President’s Convocation starts off new year

The Aug. 19 President’s Convocation kicks off a new academic year and will be held in the Minot State University Conference Center, Student Center. If student assistance is not available for coverage during the general session, employees are asked to close their office and attend. Breakfast items will be served beginning at 8 a.m.

At 8:30, Gary Rabe, vice president for academic affairs, will provide welcoming comments. After comments from the presidents of Faculty and Staff Senates and Student Government Association, Human Resource Director Wes Matthews will introduce new staff members, and Rabe will introduce new faculty members. At 9:15, President David Fuller will then update the campus.

Meetings of the three colleges will follow in the afternoon, starting at 1 p.m. Arts and sciences will meet in Aleshire Theater; business will meet in Main 308; education and health sciences will meet in Memorial 131. An ice cream social, hosted by the Office of the President, will be held in the Quad at 3 p.m.

August 13, 2009
PIO update

With the start of a new school year just days away, comes great news of a large grant that will provide excellent support to Minot State University students and faculty.

A $2 million Title III grant from the U.S. Department of Education will assist MSU, over the next five years, in increasing retention and graduation rates.

This grant money will go a long way in setting up and running the Center for Engagement in Teaching and Learning. This new cornerstone project will expand our tutoring program, organize a faculty-development program and enhance the first-year experience for MSU students.

A key component of the Title III grant and CETL will be to provide students with opportunities to be engaged in the community throughout their time at Minot State.

This exciting grant and additional details on CETL will be presented to the public and media on Friday the 14th. You are all invited to attend this press conference in the Jones Room at 2:30 p.m.

— Mark Lyman, director of public information
Informative mini-sessions scheduled Aug. 20

Convocation activities continue Aug. 20, with a morning of informative mini-sessions. The presentations are being held in Alshire Theater; coffee and breakfast snacks will be served in the lobby outside the theater, 8-8:15 a.m.

The presentations are “Re-Thinking MSU General Education,” by the MSU Gen Ad Hoc Committee, “Retention Management at MSU,” by Lynda Bertsch and Debra Chandler from the Office of Career Services and Cari Olson from the Office of Academic and Institutional Projects, “The Beaver Team: Marketing Together,” by the MSU Marketing Committee and “Your PLACE at MSU,” by Vice President for Academic Affairs Gary Rabe and Department of Mathematics and Computer Science faculty members Cheryl Nilsen and Laurie Geller. The consecutive sessions are scheduled to run through 11:45 a.m.

The “Retention Management at MSU” presentation will discuss the early intervention system and data gathered by the College Student Inventory. PLACE in “Your PLACE at MSU” stands for Purposeful Learning, Achievement and Community Engagement. The presentation will highlight a pilot program of MSU’s First-Year Experience Program.

A complete schedule grid was sent to all employees via campus mail. Employees are encouraged to attend as many sessions as possible.

Put a little muscle behind placing ‘students first’

Aug. 20 is Residence Hall Move-in Day. Accompanied by a picnic, the event is sponsored by the Office of the President to welcome students and their families to campus and help move the students’ belongings into their rooms.

As the majority of students arrive between noon and 4 p.m., volunteers are needed during these hours particularly. Tasks include helping students move into the halls, serving lunch and working the information tables.

Student athletes will be available for a period of time that afternoon, but a strong showing of faculty and staff to help move students to their rooms would be impressive and appreciated. Individuals with physical limitations may still be able to help carry lighter items such as pillows.

Volunteers are asked to wear a red MSU T-shirt or polo shirt and report to either Cook or McCulloch Hall any time between noon and 4 p.m.

This is a wonderful opportunity for the campus community to come together and show that Minot State University does put students first.

Timbroook publishes second book

For the second time in the past year, Mark Timbrook has authored a book, hitting the stands this month. “Inculpatory Evidence” re-examines the High Plain’s epidemic of 1837, with a detailed analysis of the potential causes of the smallpox outbreak and its impact on the Native American populations of the Upper Missouri River.

Timbrook, the Office of Instructional Technology’s technology support specialist, adjunct history instructor and a past president of the Ward County Historical Society, is also the author of the recently released book, “The Last Hurrah: An Account of the Mouse River Valley, Bone Town, Little Chicago, and the Magic City.” “The Last Hurrah” is currently in its fifth printing.

Timbrook said his intention with “Inculpatory Evidence” was “to provide the reader a broader, deeper, richer history of the region and to connect the local to the larger themes of state and national history.”

He hopes his new book accomplishes several objectives.

