



## Forbes' 2007 'Entrepreneur of the Year' discusses 'Being Prepared to Accept Opportunities: an Entrepreneur's Perspective'

Clinton Severson, a 1973 Minot State alumnus who was named "Entrepreneur of the Year" by Forbes magazine in 2007, will present "Being Prepared to Accept Opportunities: An Entrepreneur's Perspective" on Monday (March 30). The Prairie Community Development Center is sponsoring this Professional Aspirations seminar in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, 9-10:30 a.m.

Severson is the president and chief executive officer of Abaxis. A medical-device manufacturer, Abaxis specializes in point-of-care blood analyzers.

Light refreshments will be served. This event is free and open to the public.

There is no cost for this seminar. However, the PCDC asks individuals to reserve a seat by registering at: <http://www.minotstateu.edu/rsvp>.

For more information, contact Amanda Bibow, administrative assistant to the dean of the College of Business, at 858-3110 or [amanda.bibow@minotstateu.edu](mailto:amanda.bibow@minotstateu.edu).



## New staff for 2008-2009

Minot State University would like to welcome one new employee, Connie Irey, and introduce her to the campus. Irey, an alumna, is an administrative secretary for the North Dakota Center for Persons. Previously, she worked at Dakota Family Services.

## State paleontologist talks about 'North Dakota Dinosaurs'

As part of the Northwest Art Center lecture series, John Hoganson, North Dakota state paleontologist, will discuss "North Dakota Dinosaurs" Monday evening (March 30).

"The oldest rocks exposed at the surface in North Dakota are only about 90 million years old and yet the fossil record of life in North Dakota extends to about 450 million years ago, based on fossils found in oil well cores brought to the surface during drilling," Hoganson said.

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#### PIO update

With Spring Break finished and the month of March coming quickly to an end, graduation is just around the corner. This final push to the end of a semester is a busy, yet exciting time of year.

As I think back to my graduation experience from Brigham Young University, I am reminded of the help I received from faculty and staff. It seemed everyone was very willing to answer my "frantic" questions and address my "selfish" needs. I now realize I should have been more grateful for the help provided by everyone from long-time mentors to complete strangers.

So, let me say, on behalf of hundreds of students this semester and thousands from previous ones, "Thanks!" The thoughtful work done, on behalf of soon-to-be-graduating students, by our dedicated faculty and staff is greatly appreciated. You have made, and will make, the last couple weeks of a student's university experience a much more pleasant one.

— Mark Lyman, director of public information

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Hoganson will trace the fossil evidence of life in the state from the shells of ancient marine animals, through the dinosaurs, to the ground sloths and woolly mammoths that roamed at the end of the last Ice Age. Geologic and fossil evidence shows the state was once at the bottom of a sea, was once a subtropical, forested swampland, and was at other times largely covered by glaciers. A much-publicized find was Dakota, a mummified duck-billed dinosaur. Dakota was discovered in 1999 near Marmarth.

The lecture is at 7 p.m., in Aleshire Theater. Admission is free and open to the public, and refreshments are served afterward.

## APEX presents 'Conversation with ...'

The Aspirations for Professional Excellence Program in the College of Business presents the "Conversation with ..." series. All sessions begin at 5 p.m. in MSU's Multicultural Center:

- Tuesday (March 31) — "Entrepreneurship and the World of Work" presented by Clinton Severson, chief executive officer of Abaxis and Forbes magazine's 2007 Entrepreneur of the Year.
- April 14 — "World of Work" presented by Terry Fleck, owner of Institute of Attitude.
- April 28 — "Motivation and Attitude" presented by Fleck.

University and community members are invited to attend. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Amanda Bibow, administrative assistant to the dean of the College of Business, at 858-3110 or [amanda.bibow@minotstateu.edu](mailto:amanda.bibow@minotstateu.edu).

## The Foreign Film Festival 2009 continues with 'L'avocat de la Terreur (Terror's advocate)' and 'Aaltra' on Sunday

The French films "L'avocat de la Terreur (Terror's advocate)" and "Aaltra" have been postponed until Sunday (March 29) in Aleshire Theater, 3 p.m. Previously scheduled during the week of March 22-28, weather concerns caused the cancellation of both screenings. Discussion will follow the films.

