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A NEWSLETTER FOR EMPLOYEES AND FRIENDS OF MINOT STATE UNIVERSITY

Four candidates interviewing for VPAA

Four finalists have been selected to interview for the position of vice president for academic affairs at Minot State University. The candidates are Pamela Kalbfleisch, Mekinock, N.D., Lenore Koczon, Rosemont, Pa., Frank Harrold, St. Cloud, Minn., and Jack Geller, Mankato, Minn.

The interviews will follow the same format, including presentations by each of the candidates on "Vision 2013 — Up to and Beyond: The Role of the VPAA Regarding Faculty, Student, Staff and Administration Engagement with Our Great Plains Region," followed by questions. The public is invited. Koczon's open forum is March 2, 1-2 p.m., in Aleshire Theater of Hartnett Hall. Harrold's presentation is March 9, 2-3 p.m. in the Conference Center. Geller concludes the open forums March 11, 2-3 p.m. in the Conference Center. Kalbfleisch interviewed Feb. 22.

Koczon is the academic dean, undergraduate college, at Rosemont College, Pa. From 1996 to 2005, she was the director of the University College at Northern State University, Aberdeen, S.D. She was at NSU for 15 years. Koczon earned a Bachelor of Science degree in chemistry from the University of Notre Dame, Ind., and a doctorate in chemistry from the University of Nebraska, Lincoln.

Since 2008, Harrold has been dean of the College of Social Sciences at St. Cloud State University, Minn. He served as dean of the College of Natural and Social Sciences at the University of Nebraska at Kearney from 2000 to 2008. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree in anthropology from Loyola University, Chicago, and studied at that university's John Felice Rome Center in Italy. He served two years in the U.S. Navy. He holds a Master of Arts degree and a doctoral degree in anthropology from the University of Chicago.

Geller is currently head of the Liberal Arts and Education Department at the University of Minnesota, Crookston. He served as the founding president of the Center for Rural Policy and Development, St. Peter, Minn., from 1998 to 2007. Geller received a Bachelor of Science degree in sociology from Montana State University, Bozeman, a Master of Science degree in rural sociology from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, and a doctorate in rural sociology from Iowa State University, Ames.

Since 2010, Kalbfleisch has been the special assistant to the president for strategic initiatives at the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks. In addition to her special assistant duties, she teaches communication. For 2009 to 2010, she was an American Council on Education fellow in the Office of the President at Roosevelt University, Chicago, Ill.

Kalbfleisch completed a Bachelor of Arts degree in communication from Boise State University, Idaho, a Master of Arts degree in communication from the University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, and a doctorate in communication from Michigan State University, East Lansing.

The search committee is chaired by Conrad Davidson, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. For questions, contact Davidson at 858-3159 or conrad.davidson@minotstateu.edu.

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PIO update

Mark Lyman, director of public information, said farewell to the campus in the last PIO update, so he said I had to write this one to introduce myself. I do not like communicating about myself, but I love communicating about Minot State University.

As a part of MSU for 27 years, I enjoy working with students and watching them gain the knowledge and skills that they need to achieve their dreams. I fondly remember many of the current faculty and staff members as 18-year-old freshmen.

In the Office of Public Information, I delight in publicizing the achievements of MSU and its students, alumni, faculty and staff. Minot State's accomplishments include establishing partnerships with tribal colleges and international universities. It also created new programs, such as energy economics and finance, and launched the Center for Engaged Teaching and Learning, Severson Entrepreneurship Academy and TRiO.

As an alumna, I proudly watched the rejuvenation of Swain Hall, growth in enrollment and MSU's acceptance into the Northern Sun conference. I look forward to the Wellness Center, geothermal energy and the commemoration of Minot State University's centennial and its journey beyond.

— Linda Benson,
public information specialist

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MSU looks at ‘Growing with Energy: Economic and Infrastructure Impacts’ in energy impact symposia series

Minot State University will host “Growing with Energy: Economic and Infrastructure Impacts,” the third in a four-part series, March 13-15. MSU and Dickinson State University are sponsoring the Western North Dakota Energy Impact Symposia in cooperation with the Great Plains Energy Corridor. A U.S. Department of Energy grant funds these symposia.



“This symposium takes a special look at the immediate infrastructure needs of our area — roads and transportation, water, housing, workforce — with presentations by people at the core of the issues. Not only will it advance the discussion, it will be extremely informative for anyone who wishes to learn about the important impact energy development is having on our state,” said JoAnn Linrud, dean of the MSU College of Business.

