



Public Information Office

A NEWSLETTER FOR EMPLOYEES AND FRIENDS OF MINOT STATE UNIVERSITY

New staff for 2008-09

Minot State University would like to welcome two new employees, Tricia Houmann and Reginald Potter, and introduce them to the campus.

Houmann is the benefits and payroll technician for the Business Office. She and her husband, Tanner, have two sons. Potter is a building custodian, who is returning to MSU. He and his wife, Collette, have four children



Houmann



Potter

Women's Heritage Month celebrates women's work, paid and unpaid

To celebrate Women's Heritage Month, Minot State University will showcase this year's theme of "Never Done: Women's Work." A number of events will examine the work of women, paid and unpaid, in the past, and in the present. Overall, WHM activities will focus on woman-centered experiences and expressions that highlight the vast and important contributions women have provided to our world culture.

The boundaries of what society considered as acceptable work for women have shifted over the course of human history. The realization that work and employment are not identical is also central in understanding the experiences of women, both in the past and the present.

Speakers and individuals from MSU and its surrounding community will combine to offer a variety of events focused on women's history and life experiences, calling attention to women's voices and accomplishments.

On March 4 at 7 p.m. in the Aleshire Theater, the Northwest Art Center and the Women's Heritage Month Committee will offer a lecture titled "A Woman Can't Do That!: Gender, Revolution, and Contraband in the Late 18th Century South Atlantic" by Ernst Pijning, associate professor of history. Pijning will discuss assumptions about and the realities for women at the time of the French Revolution. He will examine how men perceived women and the official and unofficial restrictions on women at that time

Stage works by Eve Ensler will be performed March 5-7, as a part of Women's Heritage Month. "Vagina Monologues," which has a female cast, will be presented March 5 and 7. "A Memory, a Monologue, a Rant, and a Prayer," which features a male-and-female cast, will be presented March 6. All shows begin at 7:30 p.m. in Aleshire Theater. This project is also in conjunction with the International V-Day celebration with local proceeds going to the Minot Domestic Violence Crisis Center and the national V-Day campaign.

From March 3 to March 24, there will be an invitational gallery show titled "Women's Work," featuring the work of approximately 30 regional women artists, in Hartnett Hall Gallery. The opening reception will be on March 6, 6:30-8 p.m.

Feb. 25, 2009

PIO update

With the 2009 North Dakota Legislature in session, politicians will have many chances to hear from their constituents; the North Dakota University System will be one of them. On March 4, the NDUS will hold its biennial Legislative Showcase.

This showcase gives all 11 NDUS schools an opportunity to provide a unified message to legislators.

Our presentations will focus on four topics: the NDUS provides a high quality, accessible education, state funding of higher education is an investment, the NDUS enhances the state's economy through private and public-sector partnerships, and the NDUS is the primary provider of education and training for North Dakota's workforce.

We have invited senior students in the nursing program to present information on the Adult Health Maintenance Clinic and a graduate student working with the Rural Crime and Justice Center to talk about her most recent project.

You are all invited to stop in at the Capitol building from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. on March 4 to show your support for higher education and Minot State. I hope to see you there!

— *Mark Lyman, director of public information*

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Bethany Andreasen, associate professor of history, will introduce "The Life and Times of Rosie the Riveter" on March 9 at 7 p.m. in Aleshire Theater. This 1981 film documents the American women who went to work during World War II to do "men's jobs." The film's title refers to "Rosie the Riveter," the cultural icon that represented women who staffed the manufacturing plants that produced munitions and material during World War II.

On March 24 at 12:30 p.m., "Women and Entrepreneurialism" will be held in the library's Media Center. JoAnn Linrud, dean of the College of Business, will moderate a panel discussion comprised of women who own area businesses. They will share stories about the challenges and rewards of opening and operating their own businesses.

Throughout the entire month of March, there will be Women's Heritage Month book displays and a "150 Years of the YWCA" exhibit in the Gordon B. Olson Library. The book displays will be on the library's main floor, and the exhibit will be downstairs in the Media Center.