Amina Escalera, French instructor, is the host for the films' screenings. For questions, contact her at 858-4335 or [amina.escalera@minotstateu.edu](mailto:amina.escalera@minotstateu.edu).

The remaining scheduled films are:

- April 9 — "Au dela de la Haine (Beyond Hatred)," French film.
- April 27 — "Deux jours a Paris (Two Days in Paris)," a French-American comedy.
- April 28 — "Persepolia," French film.

## MSU nursing students help 'e-erase your e-waste' April 1-2



Minot State University public health nursing students are organizing a community-wide "e-erase your e-waste" recycling event on April 1-2. The MSU Dome's north parking lot will serve as the collection site for the event. On April 1, recycling will run from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. On April 2, recycling will run from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

"Our class sees this event as an opportunity to educate the public about the health effects of hazardous waste, and how we can go green by recycling these items," said Tiffany Johnson, a public health nursing student. "We hope this project is successful and the community becomes aware of the importance of going green for future generations."

Students and residents of Minot and surrounding communities can recycle old, unwanted or outdated electronic equipment, otherwise known as "e-waste." E-waste implies computers and components, fax and copy machines, cell phones, televisions, videocassette recorders, stereos, lamps and video game systems.

"Many people don't realize that part of the responsibility of owning electronic equipment is disposing of it properly when we are done using it," said Nikki Medalen, instructor of nursing.

E-waste contains many toxic substances, such as lead and arsenic, which can cause disease and illness. Discarded e-waste accumulates in landfills across the nation. Over time, toxins leach out into the soil and water where they do the most harm. "E-erase your e-waste" aims at reducing the amount of e-waste going into community landfills, ultimately keeping it out of residents' bodies.

The cost of recycling e-waste, or e-cycling, is 40¢ per pound on eligible items. This small fee covers the cost of e-cycling and ensures that proper methods are used to dispose of the items. Tatoonie Electronic Systems, Inc., will take the collected items to an e-cycling facility in Cheyenne, Wyo., for safe, environmentally friendly disposal. Ultimately, e-cycling will provide a safer, healthier community for future generations.

For questions about this "e-erase your e-waste," contact Medalen at 858-4476 or [nikki.medalen@minotstateu.edu](mailto:nikki.medalen@minotstateu.edu) or Johnson at [tiffany.johnson@my.minotstateu.edu](mailto:tiffany.johnson@my.minotstateu.edu).

## Women's Heritage Month wraps up with poster session and competition

On April 2, the 2009 celebration of Women's Heritage Month will conclude with a student-poster session and competition in the Student Center Atrium, noon-2 p.m. Minot State



University students are encouraged to submit posters in any discipline that focus on women's heritage.

The presentation ceremony will be at 1 p.m. The three highest-scoring posters will receive prizes; the poster selected as the popular favorite will also receive an award. The MSU Women's Chorus, directed by Cherie Collins, lecturer of music, will perform.

Throughout the month of March, there are Women's Heritage Month book displays in the Gordon B. Olson Library. The book displays are on the library's main floor.

Overall, WHM activities have focused on woman-centered experiences and expressions that highlight the vast and important contributions women have provided to our world culture. For additional information on Women's Heritage Month activities, visit the WHM Web page at [www.minotstateu.edu/women/](http://www.minotstateu.edu/women/) or contact Andreasen at 858-3243 or [bethany.andreasen@minotstateu.edu](mailto:bethany.andreasen@minotstateu.edu).

## MSU students on 'Who's Who' List

Eighteen juniors and seniors from Minot State University have been selected for inclusion in the 2009 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges." A campus nomination committee and editors of the annual directory chose the MSU students based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

Listed alphabetically by last name, they are: Jill Albertson, special education and elementary education, Savage, Mont.; Kurt Bowen, chemistry, St. John, Wash.; Patrick Conin, criminal justice, Pierrefonds, Quebec; Kelsey Fagerland, accounting and finance, Noonan; Andrew Figueira, biology, Winfield, British Columbia; Jared Gietzen, nursing, Glen Ullin; James Jackson, computer science, Lewistown, Mont.; Kassie Krebsbach, corporate fitness and physical education, Minot; Katherine Langemo, music, Minot; Beth McAleer, communication disorders, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan; Paige Morningstar, speech-language pathology, Goodlands, Manitoba; Danielle Renner, special education and elementary education, Zap; Sharlese Robertson, chemistry, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan; Brooklyn Schaan, elementary education, Minot; Kristi Schafer, social work, Minot; Tonya Stuart, Humboldt, Saskatchewan; Diane Walbeck, English literature, Minot; and Alisha Webster, education of the mentally retarded and elementary education, Beulah.