On March 13, in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall at 7 p.m., David Fuller, president of Minot State University, will introduce the first keynote speaker, James T. Brown, president and chief operating officer of Whiting Petroleum Corporation. Both Brown’s presentation and a reception to follow are free and open to the public.

To attend the rest of the symposium, the cost is \$100. This registration fee includes all meals and refreshments, but the deadline to register is March 7. Students, faculty and staff of DSU and MSU may attend the symposium free of charge, but registration is still required. To register, go to www.minotstateu.edu/energy.

During the morning of March 14, MSU President Fuller will give opening remarks. Topics covered will include “Social and Economic Impacts of Energy Development: Lessons Learned from Across North America,” “Transportation Issues in Energy Country” and “Energy Development’s Impact on Water Resources.” U.S. Senate Kent Conrad will deliver a keynote address.

As the luncheon keynote speaker, Bob Percopo, executive vice president of investments for Chartis Insurance, will

highlight “Incentives for Developing Energy Resources.” Percopo possesses 35 years of experience in infrastructure, energy and power project finance and structured finance in North America, Europe, Middle East, Asia and Latin America.

On the afternoon of the 14th, Cory Fong, N.D. tax commissioner, and Brian Kalk, N.D. public service commissioner, will outline “Regulatory Issues and Incentives.” Other topics will be “An Economic Developers’ Roundtable” and “Landowners’ Issues.”

On March 15, “Educational Challenges,” “Entrepreneurship: Obstacles and Rewards,” “Update on Housing Issues” and “Lessons Learned by Mayors” will be discussed.

Between sessions, Thomas Hoffman, Carbon Communications Consulting president, will facilitate discussions. At the end of each day of the symposium, he will wrap up the topics covered. Hoffman retired as CONSOL Energy Inc.’s senior vice president for external affairs in 2009.

Additional information for “Growing with Energy: Economic and Infrastructure Impacts” are at www.minotstateu.edu/energy.

For questions about “Growing with Energy: Economic and Infrastructure Impacts,” contact Amy Woodbeck, MSU professional and community education coordinator, at 858-3989, 1-800-777-0750, extension 3989 or amy.woodbeck@minotstateu.edu.

New staff and faculty aboard

Minot State University would like to welcome two new employees, Ann Engh and Joseph Krieg, and introduce them to the campus.

Engh joins the Department of Facilities Management. She completed associate’s degrees at Dakota College at Bottineau and Williston State College. She has two children, Jennifer and Tyler.



Krieg

Krieg, an associate professor of geoscience, is returning to North Dakota. He received his bachelor’s degree in geoscience and anthropology from North Dakota State University and his master’s and doctoral degrees in geoscience from the University of Iowa, Iowa City. He previously taught at the University of Wisconsin-Parkside, Kenosha.

Living in ‘A Doll’s House’

The famous Henrik Ibsen play of “A Doll’s House” will hit the stage at Minot State University’s Aleshire Theater Thursday (Feb. 24.) This Norwegian play is based on the story of a wife, Nora Helmer, and her husband, Torvald, who are trying to change the marriage norms.

Nora, played by Katie Langemo, is working on overcoming the challenges of being a woman in a man’s world in the 19th century. Her husband Torvald, played by Noah Files, has just

accepted a promotion at his job, and all he wants to do is to take care of Nora. But, Nora has a life-altering secret that only she knows about. Throughout the play, Nora is pushed to her limit, resulting in a climax that will change her life and the lives of others forever.

“While focused on Nora and her challenges, the play is meant to be a call for the respectful treatment of everyone regardless of gender, age, race or religion,” said Kevin Neuharth, MSU professor of theatre and director of “A Doll’s House.” “I hope everyone who attends takes away the realization that people need to treat each other with respect and equal rights.”

“A Doll’s House” is a true story, based on the life of one of Ibsen’s good friends, who later went on to write the story of “Ibsen’s Nora.”

Performances for “A Doll’s House” are from Thursday through Saturday (Feb. 24-26) at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday (Feb. 27) at 2 p.m. in Aleshire Theater. Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$5 for seniors and students, and free with MSU ID for students, faculty and staff.

‘Every BODY is Beautiful’ fashion show promotes body confidence

In recognition of National Eating Disorder Awareness month, Minot State University student Sara King and Dakota Square Mall are hosting an “Every BODY is Beautiful” fashion show at Dakota Square Mall on Saturday (Feb. 26) at 1 p.m. in the JCPenney Court. The purpose of the event is to encourage body acceptance and to demonstrate that fashion is for all shapes and sizes.