On April 2, Women's Heritage Month activities will conclude with the Women's Heritage Month student-poster session from noon to 2 p.m. in the Student Center atrium. MSU students are encouraged to submit posters in any discipline that focus on women's heritage. Prizes will be awarded for the three highest-scoring posters and to the poster selected as the popular favorite. The deadline to register for the session is March 19.

The Women's Heritage Month Planning Committee includes Andreasen, Linda Benson, Lisa Borden-King, Andrea Donovan, Patty Hunt, Kathryn Kilroy, Deb Kunkel, Jane la Plante, Diane Meneses, Audra Myerchin, Linda Olson, Diane Walbeck and Avis Veikley.

The sponsors for Women's Heritage Month activities are the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Education and Health Sciences, the College of Business, the Diversity Committee, the Gordon B. Olson Library, the Northwest Arts Center, the Division of Humanities, the Division of Social Science, Chartwells and the YWCA.

For additional information on Women's Heritage Month activities, visit the WHM Web page at <http://www.minotstateu.edu/women/> or contact Andreasen at 858-3243 or bethany.andreasen@minotstateu.edu.

'Winter Week 2009: Stop It's Beaver Time' continues

This year's Winter Week at Minot State University centers on the theme "Winter Week 2009: Stop It's Beaver Time." This Student Government Association-sponsored event officially kicked off last Saturday, but many upcoming activities remain.

Today at 9 p.m., the movie "Twilight" will play in the Beaver Dam.

Sloppy Joes and chips will be available with music on Thursday (Feb. 26), 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Comedian Michelle Buteau will start at 8 p.m. in the Beaver Dam.

Winter Week concludes on Friday (Feb. 27) with music by Ernie Halter at noon. Appetizers will also be provided from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the SGA hallway.



SGA will be selling Winter Week T-shirts throughout the noon hour all week in the SGA hallway. All food is free for students and is available while supplies last.

Spanish Club celebrates Carnival Day Thursday

On Thursday (Feb. 26), Minot State University's Spanish Club will celebrate Latin America's Carnival Day in the Multicultural Center, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Kemerly Moorhouse, Spanish instructor, will play her guitar. Beginning at 12:30 p.m., Johnny Coomansingh, assistant professor of geography, will reprise his presentation "Trinidad Carnival: A Big Bacchanel." Taco salad will be available for participants.

For additional information, contact Liana Henderson, Spanish instructor, at 858-4265 or liana.henderson@minotstateu.edu or Wylie Hammond, director of multicultural support and the Native American Cultural Center, at 858-3365 or wylie.hammond@minotstateu.edu.

'One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest' set for Feb. 26-March 1

Minot State University's Department of Theatre will present "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" in the Aleshire Theater Thursday-Saturday (Feb. 26-28) at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday (March 1) at 2 p.m. In this play, a brash rebel rallies mental-institution patients together to take on the oppressive Nurse Ratched, a woman more a dictator than a nurse.

Admission is free to MSU students, faculty and staff with ID. Tickets are \$6 for adults, and \$5 for seniors and other non-MSU individuals.

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 March 2 and April 6 at Main Street Books (16 Main Street South), 7 p.m. For more information, contact Rick Watson at 858-3014 or rick.watson@minotstateu.edu.

Symphony celebrates winter's passing at spring concert March 7

On March 7, the Minot Symphony Orchestra musically transports its audience around the world. From Germany, they experience the everlasting music of J.S. Bach, followed by the beautiful and atmospheric music of Respighi from Italy. As spring approaches, they also savor the immortal music of George Gershwin's "American in Paris." Maestro Dennis Simons, associate professor of music, conducts the orchestra.



MSU faculty, staff and students are admitted free with a current ID. Additional tickets for adults are \$15 per concert or \$50 for a season ticket. The price for senior citizens is \$13 single, \$45 season; students 12-18, \$8 single, \$24 season; children, under 12, \$4 single, \$12 season. All concerts are held in the Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, beginning at 7:30 p.m. The last of "Music Around the World" is the "Search for Treasure (Pops Concert)," April 25.

