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Greeting from the Williston State College Foundation and the Alumni Association!

First of all I would like to congratulate Dr. John Miller on what our Board and I feel has been a very successful tenure as our acting President. Dr. Miller has managed our campus with a steady hand during a difficult budget and a tough legislative session. Dr. Miller has focused on our students and their education as well as our enrollment.

On another note, Alumni Director Hunter Berg has been working hard generating interest with our alumni, and the Week of the Alumni activities and the Lucky Duck race were fun and successful. Our alumni are glad to see someone passionate about Williston State College at the helm.

I hope you will take time to look at our campaign to achieve two goals. One is to the reduce the cost of living in Frontier Hall, and the second is the long-term reduction of the bond obligation on Frontier Hall, which will keep rates affordable for our students. A special thank you to the many individuals and companies who have already pledged or given separate gifts to achieve these goals.

If you stop by the Foundation office, you will see a new face in Laurie Furuseth, who is working part-time as our Chief Financial Officer. Laurie is a longtime Williston resident with years of experience as a CPA. Laurie replaces Carmin Klein, who is now working in the private sector. Carmin worked for the Foundation for many years and will be missed.

Congratulations to all of our graduates, faculty, and staff for a wonderful graduation. Our speakers were excellent, attendance was very large, and it was only a little over an hour. Home runs all the way around!

Until next time, "GO TETONS"!

Terry Olson
Executive Director, WSC Foundation

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College Professors Travel Abroad for 500th Anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation

This July, WSC Associate Professors Richard K. Stenberg and Wendy McGinley will tour Germany with WSC's former president Dr. Raymond Nadolny and others for a Martin Luther Reformation Tour coordinated by Satrom Travel of Bismarck.

"The tour will visit all of the important sites of Luther," notes Stenberg. "A lot of the sites are in former Eastern Germany and for most of the 20th Century these sites were unavailable for people to visit, so this trip has a lot of authenticity."

Trip highlights include visiting Worms where Luther refused to recant his writings and was declared outlaw, Gutenberg Museum where the famed Gutenberg Bible is housed, Wartburg Castle where Luther translated the New Testament into German while in hiding, and Wittenberg where Luther lived, taught, preached and posted the 95 Theses in October 1517.

Stenberg and his wife Mary have worked with Pastor Jon Wellumson of Emmanuel Free Lutheran Church in Williston to plan the trip, which may still have openings for interested community members.

Halliburton Donates to WSC Petroleum Department ▼



Late last year, Halliburton donated five tools worth an estimated \$42,000 to the WSC Petroleum Department.

With the help of Halliburton's Andrew Eis, who provided WSC faculty with background information on each of the tools, welding students under the direction of Welding Instructor Tim Delorme have built a display for the tools.

"I would like to thank everyone at Halliburton involved in the generous donation of these tools and equipment," notes Petroleum Instructor Gerald McGillivray. "We will use them immediately as visual and research aids to show our Petroleum Technology students 'real world' examples of these downhole tools and their uses."

WSC Educator Receives \$10,000 Scholarship

WSC Arts and Human Sciences Chair and Associate Professor Kim Weismann received the Catherine Nutterville Scholarship from the Delta Kappa Gamma (DKG) Society International this spring.

Weismann has been Williston's DKG chapter president since 2014 and a board member for DKG's largest fundraiser—Imagination Library—since 2015.

DKG, the honor society for women educators, promotes excellence in education and personal and professional growth of women educators, leading in the field of graduate scholarships given to members and emphasizing leadership development for its more than 70,000 members in seventeen countries.

DKG granted nine \$10,000 scholarships to members for graduate work in the upcoming school year, and Weismann received one of them to help fund her studies at the University of South Dakota, where she is majoring in curriculum and instruction.

College Selected for Mentor-Connect Program ▼



WSC's Petroleum Automation and Control program was recently accepted into the National Science Foundation (NSF) Mentor-Connect program. An outreach initiative, Mentor-Connect provides leadership development for the NSF Advanced Technological Education program.

Assigned experts will assist WSC in a ten-month program to draft a NSF grant proposal. In addition to providing one-on-one mentorship, these experts facilitate faculty and leadership development, offer technical assistance, and provide resources to ensure WSC's grant is properly prepared for review.

WSC Hosts Education Summit ▼



The ND General Education Spring Summit was held at WSC in April. Representatives of the various NDUS institutions as well as private and tribal colleges in ND attended the event to collaborate and discuss general education concerns. Presenters Dr. Larry Peterson of NDSU and Dr. Tom Steen of UND facilitated discussions on key issues faced by people with general education responsibilities.

Students Named to the 2017 All-North Dakota Academic Team ▼



Twelve North Dakota community college students have been named to the 2017 All-North Dakota Academic Team, including two WSC students: Taylor Nelson and Mikayla Whiteley.

"These students are outstanding examples of academic achievement and community involvement," notes NDUS Chancellor Mark Hagerott. "Being named to the All-North Dakota Academic Team is a significant accomplishment, one that reflects positively on both the students and their colleges."

Nominations are based on outstanding academic performance and service to the college and community. Team members receive various awards and are eligible for scholarships from NDUS universities.

campus events

Walk a Mile [IN HER SHOES] event on WSC Campus

WSC Counseling Services and WSC Student Life partnered with CHI St. Alexius Health Williston, Williston Family Crisis Shelter, and the Central Dakota Forensic Nurse Examiners to host Walk a Mile in Her Shoes in April as part of sexual assault awareness month.

This event plays off the saying: You can't understand another person's experience until you've walked a mile in their shoes. Walk a Mile in Her Shoes challenges men to literally walk one-mile in women's high-heeled shoes.

"Campus sexual assaults have been receiving national attention in the news in recent months," explains WSC Mental Health Counselor Leah Hoffman. "By hosting Walk a Mile in Her Shoes we are promoting prevention efforts by educating our students in a way that is fun but also serious. The event focuses particularly on motivating men to make a commitment to preventing sexual assault. By getting men involved, they can set new standards and become role models for younger classes."

