

NDUS Foundations
Testimony to the Government Finance Committee

March 13, 2014

Mayville State University Foundation
John J. Klocke, CFRE
Director of Development

In the last three years our reorganized foundation effort has doubled the size of our endowment. Over 50% of students get financial help through endowments. A building set to be demolished was instead renovated into an alumni center which will become a place for alumni to connect and should result in greater financial support. In the past 3 years, the number of active donors has increased by 20%. Donor retention has increased from 50% to 75%.

North Dakota State College of Science Alumni/Foundation
Brad Barth
Executive Director

The Endowment Tax Credit and the State Challenge Grant match are two of the best donor motivators I have seen in my time as a fundraiser. On behalf of NDSCS and the NDSCS Foundation, thank you.

North Dakota State University Foundation
Douglas P. Mayo
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The NDSU Development Foundation/Alumni Association provides a unique service to the State of North Dakota, particularly North Dakota State University. Our collective role is to: Inform, Engage and Solicit stakeholders of North Dakota State University. Over the past 50 years of our existence, the North Dakota State University Development Foundation and Alumni Association have told the great NDSU stories and kept hundreds of thousands connected to this great state and University. We have raised over \$100 million private dollars for scholarships, facilities, faculty support and technology to partner with the State of North Dakota taxpayers and our Legislature to support a top-rated, top tier research university that provides a skilled work force and real-world solutions to issues challenging our State, region and the globe. On average,

we generate more than \$17M in private dollars for NDSU that does not otherwise have to come from tuition or taxpayers to supplement improvements to our campus. As with any 501(c)(3) charitable organization, our annual audited financial statements and 990 returns are posted on our website and open for public review at any time at www.ndsufoundation.com.

We are proud of our role in supporting the State of North Dakota through supporting North Dakota State University.

The Bismarck State College Foundation
Testimony to the Government Finance Committee

Gordon Binek
Bismarck State College Vice President for College Advancement and
Executive Director of the Bismarck State College Foundation
March 13, 2014

Senator Delzer and members of the Government Finance Committee, thank you for this opportunity to share information about the Bismarck State College Foundation. We were established as a foundation in the fall of 1978, and exist to support Bismarck State College and the students of BSC. We provide that support through scholarships and through a wide variety of grants.

Our scholarship awards continue to grow each year, for the 2013-2014 school year we awarded \$493,528 and the budget for 2014-2015 is over \$520,000. The funds for scholarships are derived from a combination of endowed funds and direct support of our scholarship program. Those scholarships encourage attendance at BSC and reduce our students' cost to attend college.

Grants awarded this past school year were \$794,677. Those funds are derived from a combination of direct gifts from business partners which are then transferred to BSC and earnings from endowed funds. Those are funds that enhance State resources. Those funds provide resources that supplement the BSC budget and add to the quality of programs offered by BSC. The earnings from endowed funds are used to fund grants that support BSC programs such as Agriculture, Arts, Chemistry and Welding. We also support continuing education for BSC employees, including the \$25,000 annual Jack Fellowship award to assist a BSC employee who is seeking a degree which will benefit BSC and the students we serve.

The 40% North Dakota tax credit authorized by the Legislature in 2011 has been especially instrumental in increases of endowed funds. Donors are encouraged by the availability of the incentive of a tax credit for their gifts to endowment. Without a doubt, it encourages donors to make larger gifts. Thank you for establishing that incentive.

The report which details the BSC Foundation constructed buildings with debt identifies two buildings which the BSC Foundation constructed for the benefit of Bismarck State College. The largest is the National Energy Center of Excellence with a total cost of \$20,200,000. The other building is the Mechanical Maintenance Building in Mandan which has a total cost of \$1,698,000. The arrangement between the BSC Foundation and

BSC provides that BSC will be able to separately purchase both buildings at the time when the debt is paid in full. The BSC Foundation does not charge rent beyond the bond payments. Since the National Energy Center of Excellence received United States Economic Development Administration funds, there is a lien against the property to ensure it will always be used for the stated purpose. In addition to the existing buildings, the BSC Foundation is preparing to contract for the construction of student housing for BSC students. The housing is needed on campus and the Foundation is in a position to proceed with the project.

Over the 34 years of its existence, the BSC Foundation has contributed over 11 million dollars in support of BSC. We have a long-term goal of having program support of 10% of our permanently restricted funds; our 10 year average is 8.64%. Another goal which measures our activities is a long-term goal of having the cost of operations at less than 18% of unrestricted total support and revenue, our 10 year average is 9.3%. In other words—we are keeping our expenses low while continuing to provide strong support for BSC and BSC students.

Foundations—like the Bismarck State College Foundation—serve a valuable role in the North Dakota University System. We provide scholarships to students to encourage and support them, reducing their overall cost of education. It's an opportunity to “pay-it-forward” for another generation of students. We provide funding for the college through donated equipment, supplies and other materials that reduces the need for State funding. We serve as a trusted repository for donated dollars. Donors want to be sure that their hard-earned funds are there for future generations.

We are governed by an exemplary Board of Trustees made up of community members who are the leaders of Bismarck-Mandan. Those Trustees approve our budget, direct our finances, award grants and scholarships, provide guidance and oversee the activities of the BSC Foundation. We have second and third generations involved with the Foundation. They are proud of their membership and participation and lead by example.

I have a copy of our 2013 Annual Report of the Bismarck State College Foundation for your review. It offers a snapshot of the activities of the Foundation for that fiscal year. As you can see, we really do make a difference to BSC and the students that are a part of our campus.



BISMARCK STATE COLLEGE

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2013 Annual Report



*“They say that if you plant an acorn, you’ll get an oak tree at some point.
That’s what we have with the Foundation.”*

Dr. Kermit Lidstrom, BSC President Emeritus

A celebration of generosity and support



Brian Kroshus

Friends of the Bismarck State College Foundation,

These days, there is much to celebrate in our state, our communities and at Bismarck State College. The 2013 BSC Foundation annual report is a celebration of the support and generosity of our donors.

Strength

We see it all around us. Despite high employment rates - which typically indicate fewer college enrollments - student enrollment at BSC is solid and steady. As has been the case for 75 years, industry depends on our graduates to fill the growing demand for employees with both technical and critical thinking skills.

Support

Thanks to your support, the BSC Foundation surpassed \$10 million in total grant and scholarship funding this past year. Since its inception, the philosophy of the Foundation has been to do the most with what we have. This milestone provided the ability to award dozens of faculty members with internal grants to pursue innovative ideas for the classroom and campus. In the 2012-13 academic year, more than 400 students received financial support through scholarships.

Stability

The BSC Foundation is proud to be part of what makes BSC great and its students successful. Your endowed investments generate earnings that provide a permanent source of funding for scholarships and grants ensuring the promise of an affordable education for generations to come.

As you page through this report, keep in mind that the accomplishments of the Foundation would not be possible without your support. Your generosity has provided the BSC Foundation with the stability and strength to realize its mission of supporting and assisting the development and advancement of Bismarck State College.

