



MSU awarded 20K from Xcel Energy Foundation to start recycling project



Xcel Energy announced Aug. 20 that Minot State University would receive a \$20,000 environmental grant from its Xcel Energy Foundation. The MSU Environmental Sustainability Committee applied for funding to start a new recycling project for the campus.

“By developing

an on-campus recycling program, Minot State University is demonstrating their environmental leadership,” said Kathy Aas, community relations manager for Xcel Energy. “At Xcel Energy, we work hard to protect the environment and encourage others to do so as well.”

With this grant from the foundation, the Environmental Sustainability Committee plans to:

- address MSU’s need for an effective recycling program to reduce waste.
- provide undergraduate research and internship opportunities for students.
- educate students, faculty and staff about the environmental and cost savings benefits of recycling and conservation.

“With \$20,000, Minot State University will be able to purchase the necessary equipment and materials to begin an effective environmental program,” said Linda Olson, chair of the humanities department and principal investigator for the grant proposal. “We are excited to engage the entire university campus this fall as we begin this endeavor.”

August 27, 2008

PIO update

With another year underway, I wanted to say “Thanks.” Thanks to all those who have given feedback in the meetings where we have discussed Office of Public Information goals and objectives. Thanks to all who are patient as I learn your name and what department you are in. Thanks to the many who have caught the “Vision” of PIO. Thanks to all who are already giving us story ideas regarding excellent students and achievements that need to be spotlighted in the news and throughout the community. Thanks to Linda Benson, Amber Jensen and others who are keeping me up to speed regarding MSU and keeping me in line and informed about public information procedures.

I’m sure I can speak on behalf of many of the new faculty and staff who have been hired over the past months, in saying MSU is an open family which is very accepting of new hires. Thanks!

— Mark Lyman, director
of public information

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New staff for 2008-09

In all of the excitement of convocation and doing the Beaver Call, a few new staff members were not properly introduced. Minot State University apologizes for this omission.

At the North Dakota Center for Persons with Disabilities, Chad DeCouteau is the business operations specialist and Nicole Flink and Brenda Munson are administrative assistants. Nicole Adams and Jana Kremer are project secretaries.

In the Office of Public Information, Mark Lyman is the new director of public information.



Adams



DeCouteau



Flink



Kremer



Lyman



Munson

New faculty aboard for 2008-09

Laurel Dimler, assistant professor of nursing, was previously an adjunct faculty member at the University of Mary. She earned her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Minot State University and her master's degree from the University of North Dakota. She has a background in pediatric health.

Kathryn Kilroy will teach geology in the science department. Last year, she was a visiting professor at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. She received her bachelor's degree from Genesco State University in Genesco, N.Y., her master's degree from Ohio State University, Columbus, and her doctorate degree from the University of Nevada, Reno.

Geraldo Lima will be a full-time clinical supervisor in communication disorders when Crystal Ulat leaves at the end of the fall semester. He completed his bachelor's degree in communication disorders from the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond and his master's degree from Oklahoma State University in Stillwater. He worked in the Texas Public School System for four years before moving to Toronto to work at Bloorview Rehab Center. Lima is originally from Brazil, where he was an English as a Second Language instructor for the Brazilian government.

Kemerly Moorhouse, who is originally from Lima, Peru, joins the foreign language department as a Spanish instructor. In Lima, she completed her bachelor's degree at UNIFE and studied Spanish language, literature and communication at Instituto Pedagogico Nacional Monterrico. In 2005-06, she taught at the University of Mary. She is very excited to share her language and culture.

Rebecca Petrick joins the music division. She received her bachelor's degree from Michigan State University, East Lansing, and her master's degree from the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minn. Possessing 29 years of experience teaching piano, she is returning to Minot after having taught in Mandan Public Schools for seven years.