"It is important to know that we do have resources in town to help those of sexual assault," adds WSC Student Life Coordinator Karissa Kjos. "Sometimes it can be hard to understand who to go to for help, and we hope by partnering with those resources for this event, it will bring more awareness and support to those who need it."

"This event does not have to be just about sexual violence," notes Hoffman. "Walk a Mile in Her Shoes is about equality, respect, and treating each other well. Our goal is to have each attendee walk away with more knowledge and understanding of the bystander effect and to feel more comfortable challenging each other to do the right thing."

STEMzone

In April WSC's Petroleum Production program hosted students from Watford City, Divide County, Trinity Christian, and Trenton high schools for a Gateway to Science STEMzone hands-on experience.

The program concentrated on energy, with emphasis on oil and gas subjects, and included many interactive exhibits focusing on petroleum geology, automation and control, seismic, drilling, refining, crude oil/produced water spills clean-up, and reclamation.



alumni updates

David W. Nelson, '71 (Williston) recently retired as Presiding Judge of the Northwest District of North Dakota. Nelson will continue to serve as a surrogate judge when needed, but he and his wife, Sherri, are enjoying retirement, spending time with their grandkids and taking trips to their family cabin in Northern Minnesota. ▼



Ron Rauschenberger, '72 (Kenmare) retired from state government in May after serving as chief of staff to Governors John Hoeven and Jack Dalrymple and senior advisor to Governor Doug Burgum during his first legislative session. Rauschenberger now plans to launch Rauschenberger Consulting, a business development consulting and government relations firm.

Scott Molander, '85 (Crosby) has been an Executive Vice President of BSN Sports since the sale of Lids Team Sports division in January 2016. Molander co-founded Hat World, Inc. in 1995. Hat World purchased Lids, Inc. out of bankruptcy in 2001 and continued to grow the company, establishing it as the world's largest retailer of sports hats and apparel. He and his wife, Carolyn Andretti, along with daughters Maggie (16) and Sarah (12), live in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Steven Berger, '89 (Belfield) is a consultant with National Information Solutions Cooperative (NISC) in Bismarck. He and his wife Karly have three children, Jarek (14), Jessa (12), and Joren (10). ▼



Joshua Lingenfelter, '00 (Williston) is preparing for a busy summer as drummer for local blues band Whiskey Rebellion. The band just won the ND Music Award for the state's favorite blues band and is nearing completion of their debut album. They opened for The Charlie Daniels Band on May 20 in Greeley, Colorado, and have shared the stage with other acts such as Sawyer Brown, the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, and Montgomery Gentry. ▼



Quinn Diede, '00 (Bowman) has been with Allergen for the past eleven years, and he is currently the Neurosciences Division Manager. He and his wife, Kim, have two young children, Crew (6), and Aven (4 months). ▼



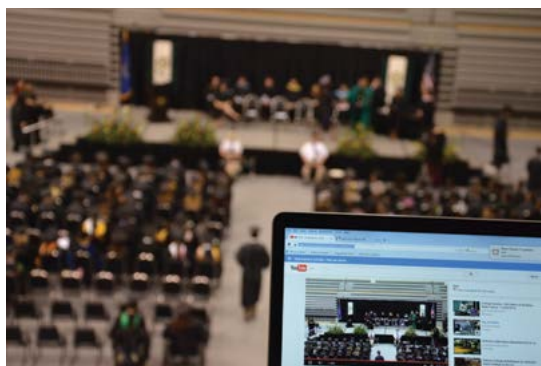
Kayla (Miller) Klevgaard, '08 (Donnybrook) is the Lead Patient Care Coordinator at Missouri River Dental in Bismarck. She and her husband, Jay, have a two-year old daughter, Kwin, and are expecting another child in early October. ▼



Dutch Vanderwaal '10 (Estelline, SD) is the Fitness and General Manager for Dunham's Sports in Aberdeen, South Dakota and has begun his own personal training business, where he offers online personal training for his clients. He is also pursuing a master's degree.

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WSC'S 2017 Commencement ceremony was livestreamed on YouTube. The video is available now to watch at youtube.com/user/TetonTV/live



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Williston State College's 56th Annual Commencement was held Friday, May 12 in the Thomas Witt Leach Center (The Well).

This year's keynote speaker was Jon Cole, sports anchor at KUMV-TV. Cole is a five-time North Dakota Sportscaster of the Year and a member of the North Dakota Sportscasters & Sportswriters Association Hall of Fame.

Student speakers Mikayla Whiteley and Paul Jacobson also offered congratulations to their fellow graduates.

After its fourth record-breaking enrollment semester, WSC had an increase in graduating students, with nearly one hundred more students graduating this year than last year, and nearly half received either the Williams County Graduate or Regional County Scholarship.

Graduates from WSC often earn more than one degree. For the

2016-2017 academic year (including the upcoming summer session) 282 students graduated or plan to graduate, with a total of 484 degrees, including 264 Associate in Arts or Associate in Science degrees, sixty-five program certificates, and forty-eight certificates of completion anticipated.



Nursing students participated in their own pinning ceremony after graduation. The ceremony included twenty-four students receiving their associate degree in nursing. Twenty earned their degrees at the Williston campus and four at the New Town location.

The pinning ceremony is a symbolic event that marks the student's official start into the nursing profession. Students are pinned by a significant person in their

life, ranging from husbands and grandparents to friends and instructors.

The pinning was followed by the lamp lighting ceremony, a nod to Florence Nightingale. Nightingale served as a nurse during the Crimean War and often made rounds at night while carrying a lamp for light. She became known as the lady with the lamp.

After all the lamps were lit the students recited the Florence Nightingale pledge.

Commencement marks the end of the school year, but things are not slowing down at WSC with preparations underway for the fall semester, which will see the Regional County Scholarship expanded into more counties in eastern Montana. With another year of potentially record-breaking enrollment on the horizon, students are encouraged to register early. Classes are filling up fast.



ENGINEERING THE FUTURE

BY NATALIE BOESE

Since partnering with Interstate Engineering in 2011, WSC has helped more than 140 local high school and college students consider career paths in engineering with its Introduction to Engineering course.