People do not have to be “America’s Next Top Model” to walk down this runway! Fashions from various stores in Dakota Square Mall will be modeled by girls who are ready to flaunt the cute clothes and their confidence. Booths will be present at the event to provide information to the public regarding eating disorder awareness and prevention. Many stores will distribute special promotions to the audience throughout the fashion show.

This event is part of King’s “Every BODY is Beautiful” Campaign to enhance eating disorder awareness in the Minot community throughout the month of February. This month is recognized as National Eating Disorder Awareness Month by the National Eating Disorder Awareness Association. King is an eating disorder survivor, and the campaign is her communication arts department senior project.

For more information regarding this event, please contact King at 833-8232 or sara.king@my.minotstateu.edu.

Symposium to examine ‘Why Gender Matters’

Minot State University’s Student Social Work Organization will sponsor “Why Gender Matters” March 2 in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, 8:15 a.m.-5 p.m. Dr.



Leonard Sax, the presenter for this spring symposium, is a physician and psychologist who has written three books on gender.

“We brought in an internationally known speaker last year, and it was so successful that we wanted someone well known this year, as well. Talking about gender differences is somewhat controversial, so we think this will create a lively debate,” said Deb DeWitz, SSWO faculty advisor and assistant professor of social work.

Dr. Sax’s first book in 2005, “Why Gender Matters: What Parents and Teachers Need to Know about the Emerging Science of Sex Differences,” began the look at differences between boys and girls, based on research by professionals in a variety of disciplines. His second book, “Boys Adrift: The Five Factors Driving the Growing Epidemic of Unmotivated Boys,” and his third book in 2010, “Girls on the Edge,” examine the development of boys and girls in this new century.

Workshop participants will be able to recognize and understand how: sexual identity is impacting the development of girls; the “cyberbubble” is impacting the development of girls; obsessions are impacting the development of girls; environmental toxins are impacting the development of girls and boys; video games are impacting the development of boys; teaching methods are impacting the development of boys; prescription drugs are impacting the development of boys; and the “devaluation of masculinity” is impacting the development of boys.

The conference is recommended for social workers, educators, case managers, medical staff, parents, law enforcement officers, counselors, psychologists, child care providers and nurses. The deadline for registration is Friday, Feb. 25. The cost of the conference is \$50. MSU students can attend at no cost. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis.

For additional information, contact DeWitz at 858-4259 or debra.dewitz@minotstateu.edu.

Nominations sought for Academic Hall of Fame

Last academic year, Minot State University’s Faculty Senate approved the creation of an Academic Hall of Fame. The Academic Hall of Fame Committee is soliciting nominations for spring 2011 inductees. The deadline for nominations is Tuesday (March 1).

Induction into the Academic Hall of Fame honors meritorious service in an academic discipline and highlights the accomplishments of MSU's most distinguished alumni. Nominations may be made by any individual or organization, either within Minot State or from the community at large. Nominees must be MSU alumni who completed a significant portion of their education at MSU, and who have gone on to complete an advanced degree and made substantial contribution to the advancement of their field of study.

Nominations must include a letter for support from the MSU academic division/department. Submissions are first reviewed by the Academic Hall of Fame Committee; then, Faculty Senate will select inductees from five finalists in March.

Complete details of nominee qualifications, the nomination form and the nomination process may also be viewed on the Academic Hall of Fame website, www.minotstateu.edu/ahof/.

Lecture and exhibit highlight travel along the 'Silk Road'

New York-based photographer Marla Mossman will present "Peace Caravan: Journey Along the Silk Road," March 2 as part of the Northwest Art Center lecture series. Mossman will share, in stories and photos, her quest to retrace the historic Silk Road trade routes from Jerusalem to X'ian, China. In a series of trips from 1996 to 2010, traveling by car, foot, horse, mule and camel, she photographed places of historical and religious significance mentioned in the Bible, the Torah and the Koran.

In conjunction with her lecture, an exhibit of Mossman's photographs will be on display in the Gordon B. Olson Library Gallery through March 17.

All NAC lectures are held in Aleshire Theater, 7 p.m. Admission is free and open to the public; refreshments are served afterward.