Bryan Schmidt, assistant professor of chemistry, previously did post-doctoral work at Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill. He earned his bachelor's degree at Texas A & M University in Corpus Christi, Texas, and a dual doctorate at Michigan State University in East Lansing. Additionally, he served in the U.S. Navy for six years.

Aili Smith, an MSU alumna, returns as an instructor of speech and theater. She received her bachelor's degree from MSU and her master's degree from UND. Currently, she is completing doctoral work through Wayne State University in Detroit, Mich.

Welcome Week 2008: 'It's a Red-Out at MSU'

Welcome Week at Minot State University, which officially kicked off yesterday (Aug. 26) and runs through Sept. 5, is a two-week event centered on the theme "It's a Red-Out at MSU." The week's intent is to connect students and increase student activities and student life on campus.

Today Grant Edmonds will perform a comedy variety show at 8 p.m. in the Beaver Dam.

Subway food will be provided by Student Government Association Thursday (Aug. 28) from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Quad. Music will also be part of the fun. That evening, the MSU football team plays Bemidji State at 7 p.m. Tailgating starts at 4:30 p.m., and the Student Activities Committee will have a mechanical bull and large trikes to ride. There will be a dance that follows the game in the plaza between the Dome and Harnett Hall, 10 p.m.–1 a.m.

On Friday (Aug. 29), pizza will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., along with music in the Quad.

Corn dogs and fries will be available Sept. 2 in the quad, 11 a.m.–2 p.m. Music will be played as well. Casino Night starts in the Beaver Dam at 7 p.m.

Sept. 3 activities include Pita Pit wraps and music in the Quad, 11 a.m.–2 p.m. The movie, "You Don't Mess With the Zohan," will be shown in the Beaver Dam at 3 p.m. and a night show at 9 p.m. in Aleshire Theater.

On Sept. 4, sloppy joes and chips will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., along with music in the quad. In the evening, Sex

Signals, a dating and sexual assault lecture program, will start at 7 p.m. in the Conference Center, Student Center, third floor.

Welcome Week concludes on Sept. 5 with a barbecue and music, 11 a.m.–2 p.m., in the Quad. All food is available to students while supplies last. For additional information, contact Amber Jensen, SGA director of public relations, at 858-3091 or amber.jensen@my.minotstateu.edu.

MSU Football Beaver Bash slated for Thursday evening

The Minot State University football team will hold its first night game in over a decade. The MSU Beavers play the Bemidji State University Beavers tomorrow (Aug. 28) at 7 p.m. MSU athletics is encouraging all fans to wear red to the game. Tailgating will start prior to the game at 4:30 p.m.

Ribbon-cutting for MSU outreach office at MHS Magic City Campus on Sept. 4

David Fuller, Minot State University president, Mark Vollmer, Minot High School Magic City Campus principal, and MSU and MCC personnel will be joined by the Minot Area Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors for a ribbon-cutting ceremony at MSU's outreach office at MHS's Magic City Campus on Sept. 4, 10 a.m. The entire MSU community is welcome to attend the ceremony and is encouraged to wear red shirts.

"Our office and university is enthralled to be involved in this collaboration. Not only will this office open students' minds to Minot State University, but also to the possibility of attending any university," said Rebecca Porter, recruitment coordinator. "We hope to provide advice for students in all aspects of planning their collegiate future, post-high school."

On Jan. 23, the outreach office opened as a pilot project to help high school students learn more about university life and to showcase MSU's many exciting offerings. For fall semester, the MSU office will be open on Mondays from 8:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. and Wednesdays from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Enrollment services staff will operate the office. In the future, enrollment services hopes to expand this idea to other high schools.

Each week a theme will be publicized on the MCC campus. For instance, Magic City personnel suggested a financial aid theme for a week in February. Other examples could be specific departments or programs, dual-credit, study-abroad opportunities, student services or athletics. The theme could also involve more than a presence in the outreach office. In-class visits by MSU faculty could be combined with an office presence. If a particular academic program wanted to showcase their offerings, classroom visits could be arranged the same

week as a program advisor was available in the office to answer detailed questions.