“Foremost, I hope the book rekindles regional interest in an often forgotten tragedy, one of unfathomable magnitude that happened at our very doorstep,” Timbrook said. “I hope it challenges the declaration, by some historians, that this smallpox outbreak was somehow an accident, the result of ignorance and the Neolithic mindset of the era, or the unavoidable consequence of cultural collision.”

In “Inculpatory Evidence,” Timbrook carefully examines the potential causes of the 1837 epidemic and the personalities involved. Moreover, to connect these factors, he attempts to decipher the true state of human knowledge concerning smallpox during the era. The Upper Missouri trade system in the early 1800s was predicated on the ability to transfer goods up and down the Missouri River. Unfortunately, smallpox was not new to the region and had during previous outbreaks killed thousands, and in some cases, nearly eradicated entire cultures. The story of the smallpox-infested St. Peter’s (the boat involved) is a 170-year-old debate, intertwined with myth, exaggerations, twists, turns and lies. The event forever changed the power structure and history on the Northern Plains.

“Inculpatory Evidence” will be available at the Minot State Bookstore, as well as local book and gift stores. Watch the Minot Daily News for local book signings.
Minot State expands master’s degree in management options

Beginning this fall, students have the option of completing Minot State University’s Master of Science in Management Intercultural Cohort program in 24 months. Currently, MSU offers the Master of Science in management degree program as a 12-month intercultural program; it brings international and U.S. students together to study on campus and learn about each other’s cultures.

“This option within the Master of Science in management degree program has been requested by several potential students in our community,” said Gary Ross, director of the MSM InC program, chair of the Department of Business Administration and professor of management. “The diverse nature of this cohort brings a new and exciting perspective not only to the study of management models from an American perspective, but it allows students to look beyond those models and consider what other cultures have to offer as well.”

Classes will be offered either one or two nights, on Tuesday and/or Thursday evenings, making it possible for someone to earn a master’s degree while accommodating work and home commitments. Developed by expert international faculty, the program enables students to develop leadership, management and communication skills. Graduates of the MSM InC program will be equipped to manage in today’s fast-paced and constantly changing work environment. Completing this program will make them attractive candidates in what is becoming a highly competitive marketplace.

For questions about the MSM InC program, contact Ross at 858-3291 or gary.ross@minotstateu.edu.

MSU and Apple’s effort to recycle e-waste was a great success

Twenty-nine pallets, or roughly 25,000 pounds, of unusable, university-owned electronic and computer equipment were loaded on Apple’s truck Aug. 6. The e-waste consisted of campus computers and electronic equipment deemed scrap and beyond repair by Information Technology Central. For the campus, this was an opportunity to be eco-friendly while cleaning house and disposing of scrap items at no cost to Minot State.

Aaron Jaeger, a Washburn native, works as a student technician in ITC. The junior, who is majoring in graphic design, describes the endeavor:

Recycling recap

It is common to recycle papers and plastics, but what do you do with more than 25,000 pounds of outdated and unused electronics? The Apple Corporation has come up with an answer to this question in the form of a one-time, free-of-charge, mass “e-waste” recycling program, which can only be utilized by educational institutions. Minot State University decided to use the opportunity as a way to reduce the amount of “dead technology” floating around campus and sitting in storage.

The ITC notified the campus departments about what was taking place, how they could participate and when this would occur. We began to stockpile the e-waste in the ITC in preparation for removal. When there was enough material to load pallets, ITC staff, as well as student workers from both the ITC and computer science department, would layer and shrink wrap them according to specifications set by Apple. The pallets were then removed and stored by plant services until they were to be picked up for recycling.

Although we only received a few items from each department, the pallets soon began stacking up. However, it wasn’t until the Apple truck rolled up that we saw the true impact of our labor. While we originally thought we may have enough e-waste to fill up 10 pallets, it was staggering to see the 29 we finished with. If a small group of people can fill an entire semitrailer with materials to be recycled, imagine the impact our campus could have if we all took the time to do our part.

Welcome Week 2009: ‘Welcome Back’

Welcome Week at Minot State University, a two-week event centered on the theme “Welcome Back,” officially kicks off on Aug. 25 and runs through Sept. 4. The event’s intent is to allow students to connect and increase student activities and student life on campus.

Free food and music start Aug. 25’s activities at 11 a.m. in the Quad. In the evening, Grocery Bingo begins at 7 p.m. in the Beaver Dam.

On Aug. 26, the club fair and barbecue will take place in the Quad. Music will be provided by KMSU, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Comedian Rob Little will perform at 8 p.m. in the Beaver Dam.

On Aug. 27, the club fair and barbecue will take place in the Quad. Music will be provided by KMSU, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Beaver Dam.