Each year, Interstate Engineering contacts principals, counselors, and math and science instructors from local high schools, who recommend students they feel would excel in an engineering field. Those students are invited to take the spring course.

Guest speakers attend the weekly class to share their experiences in the engineering profession. Speakers often come from various locations across Montana, North Dakota, and Minnesota.

The course explores careers in all sorts of engineering, including agricultural, chemical, civil, electrical, environmental, geotechnical, hydraulic, mechanical, municipal, petroleum, structural, surveying, and transportation.

The class began with four students in 2011 and peaked in 2015 with twenty-five. Local area high school

students who are unable to come to WSC each Wednesday afternoon can attend via Interactive Video Network (IVN). IVN allows for two-way synchronous communication between students and instructors at different sites.

During the semester, student field trips to local companies are also built into the curriculum. Trips have included the Williston wastewater plant and water treatment plant, Williams County Route 1 bridge, University Commons subdivision, and a drill rig site with Nabors Drilling.

To conclude the semester, students give presentations on the engineering fields that most interest them.

“The students’ presentations help chart their educational and career path,” notes Lonni Fleck, Vice-President of Interstate Engineering. “I find two successes come from this course. If students find an area of passion, WSC and Interstate Engineering have succeeded in the goal of the class. However, I call it a success even if a student chooses not to pursue engineering after taking this course. From a practical standpoint, this saves the student from discovering much later in his or her college career that engineering isn’t the right path. This would cost valuable time and resources.”

TrainND to Host Hazardous Materials Disaster Preparedness Symposium

TrainND will hold its first annual Hazardous Materials Disaster Preparedness Symposium June 27 at its Workforce Training Center. The purpose of this event is to bring industry, public emergency response officials, and interested parties together to share ideas and plans to prepare for and deal with a potentially disastrous event.

Speakers include University of Utah's Michael Hampton, a Certified Safety Professional and Associate in Risk Management with over thirty-seven years of experience in the development, implementation, and direction of site, regional, and corporate level safety and risk management systems; Casselton Fire Department Chief Tim McLean, discussing how his team responded to the 2013 BNSF Railway train derailment and subsequent release of hazardous materials that occurred in Casselton, ND; and University of Utah's Dr. Matthew Hughes, speaking about best practices on medical aspects of preparation for disaster response teams, communities, and at home.

The symposium will also include courses on well control incident management, emergency, and hazmat response training for well blowout disasters; railroad hazmat incidents; hazardous material response with fire then and now; realistic expectations for rescue teams; and OSHA and emergency response.

TrainND Welcomes UND Petroleum Interns ►

A group of UND petroleum engineering students traveled to Williston to immerse themselves in a five-day summer field session hosted by UND's Petroleum Industry Advisory Committee in May.

The students stayed in WSC's Frontier Hall, took safety training classes through TrainND, toured various production sites and service companies, traveled to Tioga, Watford City, and New Town, and met with members of the TrainND Advisory Board to discuss employment opportunities in the oil and gas industry.

"This is a way for the students to network with the industry and to be in the center of the Bakken play while getting some hands-on experience to understand the industry better," notes Deanette Piesik, TrainND-Northwest CEO. "Providing entry-level safety classes to these students during this summer field session will allow them access to the various company work sites during the week."

Piesik was asked to join the UND Petroleum Industry Advisory Committee this past February because of TrainND's collaboration with the local industry. She will provide a link between the committee and WSC's petroleum program and will work with sub-committees on more focused issues.

Pumping Unit Donated to TrainND ►

XTO Energy, a subsidiary of ExxonMobil, has donated a pumping unit to TrainND-Northwest to expand its instructional capabilities. Sandblasted and painted, the pumping unit is now housed in the high bay of TrainND's facility as part of a smaller version of a working field site.

XTO continually looks for ways to support the local communities where it operates and where its employees live, and TrainND has provided many development programs for the XTO workforce.

"Workforce education and training is critical to our industry's ability to operate in a safe manner, and safety is our number one priority," says John Baker, vice president, XTO Energy Western Division. "We were eager to help when we heard the TrainND program at Williston State College was in need of specific equipment to enhance its curriculum."

"The generosity we have received from XTO is overwhelming," says Piesik. "It's because of partnerships like ours with XTO that we can expand our educational programs and provide state-of-the-art training for the Bakken region."



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WANDA MEYER

NDUS Award Recipient,
Recognized at
Legislative Showcase

BY NATALIE BOESE

WSC Associate Professor of Mathematics and Title III Project Director Wanda Meyer was honored at the state capital in March as part of the Higher Education Legislative Showcase for her work demonstrating innovative use of technology in the delivery of classroom instruction.

Meyer began teaching the fall of 1982 and has been integral in incorporating ALEKS, an alternative learning technology tool, into WSC's mathematics program.

Upon completion of the initial assessment, ALEKS designs an individualized course shell specific to the student based on knowledge space theory, a pathway that best matches the student's learning pattern for success.

ALEKS has been on campuses across the US for more than ten years. Currently, WSC is the only NDUS school to have fully implemented ALEKS. UND is currently in a beta program.

"ALEKS was recommended to me by our federal consultant when we received the Title III grant in 2012," notes Meyer. "This program began in 2015 and has been so successful at WSC. Our students are succeeding and going into levels that they never thought they could reach. It lets

each student learn at his or her own pace and avoids moving ahead if a student is not ready."

Meyer explains that a student's understanding is like a building; if its foundation has a hole, and you continually build over that hole, then problems will eventually arise. ALEKS ensures the foundation and each subsequent level are solid before advancing.

Additionally, ALEKS can stop advancing if the program senses a student is in a non-learning atmosphere.

"If a student is tired or is worried about an assignment for his or her next class, this can affect his or her learning," explains Meyer. "If the program senses a student is in a non-learning moment, it can shut down and suggest working at a different time."

Meyer adds that students using ALEKS often contact her throughout the week and on weekends to advance in a class. Because research has shown that students should spend at least five hours per week per course, this is the expectation with ALEKS. Meyer keeps herself available to students by cell phone whenever possible because she understands that the recommended five hours do not always come during classroom hours.

