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Veterans honored during Veterans Awareness Week

The Veterans Center will recognize veterans during Veterans Awareness Week (Nov. 3-10). Guest speakers and representatives from veteran agencies and service organizations will come to Minot State University's campus to share information with student-veterans.

"The Veterans Center is proud to coordinate Veterans Awareness Week to bring an awareness of, and appreciation for, the sacrifices our current and past armed services members made, which allow everyone to enjoy freedom in our everyday lives," said Andy Heitkamp, Veterans Center director.



Scheduled activities, on second floor of the Student Center unless otherwise designated, include:

- Monday (Nov.3), 11 a.m.-1 p.m. — Carol Crabbe, Women's American Legion Auxiliary; Susan Ogurek, veteran employment, N.D. Job Service; and Mac McLeod, Minot Area Homeless Coalition.
- Monday (Nov.3), 11:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. — Brenda Bergsrud, North Dakota Veterans Administration women and minority veterans coordinator, will speak about veteran federal and state benefits with specifics geared toward women and minorities in the Jones Room.
- Tuesday (Nov. 4), 11 a.m.-1 p.m. — Erik Wall and Brandon Carrigan, North Dakota National Guard.
- Nov. 5, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. — Dale Braun, Disabled American Veterans and Ward County Veterans Service Office.
- Nov. 6, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. — Janet Angell, Minot Vet Center.
- Nov. 6, 1:30-3:30 p.m. — Kirsten Hanson and Amy Gunkelman, Veterans Administration in Fargo, will present "PTSD Training: helping student veterans with Post Traumatic Stress and/or Traumatic Brain Injuries Achieve Academic Success" in the Westlie Room. Hanson and Gunkelman will collaborate with Evelyn Klimpel, disability services coordinator.
- Nov. 7, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. — Skip Gjerde, AMvets representatives.
- Nov. 10, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. — Kelli Weiand, military outreach specialist.
- Nov. 10, 11:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. — Nathan Paul Good Iron, Vietnam vet, will present "4 Generations of Warriors" in the Conference Center. In conjunction with Native American Celebration, Good Iron will speak on post-traumatic stress disorder and family tragedy.

For questions, contact Heitkamp at 858-4002 or andy.heitkamp@minotstateu.edu.

Swedish journalist explores northwestern North Dakota

The Minot Area Council for International Visitors developed local programming for Therese Larsson Hultin, chief foreign analyst at Svenska Dagbladet, one of Sweden's top daily newspapers, as she visits the Minot region through Thursday (Oct. 30). Hultin investigated the Bakken oil patch and will discuss media careers with high school and Minot State University students.

Currently a 2014 Transatlantic Media Fellow with the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington, D.C., Hultin is studying the American political system, the role of religion in American life, U.S. foreign policy and the changing role of NATO. In addition to her work at Svenska Dagbladet, she has been a business news anchor on Sveriges Television and a presenter on the Sveriges Radio program, "P1-Morgon."



Oct. 27-28, MACIV members accompanied Hultin into the oil patch so that she could understand energy development and its social and economic effects. She met with Neset Consulting Services representatives as well as health and human services officials in Stanley.

Wednesday (Oct. 29), the visitor will meet with students at Des Lacs High School and Minot State University to discuss careers in journalism and other media avenues.

"MACIV has welcomed visitors from all over the world who are interested in many aspects of rural life. Comprised of members from Minot State University and the wider Minot community, MACIV has received extensive accolades from visitors for its hospitality, generosity, and professional programs," said Joseph Jastrzembki, MACIV president. "An all-volunteer group, MACIV's members show a broad range of local, state, national and international experience in the professions, government, education and the arts."

MACIV has been headquartered at Minot State since 1992. For questions, contact Jastrzembki at 858-3322 or joseph.jastrzembki@minotstateu.edu.

Artist connects art and human rights

Philadelphia-based artist Daniel Heyman will present "Bearing Witness: Human Rights and Art" Wednesday (Oct. 29) in Aleshire Theater at 7 p.m. His presentation is part of the Northwest Art Center lecture series.

In 2006, Heyman traveled to Jordan and Turkey with the legal team investigating American military abuses and torture of detainees at Baghdad's Abu Ghraib prison during the Iraq war. Heyman listened as human rights investigators interviewed detainees, painting or drawing their portraits and taking down their versions of what happened to them at the hands of their American captors. Working quickly onto copper plates from which he would later make prints, Heyman captured words as well as images.