"Who's Who" recipients will be honored at a luncheon April 8 at noon in the MSU Conference Center, third floor of the Student Center. For more information about the luncheon or to make a reservation, contact the Office of Student Affairs at 701-858-3299 or 1-800-777-0750, ext. 3299.

## Minot Area Chamber of Commerce Saturday Legislative Forums conclude

On April 4, the Minot Area Chamber of Commerce Governmental Affairs Committee will host its last Saturday Legislative Forum. The forums have given those attending a chance to meet with Minot legislators and ask questions. The format includes a moderator who asks questions submitted in writing by the audience. The session will run from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Minot Auditorium in Room 201.

## Join MSU at Dakota Square Mall

Join your Minot State University colleagues for an afternoon of fun at Dakota Square Mall on April 4, from noon to 3 p.m. Academic programs, student organizations and other campus entities are planning to be on hand to interact with and represent MSU to the public. MSU Idol is back for its second year. To participate, contact Jason Trainer, admissions counselor, at 858-3351. Thanks to all MSU departments and offices that are participating. If you need information, contact Teresa Loftesnes, director of marketing, at 858-3062 or [teresa.loftesnes@minotstateu.edu](mailto:teresa.loftesnes@minotstateu.edu) or Amber Jensen, student intern, at [amber.jensen@minotstateu.edu](mailto:amber.jensen@minotstateu.edu).

## Dakota Book Discussions highlight 'Selected Poems 1938-1988'

Dakota Book Discussions, a reading group funded by the North Dakota Humanities Council and sponsored by the Minot State University humanities division, is studying Thomas McGrath's "Selected Poems 1938-1988." They will meet April 6 at Main Street Books (16 Main Street South), 7 p.m. For more information, contact Rick Watson, instructor of humanities, at 858-3014 or [rick.watson@minotstateu.edu](mailto:rick.watson@minotstateu.edu).

## NDCPD sponsored 'Gold Standard Assessments in Autism'

"Gold Standard Assessments in Autism," sponsored by the North Dakota Center for Persons with Disabilities, was held March 18 at Minot State University.



"We are pleased we were able to assist in furthering the expertise of local professionals who work with children on the autism spectrum," said Wendy Thomas, NDCPD community services coordinator and director of the Great Plains Autism Spectrum Disorders Treatment Program.

The goal of this one-day workshop was to provide an in-depth examination of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual

of Mental Disorders IV criteria for autism and other pervasive developmental disorders. Another objective was for participants to become familiar with the gold-standard instruments used to accurately assess and diagnose these disorders. The DSM, which is published by the American Psychiatric Association, provides diagnostic criteria for mental disorders

Athena Hayes Lickel, a doctoral student in clinical psychology at the University of Wyoming, Laramie, was the speaker. She is actively involved in clinical work and research related to children with autism-spectrum disorders and also the identification and treatment of comorbid mental-health problems in persons with developmental disabilities. She has worked with children with various developmental disabilities, including autism since 1998.

For more information, contact Thomas at 858-436795 or [wendy.thomas@minotstateu.edu](mailto:wendy.thomas@minotstateu.edu).

## MSU Rotaract Club feeds the hungry

Over the recent spring break weekend of March 15 to 17, the members of Minot State University Rotaract Club did not take a vacation. Instead, they were hard at work with Kids Against Hunger, another nonprofit organization, fighting the growing problem of world hunger.

Kids Against Hunger, which was founded in Minnesota in the 1990s, has developed a prepackaged meal. The meal, which consists of rice, soy, and vegetables, is fortified with Vitamins A, B6, B12, C and D, as well as iron, iodine, zinc, calcium and other essential nutrients. Completely vegetarian, the meal only needs water for preparation.

“What this organization has done is really quite interesting. They have studied what is lacking in the diets of people in disadvantaged areas all across the globe and put all of those missing nutrients in one meal,” said Anthony Anderson, MSU Rotaract Club president. “We’re proud to be a part of this great program.”