MSU College of Education and Health Sciences dean travels to Ghana

From Jan 18 to Jan. 24, Neil Nordquist, dean of Minot State University's College of Education and Health Sciences, visited the Republic of Ghana. In face-to-face planning sessions,



he teamed with key personnel at the University of Education, Winneba to write a grant proposal requesting resources to improve the quality of education in Ghanaian schools. MSU will know by the end of March if the grant proposal is accepted.

About one year ago, personnel from the North Dakota National Guard approached MSU administrators to gauge the university's interest in collaborating with a Ghanaian university to improve educational assessment of learning of that West African country's children. As part of its humanitarian efforts, NDNG has adopted Ghana. The recommendation of MSU to NDNG as a partner for such a project came from William Goetz, chancellor of the North Dakota University System. MSU's College of Education and Health Sciences expressed interest in this opportunity. This resulted in MSU's request to work with UEW, and subsequently, Nordquist's trip to secure a planning grant from Higher Education for Development.

"MSU brings a wealth of assessment experience and can assist UEW in meeting assessment needs. The North Dakota National Guard was phenomenal in supporting this endeavor,"

Nordquist said. "They organized and paid for the trip and provided everything I needed to have a successful experience."

The planning grant award is \$50,000. The Higher Education for Development Request for Application stipulates that an American university must partner with an African university to develop a proposal to build additional capacity in some area of importance to the latter's nation.

While in Ghana, Nordquist visited two cities, Winneba and Accra, the nation's capital. He met with the minister of education, youth and sports; the chief director of the curriculum, research and development division; and the head of the assessment system for Ghana in Accra. At UEA, Nordquist met with the university's two highest-ranking administrators, the vice chancellor and the provost; they voiced their support for the grant-proposal project. Four UEW faculty members worked with Nordquist for three days to complete an application and a grant proposal. It was advantageous for the MSU dean that English is the language utilized for business and university studies in the African country. Upon his return to Minot, Linda Cresap, dean of the Graduate School and research and sponsored programs, helped Nordquist "fine tune" the application and grant proposal.

"I really want to thank Dr. Cresap, as her assistance in editing the documents was tremendously beneficial," Nordquist said.

If the grant proposal is accepted, Warren Gamas, MSU associate professor of education, and Arlyn Marquardt, Minot Public School's assistant superintendent, will travel with Nordquist to Ghana in late May or early June. They, the head of the Ghana's assessment system and four UEW representatives will divide into three teams to tour the country and meet with teachers, administrators and students to determine Ghana's needs. They will form a unit to develop a plan to help Ghanaian teachers, who are either distrustful of the assessment process or do not know how to handle the results, better understand the assessment data. UEW also wants assistance in strengthening distance education for teachers.

"MSU wants to collaborate with the University of Education, Winneba to train teachers to use testing data properly," Nordquist said. "By receiving training, Ghanaian teachers will increase their knowledge and skills. They will feel confident and know how to utilize assessment data effectively."

A huge challenge will be dealing with the discrepancies in resources among the schools. Some schools are modern, while others are primitive. In some schools, one teacher instructs 70 students without the help of even one teacher aid, four children share a textbook or 20 percent of the children do not have desks and sit on the floor. Nordquist heard of one open-air school where a chalkboard hung from a tree.

Upon the Americans' return home, they will continue to work with the UEW representatives through video conferences. In the summer, Nordquist, Gamas and Marquardt will reunite with their Ghanaian colleagues at a national assessment conference in the U.S. They will work further on their strategic plan for improving Ghana's educational system.

Ghana has 22.4 million people and is slightly smaller than Oregon. In the last decade, Ghana has dramatically increased the number of children attending school, and the country directs a large percentage of its gross national product to education. This collaborative effort between MSU and UEW could impact 166,000 current Ghanaian teachers and 44 teacher-education institutions. Nordquist believes its influence on the future is immeasurable.