Author Miriam Beard said, "The results of philanthropy are always beyond calculation." *Thank you for your support. Our gratitude is beyond calculation.*



Dr. Larry C. Skogen



Gordon Binek

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Brian Kroshus
President
BSC Foundation
Board of Trustees

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BSC President

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Gordon Binek
Vice President for College
Advancement and Executive
Director, BSC Foundation

Lidstrom's passion inspired employee giving



Dr. Kermit Lidstrom

The college's fourth executive officer, Dr. Kermit Lidstrom, arrived at BJC in 1977. It didn't take long for him to identify a need and develop a plan for the college, but he knew it would take people and money. Lidstrom was good at gathering both.

BJC was still functioning with the 1930s-era Bismarck College Corporation, a fundraising entity used to solicit public support and money to start the college. Lidstrom recruited a group of like-minded supporters that reorganized the corporation and its \$69,000 in assets into the Bismarck Junior College Development Foundation. By the late 1980s, assets reached \$1,000,000 and today, the Foundation has grown to an impressive \$29 million in assets.

In tandem, Lidstrom engaged BJC's graduates and employees to form a team that reorganized and vitalized the alumni association, providing better connections with alumni and building support. In the 1980s, when the college changed its name, the association became the Bismarck State College National Alumni Association. From those first 13 alumni founders in 1961, the

alumni association now has links to more than 19,000 graduates nationwide.

Lidstrom also had a vision for employee participation and support for the Foundation. He initiated and heavily marketed the first employee payroll deduction program on campus. With help from then-foundation Executive Director Herb Schimmelpfennig, the employee payroll deduction became available to faculty and staff in 1985. Payroll records show that Lidstrom got in early, making his first donation in August 1983.

Staff and faculty support is crucial to the many activities supported by the Foundation, and the BSC family has never shied away from stepping up.

In an interview conducted last winter, Lidstrom reflected on the impact of the Foundation, and his pride in building it.

"They say that if you plant an acorn, you'll get an oak tree at some point. That's what we have with the Foundation."

Atkinsons long relationship evolved with BSC



Marge and Myron Atkinson

Myron Atkinson began his long association with Bismarck State College as one of its first graduates in 1947, eight years after its founding on the third floor of Bismarck High School. Ever since, he has been an avid supporter of the institution that helped launch his extraordinary career.

"I'm just very interested in seeing BSC evolve as part of the higher education system in North Dakota. It is a great institution and service to the area," Atkinson said.

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He earned a law degree from the University of North Dakota in 1951. After serving in the Korean War, he practiced law in Bismarck at Pearce and Durick until 1964, when he became

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vice president and general manager of Meyer Broadcasting Co. Four years later, Atkinson entered real estate development and specialized in real estate and health care law. He founded the Atkinson Company, Inc., in 1981.

He gives credit to BJC Dean Walter Swensen for steering his interest toward economics and the business world. Of the 78 or so enrolled students in the mid-1940s, Atkinson was one of three students in Dean Swensen's economic geography class. They met in the dean's

office "and you came prepared," said Atkinson, who considered becoming an economics teacher during his studies at UND.

"He [Swensen] opened my vision to another area of interest that influenced the career path I followed."

When Atkinson joined Pearce and Durick, Bill Pearce was secretary of the Bismarck College Corporation (predecessor of the BSC Foundation). Pearce suggested Atkinson take over from him, since he was a BJC graduate. That was in 1963, and Atkinson's service on

the board continues today as a trustee emeritus. Additionally, son Tim Atkinson, '74, is a current foundation board trustee.

Atkinson is a recipient of BSC's highest awards. He was among the three graduates honored as outstanding alumni during the first alumni awards ceremony in 1978. The college also awarded him the Distinguished Service Citation in 1992.

Three generations support the BSC Foundation



Judith Ekberg Johnson



Dr. Aaron Johnson

Three generations of the Meyer-Ekberg family have contributed their multiple talents to the BSC Foundation Board of Trustees and enriched others and themselves through teaching and study at BSC/BJC.

Judith Ekberg Johnson recently ended 25 years of service on the board. Judy's son, Dr. Aaron Johnson, is completing his fifth year as a trustee and her mother, the late Marietta Meyer Ekberg, was a board member in the late 1970s and early '80s.

"We love the story of BSC," Judy Johnson said. "The college is forward thinking, innovating, continually critiquing itself, and on the forefront of giving students a valued education – one that is useful, practical and well-rounded right here in the heartland of North Dakota."

As founders of Bismarck's Meyer Broadcasting Company (1922 to 1998), the family started the area's first radio and television stations and grew the company to seven radio stations, four TV stations and cable TV.

"She always said how much she loved being on the board

and about service to the community," Judy Johnson said about Marietta, who, with her husband William, had five daughters. "In the Meyer and Ekberg families, higher education was important and always encouraged, especially for girls."

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Marietta was among the founding trustees of the foundation and served as vice president. She taught a BSC psychology class at Fort Yates, N.D., and with William, was active in many community organizations.

Johnson joined the board as a trustee in 1988, serving as board president in 2000-2001.

A recipient of BSC's Distinguished Service Citation, Johnson was a member of the capital campaign committee to build BSC's National Energy Center of Excellence. She has been an instructor and participant in BSC's Enrichment program classes.

Aaron Johnson attended a BSC summer session and took high school electronics at the BSC Technical Center. He returned to Bismarck after dental school and joined the BSC Foundation board in 2008.

"I am enjoying giving back what I can to the foundation."

"There is a real emphasis on education, and it's exciting to see what Gordy [Binek] has done for BSC in terms of expansion," Aaron Johnson said. "Growing up, I heard about and observed public service. As the fifth generation of small business owners, I am enjoying giving back what I can to the foundation."

The leadership and commitment from generations of the Meyer/Ekberg/Johnson family has had, and will continue to have, a profound impact on the success of both BSC and the BSC Foundation.

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Events raise funds for students

Dean D. Gunsch Toolbox Program



The *Dean D. Gunsch Toolbox Program* was launched in honor of BSC's longtime Automotive Technology instructor and Transportation & Construction Department chair, Dean Gunsch. Funded through contributions to the Foundation, the Toolbox Program helps decrease initial startup costs by providing toolboxes for Automotive Technology students

to use while attending BSC. During his 34 years at the college, this program was one of many projects initiated and championed by Gunsch, who passed away August 27, 2012, at age 58 from cancer.



Dick Hedahl leads the first group of motorcycle riders leaving the BSC campus for the President's Run.

President's Run helps auto tech students

Fifty-five motorcycle and car enthusiasts joined BSC President Larry Skogen on July 12 for the sixth annual President's Run fundraiser. Participants traveled from BSC to the Garrison Dam where they enjoyed a BBQ lunch followed by a tour of the Dam. The event raised more than \$10,000 for the *Dean D. Gunsch Toolbox Program*. Mark your calendar for the 2014 President's Run scheduled for Friday, July 11.



Al Kunick, Pam Ihmels, and Frank Bavendick were inducted into the BSC Athletic Hall of Fame in June.