Kids Against Hunger operates volunteer-staffed facilities across the country to package these meals and ship them to disadvantaged areas. The MSU Rotaract sent a team of volunteers to the closest of these facilities, located in Park

Rapids, Minn. They prepared 6,546 meals, which will be shipped to Haiti, a country whose population desperately needs food.

The Minot State Rotaract, which was founded in September of 2008, is the collegiate program of the Minot Noon Rotary. It is the only student organization on the Minot State campus whose mission is solely dedicated to service to others.

For more information on this project, contact the Minot State Rotaract at [Minotrotaract@yahoo.com](mailto:Minotrotaract@yahoo.com).

## Murphy participated in the 2009 National Victim Assistance Academy

Nancy Murphy, Victim Assistance Academy coordinator and employee of Minot State University’s Rural Crime and Justice



*Murphy*

Center, participated in the National Victim Assistance Academy. The U.S. Department of Justice’s Office for Victims of Crime sponsored the academy in Fort Worth, Texas, from March 2 to 6. The NVAA provides victim-service professionals with important updates on victims’ rights and victim services, as well as new developments in the victim-assistance field.

The academy, which was recently revised and expanded, offers three separate tracks that allow for training specific to the participant’s experience and longevity in the field. OVC collaborated with experts from the victim-services field, academia, law enforcement and a variety of disciplines to create a better capacity-building experience for all graduates.

The NVAA includes delegates from every area of the criminal-justice system, specialists in sexual assault, domestic violence and child victimization, as well as those who serve elderly victims, survivors of homicide victims and victims of juvenile offenders. Murphy was selected through a competitive application process.

Minot State and the RCJC will host North Dakota’s first Victim Assistance Academy from June 7 to 12. The NVAA for North Dakota is funded by a U.S. Department of Justice grant, given to the RCJC.

Individuals who will benefit from the Victim Assistance Academy are law enforcement officers, social workers, prosecutors, victim advocates or any professional who works with crime victims.

For more information, contact Murphy at 701-858-3440, 1-800-777-0750 ext. 3447 or [nancy.murphy@minotstateu.edu](mailto:nancy.murphy@minotstateu.edu).



# Announcements

## Graduation applications due today

This is a quick reminder that all undergraduate graduation applications are due today (March 27) for summer and fall 2009 graduates. Spring 2009 graduation applications were due to the registrar's office on Oct. 24. We are asking that students reserve their seat for the commencement ceremony, but we must have their graduation application on file to confirm their participation eligibility. For questions, contact 858-3345.

— Jennifer Sick, registrar

## Deadline for proposals for the 2009 Research Poster Session is today

Minot State University faculty: You and your students are invited to share your research and scholarly work at the 2009 Research Poster Session. The deadline for proposals is today (March 27).

Based on suggestions from community members, this year we will hold the poster session in conjunction with the annual MSU at the Mall celebration. The poster session will be on April 4, noon until 3 p.m., at Dakota Square Mall.

A \$50 honorarium is available for each poster presentation as a thank you for participation and to assist in covering supply expenses incurred in preparation for this event. You might consider MSU's Office of Publications and Design Services for your poster creation. They now have a poster printer available for use by faculty and students. Professional-quality posters may be printed at a cost of \$5/foot. Please do not charge your presentation materials to research and sponsored programs.

A professional poster is required; copies of manuscripts tacked to the board are not acceptable. A presenter must also be in attendance throughout the session.

If you are interested in participating in the 2009 Research Poster Session, please submit the following via e-mail or hard copy:

- Title of your project.
- A one-paragraph description of the research and what you will present.
- Name of researcher(s).
- Name of individual(s) who will be at the session to present the research.
- Requirements for the session other than the backdrop for the poster. (Due to space limitations, tables will only be provided upon request.)

For questions, contact 858-3250 or linda.cresap@minotstateu.edu.

— Linda Cresap, dean of the Graduate School and research and sponsored programs

## Increases in net pay for 2009

Minot State University employees may see an increase in their paychecks beginning on March 31. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (economic-stimulus bill) includes a provision called "Making Work Pay" credit. This provision contains a tax credit for single taxpayers up to \$400 and for those filing joint returns up to \$800. Since less tax will be owed for 2009, less tax will be withheld throughout the year, according to new IRS rules. Depending on an individual's personal situation, they may see no change or they may see an increase in their net pay as high as \$30 or so. Individuals may consult a tax advisor on how the Making Work Pay credit will affect their personal tax situation.