The Student Government Association will provide free food on Aug. 27 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 Bemidji, 7 p.m. The game will be broadcast live on the big screen in the Beaver Dam. A dance will follow the game in the plaza between the Dome and Harnett Hall, 10 p.m.-1 a.m.

On Aug. 28, food will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., along with music in the Quad.

On Aug. 31, as part of “Picture It,” students can have their picture put on a magazine cover or make their friends think
they have been to the beach or some exotic location. The event will be in the Beaver Dam, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Free food will be available Sept. 1 in the Quad, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Music will play as well. Starting at 10 p.m., Saving Jane will perform a concert at the All Seasons Arena.

Sept. 2 activities include food and music in the Quad, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. At 7 p.m., in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall will be the comedian Bernie McGrenahan.

On Sept. 3, free food in the Quad will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., along with music. In the evening, will be a rock band contest beginning at 7 p.m. in the Beaver Dam.

Welcome Week concludes on Sept. 4 with food and music, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., in the Quad. All food is available to students while supplies last.

Minot State earns high health-commitment standard of CEO Cancer Gold Standard™ certification

On June 1, Minot State University was accredited with the CEO Cancer Gold Standard™ certification. This recognition shows the university’s commitment to the health of Minot State employees and their family members, by certifying MSU’s efforts to meet an exceptionally high standard of cancer prevention, screening and care guidelines. MSU is the second institute of higher learning in the country to achieve Gold Standard Accreditation.

Caren Barnett, director of the Student Health Center, outlines the CEO Cancer Gold Standard™ certification further:

What is the ‘Gold Standard’?

The CEO Cancer Gold Standard™ is a series of cancer-related recommendations, developed by the CEO Roundtable on Cancer, to fight cancer in workplaces in the United States. The “Gold Standard” is a comprehensive program with three main goals. The first goal is risk reduction through lifestyle change, thereby, reducing the risk of cancer by not using tobacco and by maintaining a healthy diet and active lifestyle. The second goal is early detection, meaning discovering cancer at the earliest possible stage, when treatment has the best chance of improving outcomes, through age and gender-appropriate screenings. The third goal is quality care, which entails ensuring access to the best available cancer treatment.

The CEO Cancer Gold Standard™ focuses on five critical areas, known as the Five Pillars. The Five Pillars align with the Gold Standard’s goals as follows: risk reduction through lifestyle change as it pertains to tobacco use, diet and nutrition and physical activity. Early detection is achieved through prevention, screening and early discovery. Quality care means having access to quality treatment and clinical trials.

For each area of focus, or pillar, CEO Cancer Gold Standard organizations maintain a culture that encourages healthy lifestyles and provides the support needed when a diagnosis of cancer becomes a reality. The organizations also offer benefits and programs that help to prevent cancer, detect it earlier and provide access to high-quality treatment, including cancer clinical trials.

The Student Health Center’s commitment to the employees of Minot State University is to provide information throughout the year regarding the five pillars of the Gold Standard. This information will allow employees to make an informed decision on choosing healthy options that could reduce the risk of cancer and other diseases.

For example, did you know that finding cancer at its earliest, most treatable stage gives patients the greatest chance of survival? For other tips like this and to learn more about the CEO Cancer Gold Standard™, visit www.cancergoldstandard.org.

MSU offers sympathy to Smith family

Minot State University has been greatly saddened by the death of Jerry Smith, the electronic network specialist for Information Technology Central, on July 22. We extend our condolences to his family, colleagues and friends.

“Jerry had that extra special work ethic. He was usually one step ahead of an issue or used enormous perseverance when faced with a challenge,” said Cathy Horvath, director of information technology. “I admired his knowledge of electronics. Tasks appeared to come easy to him, but that was not always the case. He had physical challenges that he dealt with on a daily basis, but you would never know that. He never complained. He put others first.”

“He was an engaged and interested listener. He could talk on many subjects and I learned a lot from Jerry and looked to him for advice. I will miss that interaction, that congeniality. Our campus has lost a valuable and dedicated employee and friend.”
Smith began his employment at Minot State as an electronic technician in plant services in 1985. In addition to his duties with ITC, he also managed the audio visual, recording and staging for numerous functions at Ann Nicole Nelson Hall. He served as a member of the MSU Staff Senate.

He received his training in electronics from the Area Vocational Technical Institute, Thief River Falls, Minn.

The memorial service was July 28.

Two MSU College of Business faculty members participating in post-doctoral programs

This summer, Frank Moseley and Young Seob Son, two Minot State University College of Business faculty members, enrolled in innovative post-doctoral programs designed to alleviate the critical national shortage of business-school faculty.