Knowing that such partnerships enhance educational opportunities for students and faculty, Minot State is looking to expand its international partnerships and activities. Six Ghanaian students are currently graduate students at MSU. Four of them attended the University of Education, Winneba. There is also a chance that doctorate-quality UEW faculty, who received training in Great Britain and the U.S., can come to MSU from Ghana in exchanges.

“A partnership like this relates strongly to our Vision 2013. It provides ideal opportunities for our students to become engaged, global citizens,” Nordquist said. “It could also lead to increased enrollment for Minot State.”

MSU’s aspirational peers listed

At the President’s Campus Open Forums on Feb. 12, David Fuller, president of Minot State University, and Rod Hair, director of institutional research, highlighted the university’s 10 aspirational peers. The Office of Academic and Institutional Project formulated the list, based on data obtained from the Voluntary System of Accountability College Portrait and the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System.

The aspirational-peer institutions include University of Nebraska-Kearney, Kearney, Neb.; Minnesota State University-Mankato, Mankato, Minn.; Pittsburg State University, Pittsburg, Kan.; St. Cloud State University, St. Cloud, Minn.; Chadron State University, Chadron, Neb.; Winona State University, Winona, Minn.; Wayne State College, Wayne, Neb.; Bemidji State University, Bemidji, Minn.; Northern State University, Aberdeen, S.D.; and Emporia State University, Emporia, Kan.

To learn more, go to the AIP’s Great Plains Peer Institutions Report <http://www.minotstateu.edu/instplan/pdf/greatplainspeerinstitutions-revisions-5.pdf>.

Faculty sabbaticals announced

Recently, David Fuller, president of Minot State University, announced the beneficiaries of a new program for faculty sabbaticals. The recipients are **Daniel Ringrose**, associate professor of history, and **Shirley Cole-Harding**, professor of psychology. They will begin their sabbaticals in spring 2010,

Life Skill workshops open to all students

Faculty and staff are encouraged to recommend the Life Skill workshops sponsored by the Office of Career Services to all Minot State University students. While the workshops are a product of the MSU Mentor Program, all students are welcome to attend. The fall schedule is as follows:

- Thursday (Feb. 26)—“Job or No Job,” Main 102, 10 a.m.
 - March 10—“Healthy Snacks,” Main 104, 2 p.m.
 - March 11—“Self Defense,” Conference Center, 4-7 p.m.
- Questions may be directed to career services at 858-3360.

Chamber of Commerce sponsors legislative forums

The Minot Area Chamber of Commerce Governmental Affairs Committee continues hosting Saturday Legislative Forums. 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. Each session runs from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Minot Auditorium.

The remaining schedule is as follows:

- March 7, Room 201
- March 21, Room 201
- April 4, Room 201

Faculty, staff and student notes

John Girard, associate professor of business administration and business information technology, has written a new book, “Building Organizational Memories: Will You Know What You Knew?” The book will be officially launched March 18.

Announcements

Retirement open house in honor of Donald Mosser on Friday

Please join the Office of Plant Services on Friday (Feb. 27) for a retirement open house to show appreciation to Donald Mosser, athletic facilities worker, for over 20 years of service to Minot State. The open house will be in the Christianson Room (Dome, second floor), 10 a.m.-noon. For questions, contact 858-3210.

— Roger Kluck, *director of facilities*

Host families needed for international students

The Language Company, an internationally recognized company based out of Edmond, Okla., is partnering with Minot State University to establish an English as a Second Language Institute. TLC-Minot is seeking quality American families to house international students. Proper compensation will be provided for room, board and transportation for the students to and from the MSU campus. If interested, please contact 858-4562 or tlc.minot@minotstateu.edu or bonnie.carrera@minotstateu.edu.