— Wes Matthews, director of human resources

## Be in the Know with Clint Severson

Be in the Know sessions can empower the entire campus community to become better Minot State University marketers. On Tuesday (March 31), the Office of Marketing will sponsor "Be in the Know with Clint Severson" in the Conference Center, 2:30-3:15 p.m.

Severson completed a bachelor's degree at Minot State in 1973. Named "Entrepreneur of the Year" by Forbes magazine in 2007, he is the president and chief executive officer of Abaxis. A medical-device manufacturer, Abaxis specializes in point-of-care blood analyzers. Severson, a world traveler with extensive experience in the corporate business venue, will discuss his incredible journey from North Dakota to being Forbes' "Entrepreneur of the Year."

This session is open to all MSU faculty and staff. Refreshments will be served.

For questions, contact 858-3062 or teresa.loftesnes@minotstateu.edu.

— Teresa Loftesnes, director of marketing

## Extension of last day to drop

This is just a reminder that the last day for a student to drop a course using CampusConnection self-service has been extended to April 9 in order to align with the North Dakota University System calendar.

For questions, contact 858-3345 or jennifer.sick@minotstateu.edu.

— Jennifer Sick, registrar

## Minot State art department to host lithography workshop

The Northwest Art Center and Minot State University Department of Art will host a two-day workshop on stone lithography presented by Peter Kilian, art department coordinator at Northern State University, Aberdeen, S.D., on Saturday (March 28) and Sunday (March 29).

The workshop will focus on introductory techniques in lithography, a fine-art-printing process that involves drawing on a limestone slab. The slab is then used as a printing plate.

The workshop is open to the public, as well as to MSU students. Sessions will run from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 6 p.m. on Saturday (March 28), and 1 to 5 p.m. on Sunday (March 29) in Hartnett 215.

There is no charge for MSU students; a \$25 materials fee will be charged for non-MSU participants. Enrollment is limited. To register, contact Avis Veikley, director of the Northwest Art Center, at 858-2364 or Doug Pfliger, associate professor of art, at 858-3107.

This program is funded in part by a grant from the North Dakota Council on the Arts, which receives funding from the state Legislature and the National Endowment for the Arts.

— *Avis Veikley, director of the Northwest Art Center*

## 2008 Fact Book available

The Minot State University's Office of Academic and Institutional Projects is pleased to present the 2008 Fact Book. The annual and cumulative book provides an ongoing view of trends and documents areas of growth and development, diversity and challenge. In an effort to go "Green," AIP will not be printing the 2008 Fact Book. You may access the 2008 Fact Book on the AIP Web site <http://www.minotstateu.edu/instplan/book.shtml>.

For questions, contact 858-3323 or [cari.olson@minotstateu.edu](mailto:cari.olson@minotstateu.edu).

— *Cari Olson, academic and institutional projects coordinator*

## Walking Club information

We are sad to report that Karen Melby has decided to relinquish her duties as the walking club coordinator here on campus. If you see her, please thank her for all that she has done in getting this club started.

Stepping in for Melby and assuming the coordinating duties to keep everyone walking will be Karen Humphreys and Rosie Winczewski. Therefore, if you are already a member and are now wondering who to send your walking-log journal into each month or you have been thinking about joining with spring just around the corner, Humphreys will now be the person to contact for the answers to those questions at [karen.humphreys@minotstateu.edu](mailto:karen.humphreys@minotstateu.edu).

Look for an announcement in the near future regarding the next Walking Club event.

— *Paul Brekke, director of the Fitness Center*

## Schedule TIAA-CREF individual counseling sessions

From April 13 to 15, TIAA-CREF financial advisors will be on Minot State's campus. To schedule an appointment, visit TIAA-CREF's Web site at <https://ais2.tiaa-cref.org/cgi-bin/WebObjects.exe/ARS> or call 1-800-877-6602, ext. 3102.