For additional information, contact Rebecca Porter, recruitment coordinator, at 858-4348 or rebecca.porter@minotstateu.edu.

NDCPD sponsors workshops on Sept. 10 on MSU campus

On Sept. 10, Catherine Hayes will be the speaker at two workshops sponsored by the North Dakota Center for Persons with Disabilities in the Minot State University Student Center's Audubon Room, 9 a.m.-4:15 p.m. Hayes, president of H & W Independent Solutions, Inc., has over 30 years of experience with a primary focus in the field of developmental disabilities as a provider, regulator, surveyor, trainer and consultant.

"The North Dakota Center for Persons with Disabilities is delighted to be able to sponsor a trainer with Hayes' level of expertise," said Mary Mercer, NDCPD's community training core coordinator. "The training she is providing is in direct response to training priorities identified by MSU's community-based partners in the disability field."

"Aging and People with Developmental Disabilities," the first session, runs from 9 a.m. to noon. As a group, people with developmental disabilities have a shorter life span. They, frequently, are physiologically older than their chronological age and experience dementia at a higher rate than the general population. This session reviews the signs and symptoms of aging and dementia and assists the provider to effectively provide individuals with services that meet regulatory and accreditation requirements. It addresses challenges providers face in supporting individuals with developmental disabilities as they age.

The first session would be beneficial to staff from provider agencies and long-term-care settings serving people who require support as a result of their cognitive disabilities.

The second presentation, "Quality Enhancement: Creating Services that Make a Difference," reviews the components of a quality enhancement program. It discusses how quality assurance is different than quality enhancement and reviews the benefits to a well-designed quality enhancement system. This session is applicable to any provider in any service setting that wants to do more than "just the basics" and is scheduled for 1:15-4:15 p.m.

To better serve the state, NDCPD is also sponsoring the same workshops in Bismarck and Grand Forks:

- Bismarck—Comfort Inn on Sept. 9.
- Grand Forks—Development Homes, Inc. (3880 South Columbia Rd.) on Sept. 11.

The fee for each workshop is \$40. Three Continuing Education Units for each workshop are available pending approval through Minot State. The recording fee for MSU CEUs is \$20. Each workshop also qualifies for three contact

hours for North Dakota social workers and nurses. The registration deadline is Sept. 2; however, late registration will be accepted if space permits. For more information, contact Mary Mercer at 858-3260 or mary.mercer@minotstateu.edu, or Cheryl Rystedt, at 858-3047 or cheryl.rystedt@minotstateu.edu.

Anderson starts Brown Bag Book Talks for 2008-09

Erik Anderson, assistant professor of music, will discuss the book "This is Your Brain on Music: The Science of a Human Obsession" by Daniel J. Levitin, Sept. 18.

You need not read the featured book ahead of time and are encouraged to bring a sack lunch. The book talks, sponsored by the Gordon B. Olson Library, begin at noon and conclude in time for 1 p.m. classes. All are held in the lower level of the library in Group Study Room 2.

JCEMP launches new cohort

Eighteen students, starting in the Job Corps Executive Management program, arrived on Minot State University's campus Sunday evening (Aug. 24). Coming from across the country, they are at MSU for a three-day orientation, Aug. 25-27.

"It is always exciting to welcome a new cohort of JCEMP Fellows to our campus. We are excited about the inclusion of the Master of Science in information systems into the JCEMP," said Lori Willoughby, Ph.D., professor of business information technology and director of JCEMP. "This cohort is an energetic group that will keep the MSU College of Business faculty on their toes."

The JCEMP is the only program of its kind in the country, and this cohort will be the eighth for the program. The cohort members are junior to mid-level managers from Job Corps who aspire to be center directors. The JCEMP is funded by a U.S. Department of Labor earmark sponsored by North Dakota Senator Byron Dorgan.