The result was a Guggenheim Award-winning series of images that explores the potential of the arts to engage current social issues. Heyman's Abu Ghraib prints will be on display at the presentation.

An informal reception will follow the program. The lecture, which is free and open to the public, is part of a two-day visit by Heyman. While at MSU, he also will produce a new print edition with MSU's Flat Tail Press. For questions, contact nac@minotstateu.edu.

MSU Wellness Fair

Minot State University's Wellness Fair will be Nov. 6 on the Student Center's second floor, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Students, faculty and staff are invited. Meet with and learn from local businesses and school groups that excel in one or more of the 8 Dimensions of Wellness. For questions, contact Paul Brekke, Student Wellness Center director, at 858-3485 or paul.brekke@minotstateu.edu.

Freezin' for a Reason to bring awareness of homelessness and hunger

The Minot State University Student Social Work Organization is sponsoring Freezin' for a Reason Nov. 8 at Marketplace Foods on Broadway (1930 South Broadway, Minot), 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

"The MSU SSWO is very excited for its 12th annual Freezin' for a Reason. This year we added the YWCA as a beneficiary in addition to the Minot Area Homeless Coalition," said Jenelle Williams, event organizer. "Many people are in need."

The participants stand in the cold and "freeze" to experience homelessness firsthand. Individuals can participate by dropping off



food or monetary contributions at the parking lot or by “freezing” with the MSU SSWO members. MSU SSWO holds the event to raise awareness of area homelessness and to collect nonperishable and monetary donations. For questions about the Minot event, contact Dionne Spooner, MSU SSWO faculty advisor, at 858-3142 or dionne.i.spooner@minotstateu.edu or SSWO members at sswo@minotstateu.edu.

‘Setting the Trend’ with MSO

The Minot Symphony Orchestra continues its 89th season, “Worlds Colliding” Nov. 8 in Ann Nicole Nelson Hall, 7:30 p.m. In the “Setting the Trend” concert, composers who impacted following generations of composers are explored.

Erik Anderson, cellist and music professor, will take the audience on a fast-paced frenzy through the most exciting concerti of the Classical Era. Scott Seaton, music director, will play and conduct Darius Milhaud’s “La Creation du Monde,” a jazz-infused journey through the creation of the world.

Minot State University students, faculty and staff are admitted free with a current ID. Ticket prices for adults are \$20 main floor and \$25 balcony; senior citizen is \$15 main floor and \$20 balcony; students 12-18, \$10; children, \$5. Symphony patrons are invited to join Anderson for a 6:30 p.m. preconcert lecture for an inside look at the symphony program. For more information about MSO, visit www.minotstateu.edu/symphony/.

MSU to celebrate Native American culture

Minot State University’s Native American Cultural Awareness Club is sponsoring Native American Cultural Celebration Week in November. The commemoration will include speakers, presenters and exhibits of Native American success and culture.

“The goal for the celebration is to give a view of what’s happening within Indian Country and in the urban Indian areas,” said Annette Mennem, Native American Center director. “We invite the community to attend the presentations.”



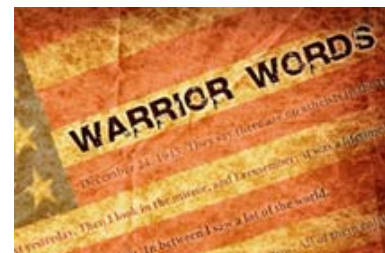
Planned events, which are free and open to the public unless otherwise designated, include:

- Nov. 10, 11:45 a.m. — “4 Generations of Warriors” presented by Nathan Paul Good Iron in the Conference Center. In conjunction with Veterans Awareness Week, Nathan Paul Good Iron, a Vietnam veteran, will speak on post-traumatic stress disorder and family tragedy. His son, Nathan J. Good Iron, was killed in action in Afghanistan Nov. 23, 2006, and was awarded a posthumous bachelor’s degree from Minot State.
- Nov. 10, 12:30 and 2 p.m. — Native American hip hop artist Mic Jordan will perform on stage in the Beaver Dam at 12:30 p.m. At 2 p.m. in the Conference Center, he will tell his story of surviving addiction and suicide.
- Nov. 12, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. (or until gone) — Fry bread taco sale in the Old Main first-floor hallway. The fry bread tacos are \$6 or \$5.50 with a coupon from Nov. 6 Red & Green student newspaper.
- Nov. 12, 7 p.m. — “No Fracking Way!” presented by Carol Davis and Christa Monette, Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa members, in Aleshire Theater. They will share their views on fracking and discuss their tribal council’s ban on fracking on the Turtle Mountain Reservation. This is in conjunction with the Northwest Art Center lecture series.
- Nov. 13 — NACAC members will read Native American cultural books to children in grades 1-4 at Bishop Ryan Catholic School.
- Nov. 14, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. — NACAC and Mennen will host an open house for the campus community in the Native American Center, third floor, Student Center.
- Nov. 19, 10 a.m. — Kevin Finley, Three Affiliated Tribes tribal health coordinator, will speak in the Conference Center on tribal health issues and initiatives.