President's Cup funds scholarships

The BSC annual President's Cup Golf Classic on June 21 raised \$14,700 for student athletic scholarships. Held at Prairie West Golf Course, the competition drew 156 golfers. Hall of Fame inductees honored during the 19th hole social were Al Kunick, '74, Pamela Ihmels, '78, and Frank Bavendick, a BSC student from 1949-50. Bavendick was a runner-up at the 1950 NDIAC Track & Field championships. A generous supporter of Mystic athletics, he served on the BSC Foundation Board as a trustee and received the college's Distinguished Service Citation. Ihmels was a standout for the Mystic volleyball, basketball and track teams and was named to the NJCAA All-American Track & Field Team. Kunick was selected twice to the Mon-Dak All-Conference and NJCAA Region XIII baseball teams. The Cincinnati Reds drafted Kunick in 1974.

Jack Fellowship



Dan Leingang

Daniel Leingang, associate professor of mathematics, is the 11th recipient of the Jack Fellowship Award from the Bismarck State College Foundation. The \$25,000 fellowship helps BSC faculty and staff further their education, conduct research or pursue other professional development. Leingang will use the fellowship to complete a doctorate in educational leadership with a higher education focus from the University of North Dakota (UND).

A recipient of BSC's Faculty Award for Excellence, Leingang has taught a wide variety of mathematics courses since 2000. He was named chair of the Geomatics, Engineering and Mathematics Department in 2005. A native of Mandan, Leingang earned regional and national awards as outstanding advisor to BSC's chapter of Phi Theta Kappa honor society.

The late Tom and Peg Jack, lead contributors to BSC's Jack Science Center, endowed the Jack Fellowship in 1999.

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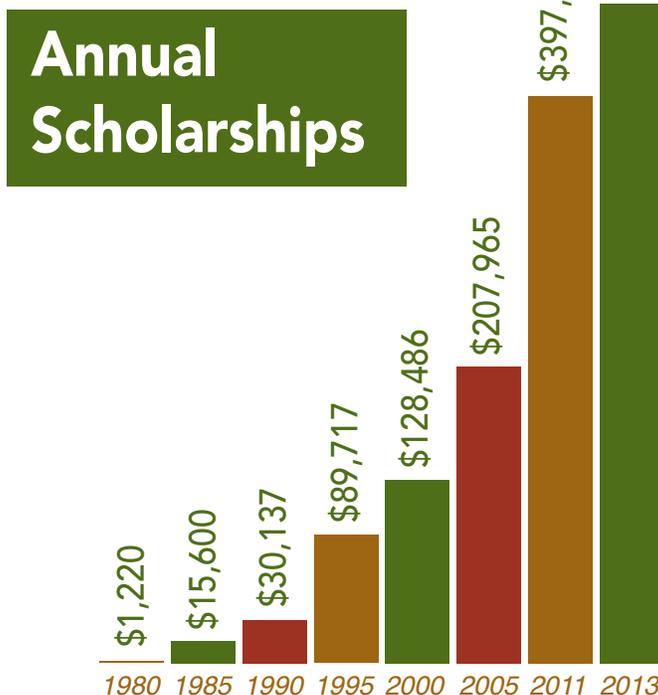
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The Legacy Society

The Legacy Society honors donors who have included the Bismarck State College Foundation in their estate planning.

Bryce and Maxine Hill



Investing in education through scholarships

Each year, the number of scholarships awarded continues to increase, providing financial and educational opportunities for the next generation of successful BSC graduates. A historical high of \$493,528 in scholarship funding translated into more than 400 scholarships awarded in 2012-13. This would not be possible if not for the generosity of our friends, alumni, community and industry partners. Your investment makes a difference. **Denotes a newly created scholarship.*

Academic

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Walter L. and Lucille Braun Scholarship

Former teachers Walter and Lucille Braun value education and feel strongly about giving back. "In this day and age it's important to have an education and we want to help people achieve that," Walt said.

The couple focuses their philanthropy on helping the disabled and supporting education. As longtime supporters of the BSC Foundation, their charitable gifts have funded student scholarships at BSC since 1999. In 2013-14, their endowed contributions provided five \$2,000 scholarships to BSC students, and these awards will continue in perpetuity.

"We started our careers as teachers and we know how important education is. We wanted to ensure our support would always be available," Walt said.

Both graduated from college with two-year teaching certificates – Walt from Minot State University and Lucille from Moorhead State College. Walt was high school principal and coach in Mercer, N.D., before entering the U.S. Army in 1942. He also was a Lieutenant in the 231st Combat Engineers and served as Adjutant. After WWII, he taught elementary school in Cavalier. Lucille taught six years in Ashley and Washburn before marrying Walt in 1950.

Walt moved from education to business in 1947, when he opened W.L. Braun Agency in Turtle Lake, N.D., in insurance, real estate, oil brokerage and investment business. Within 48 hours of the Iverson oil well discovery in 1951, Walt and his partner opened their oil brokerage office in Tioga. The couple moved to Bismarck in 1976 to continue their business interests from home and traveled widely.

Walt and Lucille are members of Bismarck's First Lutheran Church, the Founders Club and the Rough Rider Club of the Theodore Roosevelt Medora Foundation. A lifetime member of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars, Walt also served as president of the North Dakota Insurance Federation and is a member of the Landsman's Association of North Dakota, the Dakota Petroleum Club and various community organizations. The Braun family received Diamond Award honors at the BSC Foundation's 2011 donor recognition event.

Walt and Lucille have two daughters, Renee and Barbara, and philanthropy is a family affair according to Walt. The Braun's Fidelity Gift Fund has helped them provide grants to charities since 1994, and the family regularly discusses how best to support their favorite causes. "I'll put it simply, we try to help the needy, not the greedy," Walt said.



Brett R. Dvirnak Memorial Scholarship

The Brett R. Dvirnak Memorial Scholarship was established in 2012 through an endowed contribution from his parents, Bryan and Cindy Dvirnak. The \$1,500 annual award provides enhanced opportunities for students who share Brett's passion for music. Brett passed away in June 2012.

Gifted musically, he played saxophone in grade school at Centennial Elementary and later excelled at percussion, which he continued to play at Hughes Junior High and Century High School in Bismarck. While enrolled at BSC, Brett concentrated in music, inspiring his peers with his enthusiasm. A highly accomplished musician, Brett performed in the BSC Wind Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble and the pit orchestra for several BSC musicals.

"Brett's outgoing personality and love for music was so infectious that he quickly became one of the leaders among the music students," said John Darling, associate professor of music. "His willingness to share his time and talent knew no bounds, and his passion for music contributed significantly to raising the profile of the Music program around the community and state."

Brett received the 2008 Instrumental Music Student of the Year award at BSC's Student Recognition Ceremony. He graduated in August 2009 with an Associate in Arts and moved to Oregon to attend Portland State University in September 2011. In addition to music, Brett played hockey and loved snowboarding, skateboarding, history and video games.

The Dvirnaks are longtime BSC Foundation supporters; Bryan serves as a trustee on the Foundation board.