— *Bonnie Carrera, director of TLC-Minot*

MSU Job Fair slated for March 4

The Office of Career Services is sponsoring the annual MSU Job Fair on March 4. The fair will be held in the Student Center Conference area from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This event serves as an opportunity for students and alumni to explore career options, network and interview for seasonal, part-time and full-time job opportunities. To make the Job Fair a success, we need faculty, staff and student support. Please help us by encouraging students and alumni to attend. Faculty and staff are also welcome to attend this event to visit with employers and company representatives. Your presence will show students that you are interested in their future and the job market.

You may view the list of attending employers at: http://www.minotstateu.edu/careers/jf_01.shtml. For questions, contact 858-3362 or tammy.wolf@minotstateu.edu.

— *Tammy Wolf, administrative secretary for career services*

Marketing office needs models for photo shoot

The marketing office is conducting another photo shoot on March 5-6. We will have three different shifts during this time:

- March 5—9:30-11 a.m.
- March 5—11 a.m.-noon.
- March 6—11 a.m.-noon.

We are looking for students and faculty to participate. Please e-mail teresa.loftesnes@minotstateu.edu or stop by the marketing office (Student Center, second floor) to complete a Model Release Form by March 3. For additional information, contact 858-3062 or teresa.loftesnes@minotstateu.edu.

— *Teresa Loftesnes, director of marketing*

International humanitarian law materials available

For the state of North Dakota, I am the international humanitarian law instructor. Therefore, I give lectures and workshops on the Geneva Conventions, the three protocols to the conventions, and other laws of war. On March 12, I am giving such a lecture on campus, and because I am an IHL

instructor, the International Committee of the Red Cross sends me as many copies of the Geneva Conventions and other books for purposes of distribution, as I request. I have received 75 small summary booklets of the conventions and protocols, and 25 full copies of the conventions (concerning I: wounded and sick in the field; II: wounded, sick and shipwrecked at sea; III: prisoners of war; IV: civilians; and in a second book, the three chief protocols to the conventions). I am giving these copies away free at the March lecture, but most people are satisfied with the summary brochures, so I will not need many full books of the conventions (indeed, no one has taken them in the past). For those who want the full Geneva Conventions, as codified in 1949, and the three 1977 Protocols, let me know, and I will put them in the mail to you.

I only ask that if you request them, that you seriously consider reading them. Few doubt their international value in times of war, but few actually read them. For questions, contact 858-3876 or robert.kibler@minotstateu.edu.

— *Robert Kibler, associate professor of English and humanities*

MSU goes to the mall

Minot State University at Dakota Square Mall is scheduled for April 4, from noon to 3 p.m. This Saturday event provides a great opportunity for MSU to feature its programs, services, employees and students. Be creative with your activities — make them interactive to draw the public to your booth. Displays, tables and activities will be located throughout the mall. Departments, divisions, student-service areas and student organizations have been invited to participate. Please respond to Teresa Loftesnes, director of marketing, at teresa.loftesnes@minotstateu.edu by March 20. E-mail group name, a short description of your activity, the number of tables needed and whether or not you need electricity. You don't want to miss this opportunity to have young and old learn more about Minot State University! Thank you in advance for your participation!

— *Teresa Loftesnes, director of marketing, and the marketing committee*

Flu shots available

Flu season is upon us—it's not too late to get your flu vaccine! Call the Student Health Center at 858-3371 for more information.

— *Caren Barnett, director of the Student Health Center*

Spring cancellations processed

Faculty: Cancellations for non-payment were processed Feb. 13. Please review your class rosters. If a student is still attending class but does not appear on your roster, please ask the student to contact the Business Office. The last day for reinstatement will be March 10. For questions, contact 858-3368 or jonelle.watson@minotstateu.edu.