The students and their centers are as follows: Dawn Anderson, Muhlenberg Career Development Center; Robert Barth, Mingo Job Corps CCC; Kurt Blanock, Pittsburgh Job Corps Center; Keri Brown, Northlands Job Corps Center; Laura Foust, Dynamic Educational Systems, Inc.; Richard Harriford, Golconda CCC; Noree Hart, Jacksonville Job Corp Center, Eric Jones, Miami Job Corps Centers, Tasha Jones, Woodstock Job Corps Center; Bryan King, North Texas Job Corps Center; Jill Lewis, Edison Job Corps Academy; Otis May, Loring Job Corps Center; Melanie Radford, Phoenix Job Corps Center; Ranada Reed, Odle Management Group; Sally Reiger, Fred G. Acosta Job Corps Center; Cherise Reynolds, Whitney Young Job Corps Center; Malyn Smith, Delaware Valley Job Corps Center; and Tricia Williams, DESI.

In addition to learning about Minot State University's Graduate School and its Masters of Science in management and information systems programs, the JCEMP students will

learn more about North Dakota. On Tuesday, they will tour the Knife River Indian Village near Stanton, the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center and Fort Mandan in Washburn and Fort Lincoln in Bismarck.

Let's TaLK study-abroad scholarship

Starting January 2009, Minot State University students can take advantage of an exciting new study-abroad option in South Korea through MSU's partner school, Pai Chai University, in Daejeon. PCU is a sponsor of a new South Korean government scholarship program called TaLK: Teach and Learn in Korea, which is designed to improve English-language knowledge and skills throughout that country. Exchange students from Minot State who participate in TaLK will take a full course of study at PCU and receive benefits for assisting in English lessons for elementary-school children.

Benefits of the TaLK scholarship program are quite generous and include round-trip airfare, a four-week orientation program, accommodation in a PCU residence hall or with a Korean host family and a monthly allowance of 900,000 Korean Won (approximately U.S. \$890). MSU students will also be able to choose from numerous courses taught in English at PCU. Topics cover some general-education courses, East Asian studies, business-related subjects at the Appenzeller School of Global Business, Chinese, Japanese and Russian language courses, as well as three hours of Korean language instruction each day. In addition, a variety of cultural programming will be provided during weekends and free time.

In return, TaLK scholarship recipients are expected to co-teach English lessons for elementary-school children during after-school sessions, for nine hours each week. Students without prior teaching experience or training should not be discouraged by this requirement. English-teaching methodology and classroom-management skills are taught during the four-week orientation at the program's beginning, and TaLK participants are paired with Korean university students who are also learning to teach English as a second language.

In order to be eligible for the TaLK program, students must be a citizen of a country where the primary language is English. In addition, they must be an undergraduate student with two or more years of education, have a minimum grade point average of at least 2.5, and be willing to adapt to the Korean lifestyle and culture. Candidates should also have a desire to work with children and possess flexibility with regard to working in a shared-classroom setting.

Applications are currently being accepted for spring 2009 with an Oct. 15 deadline and fall 2009 and the 2009-10 academic year with a deadline of Jan. 15. To learn more about this fabulous opportunity, visit <http://talk.mest.go.kr> or www.minotstateu.edu/international, or stop by the Office of International Programs in the Student Center on the second floor.

Summer 2008 edition of Connections released

The Connections magazine, a Minot State University Alumni Association and Development Foundation publication, recently released the summer 2008 edition. The magazine focuses on how research unites faculty and students.

The featured stories include: cancer research funded by a grant from the North Dakota Idea Networks for Biomedical Research Excellence, research of ancient Chinese manuscripts, professional research for teachers, and disability-related research.

"I am delighted to see an issue of Connections dedicated to showcasing research occurring at Minot State University," said Gary Rabe, vice president for academic affairs. "One of the features of an education at MSU that we are most proud of is that students have the opportunity to engage in research, often of national or international significance, while working directly with MSU faculty."