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Brett Steele, Bismarck

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BSC Alumni Association Scholarship
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"Migrating from a small country in the western part of Africa (Ghana) into the United States of America hasn't been easy, let alone going to college and working full-time. But this scholarship has really boosted my moral and my ability to live in America and also to excel in my education. I promise to keep on with my education and not let Gateway Pharmacy down." – Godfried Kenah (Gateway HealthMart Pharmacy Scholarship)

Amy Doll, Sterling

Warren DeKrey Scholarship
Christopher Ringuette, Bismarck

Gordon Dietrich Scholarship
Jenna Lyon, Bismarck

James & Mildred Duffy Memorial Scholarship
Michelle Kuntz, Drake

Edwin & Dorothy Edlund Scholarship
Kendra Miller, Bismarck

Heber Edwards Memorial Scholarship
Wendi Brandner, Bismarck

William & Marietta Ekberg Scholarship
Alyssa Meier, Bismarck

Cheryl Elsbernd Scholarship
Caitlyn Albert, Bismarck

Marvin Erdmann Scholarship
Rachel Olson, Maddock

Richard Espeland Scholarship
Breann Harm, Mandan

Walter & Norma Fiedler Memorial Scholarship
Dalton Steichen, Harvey

Burt Finney Memorial Scholarship
Jack Aide, Bismarck

Gate City Bank Scholarship
Sarah Fitterer, Bismarck

Gateway HealthMart Pharmacy Scholarship
Godfried Kenah, Ghana, Africa

Florence P. George Scholarship
Natalie Marschall, Lincoln

John Giese Scholarship
Mackenzie Wade, Devils Lake

Frank Gilchrist Memorial Athletic Scholarship
Kameron Wingenbach, Bismarck

Jennifer Gladden Memorial Scholarship
Courtney Haase, Minot

Ray Grabar Scholarship
Christopher Clark, Bismarck

Leslie Gullickson Memorial
Scholarship
Ryan Becker, Napoleon

"I am truly humbled at the thought of generous people that I don't even know, helping me with my dream of an education. Thank you for caring enough to contribute to BSC's rich legacy of involvement, participation and commitment." – Lacey Brilz (Harvey Harris Memorial Scholarship)

Bonnie Guttormson Scholarship
Kaleb Edmonson, New Rockford

Harvey Harris Memorial Scholarship
Lacey Brilz, Bismarck

Steven Harris Memorial Scholarship
ReeAnn Mehus, Stanley

Heart & Lung Clinic Foundation
Scholarship
Jerrica Martin, Bismarck

Neil Hedahl Memorial Scholarship
Matthew Zimmerman, Washburn

Raymond Heid Memorial Scholarship
Ambree Schmidt, Bismarck

Barbara Nielsen Heinle Scholarship
Megan Veitz, Bismarck

Tim Hennessy Scholarship
Dominic Marks, Mandan

Bryce & Maxine Hill Scholarship
Alex Shields, Kindred

Dr. Glenn Hoberg Scholarship
Sarah Gregg, Harvey
DesiRae Messer, Bismarck
Laken Underdahl, Bismarck
Taylor Wanner, Bismarck
Corey Wiege, Lincoln

Ken Hoff Athletic Scholarship
Malik Wood, Alpharetta, GA

Ray & Gertha Hoffman Scholarship
Daniel Bauer, Mandan

Horatio Alger Scholarship
Tara Gottbreht, Rolette
Stephen Horgan, Bismarck
Mary Wagner, Wing

Michael Hummel Scholarship
Karlee Laframboise, Bismarck

Chuck & Carol Iten Scholarship
Seth Bartholomay, Bottineau

Martha Jack Memorial Scholarship
Samantha Holly, Bismarck
Angela Turner, Bismarck

Tom Jack Memorial Scholarship

Stacy Kasper, Steele
Austin Ketterling, Bismarck

John P. Jackson Memorial Scholarship
Logan Dschaak, Beulah

Carrie Jennings Memorial Scholarship

Danielle Hauck, Bismarck

Jerome Distributing Athletic
Scholarship
Justin McCloud, Bottineau

Judith Ekberg Johnson Scholarship
Laine Hasper, Bismarck

Kadmas, Lee & Jackson Engineering
Scholarship
Jacob Knife, Belcourt
Leland Bosch, Bismarck

Norman Kamins Memorial Scholarship
Tara Gottbreht, Rolette

Thomas Kleppe Memorial Scholarship
Allison Slaubaugh, Mylo

Frank Koch Scholarship
Jacy Hausauer, Kief

Dr. Eugene F. Kralicek Memorial
Scholarship
Dawn Morten, Beulah

Ken LaMont Memorial Scholarship
Kirby Huber, Bismarck

Peter and Marcella Lang Memorial
Scholarship
Jason Richter, Moffit

Leona P. & Francis A. Larson/
JC Penney Scholarship
Tiffany Fletschock, Casselton
Kiffin Howard, Bismarck

Sidney J. Lee Memorial Scholarship
Nick Jensen, Carson

Dr. Kermit Lidstrom Scholarship
Abby Weinreis, Sentinel Butte

Evan E. Lips Memorial Scholarship

Randall Hoffman, Bismarck

David Ludwig Scholarship
Mitchell Leno, Bismarck

Mandan Band Booster Scholarship
Nellie Blotter, Mandan

Susanne Delaney Mattheis Memorial
Scholarship
Alaina Kloster, Bismarck

Sam McQuade Sr. Charity Softball
Tournament Scholarship
Christina Parsons, Swan River, MB,
Canada

MDU Resources Foundation
Scholarship
Taite Grossman, Strasburg
Jordan Hochhalter, Bismarck
Kasey Knox, Ray
Lucas Smestad, Minot

Sam & Bertha Merritt Memorial
Scholarship
Tareena Johnson, Wilton

Dennis F. Meyer Scholarship
Aleksandr Odintsov, Bismarck

Henry & Agnes Miller Memorial
Scholarship
Brandon Wetch, Bismarck

William "Bill" Mills Memorial
Scholarship*
Kaitlin Regan, Jamestown

Roy & Patricia Mindt Scholarship
Kate Roscoe, Jamestown

Dr. James Moses Memorial
Scholarship
Sierra Hall, Bismarck

President's Run Scholarship
Jalane Clouse, Langdon
Sara Ornelas, Hebron

LeRoy M. Naves Scholarship
Kelcee Dykins, Beach
Kelsey Glatt, Bismarck
Jesse Kessel, Dickinson
ReeAnn Mehus, Stanley

*"Randomly just a few days after receiving this scholarship, my friend proceeded to talk about his favorite teacher and advisor... Ken LaMont. He was explaining his kind caring nature, cheerful upbeat personality, and his willingness and want to always help out all of his students ... I promise that I will remember this forever, as I continue to work toward my goals. Once again I would like to say thank you, I have heard nothing but the best things about Mr. LaMont and truly feel honored to have received this scholarship."
– Kirby Huber (Ken LaMont Memorial Scholarship)*



Donald L. Russell Memorial Scholarship

Don Russell was an entrepreneur extraordinaire with interests in the auto, food, restaurant, real estate and energy industries. At his death in 2011 at age 68, Don and his wife, Evey, had established or grown more than 40 businesses.

The Mandan native loved vehicles and started his career in high school buying and selling cars. After graduating from North Dakota State University, Russell founded Speedy's Tire Center in downtown Mandan, expanding to three states. In 1972, he joined Cloverdale Foods, his family's business, eventually becoming third generation CEO and chairman. From 1980-90, he owned Dakota Farms cafes with his late partner Ken LaMont, a BSC instructor.