"My students are so accountable," Meyer notes. "I give them freedom and they advance."

Meyer uses ALEKS in three different courses for her students: Preparation for College Algebra, College Algebra, and Trigonometry.

Students in the prep course who demonstrate mastery before the semester ends can enroll in College Algebra. If they demonstrate mastery in College Algebra, they can enroll in Trigonometry. The pace is set by the students. Upon completion of these three courses, students are prepared to enroll in Calculus I.

In Fall 2016, 147 WSC students and 62 dual credit students enrolled in Meyer's courses that use ALEKS.

"I am honored to be recognized for the ALEKS success at WSC," notes Meyer. "This program has made a difference with our students. It is keeping up with how this generation learns. Technology is the future, and embracing that students learn differently is how we as educators can keep up with the times."

WELDING STUDENTS SPARK FUNDING

BY NATALIE BOESE

WSC student welders put their skills to use this year to raise funds for WSC's welding program.

In what will likely turn into an annual raffle, the program's eighteen welding students made a utility trailer and tilt-bed trailer last fall. Winners were announced January 30, with David Brevik winning the utility trailer and Trevor Smith taking home the tilt-bed trailer.

"The project took approximately five weeks," explains WSC Welding Instructor Tim Delorme. "Having students incorporate print reading and fabrication in a project gives them experience with something they might do in a working shop someday."

After the successful trailer auction Delorme thought creating more auction items could continue the students' on-the-job experience and help raise further funds for the department, so this spring the students built two pit/smoker grills to raffle off in May. "Building these smokers and the two trailers has given my students an objective to complete and a networking opportunity," adds Delorme. Melinda Rasmussen and Dean Klein won the two smokers, and Circle T Transport & Construction, Inc. won an additional \$500 cash prize.

After covering the supply costs, the money raised by the two raffles will be used for materials for the Welding Department and field trips, including a SkillsUSA trip next year. SkillsUSA is a career and technical student organization that hosts a convention once a year.

"Even though WSC's welding program benefits from the DOL TAACCCT grant as part of TREND (Training for Regional Energy in North Dakota), raffle proceeds help to supplement funding for activities that benefit students," notes Pam Rasmussen, TREND grant director and career navigator. "It is a great way to get WSC's welding program the exposure it deserves."





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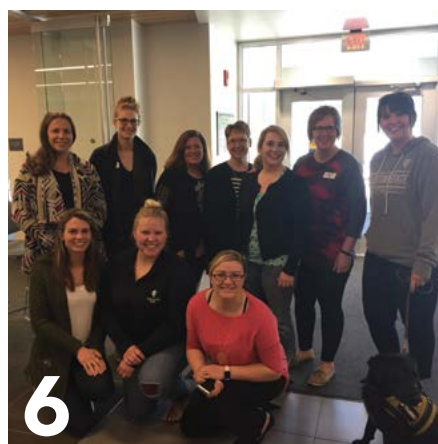
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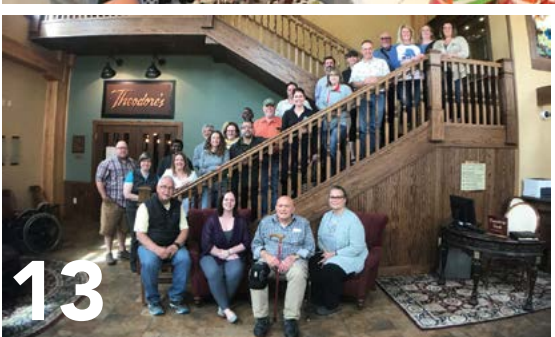


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1. WSC's Acting President Dr. John Miller welcomes 1,129 students to campus for Market Place for Kids in April.
2. Students from WSC's COMM 216 class play *Privilege Monopoly* to learn about diverse cultures.
3. WSC hosts a Williston High School Basketball game in January.
4. Four members of WSC's Student Affairs attempt Fargo's Escape Room after Title IX training in May.
5. WSC's Mental Health Counselor Leah Hoffman teaches Mental Health First Aid Certification.
6. The first of two Walk at Work Days in May. Groups took 10 minutes out of their day to promote a healthy work-life balance by walking together around campus.
7. Whitey Whitecloud ('93), WSC Security Supervisor, and grandson, Huntley, drive WSC's security vehicle for Williston's Band Day Parade.
8. WSC's Petroleum Production program and Gateway to Science host over 100 local high school students for the first annual STEMzone at WSC in April.
9. Alberto Bellina, WSC's petroleum technology instructor, visits local high schools to inform them of WSC's Petroleum Production program.
10. Active Mind's Mental Health chapter placed flags on the front drive this April to represent the 1,100 college students who lose their lives to suicide each year.
11. Students create May Day baskets in Stevens Hall.
12. WSC's Diversity Club hosts a week of events in April to promote their heritage and cultures.
13. WSC faculty attend the Great Teacher Seminar in Medora, ND.
14. WSC Ambassador Arren Romeril teaches a future Teton about WSC at Kids Day Out.
15. Poet Odd?Rod with WSC students, faculty, and staff.
16. Students enjoy yoga class on the front lawn in May.
17. First Lutheran hosts WSC's Spring Concert.
18. Wyatt Pladson and Chelsea Shelton, WSC Marketing interns, at Williston's Home and Garden show.
19. Active Minds students make FLOAM for their stress-balls.
20. Hawaiian Luau dance in the Teton Lounge.
21. Trivia game show Nerdology challenges WSC's students.
22. WSC Relay Team is MODE's Organization of the Week in March.
23. WSC's Native American Literature class makes frybread.
24. WSC's massage therapy students provide back massages at the Legislative Showcase in March.



FACES *behind the* FUNDS

Two years ago, the WSC Foundation offered free tuition, fees, and books to any graduate of a Williams County high school or GED earned in Williams County as part of the Williams County Graduate (WCG) Scholarship. Fast forward to May 12, 2017 and the first WCG Scholarship recipients received their diplomas.