MSU student researches the history of downtown Minot

With its share of vice and lawlessness, Minot was the typical western boomtown in its early years of the 1880s. Later, during Prohibition, the city was a central hub for liquor smuggling operations and became known by the nickname "Little Chicago," as Minot State University senior Chris Rostad discovered while working on a public history project.

The project began when the Minot Downtown Business and Professional Association made a request of Minot State's Department of History to conduct research on downtown buildings, with the intention of ultimately putting together historical plaques and a historical walking tour. Over the past several years, students researched particular properties as volunteers or as part of class assignments.

During a history internship in the spring semester, Rostad organized the research. He also delved further into Minot's past and researched several more properties. To conduct research, he looked at old tax receipts, city and county records and newspapers. Rostad developed a PowerPoint presentation highlighting the history of approximately 20 properties or buildings and showed it to the DBPA in June.

"I am pleased with the work that Chris has done for the downtown Minot history project," said Bethany Andreasan, associate professor of history, who supervised Rostad's project. "Projects such as these offer an opportunity for the history department to train its majors in the area of public history, and also enable our students to develop historical presentations and materials that are valued by the Minot community."

Since Minot was established in 1886, the downtown district possesses a significant amount of turn-of-the-century architecture. As Rostad's PowerPoint presentation outlines, the Woolworth's site was the location of one of the first businesses

in Minot, a tavern. This tavern was forced to close when saloons were outlawed in North Dakota, effective July 1, 1890, and the building was torn down. A new building was constructed in 1900, and eventually, it became a Woolworth's five-and-dime store, which contained the city's first escalator and air conditioner.

Another property or building detailed in the presentation was the Parker Senior Center. Its construction as a hotel started in the late 1920s. Unfortunately, the work was only completed midway when the Crash of 1929 occurred, and construction ceased until 1945. The building, consequently, earned the nickname "the Sparrow Hotel" as of some its only inhabitants were sparrows.

This project has now led Rostad to another project. In partnership with the Mouse River Players, he is focusing on the "Little Chicago" aspect of Minot's history. The Mouse River Players will present a new play by Ron Fischer, associate professor of English, titled "The Last of the Minot Flappers" on March 5-8, 2009. This musical is fictional but based on historical Minot figures. Rostad plans to ultimately give at least one public presentation, in conjunction with the play, about Minot's history during this period.

"It's been fun discovering the very colorful past of Minot," said Rostad. "The more I learn, the better I appreciate my own history and past."

Rostad hopes to unearth the history of more buildings, properties and people who made Minot what it is today. He is asking anyone with old newspaper clippings, records or stories to contact him at chris.rostad@myminotstateu.edu or the Minot State University Department of History at 858-3130.

Library hours change

Effective Sept. 10, the Gordon B. Olson Library will have new hours:

- 7:30 a.m.-midnight, Monday-Thursday
- 7:30 a.m.-4:30 pm, Friday
- 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday (No reference service, only circulation)
- 4 p.m.-midnight, Sunday (Reference service available)

Hours change between semesters, holidays, during final exams and summer school. For more information on library hours, call the library hours hotline at 858-3029.

Faculty, staff and student notes

Elaine Larson, Ed.D, director of teacher advisement and field placement, attended the Association of Teacher Educators Summer Conference in Washington, D.C., Aug.2-6. Larson presented "Family and Consumer Sciences: More than Cooking and Sewing" along with attending field director's sessions.

Announcements

L lot closed Thursday

To facilitate tailgating for the evening football game at the Dome, L lot on the east side of the Dome will be closed off all of Thursday (Aug. 28). Staff is encouraged to use the Dome lot that day for alternate parking. For questions, contact 858-3210.