Russell's generosity and hands-on management style endeared him to his employees. He had a gifted understanding of people, and the ability to build teams and motivate others. His philanthropy reached throughout the community.

"Don was a believer in higher education, but he also believed in the power of the individual," said Loren Kopseng, his friend and business partner. "He was willing to take risks and worked hard to see them through one way or the other."

Russell invested in real estate and land development in the Midwest and West Coast. In 1984, he and Kopseng formed Rainbow Gas, a natural gas marketing company. With Missouri River Royalty, they entered the oil business and became big players in Bakken oil development under the corporate umbrella, United Energy Corporation.

Established with a lead gift from Kopseng in 2011, the *Donald L. Russell Memorial Scholarship* awards \$1,000 annually to a student excelling in business or energy. In July 2012, the foundation honored Russell by designating proceeds from the fifth annual President's Run fundraiser for his scholarship.

ND Society of Professional Engineers Scholarship

Aaron Berg, Dickinson

Carl & Leora Nelson Memorial Scholarship

Kelsey Halvorson, Rolette
Deszira Payne, Ellendale

Marcia Olson Scholarship

Megan Humann, Hazelton

Doris Orr Memorial Scholarship

Sean Hushagen, Bismarck

Part-Time Scholarship

Shae Brown, Center
Francis Cluett, Bismarck
Bonnie Dahmus, New England
Kat Kirschmann, Bismarck
Desiree Lennie, New Salem
Joy Manning, Cheyenne, WY
Jenny Marboe, Dickinson
John McDaniel, Belfield
Rian McMaster, Bismarck

Roger Peet Scholarship

Hailey Lacher, Bismarck

John Pierson Scholarship

Lucas Colbenson, Stanley

Dr. N. Oliver Ramstad Memorial Scholarship

Lucas Meier, Ventura

George M. Register Memorial Scholarship

Phillip Hamilton, Minot

Eldon H. Reinke Memorial Scholarship

Kellie Hoffman, Mandan

Kenneth Reno Scholarship

Tausha Lowe, Mandan

Warren Robinson Scholarship

Steven Schwarz, Hazen

William Roesgen Scholarship

Jennifer Herman, Kenmare

Milton Rue Memorial Scholarship

Mylee Schorsch, Bismarck

Erik Sakariassen Scholarship

Trisha Hoffart, Devils Lake

John R. Sakariassen Scholarship

Shannon Hawkins, Bismarck

Harold Schafer Memorial Scholarship

Karly Wald, Wishek

Herb Schimmelpfennig Memorial Scholarship

Alyssa Dahle, Sidney, MT

Clara Schleicher Memorial Scholarship

Taylor Arthaud, Bismarck

Kay Schlosser Scholarship

Taylor Wade, Bismarck

Lyle & Charlene Schuchard Scholarship

Valeria Mokrushova, Bismarck

Mary Moses Schwichtenberg Memorial Scholarship

Libby Olson, Bismarck

Ken & Anne Shaffer Memorial Scholarship

Anna Helmers, Mandan
Kyle Hornbacher, Bismarck
Boyce Kluting, Montpelier
Jacob Legreid, Bismarck

Keith Mantz, Bismarck

Mary Wagner, Wing

Jenna Wentland, Bismarck

Jonathan Widmer, Jud

Greggory A. Sharpe Scholarship

Alex Kottre, Lincoln

Gerald Skogley Scholarship

Bruce Wahlman, Center

Edward & Gladys Smith Memorial Scholarship

Erika Quist, Bismarck

Maurice Smith Memorial Scholarship

Dalton DeLange, Bismarck

Lynn W. Sperry Memorial Scholarship

Zachary Dschaak, Bismarck

St. Mary's Central High School

Carnival Scholarship

Stuart Berger, Woodbury, MN

Jason & Dr. Nigeria Stahl Scholarship

Samantha Gross, Linton

Bob Stenehjem Memorial Scholarship*

Vernon Eckel, Burlington

Walter J. Swensen Memorial Scholarship

Aaron VanGorkom, Menoken

Margaret & Harley Swenson Scholarship

Kaitlyn Fueller, Bismarck

Adrian & Ardeth Taylor Memorial Scholarship

Ashlie Carnes, Mandan

"This scholarship will definitely be helpful towards my tuition and it is just amazing what the help of some humble individuals can do in the lives of others. Thank you very much again for this great opportunity to continue bettering me and my community." – Kenneth Bahm (Harvey Thorson Memorial Scholarship)

Aldeen Paris Welsh Taylor Memorial Scholarship

Michelle Flesness, Bismarck

Dr. Donna S. Thigpen Nursing Scholarship

Morgan Perleberg, New Rockford

Harvey Thorson Memorial Scholarship

Kenneth Bahm, Mandan
KaDee Berger, Stanton
Kevin Cortes, Mandan
Ashley Diehl, Mandan
Casey Duppong, Glen Ullin
Samantha Erhardt, Mandan
Rachell Feigitsch, Mandan
Kelly Feigitsch, Mandan
Shelby Johnson, Mandan
Brittany Jundt, Mandan
Lindsey Kirschenheiter, Taylor
Nathan Kurtti, Hazen
Taylor Kurtz, Mandan
Cole Miller, Huff
Julie Perkins, Mandan
Jayme Pischel, Beulah
Autumn Schaan, Beulah
Cale Schafer, Mandan
Elizabeth Schaner, Mandan
Stephanie Scherr, Dickinson
Jonah Schwarzenberger, Mandan
Jeri Sterna, Mandan
Racheal Valleroy, New Salem
Alicia Wehri, New Salem
Sara Wells, Carson
Jarret Westberg, Mandan

Bill Townsend Scholarship

Austin Balk, Bismarck

Irene Tschider Scholarship

Courtney Schumacher, Napoleon

Glenn C. & Leola Vantine Scholarship

Ryan Horner, Bismarck

Curt Walth Scholarship

Cayden Smith, Bismarck

Bertha Wanner Memorial Scholarship

Kayla Sorby, Bismarck

Robert Webb Memorial Scholarship

Ryan Dralle, Moffit

Ralph Werner Memorial Scholarship

Alistair Crockett, Langdon

Michael H. Wickstrom Memorial Scholarship

Cameron Sadowsky, Beulah

George F. Will Memorial Scholarship

Ty Rossman, Turtle Lake

Thomas A. Winter Memorial Scholarship

Evan Weiss, Hazelton

Howard Wolfe Scholarship

Kameron Wingenbach, Bismarck

Journalism

Bismarck Tribune Celebrate 2000

Legacy Scholarship

Alyssa Meier, Bismarck

BSC Foundation Scholarship

Jhett Cihak, Sturgis, SD
June Hunt, Mandan
Ben Jyring, Bismarck
Alesha Pfennig, Bismarck
Jackson Pieper, Bismarck
Danell Straub, Hazen

