**Special edition of Inside**

**Vision 2013**

*Minot State University will achieve national distinction as one of the premier public, regional universities in the “great” Great Plains.*

**Faculty, staff and student achievements**


Lisa Borden-King, associate professor of education; Laurie Geller, chair of the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science and associate professor of mathematics; Kathy Hintz, assistant professor of education; Cheryl Nilsen, associate professor of mathematics; and Beth Odahlen, director of the Center for Engaged Teaching and Learning, presented “50 Ways to Teach Your Students,” Feb. 6 at the 30th Annual Conference on the First-Year Experience in Atlanta. This well-received presentation was a revision of “50 Ways to Leave Your Lecture,” which was presented to MSU faculty at the opening workshops in August.

Shawn Carrher, director of the Severson Entrepreneurship Academy, coauthored a paper with Howard Van Auken. It was accepted for publication in the June issue of Journal of Developmental Entrepreneurship.

Deb DeWitz, assistant professor of social work, received recognition in the National Association of Social Workers-North Dakota Chapter Spotlight. Recipients are featured on NASWND’s website, www.naswnd.org/membership.htm, as well as in its quarterly newsletter. NASW is the professional association for social workers.

Andrea Donovan, assistant professor of humanities, gave a paper at the Modern Language Association conference in Los Angeles, Jan. 5-8. She also served as a session leader at the College Arts Association conference in New York City, Feb. 9-13.

Kristina Epperson, a social work major from Minot, will present her paper, “Head Start: Just a Preschool?” at the 2011 Sigma Tau Delta convention March 23-26 in Pittsburgh. Sigma Tau Delta, an international collegiate honor society, promotes literature and writing, and it advances the study of the written word.

John Girard facilitated five knowledge management events. The first session, “If Knowledge is Power … Why am I always in the Dark?” was a briefing for U.S. Commander Pacific Fleet’s senior leaders and knowledge managers on Dec. 17 at Pearl

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**MSU core values and purpose**

MSU cares deeply about its students, their learning and their growth. The university is proud of its values and long-term commitment to teaching and learning with excellence, integrity and engagement; serving students and others respectfully and responsibly; following high ethical and moral principles; and supporting the values of community and place, where all community members are valued and respected for their work, contributions and freedom of expression. MSU helps people appreciate life and learning and contribute meaningfully to the lives of others.

To highlight and recognize the many accomplishments and achievements of Minot State University students, faculty and staff, the Office of Public Information established a special, monthly edition of Minot State University Inside devoted to these achievements. This special, monthly edition includes professional or civic achievements or successes accomplished in recent months. MSU wants to highlight the many distinguished achievements realized by our campus.

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The Minot Symphony Orchestra selected music education major Justin Goetz, Minot, to perform as a senior honors soloist at its April 16 concert. Each year, senior students from the Division of Music participate in an audition for the privilege of soloing with the MSO. Goetz will play the fourth movement from Ney Rosauro’s “Concerto No. 1 for Marimba and Orchestra.”

Bill Harbort, professor of graphic arts, had an exhibit opening and gave presentations at Northern State University, Aberdeen, S.D., Jan. 11-14.

The citizens of Burlington elected Robert Kibler, professor of English, to a five-year term on their Planning Commision. Kibler represents people living in Burlington’s extraterritorial outer zone. He also conducted research on the Naxi, an ethnic minority in China’s Yunnan province, at Harvard University-Yench Institute, Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 22-26.

Within the Department of Accounting and Finance, Frank Moseley, associate professor of finance, presented energy information to the Three Affiliated Tribes Jan. 27. Karen Walz, assistant professor of accounting, spoke about International Financial Reporting Standards to the Magic City CPAs Jan. 20.

Gary Ross, chair of the Department of Business Administration and professor of management, presented at the MSU Engagement Fair Feb. 2. Ross talked about a project with Andrew Bertsch.

Lynne Rumney, humanities instructor and Honors Program director, spoke to the University of North Dakota Center For Family Medicine family medicine resident doctors about “Integrative Care in Cancer Treatment” in January.

Tom Seymour, professor of business information technology, recently received appointment to the editorial board of the Academy of Information and Management Sciences Journal from Allied Academies. This is an international management information systems editorial board.


Shaun Anne Tangney, associate professor of English, will present a paper at the Robinson Jeffers Association conference Feb. 16-22 in Long Beach, Calif. On Dec. 15, she did a radio interview for the California Legacy Project.

Narayan Thapa, assistant professor of mathematics, presented a paper at the American Mathematical Society section of Joint Meetings in New Orleans, Jan. 7. In addition, Thapa served as a judge for the undergraduate poster presentation competition. He and three colleagues organized a panel session on “Developing Students’ Mathematical Language Skills” for the Mathematical Association of America.

Avis Veikley, Northwest Art Center director and percussion instructor, completed her Master of Music degree from Northern Illinois University at DeKalb in December.