— *Roger Kluck, P.E., director of facilities*

First MSU Athletic Luncheon of 2008-09 on Thursday

The first MSU Athletic Luncheon of the 2008 athletic season will take place at noon, Thursday (Aug. 28) at the Grand International. Football Coach Paul Rudolph will talk about the upcoming Thursday night game vs. Bemidji State. Golf Coach Chipper Farrell will talk about the golf teams as they prepare for the upcoming season. All Beaver fans are invited to attend to hear about the 2008-09 MSU athletic teams. For questions, contact 858-4451 or chad.mcnally@minotstateu.edu.

— *Chad McNally, executive director of Beaver Boosters*

'Red-Out' T-shirts on sale for faculty and staff

The Student Government Association is selling the MSU "Red-Out" T-shirts for \$5 throughout Welcome Week (Aug. 27-Sept. 5). Stop by the SGA office, and you will be able to purchase your shirt.

— *Amber Jensen, SGA director of public relations*

Student e-mail changes

As of Aug. 1, Minot State University students have new e-mail addresses. Their new address is firstname.lastname@my.minotstateu.edu. All official communications from MSU will be sent to these new accounts. You may want to encourage your students to include an "e-mail change notice" at the bottom of all their e-mail correspondence. Students can still access their existing MSU Web mail until Sept. 30. If you have questions or concerns, contact the MSU help desk at 858-4444 or helpdesk@minotstateu.edu.

— *Cathy Horvath, director of IT Central*

Student wage update

There is an updated policy covering student wages at: http://www.minotstateu.edu/hr/manual/3_8_student_wages.pdf

Please review the policy to know what the wage should be for any students you are hiring this semester. Any questions about the policy should be directed to Wes Matthews at 858-3352 or wes.matthews@minotstateu.edu.

— *Wes Matthews, director of human resources*

Campus directory proof

Please review the 2008-09 campus directory at: <http://www.minotstateu.edu/pdf/2008-phone-directory-proof.pdf>.

If you have any corrections, additions, deletions, print the pages, indicate any changes, and drop in the campus mail or bring to the Office of Publications and Design in Pioneer Hall. We prefer to not receive these changes by e-mail.

Leon in the Student Center will send us ID photos for those who are not currently in the directory. If you do not want your photo included, indicate this to the Office of Publications and Design.

We will need any additions or changes returned to our office by end of the day Thursday (Aug. 28).

— *Sandy Nordstrom, director of publications and designs*

International student employment on campus

Now that the fall semester has begun, a reminder for departments employing Canadian and international students that special federal regulations apply:

- Canadian and international students may only work up to 20 hours each week when classes are in session.
- The 20-hour limit is not an average, but a strict limit: students may not work 15 hours one week and then 25 hours the following week.
- The 20-hour per week limit on employment applies to all types of on-campus employment. For example, if a student works 15 hours a week as an RA, that student can only work an additional 5 hours during that week at another on-campus job.
- A workweek is defined as Sunday through Saturday.
- Canadian and international students are not eligible for MSU "work-study" positions, only institutional "hard-cash" positions.
- Canadian and international students may work full-time hours during vacation periods (winter break, spring break, summer break). Any week when classes are in session is considered part of the regular academic year, and the 20-hour per week limit applies.

If you have any questions regarding Canadian or international student employment, please contact the Office of International Programs at 858-3978.

— *Libby Claerbout, director of international programs*

Marketing funds available

You will find the guidelines for the Request for Proposal for fiscal year 2009 marketing funds at <http://www.minotstateu.edu/pio/attachments/2008/Marketing%20-%20proposal%20for%20funds%20FY09.pdf>.

This past year several requests were funded, and I expect to see an increase in requests for our second year. The deadline for submission is Sept 5. Please let me know if you have any

questions at 858-3062 or teresa.loftesnes@minotstateu.edu. Thank you in advance for your efforts in moving Minot State University forward.

— *Teresa Loftesnes, director of marketing*

New viewbooks arrive

For the first time in two years, new viewbooks have been published. This new publication features students, faculty, alumni and several student-service areas. New photographs and interesting facts complete the book. The viewbooks can be used for recruiting, public-relation activities and other promotional events. To order your free viewbooks (210 per box), please e-mail Jason Trainer, enrollment services, at jason.trainer@minotstateu.edu.