Performing Arts

Lydia Bavendick Memorial Scholarship

Sam Holly, Bismarck

BSC Foundation Scholarship

Kathleen Andersen, Bismarck
Dan Bauer, Mandan
Quentin Bergstad, Center
Hannah Carlson, Bismarck
Allison DeKrey, Bismarck
Steven Deutsch, Bismarck
Asa Fox, Bismarck
Michael Grimm, Hazen
Nicholas Hanson, Bismarck
Alexandra Heisler, Bismarck
Jacob Herman, Bismarck
Jaime Houser, Bismarck
Nick Jensen, Flasher
Shelby Johnson, Mandan
Kat Kirschmann, Bismarck
Alaina Kloster, Bismarck
Alex Kottre, Lincoln
Lakin Kramer, Linton
Samantha Lachenmeier, Lincoln
Garret Larson, Almont
Kelsey Phillips, Mandan
Brett Rasmussen, Bismarck
Kalyn Retterath, Bismarck
Melissa Roise, Bismarck

Ryan Sandvick, Mandan
Elizabeth Schaner, Mandan
Elizabeth Schatz, Bismarck
Danielle Stotz, McLaughlin, SD
Mary Wagner, Wing
Zachery Watson, Bismarck
Andrew Wickenheiser, Bismarck

Dianne Eichhorst Scholarship

Kayla Grewatz, Bismarck

Peg Jack Memorial Scholarship

Aaron Landrie, Mandan

Tom & Frances Leach Memorial Scholarship

Christopher Bales, Bismarck
Stephen Gefroh, Bismarck

Sam & Bertha Merritt Memorial Scholarship

Aaron Berg, Dickinson
Dominic Berrios, Mandan
Samantha Erhardt, Mandan
Brandon Erickson, Mandan
Kyle Hornbacher, Bismarck
Sean Hushagen, Bismarck
Gabriel Kent, Bismarck
Natalie Marschall, Lincoln
Jeremy Skager, Bismarck
Remmington Wanner, Mandan
Alicia Wehri, New Salem

Sheila Schafer Scholarship

Kayla Hill, Bismarck

Jane Gray Stewart Memorial Scholarship

Shelby Johnson, Mandan
Nathan Kurtti, Hazen
Dustin Smith, Bismarck
Brandon Wetch, Bismarck

Bertha Wanner Memorial Scholarship

Shelby Johnson, Mandan
Payton Morris, Bismarck
Travis Rieger, Bismarck
Kristina Steckler, Bismarck
Danielle Stotz, McLaughlin, SD

Technical

Allen Energy Scholarship

Shaina Funke, Whitefish, MT

"There was a point in my life where I wanted to use writing to merely get my views across. I wanted to talk about myself. I'm tired of talking. I want to listen. I want to make a difference, even if just for one person, even if just for one moment. I am here to serve the people around me. So, in that sense, this scholarship is going far beyond me. It is going to every person I am allowed to reach in my career. So thank you for helping me get closer to my dreams." – Alyssa Meier (Bismarck Tribune Celebrate 2000 Legacy)

Alliance Pipeline/Wayne Schonert Memorial Scholarship

Jess O'Brien, Dickinson
Christopher Wolf, Bismarck

BAS in Energy Management Scholarship

Lisa Ellis, Rocklin, CA
Jeffrey Mahoney, Katy, TX

Basin Electric Power Cooperative Welding Scholarship

Lee Wiedrich, Stanton

Frank Bavendick Scholarship

Matthew Askew, New Port Richey, FL
Joshua Begley, Bismarck
Quincy Chapman, Oklahoma City, OK
Dylan Enget, Minot
Landon Hoffer, Bismarck
Matthew Jahner, Dickinson
Joshua Leier, Bismarck
Weymeth Long, Henning, MN
Melissa Ludwick, Goodrich
Ackim Maduvu, Louisville, KY
McKinzi Mattern, Mandan
Dustin Morken, Mandan
Cooper Patch, Fergus Falls, MN
Jared Reinisch, Bismarck
Lucas Smestad, Minot
Padraic Thompson, Shoshoni, WY
Denver Unruh, Zap
Aaron Vinje, Bismarck
David West, Zap
Brady Zachmann, Beach

Bismarck-Mandan Homebuilders Association 50th Anniversary Carpentry Scholarship

Nicholas Haakenson, Marion

Bismarck-Mandan Homebuilders Association Carpentry Scholarship

Taylor Wigginton, Crosby

Bismarck-Mandan Home Builders Association HVAC Scholarship

Andrew Hamlin, Lincoln

Bismarck Public Schools Energy Articulation Scholarship

Brandon Jensen, Bismarck
Jade Leysring, Bismarck

Ervin and Dorothy Bourgois Memorial Agriculture Scholarship

Ryan Becker, Napoleon
Hillary Duchsherer, Bergen
Phillip Hamilton, Minot
Dakota Messer, Richardton

Bill Clairmont Scholarship*

Michael Morey, Elgin

Corvettes of Dakota Territory Scholarship

Michael Little, Bismarck

"Without the aid of such individuals and organizations, many like myself would be unable to enrich their lives with higher education. It is because of your patronage that I may continue my studies at Bismarck State College and aspire to better myself with a degree in process plant management."

– Everette Brickner (XCEL Energy Scholarship)

DarbyTech Training Equipment Scholarship

Quinn Lillestrand, Mandan

Energy Generation Conference Scholarship

Stevie Bement, Mandan
Safa Ozan, Bismarck

Great River Energy Scholarship

William Blankenship, Cartersville, GA
Tyler Boeckel, Bismarck
Brock Bruner, Hazen
Brady Hillerud, Hazen
Brett Leier, Hazen
Owen Makelky, Sentinel Butte
Chad Symmank, Powers Lake
Mason Walker, Bismarck
Ashlee Wiedrich, Beulah

Bob Kuntz Memorial Scholarship

Austin Maershbecker, New England

MDU Resources Foundation Scholarship

Adam Holcomb, Bath, SD
Nolan Kalberer, Watford City
Chandler Mack, Velva
Brandon Meester, Mandan
Austin Minard, Westport, SD
Jordan Sundquist, Turtle Lake
Wyatt Wixo, Lake Park, MN

MidAmerican Energy Foundation Scholarship

Patrick Funk, Coal City, IL
Bryan Kuntz, Bismarck
Oscar Lopez-Hermosillo, Olton, TX
Matthew Plaxco, Sterling Heights, MI
Daniel Skjoldal, Lemmon, SD

Midcontinent Communications Scholarship

John Lockert, Bowman
Wendy Stockton, Hardin, MT

ND Agriculture Association Scholarship

Jason Richter, Moffit
Dylan Senger, Hague

ND Auto Body Association Scholarship*

Jess Wiege, Lincoln

ND SkillsUSA Scholarship

Brandi Kastner, Bismarck
Keenan Lunde, Bismarck
Jeremy Skager, Bismarck

OtterTail Power Scholarship

Kyle Bagley, Beach
Seth Bartholomay, Bottineau
Jonathan Coloney, Columbia, MO

Justin Detlaff, Washburn
Jesse Goehring, Ashley
Terence Hale, Haines City, FL
Kyle Hanson, Tioga
Hayden Hermanson, New Salem
Lance Kaiser, Bismarck
Jacob Kleinjan, Horace
Jason Locken, Bismarck
Kevin Neuberger, Hazen
Taylor Olson, Bismarck
Alex Ripplinger, McClusky
Joseph Van Inwagen, Jr., Lincoln
Robin Vanhuis, Springfield, IL