Assessment Day slated for March 3

Minot State University Assessment Day is March 3 in Aleshire Theater. The schedule of events is:

- 8:30-10:20 a.m. — James Colbert, assistant vice president for academic affairs, Lander University, Greenwood, S.C., will present "Implementing and Evaluating a Comprehensive Experiential Education Program." His lecture will be followed by questions and discussion.
- 10:30-11:45 a.m. — MSU faculty and staff will give "News from the National Resource Center Annual Conference on the First-Year Experience." The speakers are Kristi Berg, Lisa Borden-King, Laurie Geller, Kathy Hintz, Cheryl Nilsen, Beth Odahlen and Jessica Smestad.
- 1-2:50 p.m. — "The Saga of the Two R's: Rigor vis-a-vis Retention" presented by a panel of MSU faculty. The two "R-words" summarize concisely two large issues. What can be done about them? Can MSU have both? Some of both? Neither? A panel will present their deepest thoughts.

The panel discussion will be followed by questions and comments from the audience.

Colbert, the featured speaker, has 20 years of higher education teaching and administrative experience at three institutions. Throughout his career he developed skills in assessment and evaluation of student learning outcomes and institutional effectiveness. As director of the Experience Your Education Program at Lander University, Colbert is leading the implementation of a new experiential education program. In this role, he has presented numerous workshops on the EYE Program at Lander University and at regional and national conferences. Lander University's EYE Program was selected for the Program of the Year Award by the National Society for Experiential Education in October 2010.

For questions about Assessment Day, contact Draza Markovic, Assessment Committee chair and associate professor of physics.

Symphony celebrates winter's passing at spring concert March 5



The Minot Symphony Orchestra will bring "A Night to Remember/An Affair to Remember" to Ann Nicole Nelson Hall's stage March 5 with music by Antonin Dvorak, Sir Peter Maxwell Davies and Johannes Brahms. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m., and Maestro Dennis Simons, professor of music, is the orchestra's conductor.

Minot State University students, faculty and students are admitted free with a current ID. Additional tickets for adults are \$20 per concert or \$65 for a season ticket. The price for senior citizens is \$15 single, \$50 season; students 12-18, \$10 single, \$30 season; children, ages under 12, \$5 single, \$15 season. All concerts are held in the Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, beginning at 7:30 p.m. The last of "Old World, New World" season is the Pops Concert, April 24.

SSC and TRiO-SSS plan events for students

Please encourage your students to attend the following Student Success Center and TRiO Student Success Services events:

- MSU Job Fair — March 2 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Conference Center (Student Center, third floor). Employers with full-time, part-time and summer employment opportunities, as well as internships, will answer students' questions, accept their resumes and possibly conduct or set up interviews. Remind students to bring resumes, dress professionally and use this opportunity to explore careers, network and apply for positions. Open to all majors.
- Food For Thought workshop — March 21 from 1-1:50 p.m. in Old Main 104. Caren Barnett, Student

Health Center director, will discuss eating healthy as a college student.

- Self-defense workshop — April 11 from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Swain Hall pedagogy lab. Dan and Tina Merck from ATA Martial Arts will teach participants a few simple principles and moves to handle themselves in moments of panic and stress. Knowing self-defense can be a key survival skill in an emergency situation. Athletic or tennis shoes are required.
- Think Smarter not Harder workshop — April 20 from 2 to 2:50 p.m. in Old Main 104. Evelyn Klimpel, coordinator of disability services, knows that studying for a test begins on the first day of class. The purpose of this workshop is to assist students in being active learners by using practical daily study skill techniques. As a result, participants will learn several ways to get the most out of their study time.

For questions, contact Renee Olson, SSC administrative secretary, at 858-3362 or renee.olson@minotstateu.edu or Lynn Redden, TRiO-SSS program assistant, at 858-4047 or lynn.redden@minotstateu.edu.

Minot State earns reaccreditation as a Gold Standard™ employer

Minot State University was reaccredited as a Gold Standard™ employer for 2011. 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. For questions, contact Caren Barnett, Student Health Center director, at 858-3371 or caren.barnett@minotstateu.edu or Paul Brekke, MSU Fitness Center director, at 858-3485 or paul.brekke@minotstateu.edu.



Chamber of Commerce sponsors legislative forums

The Minot Area Chamber of Commerce Governmental Affairs Committee continues to host Saturday Legislative Forums. Each session runs from 9 to 11 a.m. in Minot Auditorium, room 201.

The forums give 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 remaining schedule is March 12, 26 and April 9.

Wellness works

March Is Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month

According to the North Dakota Cancer Coalition, colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths in men

and women in North Dakota, as well as in the United States. Colorectal cancer often is called a “silent killer” because many signs and symptoms do not appear until later stages of the disease when treatment options are less effective. This killer is not picky ... it takes the lives of men and women of all ages.