— *Wes Matthews, director of human resources*

## MSU Post Office to hold meeting about changes

The Minot State University Post Office will hold a meeting on April 2 at 9 a.m., in the Westlie Room. The meeting's purpose is to inform the campus of changes in the MSU Post Office. The topics will include bulk mailings, flats address placement and move update. Gary Hesch from the Minot Post Office will also be available to answer questions about these topics. Please contact 858-3000 or [abbie.baklenko@minotstateu.edu](mailto:abbie.baklenko@minotstateu.edu) with any questions or concerns.

— *Abbie Baklenko, MSU Post Office supervisor*

## Summer work-study requests due April 9

Reminder: Requests for summer work-study are due in the financial aid office no later than April 9. Due to time constraints in awarding summer aid, no requests can be considered after April 9.

Also, please forward to Merri Jo Connole, financial aid counselor, the names of any work-study students returning to your departments in the fall. Please review the March 11 Campus Announcements for detailed information regarding summer/fall work study.

For questions, contact 858-4152 or [merrijo.connole@minotstateu.edu](mailto:merrijo.connole@minotstateu.edu).

— *Merri Jo Connole, financial aid counselor*

## PeopleSoft self-service is coming

We received word this week that self-service access to PeopleSoft is expected before the end of the semester. This means that employees will have the ability to access much of their personal information that is kept in the system including payroll data. You will be able to update your contact information, make changes to your tax withholding selections, and change direct deposit information, just to name a few of the options. We will provide more information about this service in the weeks to come, so please watch for it. For questions, contact 858-3352 or [wes.matthews@minotstateu.edu](mailto:wes.matthews@minotstateu.edu)

— *Wes Matthews, director of resources*

## MSU Bookstore holds biggest clearance sale of the year

The MSU Bookstore is having the biggest clearance sale of the year. Receive an additional 25 percent off the already reduced prices. This sale ends today (March 27).

Gears for Sports T-shirts are also on sale:

- Men's tees — \$9.99 (regular \$17.98)
- Women's tees — \$12.99 (regular \$19.98)
- All postcards and quotable cards are buy one get one free.

\*Not valid with any other discounts.

For questions, contact 858-3390.

— *Karla Bredahl, MSU Bookstore*

## An invitation to the next Blue Rider book discussion

MSU faculty and staff are invited to the next Blue Rider book discussion, scheduled for April 14 at the Blue Rider, 4:30 p.m. Participants will discuss "The Power of Now: A Guide to Spiritual Enlightenment" by Eckhart Tolle. This selection is faculty recommended.

For additional information, contact 858-3159.

— *Conrad Davidson, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences*

## Fitness Center open

We have moved all of the equipment back into the Dome, and it is set up again. I am sorry for the inconvenience. For questions, contact 858-3485 or paul.brekke@minotstateu.edu.

— *Paul Brekke, director of the Fitness Center*

## In the galleries

March 27-April 17 — Paintings by Michelle Lindblom, Bismarck, Library Gallery.

March 27-April 30 — NAC exhibit: MSU juried student art show, Michelle Lindblom, Bismarck, juror, Hartnett Hall Gallery.

The public reception for the MSU juried student art show and for Michelle Lindblom's exhibit is today (March 27), Hartnett Hall, 6:30–8 p.m.

## Calendar

### March 27-April 30, 2009

#### March

- 27 Summer and fall semester graduation application due to Registrar's Office.
- 27 National Student Speech Language Hearing Association Spring Conference, Conference Center, 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m.
- 27 Graduate School: last day to file permit to take written comprehensive exams.

- 27 Minot Symphony League Early Spring Social, Nelson Hall, 4:30–7 p.m.
- 27 NAC gallery reception for the MSU juried student art show and for Michelle Lindblom's exhibit, Hartnett Hall Gallery, 6:30–8 p.m.
- 27-29 State Amateur Basketball Tournament, Dome.
- 27-April 30 NAC exhibit: MSU juried student art show, Michelle Lindblom, Bismarck, juror, Hartnett Hall Gallery.
- 28 National Federation Gold Cup Music Festival, Nelson Hall.
- 29 Concert by Dianna Anderson, music, Nelson Hall, 3 p.m.
- 29 Foreign Film Festival: "L'avocat de la Terreur (Terror's advocate)" and "Aaltra," Aleshire Theater, 3 p.m.
- 30 College of Business: Professional Aspirations Seminar with Clinton Severson, Nelson Hall, 9–10:30 a.m.
- 30 Earth Day planning meeting, Moore 231, 3:30 p.m.
- 30 NAC lecture: "North Dakota Dinosaurs" by John Hoganson, N.D. state paleontologist, Aleshire Theater, 7 p.m.
- 31 Curriculum Committee, Jones Room, 12:30 p.m.
- 31 Be in the Know with Clint Severson, Conference Center, 2:30 p.m.
- 31 College of Business APEX guest speaker: "Conversation with Clinton Severson," Multicultural Center, 5 p.m.

