 discount for each camp except the Mini-Camp K-2 and the teams camps.

BOYS BASKETBALL:
Individual Camp—Grades 5-12, June 17-21;

BASKETBALL TEAMS:
Girls and Boys Teams—Grades 9-12, July 21-22.

GIRLS BASKETBALL:
Post Players Camp—Grades 5-12, June 1-3; Perimeter Players Camp—Grades 5-12, June 1-3; Individual Camp—Grades 5-12, June 3-7; Mini-Camp—Grades K-6, July 23-26.

FOOTBALL:
Football Offensive and Defensive Line Camp—Grades 7-12, July 25; Football Linebackers and Defensive Backs Camp—Grades 7-12, July 26; Football Quarterbacks and Wide Receivers Camp—Grades 7-12, July 27; Football Passing Tournament-Team Camp—Grades 9-12, July 28.

In the galleries

May 31-July 9 — “Nice Jam,” by MSU photography students, Olson Library Gallery.
June 13-July 12 — Janet Wentz memorial exhibition, Hartnett Hall Gallery.
June 3 – NAC: opening reception for “Nice Jam” exhibit, Olson Library Gallery, 6 p.m.

The public reception for the “Nice Jam” exhibit will be June 3, 6 p.m.

Food service summer hours announced

Please note the following summer hours and changes for Symbols and the Beaver Dam:
- Symbols Convenience Store, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. (Starbucks brewed coffee will be available).
- Beaver Dam Summer Hours, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. (Food service will not be available).

—Brad Damm, director of Chartwells Dining Services

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Calendar

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31-June 1 CONNECT: new student orientation and registration, call 858-4348 for information.
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June
1 Last day to add an eight-week class.
3 NAC: opening reception for “Nice Jam” exhibit, Olson Library Gallery, 6 p.m.
4-10 Dakota Chamber Music Institute
7 Dakota Chamber Music faculty recital, Nelson Hall, 7 p.m.
9 MSU Alumni Association Portland area gathering in Clackamas, Ore.
12-17 Summer Theatre: “Li’l Abner,” Amphitheater, 8:30 p.m.
13 Golf tour, Velva.
13-16 N.D. Family Connections Conference, Fargo.
13-July 12 NAC exhibit: Janet Wentz memorial exhibition, Hartnett Hall Gallery.
15 Golf tour, Stanley.

—Taunya Bersdorf, director of alumni and annual giving
July

4  Independence Day holiday, university closed.
5  Last day to drop an eight-week class.
10-14 Summer Theatre: “Clue: The Musical,” Amphitheater, 8:30 p.m.
11  Golf tour, New Town.
11-12 NDUS Chancellors Cabinet retreat.
12-13 CONNECT: new student orientation and registration, call 858-4348 for information.
12-August 22  NAC senior exhibit: Kristin Olson, Olson Library Gallery.
15  NAC: opening reception for Kristin Olson senior exhibit, Olson Library Gallery, 6:30 p.m.

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19  Staff Senate, Jones Room, 9 a.m.
20  University Cabinet, Westlie Room, 9 a.m.
20  Golf tour, Rugby.
21  State Board of Higher Education at U. of North Dakota.
21-22 CONNECT: new student orientation and registration, call 858-4348 for information.
26-30 Summer Theatre: “Moon Over Buffalo,” Amphitheater, 8:30 p.m.
27  Golf tour, Hazen.
28-29 Western Plains Children’s Choirs summer musical, Graving Theater, Minot High School, 7:30 p.m.