Early detection is essential. People 50 and older are recommended to get regular screenings for colorectal cancer and remember these important tips:

- If 50 and older, an individual should be screened by their doctor. For those with a family history of the disease, screening should begin earlier.
- Colorectal cancer and precancerous polyps do not always cause symptoms.
- Colorectal cancer affects both women and men and all races and ethnicities.
- When found early, colorectal cancer treatment can be very effective and save lives.
- Many insurance plans help pay for screenings that can detect colorectal cancer.

The North Dakota Cancer Coalition states that each year, about 400 North Dakotans are diagnosed with colorectal cancer, and about 120 North Dakotans lose their battle with the disease. It also states that if every North Dakotan 50 or older were screened regularly, 60 percent of colorectal cancer deaths could be prevented.

Spread the important message of colorectal cancer screening and prevention during Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month and throughout the year. The effort may help protect a family member, friend or coworker from being the silent killer's next victim.

For questions, contact Caren Barnett, director of the Student Health Center, at 858-3371 or caren.barnett@minotstateu.edu.

Announcements

MSU Board of Regents faculty and staff achievement awards nominations due March 4

Nominations for Minot State University Board of Regents faculty and staff achievement awards are due in the Office of the President by March 4. There are separate forms, criteria and selection committees for each award. In brief:

- Faculty: Nominations may be made by anyone knowledgeable about the achievement and contributions of the faculty members. Self-nominations are allowed. Self-nominations must include an endorsement by a faculty member or supervisor. Nominations must be specific for the area of teaching, scholarship or service and must include a one-page supporting narrative.
- Staff: Nominations may be made by anyone knowledgeable about the staff member. A description of the personal characteristics and accomplishments of the nominee must be provided.

More specific details are contained on the nomination forms. The forms may be found on the MSU website under the faculty

and staff section. The awards will be presented at the MSU Employee Appreciation Banquet April 7.

— *MSU Employee Appreciation Banquet Committee*

Deadline to reserve a table at MSU at the Mall is Friday

MSU at the Mall is April 2 from noon until 3 p.m. This interactive venue provides a great opportunity for Minot State University to feature its academic programs, services, employees, students and student organizations. Displays, tables and activities will be located in the Scheels/Sears Court. Booths may have information on their programs as well as fun activities for children. Past activities included a pottery sale by the art department, speech and hearing tests, musical performances, blood pressure checks, research projects and academic showcases. Be creative with your activities — make them hands-on to draw the public to your booth.

MSU faculty, staff and students do not want to miss this opportunity to have young and old learn more about Minot State University! The deadline for reserving a table is Friday (Feb. 25). To participate, reply to marketing.intern@minotstateu.edu with the required information (academic/group name, a short description of activity, number of tables needed, if electricity is needed or not and any other needs).

Thank you in advance for your participation. If you have questions, please contact me or Teresa Loftesnes, marketing director, at teresa.loftesnes@minotstateu.edu.

— *Deanna Mitchell, marketing intern*

2010-11 MSU Factbook and fourth-week enrollment data available online

The Minot State University Office of Academic and Institutional Projects presents the 2010-11 Fact Book, www.minotstateu.edu/instplan/pdf/factbook2010-2011final.pdf. This is an annual and cumulative production providing an ongoing view of trends and documents areas of growth and development, diversity and challenge.

The fourth week enrollment data is also available on the AIP website, www.minotstateu.edu/instplan/enrollment.shtml.

For questions, contact 858-3323 or cari.olson@minotstateu.edu.

— *Cari Olson, institutional research director*

Spiritual Wellness series continues

The Spiritual Wellness series will gather Thursday (Feb. 24) in the Souris Room, 12:15–1 p.m. The Souris Room is located on the second floor of the Student Center on the way to the Beaver Dam. Bring your lunch and join in the conversation. All are welcomed.

The Spiritual Wellness series exists to promote spiritual health and wellness through a variety of faith-based discussions, presentations and other meaningful initiatives. The Spiritual Wellness Series is open to all faculty, staff and students.

For questions, comments or suggestions for future Spiritual Wellness series initiatives, contact 839-3949 or kari.williamson@minotstateu.edu.