Kylee Shae Meyer was one of the original WCG Scholarship recipients to graduate this year.

Hearing about the scholarship from her mother, WSC Associate Professor for Mathematics Wanda Meyer, she knew attending WSC would help her achieve her goal of graduating with a bachelor's degree with little to no debt.

"Because I received this scholarship as well as others that I can use when I transfer, I am currently financially ahead," notes Meyer. "There are certain courses you have to take no matter what school you attend, so it's worth using this scholarship to take them locally and save money."

Meyer graduated with Associate in Arts (AA) and Associate in Science (AS) degrees from WSC this spring and will transfer to Minnesota State University Moorhead to major in film production.

"I visited WSC all the time growing up because of my mother," explains Meyer. "She would let us get snacks from the bookstore and explore the campus and find a place to do our homework. I find it really cool that I got to attend the college that I grew up exploring."

The average student attending a two-year public postgraduate North Dakota institution can expect to pay a statewide average of \$4,192 dollars per semester for tuition and fees while earning an associate's degree. Nationally, students can expect to pay an average of \$9,139 a semester for tuition and fees for a public four-year degree, according to collegeboard.org.

Preoccupied with the debt that can accumulate for higher education, **Shaina Lord** saw that attending

WSC would be a gift to her family and her future, because she would not have to take out loans to pursue a college education.

Since she was three, Lord always wanted to learn guitar but was unable to afford lessons. Attending WSC with the WCG Scholarship, Lord worked with WSC's music instructor, Dr. Kyle Norris, and was able to receive free lessons to expand her love for music.

Graduating this summer with an AA degree, Lord plans to pursue a bachelor's degree in visual arts with minors in music and religious studies from UND next fall.

"I want to say a huge thanks to the Foundation for this scholarship," says Lord. "It's opened up a lot of opportunity for me, and I probably wouldn't be in college if it weren't for this scholarship."

Despite attending her freshman year at WSC the year before the WCG Scholarship began, **Landy Dossou** knew she had to utilize this opportunity. Dossou graduated in 2016 with an AS degree and again this May with an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) in accounting, as well as an AA degree, both with honors.

Working in the WSC's Business Office for the past two years as a student worker, Dossou's hands-on experience helped her obtain employment with WSC as an office associate since graduating. While working in the business office full-time, Dossou plans on attending Dickinson State University online.

"WSC has thoroughly prepared me for a four-year university," notes Dossou. "Now that I've graduated from WSC, I only need two more years of coursework to get a bachelor's degree in accounting. I expect to graduate from Dickinson State University in May 2019. I appreciate the Alva J Field Trust

and WSC Foundation for this amazing opportunity. They are the reason I graduated from WSC debt-free."

Working as a deputy sheriff in Williston, **Shanda Harstad** had good pay, benefits, and a career where she was respected, but the desire to return to school had always been in the back of her mind. With the introduction of the WCG Scholarship, Harstad jumped at the chance.

Harstad graduated in May with AA and AS degrees and an AAS in nursing. She plans to take the NCLEX boards this summer and has been accepted into the BSN program at Mayville State University. Since the program is fully online, Harstad will be able to remain in the Williston area.

After paying off her previous student loans for the past fifteen years, Harstad thinks local graduates should stay at WSC for the two years.

"Not only is it a great place to transition into college life, but the scholarship was an added bonus," Harstad says. "I would like to give a big thank you to the Alva J. Field Trust and the WSC Foundation. This scholarship helped me decide that I could go back to college and finish my nursing degree."

Due in part to her experiences interning with WSC's Marketing Department since January 2015, **Chelsea Shelton** is now ready to pursue degrees in advertising and graphic design. Shelton transfers next year to Grand Canyon University in Phoenix, Arizona.

On the President's List every semester, Shelton graduated this May with an AAS degree and was instrumental to several on-campus marketing projects.

"I cannot believe I am able to graduate with an associate's degree without any debt and can save money with my on-campus job," Shelton explains. "This scholarship has been

: TWO YEARS LATER

BY NATALIE BOESE



a blessing and has provided me with continuous opportunities to better myself without an enormous debt hanging over my head. If you are planning to continue your education after WSC, take advantage of this scholarship opportunity.”

Of the eleven students who participated in the original Faces of the Fund campaign, all but one have now graduated from WSC.

Several students were able to earn their degrees early with transfer credits or earn one year certificates. Congratulations to the following Faces of the Fund students:

Alaury Liesener, AA, AAS in business management
Beth LaDue, AAS in massage therapy
Jacob Schaubel, AA
Cody Stauffer, COC in Welding
Stephanie Oyloe, AA

For the Class of 2017, 131 students graduated using the WCG Scholarship. Of these 131, \$804,110.15 was spent on tuition and \$100,403.41 on books.

As of May 2017, WSC has 235 new applicants who qualify for the WCG Scholarship, comprising 2017 graduates, GED graduates, and past Williams County graduates. In response to the Regional County Scholarship expansion into five Montana counties, WSC has seen 120 more qualifying applicants for Fall 2017 than for last fall.

“This scholarship has been transformational for students, WSC, and our region,” adds WSC Foundation Executive Director Terry Olson. “In a world where the average student will now leave college after four years with approximately \$35,000 in debt, something like this makes our Foundation, its board, and donors feel pretty good!”



Our Teton Family,

The 2017-2018 year is setup to be one of the biggest and best years for our sporting teams. We have the potential to host ten postseason events next year, and many of our teams are built to take advantage of this unique opportunity. Our volleyball team is already tabbed as the host for the West Sub-Region Volleyball Tournament. We will see a new member as Dawson CC has recently started up their program again. If they were to win that, we would host the Region Championship, and if advancing, we would host the District Championship with a bid to Nationals on the line.

For basketball this year, we are moving to a single site (for each men and women) postseason basketball tournament. The #1 seed based on Mon-Dak play will be the host team for both the semi-final and championship games. With both our basketball teams reloading their rosters for this year, we are setting our goals as the host site for both men and women's basketball.