Moseley, an associate professor of finance, graduated July 31 from a program developed by Virginia Tech’s Pamplin College of Business, Blacksburg, Va.

Son, an assistant professor of economics, is enrolled at the Hough Graduate School of Business in the Warrington College of Business Administration at the University of Florida, Gainesville, Fla. Son will complete his program Aug. 30.

“This was an intense, quality program taught by leading business professionals,” Moseley said. “It encompassed academic content, research methodology, replication of select research papers and business pedagogy.”

Last year, four U.S. business schools launched “bridge-to-business” programs approved by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business International. AACSB International is globally recognized as the premier accrediting agency for business schools worldwide. The programs prepare individuals with doctoral degrees in non-business, but related, disciplines for new careers as business faculty members.

The reasons for the faculty shortage involve the 5 percent decrease in business doctorates earned worldwide. According to AACSB, 5,872 doctorates were earned in the 1995-99 period, compared with 5,611 in the 2000-05 period. Other supply-related reasons include competing employment offers from government agencies and industry; the fact that about half the doctoral graduates from U.S. institutions are foreign students, many of whom subsequently return home; and the retirements of existing faculty members. Meanwhile, on the demand side, demand for faculty has risen, driven by significant increases in business-student enrollments.

For questions, contact Moseley at frank.moseley@minotstateu.edu or Son at young.son@minotstateu.edu.

Minot State University-Bottineau became Dakota College at Bottineau Aug. 1

On Aug. 1, Minot State University-Bottineau became Dakota College at Bottineau. This new name gives the institution a unique identity in a way that reflects its location, history, mission and ongoing focus of “Nature, Technology and Beyond.”

It does not change the college’s affiliation with Minot State University. That affiliation continues to grow stronger.

“On a deeper level, the change defines our sense of place and purpose. Commitment, vitality, strength and determination are part and parcel of the word ‘Dakota,’ that also characterize the spirit of the college. Other attributes such as contrasting landscapes and ecological diversity; robust, outdoor living; abundant nature and wildlife, hills and plains; and boundless skies and wide open spaces are common to our state and synonymous with Bottineau,” said Ken Grosz, dean of DCB.

“They help us become the best of who we are and are traits woven into our culture and heritage since 1906.”

The name change grew from strategic-planning efforts begun three years ago. The community felt the college needed a new name to describe the unique spirit and vibrancy that have distinguished the school for more than 100 years.

With the name change, all DCB e-mail addresses should be in lower case and end in dakotacollege.edu.

MSU celebration honored graduates of MSM InC and JCEMP

In a unique graduation celebration, Minot State University honored 23 graduates in two programs in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall on July 22. Ten students are from the Master of Science in
Management Intercultural Cohort Program, and 13 students are from the Job Corps Executive Management.

Changes noted

• The marketing office is now located in the Student Center 309.
• Lisa Johnson, the North Dakota University System’s director of articulation and transfer, has moved into the office previously occupied by marketing, on second floor of the Student Center. Johnson’s telephone number will remain as 858-3494, but she has a new e-mail address, lisa.a.johnson@ndus.edu.
• Effective Aug. 7, the fax number for the Office of Plant Services has changed to 858-3002. The old fax number of 839-7185 will no longer be used.

Faculty, staff and student notes

Becky Brodell, nursing instructor, presented “Technology and Caring in Nursing Education,” as a virtual presenter for EDULEARN09. EDULEARN09 was an international conference on education and new learning technologies, which was held in Barcelona, Spain, July 6-8.

Margi Hair, nursing instructor, was accepted into the Minnesota Hartford Geriatric Center of Nursing Excellence Faculty Learning About Geriatrics Program. The FLAG program, which was launched in August 2008, enhances geriatric nursing teaching skills of faculty in schools with associate and higher-degree nursing programs, doctoral nursing students and advanced practice nurses. She attended a conference, Aug. 3-7.

Announcements

Deadline for submitting information for MSU directory ends Aug. 21

The Office of Publications and Design Services is compiling information for the official campus directory. In order to be included, information must be received in our office no later than Aug. 21. Please make your changes in red pen by doing the following:

• copy each section of your current directory pages.
• cross out any deletions in each section of the current directory.
• make changes next to the current entry in each section.
• include new entries on an additional sheet of paper.

We prefer not to receive this information by telephone or e-mail.
--Sandy Nordstrom, director of publications and design services

Reward offered for information about Amphitheater and construction-area vandalism

Over the past few weeks, Minot State University has experienced multiple acts of vandalism on and around the Amphitheater, on the north side of campus. As well, vandals have hit the area in and around the construction site at Swain Hall.