#### April

- 1 Baseball at Jamestown College.
- 1 E-cycling collection, Dome parking lot, 7 a.m.–7 p.m.
- 2 E-cycling collection, Dome parking lot, 7 a.m.–1 p.m.
- 2 Women's Heritage Month student poster session, Student Center Atrium, noon–2 p.m.
- 2 Faculty budget and salary forum, Westlie, 3–5 p.m.
- 3 Summer Theatre auditions, Aleshire Theater, 4–7 p.m.
- 3 Senior music recital by Becky Kaylor, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 4 Region 8 High School Speech Meet, Hartnett Hall, 8 a.m.
- 4 MSU at Dakota Square Mall, noon–3 p.m.
- 4 Research Poster Session, Dakota Square Mall, noon–3 p.m.
- 4 Senior music recital by Donna Randash, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 4 Outdoor Track & Field at Northern State University.
- 4-5 Beaver Boosters Boys Basketball Tournament, Dome.
- 4-5 Softball at Mayville State U.
- 4-5 Baseball at Mayville State U.
- 5 Brass Band of Minot, Nelson Hall, 4 p.m.
- 6 Student Government Association meeting, Westlie Room, 7 p.m.
- 6 Dakota Book Discussions, Main Street Books, 7 p.m.
- 7 Marketplace for Kids, region 2, Dome.