In the spring, we will have a great chance to showcase Williston and our campus when we serve as the Region Championship host for softball. By then we will have a completed complex. Baseball will also host the Mon-Dak Conference Playoff Championship at Ardean Aafedt Stadium with the potential to host the Region 13 Championships as well.

As a staff, we relish these chances to bring teams into our community. Our fan base and just the general support of the Williston area are second to none. Most, if not all of the opposing fan bases and teams leave impressed with how we do things and cannot wait to come back. This upcoming year we hope to continue to meet and exceed those expectations.

Go Tetons!

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upcoming events

**Donn Skadeland
Golf Tournament**



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#TINYTETONS



1. **Harper, 2**
Amy (WSC Executive Assistant) & Steven Armstrong
Williston, ND
2. **Waylon, 3.5 & Walker, 9 mo**
Leah (WSC Mental Health Counselor) & Brandon Hoffman
Williston, ND
3. **Corban, 3**
with WSC Teton goalie Arren Romeril
Crystal '08 (WSC Registrar, Research Analyst) & Luke Hotchkiss '00 & '02
Williston, ND
4. **Huntley Sorenson, 6**
Tyler and Kass Sorenson
Whitey Whitecloud '93 WSC Security Supervisor
Williston, ND

SEASON 1

[in the ACHA]



TOP: Skaters for Waiters fundraiser at Buffalo Wild Wings in March.
BOTTOM: WSC staff watch party for the hockey playoffs during spring break.

Teton Hockey made some big changes this past season as they competed in their inaugural ACHA Division 2 season.

For its first five years, Teton Hockey participated in the NJCAA Hockey Division. This conference was designed specifically for two-year junior colleges and at its peak, the NJCAA had eight teams that were primarily in New York and the East Coast. The exceptions were WSC and Dakota College – Bottineau. In five years, the Tetons made it to Nationals five times, winning twice and placing second twice. Unfortunately, NJCAA closed its hockey division after last season.

Knowing that this was going to happen, WSC Athletic Director Dan Artamenko and Head Hockey Coach John Bowkus had already contacted the American Collegiate Hockey Association (ACHA) and submitted an application to participate in their league.

The ACHA is an Athletic Association comprising nearly 500 teams competing in three men's divisions (M1, M2, and M3) and two women's divisions (W1 and W2). These teams come from both two-year and four-year schools. Teton Hockey was accepted to the M2 division.

This past season, the Tetons started the season on a tear as they were able to play both ACHA M1 and M2 programs in the first couple of months. As of winter break, WSC had a 9-4 record, with three of their wins coming against M1 teams. With that record came a #1 ranking in the ACHA M2 West Region. After the holiday break, the Tetons picked up where they left off, winning six of their next eight games including two more against M1 teams. Unfortunately, they experienced a losing streak in February, dropping six games by one goal and a couple of shootouts. Luckily, by this time the Tetons had locked up the ACHA M2 #1 seed in the West Region and had an automatic berth to Nationals.

The ACHA Nationals for all five divisions were held in Columbus, Ohio. The ACHA D2 Nationals consisted of four teams from each Region (Northeast, Southeast, Central, and West) for a total of 16 teams. The Tetons played a round robin with three teams: Lindenwood University, Keene State University, and Liberty University.

The first game of Nationals had the Tetons playing Lindenwood. The game would need overtime to settle, and Lindenwood was able to claim victory with a 5-4 score.

The second game only twenty hours later saw the Tetons play Keene State in their first ever ACHA Nationals victory, winning handily with a score of 6-3.

The final game of the round robin matched WSC against Liberty University, last season's National runner-up. The Tetons came out strong, but after the first period, the score was all tied 1-1. The second period saw the Tetons take a 3-2 lead. In the third period, only one goal was scored by Liberty on a power play to send the game into overtime. Finally in overtime, with time running down and WSC needing to score or go home, the Tetons pulled their goalie to get the man advantage. With twenty seconds left in the overtime, the Tetons were unable to capitalize on their chances, and a random shot down the ice sealed a win for Liberty, vaulting them to the Semi-Finals and sending the Tetons home.

So while change may be difficult and venturing into a bigger pool can be intimidating, this year proved that WSC Hockey is up to the task. Coach John Bowkus was nominated for the Coach of the Year award, the team included eight ACHA All-Academic Honor Award winners, and the Tetons finished #1 in the West Region and #8 in the nation.

up close & personal

Coach Kia Herbel



What drove you to get into coaching?

I was told that I couldn't play basketball anymore and I wanted to stay involved in the sport that I loved so much. Coaching is not only a way for me to be around basketball, but also a way to share the knowledge that I have with other athletes who are just as passionate as I am about the game.

Tell us about a mentor or coach who is important in your life.

Hunter Berg has been and continues to be an important person, mentor, and coach in my life. He was my coach at WSC from 2006-2008, where he helped push me to be the athlete that I became throughout my basketball career. Hunter has mentored me through various stages in my life that have helped to get me to where I am now. I can't imagine where I would be and what I would be doing without him being a part of my life. He has inspired me to be the best coach I can be.

What are some of the things you like to do in your free time?

I love to be outdoors. That can involve me enjoying my time at the lake or working outside; really anything that has me outside is enjoyable for me. I also love to spend time with my family and friends. Any occasion that brings us together is always a good thing.

What is the best advice you have ever received?

Don't let the things you can't control consume you. My grandmother was the one that told me this. It has helped me in many situations where I remind myself of this saying.

What was your very first job?

My first job was a dishwasher/bus girl at a small restaurant in New Town. It was not my favorite job, but it taught me many things at a young age that have helped me throughout my life.

Do you have a favorite restaurant or food?

I do not have a favorite restaurant but I do have a favorite food. My mother makes the best Indian Tacos! The frybread is hands down the best I have ever eaten. When she makes it, I can never have enough. It is the best!

Is there anything crazy on your bucket list?

I feel my bucket list is the same as most people's. I want to travel to other countries, go skydiving, go to a NCAA Final Four, and go white water rafting.

What is your favorite professional sports team?

Da Bears! I have been a Chicago Bears fan since I was five years old. They have struggled for a while, but I am hopeful that they'll bring it back around soon.