Minot State University is offering a $1,000 reward for credible information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for these acts of vandalism. Any information concerning these acts of vandalism will be treated in the strictest of confidence and can be directed to Roger Kluck, director of facilities, at 858-3210.

Moreover, if any one witnesses any suspicious behavior on campus, please call Kluck’s office or 911.
--Roger Kluck, director of facilities

Fourth annual Doug Lockrem Memorial Motorcycle Rally slated for Aug. 22

On Aug. 22, the fourth annual Doug Lockrem Memorial Motorcycle Rally will be held. Registration is from 10 to 11 a.m. at Pure Honda of Minot.

Lockrem, a Minot State University alumnus and past MSU Beaver Booster president, was a police officer in Minot. He attended almost every MSU sporting event, and he really loved being involved in anything related to MSU. Lockrem
passed away over four years ago from cancer. The money raised from the motorcycle rally will go toward the Doug Lockrem Memorial Scholarship to benefit student athletes at Minot State University.

The main ride starts at 11 a.m. at Pure Honda, following registration. The 153-mile rally will include the following cities: Upham, Towner, Velva and then back to Minot. The rally ends at the Lamplighter Lounge, where lunch will be served. Everyone is welcome to join us for lunch at the Lamplighter for $3.

Two games will be played throughout the day. The first game is motorcycle poker. Participants will collect playing cards at stops along the route. The person with the best poker hand wins great prizes from Pure Honda and Minot State. The other game played will be the Beaver Bug Hit. This game will cost $5 per card. The most bugs on the target mounted on your motorcycle wins more great prizes.

The cost is $20, which funds the ride, a T-shirt, lunch, two tickets to an MSU football game, a $5 gift certificate from Pure Honda and more.

For further information on this event, feel free to contact Chad McNally at 858-4451 or chad.mcnally@minotstateu.edu or the Minot State Athletic Department at 858-3041.

--Chad McNally, director of the Beaver Boosters

Reminder of parking-rules enforcement

During the first week of school, parking officials will be issuing warning tickets. Thereafter, they will be issuing tickets in accordance with the parking rules.

Parking on campus is designed to accommodate as many guests as possible, but it only works when individuals with permits park in the appropriate locations. We appreciate everyone’s continued diligence and willingness to park where their permit allows them. For questions, contact the parking office at 858-3318.

--Roger Kluck, director of facilities

In the galleries

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


The public reception for “Americas 2009: All Media,” exhibit is Sept. 2, 6:30-8 p.m.

Calendar

Aug. 12-Sept. 12, 2009

Aug.
17  Weight Management Club, Jones Room, 8:30 a.m.
17  Blood pressure and health information, Beaver Dam entrance, 9 a.m.
17-18  New faculty orientation, Jones Room, 8 a.m.
18  Staff Senate, Jones Room, 9 a.m.
18  Fall Kick Off, Roosevelt Park Zoo, 5–9 p.m.
19  Convocation, Conference Center, 8 a.m.
19  Ice Cream Social, Quad, 3–4 p.m.
20  Convocation mini-sessions, Conference Center, 8 a.m.–noon.
20  Freshmen move-in day, Cook Hall parking lot, noon–3 p.m.
20-21  CONNECT: orientation and registration by invitation, call 858-3350, Nelson Hall.
22  Doug Lockrem Memorial Motorcycle Rally, Pure Honda of Minot, 10 a.m.
22  Residence Hall Frisbee Fling, front lawn of Old Main, 3–5 p.m.
24  First 8-week classes begin.
24  Meet and Greet, students meet with faculty and staff, 1–3 p.m.
24  Meet Your Mentor, Conference Center, 3–4 p.m.
25  Classes begin at 4 p.m.
25  16-week classes begin.
25  Welcome Week: Grocery Bag Bingo, Beaver Dam, 7 p.m.
25–Sept. 4  Welcome Week activities.
26  Welcome Week: Club Fair and barbecue, Quad, 11 a.m.–2 p.m.
26  Welcome Week: Comedian Rob Little, Beaver Dam, 8 p.m.
27  Last day to add a first 8-week class.
27  Faculty Senate executive board, Souris Room, 3:30 p.m.
27  Football at Bemidji State University.
27  Welcome Week: Battle of the Beavers football game broadcast, Beaver Dam, 7 p.m.
28  Spring 2010 student teaching applications due to field placement office.
28-29  Volleyball at Rocky Mountain College tournament, Billings, Mont.
31  Weight Management Club, Jones Room, 8:30 a.m.
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