For questions, contact Mennem at 858-3365 or annette.mennem@minotstateu.edu.

Warrior Words: writing workshop for veterans of any U.S. war

The Greater Grand Forks Community Theatre was recently awarded a North Dakota Humanities Council grant to fund “Warrior Words,” a monologue-writing workshop for veterans in four North Dakota cities. Conrad Davidson, Minot State University College of Arts and Sciences dean, will lead the Minot workshop with the first session on Nov. 18 in Hartnett Hall from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Tentatively, the workshop will consist of six sessions.



The workshop is open to veterans of any American war or conflict who have an interest in creating work based on their experiences as soldiers. The three other workshops will be taught by professors in Grand Forks, Bismarck and Dickinson.

“We anticipate that there will be stories about sacrifice, but we also expect to see a blend of humor, as well, as veterans of different generations share stories about their experiences on topics such as drill sergeants and food rations,” said Kathy Coudle-King, GGFACT executive director. “The workshop is a way to collect and archive the experiences of veterans living in North Dakota and to bring together service men and women from various generations to craft then share their stories.”

Each participant will have the opportunity to read their monologue before an audience in their workshop city. To enroll in the Minot workshop, veterans can contact Davidson at 858-3159 or conrad.davidson@minotstateu.edu.

Three entered the MSU Athletics Hall of Fame

The Minot State University Athletics Department inducted three individuals into its Athletics Hall of Fame. The 2014 class features student-athletes Ed Boos, Dave Richter and Leonard Volk.

Boos, a Glasgow, Mont., native, was a standout javelin thrower in track and field. He now resides in Gwinner, N.D. Richter, a Minot native, excelled in basketball and presently resides in Schoolcraft, Mich. Volk, a Rugby native, was a star wrestler for MSU. He currently resides in Corona, Calif.

They were inducted during halftime of the university's Oct. 25 football game against Minnesota State University-Crookston. This is the 35th class to enter the Minot State Athletics Hall of Fame as the school has honored a class each year since 1980.



New faculty and staff aboard

Minot State University welcomes new employees, Roslyn Billy-Mohamed and Linde Paige.

Billy-Mohamed, assistant professor of teacher education, previously taught at Prince Sultan University, Saudi Arabia. She earned her bachelor's and master's degrees in teacher education from College of Notre Dame of Maryland. She holds a doctorate degree in education from Capella University, Minneapolis.



Paige, Graduate School coordinator, returns to Minot State after working for Central Michigan University on the Minot Air Force Base. She possesses a bachelor's degree in psychology from MSU and a master's degree in administration. She loves watching NASCAR.

In the galleries

Oct. 29-31 — "Americas 2013: Paperworks Best of Show" by Noah David Bau, Library Gallery.
Oct. 29-31 — "To Home and Back Again" features artwork by Jimmie V. Park, Hartnett Gallery.
Nov. 7-Dec. 5 — "What Was – What Is" by Kenneth Andersen, West Fargo, Library Gallery.

Faculty and staff achievements

The Office of Public Information proudly shares the many accomplishments of faculty and staff with the campus community in every issue.

Narayan Thapa, assistant professor of mathematics, accompanied the Minot State University Math Research Team to the Mathematical Association of America sectional meeting at North Dakota State University in Fargo, Sept. 26-27. MAA is the largest professional society that focuses on mathematics accessible at the undergraduate level, and it holds several meetings around the year. Junior **Chloe Ondracek**, mathematics major, and sophomore **Jordan Torgunrud**, mathematics and chemistry major, shared their research at the sectional meeting. They were among the selected few undergraduate students who presented at the meeting.

Ondracek's research focused on "The Inverse Problem of Projectiles," and Torgunrud presented on "The Numerical Treatment of Water Pollution Model." Three other students, Hriday (Day) Thakkar, Samuel Olson and Suzannah Miller will present their work at a larger stage in January during the Joint Mathematics Meeting in San Antonio.

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.

Be seen. Be heard.