Programmable Logic Controller Project Scholarship

Alec Bischof, Bismarck

Red Trail Energy Scholarship

Jacob Fideldy, Hebron

Roughrider Chevrolet Association Scholarship

Matthew Zimmerman, Washburn

John A. "Jack" Schuchart Memorial Scholarship

Courtney Hausauer, Mercer

Steve Sharp Memorial Scholarship

Gabriel Hartfield, Bismarck

Telecommunications Academy Scholarship

Samuel Otto, Park River

Tesoro Welding Scholarship

Tyler Schilling, Cartwright

Michael A. Tschida Memorial Scholarship

Skyler Perry, Bismarck

Utility Workers Union of America Scholarship

Scott Meeker, Happy Valley, OR

Xcel Energy Scholarship

Everette Brickner, Satellite Beach, FL
Christopher Palmer, Malvern, IA

Visual Arts

Ervin & Dorothy Bourgois Memorial Visual Arts Scholarship

Courtney Gathman, Bismarck
Mylee Schorsch, Bismarck

Leibole Memorial Scholarship

Austin Balk, Bismarck
Sarah Morris, Regan
Megan Veitz, Bismarck

Hard work secures state and federal grants

State and federal grants drive long-term projects

Bismarck State College has a strong track record of securing grant awards from a variety of federal and state sources.

Many of these most recent awards are funding projects being developed over the course of several years. This kind of long-term project requires the ongoing dedication and hard work of staff and faculty members all across campus.

Grant dollars currently under management and development at BSC total over \$21 million.



Students in the Mechanical Maintenance program receiving hands-on training in the newly expanded building on the Mandan Campus. The expansion was made possible through grant funding and private donations.



A grant from ONEOK was used to purchase equipment and develop curriculum for the energy programs.

Federal Grants

- Department of Education, Title III: Enhancing the use of data to drive decision-making – \$469,435/year for five years
- Department of Energy: North Dakota energy workforce development - Western Collaboration earmark – \$3,707,850
- Department of Energy: Developing and advancing the role of the Energy Corridor – \$610,450
- Department of Energy: ARRA – Smart Grid Program curriculum and simulation development – \$728,060
- Department of Labor: Training for Regional Energy in North Dakota (TREND) – \$14,642,938
- National Science Foundation: Scholarships in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (S-STEM) – \$597,540

State of North Dakota Grants

- Department of Commerce: Precision Agriculture Program – \$50,000
- Department of Commerce: Enhancement of Energy Labs – \$225,420

Private Foundation Grants

- Cenex Harvest States: Enhances the Precision Agriculture Program – \$150,000
- ONEOK: Energy Program equipment and curriculum development – \$112,200
- North Dakota Council on the Arts: Bluegrass Festival – \$2,000



Preston Schmidt instructs musicians at a workshop during the Blizzard Bluegrass weekend at BSC.

Grants go to work at BSC

In 2012-13, the BSC Foundation Programs Committee awarded a total of \$493,528 in scholarships and \$794,677 in grants. To learn more, visit bismarckstate.edu/foundation/scholarships.

Endowed Grants

- Sheila Schafer for the Clay S. Jenkinson Endowment for the Humanities
- IQ Fund
- Music Master Classes
- Holt National Chemistry Week
- The Sheila Schafer Drama Endowment
- ProjectCare

Partner-Funded Grants

- Agri-Bash
- ONEOK lab equipment
- Conversations at BSC 2012-13, Whiting Petroleum Corporation
- Work Force Enhancement Grant
- Nordic Fiberglass Samples
- NECE Summer Career Academy
- CHS Foundation Grant
- Energy Curriculum Project

"I would like to extend appreciation for the support of the Visiting Scientists Series as provided by the BSC Foundation. We simply would not be able to host events such as this one without the support of the Foundation – thank you!" – Scott Tschaekofske, associate professor of chemistry

- Summer Ag Academy
- Servers/Switches from Basin Electric Power Cooperative
- Valves from Challenger Industries

BSC Foundation Grants

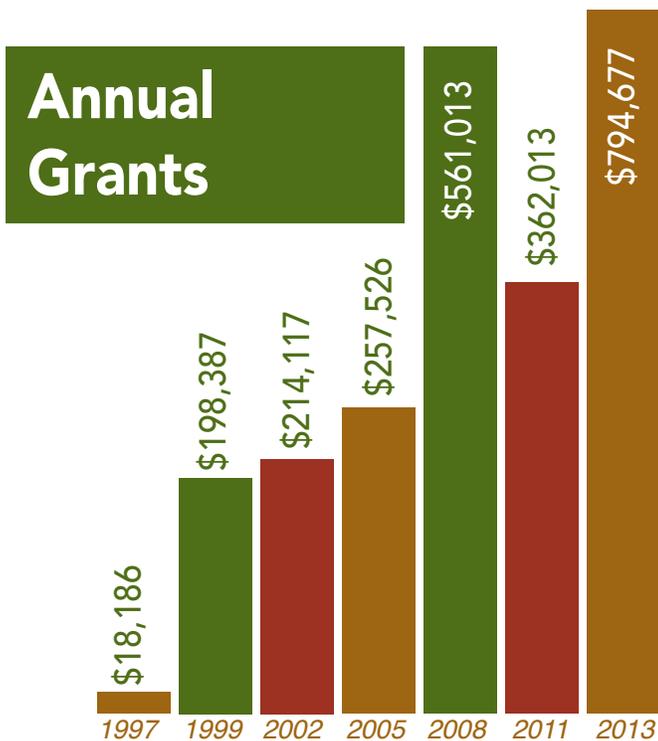
- 43rd Annual BSC Graphic Design and Communications Spring Show Student Design Exhibit
- ND Postsecondary Ag Student Organization State Conference
- ND Postsecondary Ag Student Organization National Conference
- BookTalk at BSC 2013
- Board of Governors membership in the American Student Association of Community College
- Regional Science Olympiad
- BSC Sing Appeal Concert



High school students attending the two-day Summer Ag Academy gained hands-on experience learning about agronomy career opportunities.



The Visiting Scientist series, "Physics Force," was presented by physics instructors from Minnesota to a full house in Bismarck.