8	Who's Who luncheon, Conference Center, noon.	19-29	Golf at South Dakota Mines, Meadowbrook Golf Course, Rapid City, S.D.
8	Math track meet, grades 11-12, Dome, noon.	20	SAC: Spring Week 2009, lunch, Beaver Dam, 11 a.m.
8	Baseball vs. Dickinson State U., Corbett Field, 2 and 5 p.m.	20	SAC: Spring Week 2009, music by Jason LeVasseur, Beaver Dam, noon.
8	Softball at Jamestown College.	20	SAC: Spring Week 2009, Johnny Cardinale, comedian, Beaver Dam, 8 p.m.
8	SAC: movie, Beaver Dam 3 p.m., Aleshire Theater 9 p.m.	21	Staff Senate, Jones Room, 9 a.m.
9	Last day to drop 16-week class.	21	SAC: Spring Week 2009, lunch, Beaver Dam, 11 a.m.
9	Foreign Film Festival: "Au dela du la Haine (Beyond Hatred)," Aleshire Theater, 7 p.m.	21	Curriculum Committee, Jones Room, 12:30 p.m.
10	Good Friday holiday, university closed	21	Retirement social, Conference Center, 2-4 p.m.
10	Softball vs. Jamestown College, South Hill Complex, 1 p.m.	21	Small Ensembles concert, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
10	Softball vs. Black Hill State U., South Hill Complex, 3 p.m.	22	Last day to drop second 8-week class.
10	Baseball vs. Jamestown College, Corbett Field, 1 and 4 p.m.	22	Earth Day.
10	Outdoor Track & Field at University of Mary.	22	SAC: Spring Week 2009, lunch, Beaver Dam, 11 a.m.
11	Softball vs. Black Hill State U., South Hill Complex, 1 p.m.	22	Math track meet, grades 7-8, Dome, noon.
11	Softball vs. Jamestown College, South Hill Complex, 3 p.m.	22	Golf at Bismarck State College, Prairie West Golf Course.
11	Baseball at Jamestown College.	22	SAC: Spring Week 2009, guest speaker C.L. Lindsay, Beaver Dam, 7 p.m.
13	University open, no classes.	23	SAC: Spring Week 2009, lunch, Beaver Dam, 11 a.m.
14	Blood pressure screening, Student Center, second floor, 9-10 a.m.	23	Faculty Senate elections, Aleshire Theater, 12:30-2 p.m.
14	College of Business APEX guest speaker: "Conversation with Terry Fleck," Multicultural Center, 5 p.m.	23	Ironweed community film: "Burning the Future: Coal in America," Multicultural Center, 2 p.m.
14	Faculty music recital by DeVera Bowles, accompanied by Dianna Anderson, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.	23	SAC: Spring Week 2009, dance with 32 Below, All Seasons Arena, 10 p.m.
14-21	Summer and fall registration for currently enrolled students.	23-26	Theatre: "Play It Again Sam," Aleshire Theater, Thursday-Saturday 7:30 p.m., Sunday 2 p.m.
15	University Cabinet, Westlie Room, 9 a.m.	24	MSU Brass and Percussion Day.
15	Math track meet, grades 9-10, Dome, noon.	24	Student speech and hearing screening, Memorial 138, 9-11 a.m.
15	Brown Bag Book Talk: Doug Pfliger, art, will discuss "From Oz to Why Not Minot?: Literary and Visual Cultural References That Have Influenced My Art," Olson Library, noon.	24	SAC: Spring Week 2009, lunch, Beaver Dam, 11 a.m.
15	Softball at Valley City State U.	24	SAC: Spring Week 2009, Bearded Men Inprov comedy act, Beaver Dam, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.
16	Faculty Senate, Westlie Room, 3:30 p.m.	24	Concert: Bill Miller, in conjunction with Powwow, Nelson Hall, 8 p.m.
16	SAC: Battle of the Bands, Beaver Dam, 7 p.m.	24-25	CONNECT: orientation and registration by invitation, call 858-3350, Nelson Hall.
17	Pulse Concert, Dome, 6 p.m.	24-25	Spring Honor Dance and Powwow Celebration, Dome.
18	Graduate School: written comprehensive exams.	25	Softball vs. Dakota State U., South Hill Complex, 1 and 3 p.m.
18	Outdoor Track & Field hosts Minot State Open, Herb Parker Stadium, noon.	25	Baseball vs. Dakota State U., Corbett Field, 1 and 4 p.m.
18	Softball vs. Dickinson State U., South Hill Complex, 1 and 3 p.m.	25	Minot Symphony Orchestra, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
18	Baseball vs. Dickinson State U., Corbett Field, 1 and 4 p.m.	25	Outdoor Track & Field at Jamestown College.
18-19	Girls Youth Basketball Tournament, Dome.	26	Softball vs. Dakota State U., South Hill Complex, 1 and 3 p.m.
19	International Artists Series: Peter Halverson, Nelson Hall, 3 p.m.	26	Baseball vs. Dakota State U., Corbett Field, 1 and 4 p.m.
19	Softball at Dickinson State U.	26	Percussion Ensemble, Nelsosn Hall, 3 p.m.
19	Baseball at Dickinson State U.	26	Junior music recital by Joel W. Kanning, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
		26-27	Outdoor Track & Field DAC Multi-events, Jamestown College.

26-27	Golf at Black Hills State University, Spearfish Canyon Golf Course, Spearfish, S.D.	28	Foreign Film Festival: "Persepolis," Aleshire Theater, 7 p.m.
27	Foreign Film Festival: "Two Days in Paris," Aleshire Theater, 7 p.m.	28	"Pride of MSU" spring band concert, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
27	Student Government Association meeting, Westlie Room, 7 p.m.	29	SAC: movie, Beaver Dam 3 p.m., Aleshire Theater 9 p.m.
27	Junior music recital by Chantz Hall and Katie Langemo, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.	29	NAC gallery reception for "My Matisse," senior show by Rachael Vincent, Library Gallery, 6:30–8 p.m.
27-May 21	NAC exhibit: "My Matisse," senior show by Rachael Vincent, Minot, Library Gallery.	30	NAC lecture: "Gargoyles and Stained Glass: Church Architecture from Paris to Minot" by Andrea Donovan, humanities, Aleshire Theater, 7 p.m.
28	Sustainability Committee, Crane Hall, 8:30 a.m.		IBLA concert, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
28	College of Business APEX guest speaker: "Conversation with Terry Fleck," Multicultural Center, 5 p.m.		

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