— *Jonelle Watson, controller*

Financial aid office thanks MSU staff

Please join us in thanking the following staff who assisted the Office of Financial Aid with College Goal Sunday on Feb. 22:

- Lynda Bertsch, career services
- Rebecca Porter and Lynda Opp, enrollment services
- Jolina Miller, Center for Extended Learning
- Ashley Hausauer, financial aid office
- Anthony Anderson, Student Ambassador
- George Withus, IT Central
- Tom Thorson, plant services
- Sandy Nordstrom, publications and design
- Leon Perzinski, Student Center

College Goal Sunday is a collaborative effort that helps college-bound students and their families complete the Free Applications for Federal Student Aid. Additional information on CGS can be found at www.collegegoalnd.org or contact 858-3375 or merrijo.connole@minotstateu.edu.

— *Merri Jo Connole, financial aid counselor*

In the galleries

Feb. 25-March 17—"On the Surface: Facades of Reality" by

Brian Hushagen, Bismarck, Library Gallery.

March 3-24—"Women's Work" by regional women artists, Hartnett Hall Gallery.

March 23-April 17—Paintings by Michelle Lindblom, Bismarck, Library Gallery.

The public reception for "On the Surface: Facades of Reality" and "Women's Work" exhibits is March 6, Hartnett Hall, 6:30-8 p.m.

Calendar

Feb. 25-March 31, 2009

Feb.

- 25 SAC: movie, Beaver Dam 3 p.m., Aleshire Theater 9 p.m.
- 26 Workshop: "Job or No Job," Main 102, 10 a.m.
- 26 Latin America's Carnival Day, sponsored by Spanish Club, Multicultural Center, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- 26 SAC: Winter Week 2009, lunch, Beaver Dam, 11 a.m.
- 26 Seminar for student teaching Fall 2009, Conference Center, 12:30-1:30 p.m.
- 26 Faculty Senate, Westlie Room, 3:30 p.m.
- 26 SAC: Winter Week 2009, Michelle Buteau, comedian, Beaver Dam, 8 p.m.
- 26-March 1 Theatre: "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest," Aleshire Theater, Thursday-Saturday 7:30 p.m., Sunday 2 p.m.
- 27 SAC: Winter Week 2009, lunch, Beaver Dam, 11 a.m.
- 27 SAC: Winter Week 2009, music by Ernie Halter, Beaver Dam, noon.

- 27 Job search seminar for elementary education student teachers, Conference Center, 1-4 p.m.
- 28 Women's Club Hockey vs. Brandon, Manitoba, MAYSA, 7:30 p.m.

March

- 1 Women's Club Hockey vs. Brandon, Manitoba, MAYSA, 10 a.m.
- 1 Minot Chamber Chorale and Minot High Symphonic Choir, Nelson Hall, 4 p.m.
- 1-31 Women's Heritage Month book display, Olson Library Media Center.
- 1-31 Women's Heritage Month exhibit: "150 Years of the YWCA," Olson Library Media Center.
- 1-31 Cook Hall clothing drive, Cook Hall, front desk, 7-11:45 p.m.
- 2 Dakota Book Discussions, Main Street Books, 7 p.m.
- 3 SAC: Michelle Garb, comedian and recovered anorexic, Beaver Dam, 7 p.m.
- 3-24 NAC and Women's Heritage Month exhibit: "Women's Work" by regional women artists, Hartnett Hall Gallery.
- 4 NDUS Legislative Showcase, Capitol Building, Bismarck, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
- 4 MSU Job Fair, Conference Center, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- 4 NAC and Women's Heritage Month lecture: "A Woman Can't Do That!: Gender, Revolution, and Contraband in the Late 18th Century South Atlantic" by Ernst Pijning, history, Aleshire Theater, 7 p.m.
- 4-5 Final exams for first 8-week classes.
- 5 General Education Ad Hoc Committee Bok Book Talk, Olson Library, 8 a.m.
- 5 Employee Appreciation Banquet, Dome, noon.
- 5-7 Women's Heritage Month stage works: "The V-Day Campaign," Aleshire Theater, 7:30 p.m.
- 6 NAC gallery reception for "On the Surface: Facades of Reality" and "Women's Work," Hartnett Hall Gallery, 6:30-8 p.m.
- 6-7 Softball at Hastings, Neb.
- 7 Minot Symphony Orchestra, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 8 Junior music recital by Jennifer Brenna, Nelson Hall, 2 p.m.
- 9 Student Government Association meeting, Westlie Room, 7 p.m.
- 9 Women's Heritage Month film documentary: "The Life and Times of Rosie the Riveter," Aleshire Theater, 7 p.m.
- 9 "Pride of MSU" winter concert, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 10 Blood pressure screening, Student Center, second floor, 9-10 a.m.
- 10 Workshop: "Healthy Snacks," Main 104, 2 p.m.
- 10 MSU Choirs concert, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 11 SAC: music by Tim Mahoney, Beaver Dam, noon.