The Teton Advantage.

BY RYLEE HERNANDEZ

During my four years here at Williston State College, I have seen the growth and development of our institution first-hand. I have seen mobile homes removed and a softball diamond created. Dorms torn down and apartments built up. A bookstore turned into a lounge and study space. Classroom walls turned into whiteboards. A parking lot made into a green space, the largest green space in the NDUS system, I hear. Not to mention, empty land turned into the largest park district-owned recreation center in the country.

Our Teton men's basketball program has benefitted greatly from this facelift to our campus. Our prospective recruits are in awe each time they tour our institution. In my four years with the program, we have seen that eighty-six percent of prospective students who visit in person commit to WSC, and most of the other fourteen percent go a different direction because of offers from four-year schools. There is no doubt that our campus upgrades

contribute to the success of our men's basketball recruitment; however, the real Teton Advantage lies with one asset – the people. You can see this all over our campus.

The open door policy our faculty and staff maintain at WSC may be commonplace in our community, but is by no means guaranteed in higher education. Our young men visit the campus and instantly comment on the beautiful facilities, but they leave talking about the people, our people, who are so welcoming, friendly, and helpful. This Teton Advantage spreads not only from our faculty and staff but our community as a whole.

Our institution and our community continue to be actively engaged in the wellbeing of all students on our campus. This is something you have to experience to understand; you can feel the acceptance and the assistance everywhere you go. WSC will continue to grow and flourish with this Teton Advantage. We truly are "Where the people make the difference."

Boosting us up!



Want to stay involved with Teton Athletics and be a part of the action? Become a Booster! For more information on joining the Teton Booster Club, please contact the Teton Athletic Department at 701.774.4589.

The Teton Booster Club is one of the driving forces of success for Teton Athletics. Each year, funds from the Booster Club help support Teton Athletics with scholarships, facility upgrades, and some of the things we consider the Teton Advantage, such as the Teton bus. The Teton Booster Club relies on membership as well as fundraising events throughout the year to make this all a success.

The Teton Truck Raffle and Casino Night were held April 21, capping off the school year. The truck raffle is one of the longest-running annual raffles in the area, and it continues to grow. Teton Casino Night is an annual dinner that features a mock casino with Teton athletes acting as the dealers. It is one of the best nights out in Williston. This year Casino Night raised over \$20,000 for the student-athletes, and the truck raffle raised over \$50,000 in scholarships.

This fall, the Teton Booster Club will be holding two big events. The first is the Donn Skadeland Golf Tournament on August 26 at the Links of North Dakota. This memorial tournament celebrates the life of former Teton Donn Skadeland. The second is the annual gun raffle partnered with the wing cook-off. This event will be held in late October or early November in conjunction with a Teton athletic event.

Some future projects the booster club is exploring include completion of the baseball and softball complex; batting cages, walkways for spectators, and concessions area for fans are all part of the vision. The booster club is also looking to invest in improvements in the gym, updating the scoreboards and scrolling signs, and updating the Teton Hall of Fame.



Dugouts for Teton Softball

After completing their first season on the new on-campus field last spring, Teton Softball will soon enjoy two dugouts to complete their regulation college field.

“We are excited to see the completion of these dugouts,” says WSC Athletic Director Dan Artamenko. “This is the first phase of turning both the baseball and softball fields into a complex. Future projects will include creating a full grandstand with a press box for both fields, as well as walkways throughout the area for everyone to enjoy. We could always use any help or support in reaching the next phases of the fields.”



Region 8 Playoff Basketball Has Another Successful Year

Williston State College again hosted the Region 8 Basketball Tournament in March. A winter weather travel advisory delayed the start of the tournament by a few days, but everything ran smoothly once the games began. This year's tournament included teams from Stanley, Watford City, Trinity Christian, Powers Lake, Parshall, Burke County, Kenmare, and New Town. Stanley beat Kenmare in a 79 to 49 victory, sending them to state for the first time since 1938.

“We were honored to be selected by the North Dakota High School Athletic Association (NDHSAA) to host the Region 8 Basketball Tournament again this year,” notes Artamenko. “The main way we have been able to treat each team so well year after year is our partnership with the Williston CVB.”

A grant from the Williston CVB tourism fund helps Teton Athletics provide top notch hospitality, gift cards for teams to eat in the Williston area, and snacks and drinks for each team.

Nearly all the participating schools are eligible to receive the Regional or Williams County Graduate Scholarship WSC offers to recent 2017 grads of five local North Dakota counties, so hosting the tournament also helps to build the relationships between WSC and the participating schools.

“Our goal is to show these local schools all the benefits Williston has to offer, both at WSC and in the community,” Artamenko continues. “We would love to sign a few future Tetons.”



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STUDENT [Q&A] ASHLEY MATTHEWS

Who would play you in a movie about your life?

Sophia Bush.

What's your most embarrassing moment?

Moments, not moment. Every time I have to do public speaking is a tie.

Tell us a joke.

Knock knock.
Who's there?
Hip-hip.
Hip-hip who?
I can't tell you that.

What's your favorite word?

My favorite word is "yep".

What would your super power be?

I would want to have healing powers.

What profession are you hoping to do?

I hope to be a clinical nursing instructor someday.

What profession are you hoping to avoid?

I don't want to work in fast food.

What's next for you after you finish at WSC?

I'm planning to obtain my BSN (Bachelor of Science in nursing).

What were you doing before you came to WSC?

I was working as a CNA (certified nursing assistant) at Tioga Medical Center.

What has been your favorite class at WSC?

Anatomy & Physiology with Neil Westergaard.

Who has been your favorite teacher at WSC?

Dena Dorval, my clinical nursing instructor at the New Town location.

What has been your favorite activity at WSC outside of class?

I didn't attend the main WSC campus, but I enjoy the going to the ARC when I'm in town.

What would you tell a prospective student who's thinking about coming to WSC?

Do it!

What advice do you have for your fellow WSC students?

Study hard now, because it pays off later!

What makes students today better than students fifty years ago?

The amount of resources at our disposal allows us to be better students.

Who would play you in a movie about your life?
Probably Matt Damon.