— *Teresa Loftesnes, director of marketing*

In the galleries

Aug. 27-Sept. 12—"100% Ground Chuck" by Bill Harbot, Gordon B. Olson Library Gallery.

Aug. 27-Sept. 26—"Americas 2000: All Media," Hartnett Hall Gallery.

The public reception for both exhibits is Sept. 3, 6:30-8 p.m.

Calendar

Aug. 27-Sept. 14, 2008

Aug.

- 27 Welcome Week: comedian Grant Edmonds, Beaver Dam, 8 p.m.
- 28 Last day to add a first 8-week course.
- 28 Last day to drop a first 8-week course without a grade of "W."
- 28 Welcome Week: free food and music, Quad, 11 a.m.
- 28 MSU Athletic Luncheon, Grand International Inn, noon.
- 28 Golf at Prairie West Golf Course, Mandan.
- 28 Tailgating, Dome parking lot, 4:30 p.m.
- 28 Football vs. Bemidji State University, Parker Stadium, 7 p.m.
- 28 Welcome Week: welcome back dance, plaza between Hartnett Hall and the Dome, 10 p.m.
- 29 Welcome Week: free food and music, Quad, 11 a.m.
- 29 Spring 2009 student teaching applications due to Field Placement Office.

Sept.

- 1 Labor Day, university closed.
- 2 Graduate School: last day for fall graduates to file thesis proposal in Graduate School Office.
- 2 Welcome Week: free food and music, Quad, 11 a.m.
- 2 Curriculum Committee, Jones Room, 12:30 p.m.
- 2 Welcome Week: casino night, Beaver Dam, 7 p.m.
- 3 Welcome Week: free food and music, Quad, 11 a.m.
- 3 Last day to drop a full 16-week course without a grade of "W."
- 3 Golf at Jamestown College.
- 3 NAC: public reception for "Americas 2008: All Media" and "100% Ground Chuck" exhibits, Hartnett Hall Gallery, 6:30-8 p.m.
- 3 Welcome Week: movie, Aleshire Theater, 9 p.m.
- 4 Last day to add a full 16-week course.
- 4 Outreach Office ribbon cutting ceremony, Minot High School, Magic City Campus, 10 a.m.
- 4 Welcome Week: free food and music, Quad, 11 a.m.
- 4 Mandatory orientation for student teaching spring 2009, Main 106, 12:30 p.m.
- 4 Welcome Week: "Sex Signals," Conference Center, 7 p.m.
- 5 Welcome Week: free food and music, Quad, 11 a.m.
- 5 Fall semester graduation application due to advisor.
- 5-6 Volleyball at Carroll College Tournament.
- 6 Football at Concordia University-St. Paul, Minn., 1 p.m.
- 7-8 Golf at Heart River Golf Course, Dickinson.
- 8 Student Government Association meeting, Westlie Room, 7:30 p.m.
- 10 Financial aid disbursement, Business Office, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
- 10 NDCPD Seminar: Aging and People with Development Disabilities, Conference Center, 9 a.m.
- 10 NDCPD Seminar: Quality Enhancement: Creating Services that Make a Difference, Conference Center, 1:15 p.m.
- 11 Tuition and fees for Fall 2008 are due.
- 11 "Portraits of Compassion: the Stories we have to tell" readings from the book "This Is Who I Am: Our Beauty in All Shapes and Sizes," by Rosanne Olson, MSU alumna, Aleshire Theater, 7:30 p.m.
- 12 Admission to teacher education seminar, Main 106, 3 p.m.
- 12-13 Volleyball at Morningside College Tournament, Sioux City, Iowa.
- 12-14 Western Plains Opera, Nelson Hall, Friday and Saturday 7:30 p.m., Sunday 3 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.