11	SAC: movie, Beaver Dam 3 p.m., Aleshire Theater 9 p.m.		women business owners, Olson Library Media Center, 12:30 p.m.
11	Workshop: "Self Defense," Conference Center, 4-7 p.m.	24	Futurepalooza, Dome, 9 a.m.–3:30 p.m. and 6–9 p.m.
12	SAC: Ryan Conner, comedian, Beaver Dam, noon.	24	Baseball at Dickinson State U.
12	Admission to teacher education seminar, Main 106, 12:30-1:30 p.m.	24	Foreign Film Festival: "L'avocat de la Terreur (Terror's Advocate)," Aleshire Theater, 7 p.m.
12	Faculty Senate, Hartnett Hall 326W, 3:30 p.m.	24	SAC: Dance with Johnny Holm Band, All Seasons Arena, 10 p.m.
12	NAC lecture: "International Humanitarian Law, Laws of War, and the Geneva Conventions" by Robert Kibler, humanities, Aleshire Theater, 7 p.m.	25	Assessment Day.
12-17	Softball at Tucson, Ariz., invitational.	25	Job search seminar for secondary education student teachers, Westlie Room, 1–4 p.m.
13	Summer and fall semester graduation application due to advisor.	25	Softball vs. University of Great Falls, South Hill Complex, 2 and 4 p.m.
15-21	Baseball at Mesa, Ariz.	26	Last day to add second 8-week class.
16-20	Spring Break.	26	Ironweed community film, Multicultural Center, 2-4:30 p.m.
17	Staff Senate, Jones Room, 9 a.m.		Foreign Film Festival: "Aaltra," Aleshire Theater, 7 p.m.
18	NDCPD workshop: "Gold Standard Assessments in Autism," Conference Center, 8:30 a.m.–2 p.m.	26	Summer and fall semester graduation application due to Registrar's Office.
18	University Cabinet, Westlie Room, 9 a.m.	27	National Student Speech Language Hearing Association Spring Conference, Conference Center, 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m.
19-21	N.D. Class B Boys Basketball Tournament, Dome.	27	Graduate School: last day to file permit to take written comprehensive exams.
23	Second 8-week classes begin.	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.
23	Alaska School District recruiting visit, Jones Room, 6 p.m.	27	NAC exhibit: MSU juried student art show, Michelle Lindblom, Bismarck, juror, Hartnett Hall Gallery.
23	Student Government Association meeting, Westlie Room, 7 p.m.	28-29	Baseball at Valley City State U.
23	International Artists Series: Side Street Strutters, Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m.	28-29	Softball at Spearfish, S.D.
23-April 17	NAC exhibit: paintings by Michelle Lindblom, Bismarck, Library Gallery.	29	Concert by Dianna Anderson, music, Nelson Hall, 3 p.m.
24	Sustainability Committee, Crane Hall, 8:30 a.m.	30	NAC lecture: "North Dakota Dinosaurs" by John Hoganson, N.D. state paleontologist, Aleshire Theater, 7 p.m.
24	Women's Heritage Month: "Women and Entrepreneurialism," a panel discussion with area	31	Curriculum Committee, Jones Room, 12:30 p.m.

Minot State University Mission

Minot State University is first and foremost dedicated to the success of all students: their growth and development as educated citizens, their confidence, and their life-long devotion to the common good and the welfare of others.