— *Kari Williamson, campus pastor*

BSA to commemorate Black History Month

The Minot State University Black Student Association would like to welcome everyone to our Black History Month celebration Saturday (Feb. 26) in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, 7 p.m. The evening, which is free and open to the public, will include music, dance, poetry and storytelling. Students, faculty, staff and community members of all cultural backgrounds and ages will commemorate Black history through a variety of presentations, exemplifying that African-American history is American history. It is a story we all share yesterday, today and forever.

Refreshments will be available.

For more information, contact 721-1935 or joseph.davis@minotstateu.edu.

— *Joe Davis, BSA president*

Learn about TLC-Minot

The Language Company-Minot, on the campus of Minot State University, has a wonderful, international, English language program. Students from around the world come to Minot to learn about American life, improve their English language skills and develop relationships with others. TLC-Minot would love to share more about this global opportunity with you, your organization and others through a presentation about TLC-Minot and its homestay program.

Many of TLC-Minot students want to experience American life by living in an American home during their studies. The homestay program offers compensation of \$600 every four weeks for room, board and transportation to MSU. This program can bring a new perspective to you, your children and family about not only other countries and cultures, but also our own.

Please contact 858-4561 or bonnie.carrera@minotstateu.edu to set up a time that works for you.

— *Bonnie Carrera, TLC-Minot director*

In the galleries

Feb. 23-March 17 — “Peace Caravan: Journey Along the Silk Road,” works by Marla Mossman, New York, N.Y., Gordon B. Olson Library Gallery.

March 7-April 6 — Women’s Invitational Exhibit “Through the Looking Glass,” works by regional women artists, Hartnett Hall Gallery.

The public reception for Mossman’s exhibit is March 2 in the Library Gallery, 6:30-8 p.m., and the public reception for the Women’s Invitational Exhibit “Through the Looking Glass” is March 10 in the Hartnett Hall Gallery, 6:30–8 p.m.

Calendar

Feb. 23-March 15, 2011

Feb.

- 23 Women's Basketball vs. South Dakota Mines, first round of DAC playoffs, Dome, 7 p.m.
- 23 Men's Basketball at Dickinson State University, first round of DAC playoffs, Rapid City, S.D.
- 24 Spiritual Wellness Series, Souris Room, 12:15 p.m.
- 24-27 Theatre: "A Doll's House," Aleshire Theater, Thursday-Saturday 7:30 p.m., Sunday 2 p.m.
- 26 Every BODY is Beautiful campaign: Fashion Show, Dakota Square Mall JCPenney Court, 1 p.m.
- 26 Black History Month celebration, Nelson Hall, 6-10 p.m.
- 28 Zumbathon, sponsored by MSU Spanish Club, Swain Hall, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- 28 Percussion Ensemble concert, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.

March

- 1 International Artist Series, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 1 MSU Life: music by Chapter 6, Aleshire Theater, 8 p.m.
- 2 Student Social Work Organization spring symposium "Why Gender Matters," Nelson Hall, 8:15 a.m.-5 p.m.
- 2 Job Fair, Conference Center, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- 2 MSU Life: Karaoke, Beaver Dam, 11 a.m.

- 2 NAC gallery reception for "Peace Caravan: Journey Along the Silk Road," by Marla Mossman, New York, N.Y., Gordon B. Olson Library Gallery, 6:30-8 p.m.
- 2 NAC lecture: "Peace Caravan: Journey Along the Silk Road," presented by Marla Mossman, New York, N.Y., Aleshire Theater, 7 p.m.
- 2-3 Final exams for first 8-week classes.
- 3 Assessment Day.
- 3-5 N.D. Class B Boys Basketball Tournament, Dome.
- 3-5 Indoor Track and Field at NAIA Indoor National Championships, Geneva, Ohio.
- 4 Fall and summer semester undergrad graduation applications due to advisors.
- 5 Minot Symphony Orchestra Concert Lecture, Nelson Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- 5 Minot Symphony Orchestra, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 6 Choirs concert, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 7-April 6 NAC exhibit: Women's Invitational Exhibit "Through the Looking Glass," works by regional women artists, Hartnett Hall Gallery.
- 8 Guest music recital by Jennifer Donaldson, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 9 MSU Life: Safe Spring Break tips, Beaver Dam, noon.
- 10 Spiritual Wellness Series, Souris Room, 12:15 p.m.
- 10 NAC gallery reception for the Women's Invitational Exhibit "Through the Looking Glass," by regional women artists, Hartnett Hall Gallery, 6:30-8 p.m.
- 13 Energy Impact Symposium, Nelson Hall, 5 p.m.
- 14-15 Energy Impact Symposium.
- 14-18 Spring Break.

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.

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