What's your most embarrassing moment?
I have way too many moments that would be considered embarrassing, and all of them will never make it to text.

Tell us a joke.
A Roman walks into a bar, holds up two fingers, and says "Two Beers Please".

What's your favorite word?
It's a toss up between "Watershed" and "Langrange".

What would your super power be?
Gaining the knowledge inside of a book by looking at the cover.

What profession are you hoping to do?
I would like to become a college professor.

What profession are you hoping to avoid?
A job is a job, I won't complain.

What's next for you after you finish at WSC?
I plan on attending UND; I will be pursuing a degree in physics.

What were you doing before you came to WSC?
I was working in the oil and gas industry.

What has been your favorite class at WSC?
History of the Cold War.

Who has been your favorite teacher at WSC?
All of them; all the teachers I've had offered a certain part of themselves, and that is why they are all my favorite teacher.

What has been your favorite activity at WSC outside of class?
Well, I haven't been able to participate in many of them. I would have to go with my calculus homework.

What would you tell a prospective student who's thinking about coming to WSC?
The teachers here at WSC will become an alternative family. They will nurture any dream you want to pursue.

What makes students today better or worse than students fifty years ago?
Hindsight is always 20/20 so it would appear that the students of the past are better, but in reality we have been given the ability to be better, to stand on the shoulders of giants.

STUDENT [Q&A]

PAUL JACOBSON



What makes college easier or harder today than it was fifty years ago?
Technology makes college much easier. The advancement over the last ten years has been amazing, let alone the last fifty years.

If you could invite three people over for a dinner party (anyone, living or dead), who would you invite?
I would have to go with Albert Einstein, Isaac Newton, and Alexander the Great.

Desert island top five: you can take a total of five movies/books/albums with you on a desert island. What are your choices?
I would have to go with four books and one album: the *SAS Survival Handbook*, *Relativity: The Special and General Theory* by Albert Einstein, *Mutiny on the Bounty* by Charles Nordhoff and James Norman Hall, my differential equations book, and the greatest hits of The Beatles.



Our first **Alumni Week** was a success!

Our first Alumni Week was a success! Held at the end of April, the week was intended to let people know that the Alumni Association is back and active with our college and community. The Williston State trivia, the community BBQ, the faculty and staff social, and the Lucky Duck Race fundraiser were all well attended. We look forward to hosting additional Alumni Association events and Alumni Week each year.

There were many volunteers who helped with the events. I'd especially like to thank the Korner Lions, MDU, and WellPro for donating their time and grills during the community BBQ. As with most events here at WSC, the community's support is always appreciated and always second-to-none.

The Lucky Duck Race helped our Association raise nearly \$6,000, which will help various academic programs at WSC with any special help they may need throughout the upcoming school year. Over one hundred business entries made the race very entertaining, and the decorating some of the groups did was simply amazing! Though its first year was filled with uncertainties, we think the event will be a fun one each and every year and will only grow. A sincere thank you to all businesses, adults, and kids who participated.

Please consider following our Alumni Association through our website and Facebook page for upcoming events. As always, thank you for your support of the Williston State College Foundation and Alumni Association.

Go Tetons,

Hunter Berg
Director for Alumni Relations and Athletic Development

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Herman Family Trust Donates to WSC Science Center

The Herman Family Trust has been granted naming rights to the last lab located in the WSC science center after the WSC Foundation received its most recent donation.

WSC FOUNDATION *in Arizona*

Thanks to everyone who joined us in Arizona for our first WSCF/AZ Alumni gathering. And special thanks to our gracious hosts: Ron & Kathy Seeley, Shirley & Lynn Leininger, Bonnie & Dennis Guenther, and Jan Skadeland.



WSC Foundation Executive Director Terry Olson accepts a check for \$2,000 for the Calvin Hystad Memorial Scholarship from E&M Services, LLC, of Watford City. Last winter, the North Dakota Petroleum Council sponsored a coat and hat drive contest called Spread the Warmth. E&M Services won the contest by collecting over 400 items to be distributed in the region, which gave them the right to choose a charity for a \$1,000 donation. E&M Services chose the Calvin Hystad Memorial Scholarship Endowment, which provides funds for students living in Williams and McKenzie Counties, and then they also matched the donation for a total gift of \$2,000.

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Want to show your support? WSC Foundation has some new naming opportunities. Benches and trees will serve as the perfect long-lasting memorial for a loved one or as a way to showcase you or your business's support for WSC. Contemporary wood and metal benches are available for \$5,000 each. A variety of trees are available for \$500 each



The WSC Foundation held its first annual Alumni Week in April. Since joining the Foundation in July as its alumni and athletic development director, Hunter Berg has wanted to host an alumni event to re-establish the Alumni Association.

“We had different ideas of what we could do but decided on a week of events and celebration rather than a single event,” explains Berg. “Alumni Week will likely change and evolve, but our hope is that it becomes a fun week that is part of the Williston community each year.”

The week began with Teton Trivia on Monday, which included trivia questions related to the history of WSC and UND-W throughout the day on both local radio (Cherry Creek Media’s 660 KEYZ, 95.1, and 96.1) and the WSC Foundation and Alumni Association Facebook page.

Tuesday included a social gathering at the college for current and former WSC faculty and staff.

Wednesday’s event was a community barbecue at WSC’s front drive. WellPro, Morning Lions, and MDU all volunteered their time to grill and serve, and guests had the option of picking up food via drive-thru or sitting down for a picnic lunch.

Friday capped off the week with the first annual Lucky Duck Races at the ARC’s lazy river. Community members purchased ducks, decorated them, and then watched them race. The event was live-streamed via Facebook. First, second, and third place in the kids’ race went to Baily Jaspersen, Emery Hunter, and Jersey Berg. In the adults’ division, Jame Rehak won, followed by Liam McGillivray and Amy Johnson. Among business entries, Craft Electric took first place, with Raymond James and ACME Tools taking second and third.

“We’ll also organize other Alumni Association events throughout the year but this year’s Alumni Week was a kick-off for the Association,” adds Berg.



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