# **Veekly Log**



April 15, 2024

#### THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

#### MONDAY, APRIL 15

- Softball & Baseball @WSC TUESDAY, APRIL 16
- Student Dip Day WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17
- KBTO Live Break, 8:30 am, Angie Bartholomay, Water Festival & Earth Day
- **Book Read Guest Present**er at 7pm, Alumni Ctr THURSDAY, APRIL 18
- Blood Drive, 10am-3pm FRIDAY, APRIL 19
- KKWZ & KZZJ Dakota College Weekly, 8:30 am, Angie Bartholomay, Water Festival & Earth Day



#### <u>Upcoming Events</u>

Earth Day Conservation Awards April 22

FAFSA Q & A

April 23 & 24

Earth Day Water Festival

April 24 & 25

Student Allies Events

April 24 & 28

AI & Data Summit, MSU

April 29

**Employee Appreciation** 

Luncheon May 3

**Chamber Awards** 

May 6

ASTEP Graduate Celebration

May 9

**Graduation & Nurse Pinning** 

May 10

**Nurse Pinning** 

Minot & Valley City May 11

#### GREETINGS FROM CHICAGO



Congratulations to Lexi, Kayla, and Linda on a fantastic session at the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) Annual Meeting this past weekend. They shared the Dakota College at Bottineau journey from HLC trauma to HLC triumph. There is no doubt that they inspired others who may be struggling with accreditation right now. Well done, team!

Last week, College Council supported the idea that we once again transition to summer hours following graduation. Just like last summer, we will open a little earlier and close a little later Monday through Thursday. This will allow us to close campus to the public on Friday afternoons, Staff members are encouraged to work with supervisors to determine individual work schedules. Our goal, of course, is to continue serving students Carmen while offering flexibility to our employees. Thank you, in advance, for supporting one another.

After many years, the Bridges Program has become obsolete due in large part to changing admissions requirements at VCSU. The dwindling number of students being served was apparent in our recent program review. At the same time, we believe there are specific programs that we offer that could benefit the Valley City community. Misty Lindgren is working to update our agreement with VCSU, and we are looking forward to strengthening our partnership.

Hope you have a great week!

Best.



Carmen M. Simone Campus Dean/CEO

### DCB AT MAFB

Dakota College at Bottineau (DCB) is making significant strides in expanding its presence within the Minot Area. In late 2023, DCB received news that another college operating a site at Minot Air Force Base would not be returning. Leveraging its existing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with MAFB, Dakota College promptly met with MAFB leadership and Minot State University to align programs with the specific needs of airmen and their families. This proactive approach led to an update of the MOU, which resulted in DCB staff now occupying an office within the MAFB Education Center as of April 15, 2024.

DCB's strategic move includes offering evening courses in Allied Health starting this summer, with plans for further expansion in the fall and beyond. This presents a unique opportunity for DCB as a two-year institution, as it can provide programs tailored to the timelines of Air Force members stationed at Minot Air Force Base, ensuring they can complete their education effectively during their assignment.

#### Conservation Award Recipients

We are excited to announce five recipients for the DCB Conservation Award this year. It has not been awarded since 2019, therefore the Earth Day Committee has decided to make up for the lost years awarding one for each year since 2019. The recipients will be recognized on Earth Day, Monday, April 22 at 12:00 pm in the Alumni Center located on the second floor of Thatcher Hall.

The DCB Conservation Award is presented to individuals who have demonstrated leadership and made notable contributions to the conservation, preservation, and enhancement of our precious natural resources. The 2020 -2024 recipients have contributed in exceptional ways with their individual development, promotion and implementation of projects and activities which have had a significant impact.

- 2020 Ted Upgren
- 2021 Tim Semler
- 2022 Kathy Duttenhefner
- 2023 Brian Knudson
- 2024 Jerome Suchor

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#### **TICKET COUPON**

\*\*\* YOU'RE INVITED

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FOR: Employee Appreciation Luncheon

DATE: FRIDAY, May 3, 2024

TIME: 11:30AM WHERE: Woodshed

RSVP: by 4/26/24 to Sandy Hageness



BOTTINEAU

# Bottineau Community Rocks!

Tuesday, April 30th 6:00—7:00 pm

DCB Campus at Thatcher Hall

Alumni Conference Room





# Because of you, life doesn't stop.



**Dakota College** at Bottineau

THURSDAY APRIL 18, 2024 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Vitalant Blood Mobile





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# STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

= PROCLAMATION =

FINISH THE FAFSA WEEK APRIL 21-27, 2024

WHEREAS, North Dakota youth are called to ready themselves to serve in the state's workforce by career or trade training after high school or obtaining postsecondary credentials; and

WHEREAS, more than 50,000 students from North Dakota and beyond attend North Dakota public, private and tribal colleges or universities: and

WHEREAS, 94% of first-time undergraduate students attending a public, private or tribal college or university in North Dakota qualify and are supported by financial aid to assist them in reaching their educational goals; and

WHEREAS, applying for the FAFSA is the gateway to qualifying for grants, work-study funds and federal student loans, as well as certain state-based aid to pay for college and career training programs; and

WHEREAS, public, private and tribal colleges and universities utilize the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) results to determine eligibility for financial aid: and

WHEREAS, FAFSA results can help families to enhance financial aid planning with options that might

WHEREAS, North Dakotans are asked to encourage the students who attend North Dakota public, private and tribal colleges or universities to complete the FAFSA application and unlock the financial aid opportunities that a

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim April 21-27, 2024, FINISH THE FAFSA WEEK in the State of North Dakota.



**Dakota College Extended Hours for FAFS A Assistance** 

April 23 & 24 until 7:00 pm



**Conservation Award Ceremony** April 22 at 12:00 pm, Alumni Center