“Thank you for your grant to our local Phi Beta Lambda Chapter! We had one student complete the second and third level of Career and Membership Achievement... the first student in North Dakota to accomplish this!”
– Kalyn Retterath, BSC Phi Beta Lambda chapter president

- Student and faculty participation in the Kennedy Center/ American College Theatre Festival
- 2013 Phi Beta Lambda State Leadership Conference and Competition
- Andreas Klein Master Music Class
- Phi Theta Kappa Regional Conferences
- BSC Certified Nursing Assistant Program
- Visiting Scientist Series
- Staff Development Day
- Support for “In a Thousand Pieces” by The Paper Birds
- BSC ChoirFest
- NECE Summer Career Academy
- Capitol Shakespeare Production “The Tempest”
- Integrated Geospatial Education and Technical Training Workshop
- MystiCast News Set/TV Studio
- National Chemistry Week
- American Advertising Federation Addy Awards
- On Campus Orientation
- 2013-2014 Visiting Writers Series
- Figments of Imagination
- 2013 PBL National Leadership Conference
- Peter Jankovic Music Master Class

Faculty and Staff Professional Development Grants

- Karen Arlien, association professor of computer science – tuition for doctorate in Teaching and Learning

I extend our greatest thanks for your support of the 18th Annual ChoirFest. Your support makes the student's experience here that much more valuable, period. Inadvertently, this builds BSC's 'overall' value in the eyes of our students, which extends to parents, our community and beyond. BSC is, in great part, what it is because of you.
– Andrew Miller, director of choral activities

- Kevin Cavanagh, assistant professor of management – tuition for doctorate in Business Administration
- Katrina Eberhart, assistant professor of mathematics – tuition for doctorate in Teaching and Learning
- Mary Eisenbraun, student finance operations manager – tuition for bachelor's degree in University Studies
- Matt Frohlich, associate professor of computer information systems – learning conference on IPv6
- Yvette Matthews, associate professor of science – National Association of Biology Teachers Conference
- Carmel Miller, associate professor of agriculture – National Cattlemen's Beef Association Conference
- Carla Sivesind, payroll accounting technician – attendance at ND State Staff Senate Meeting
- Vickie Volk, associate professor of computer support – tuition for doctorate in Teaching and Learning
- Anita Wirtz, assistant professor of psychology – tuition for doctorate in psychology; pursuit of National Level Certification, Association for Applied Sport Psychology



Dr. Marcia Carlisle

Visiting Scholars Series gets grant support

The BSC Visiting Scholars Series has received permanent funding from a new grant established by Mary and Tom Probst of Minot. The gift honors Mary's sister, Dr. Marcia Carlisle, who passed away in 2005 at age 59 from a degenerative muscle disease.

A Bismarck native and American history professor, Dr. Carlisle taught at Bennington College and was a visiting professor at New York University and Rutgers University in New Jersey. She joined Phillips Exeter Academy in 1989, spending the last 16 years of her career in New Hampshire. She was known there for her teaching excellence, independent spirit, student advocacy and work bringing outside speakers and authors to Exeter. Carlisle did meticulous research to select the most informative presenters as a means to widen students' perspectives. “Marcia believed in equality in every form, whether it be race, gender, able-bodied or disabled,” said Mary Probst. “She was always there for her students, and they, in turn, were there for her.”

The Marcia R. Carlisle Visiting Scholars grant was established with a \$25,000 endowment.



Students from the Lineworker program with the underground sectionalizing cabinet, donated by Nordic Fiberglass, Inc.



Six Appeal, an a capella group, in their “Sing Appeal” concert at the Belle Mehus Auditorium.

BSC National Alumni Association

Keeping you connected with each other and with Bismarck State College

Our mission

To enhance and develop BSC through lifelong involvement.

Our goal

To keep you connected to BSC.

Whether you are a recent graduate of BSC, one of the trailblazers who attended those early classes offered by Bismarck Junior College on the third floor at BHS or anyone between – the BSC National Alumni Association is your organization.

Established in 1961, the association focuses on keeping alumni connected to the college and working with current student groups to develop relationships while they are on campus. The alumni association is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

Any former BJC/BSC student interested in the mission of the Alumni Association may become a supporting member with a \$25 annual contribution. Supporting members may benefit from our Alumni Advantage Program, which includes discounts on hotel reservations, car rentals, BSC Bookstore clothing and local business discounts.

A lifetime membership through the 1939 Society - our premier membership program - allows our alumni and friends to support and sustain programs and projects in the years to come. To learn more about becoming a member, visit bismarckstate.edu/alumni.

2012-13 Activities

- Free self-defense training was provided to BSC students and employees.
- *Backpack 2 Briefcases* brought alumni together with BSC Phi Beta Lambda students to provide interviewing experience in preparation for state competition and real-job interviews.

- The 2013 Alumni Art show had 36 exhibits from 22 alumni. Items included painting, photography, wood carving, pottery and books.
- The *Alumni in the Community* program introduced local kindergarten children to the idea of college, as well as career opportunities. Students also received a tour of BSC.

Stay connected

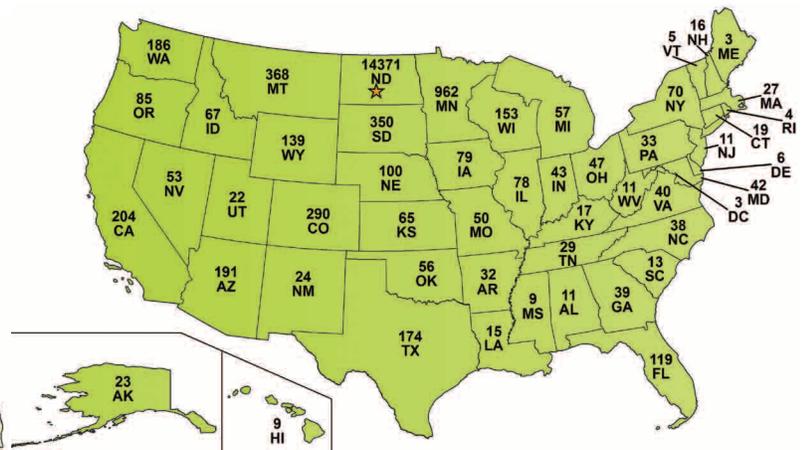
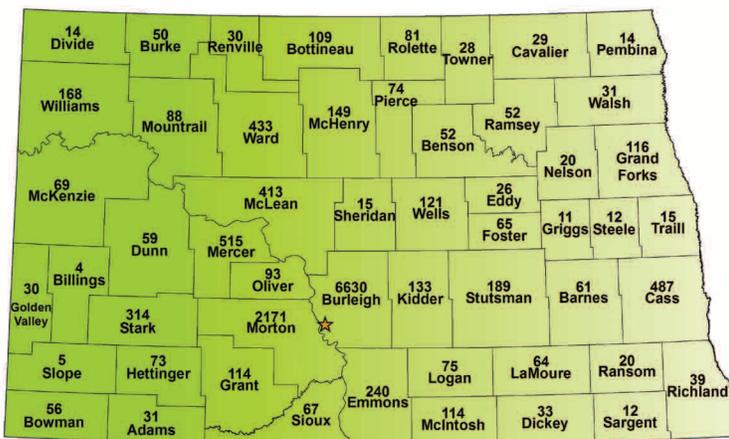
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Back/L-R: Dr. Steve Chuppe '81, Cheryl Miller '68, Angie Milakovic, Vice President '97, Damian Schlinger '97, Sommer Hunke, President '08, Anne Polasky '94 and Chad Kincaid '00. Front/L-R: Ryan Caya, Past President '99 & '06, Larry Oswald '90, Greg Ellwein '81, and Michael Thomas, '04. Not in photo: Barry Coleman '86, Rosella Grant '71, Deb Igoe '70, and Shelly Wanek '05.

BSC alumni 1939-2012



Students in BSC Cartographic Design and Analysis class (GIS 235) designed choropleth maps based on BSC alumni zip code data. For more maps, see bismarckstate.edu/alumni.

BSC National Alumni Association



William Goetz

William Goetz, '64

Honored for his educational and political contributions, Bill Goetz most recently served as chancellor of the North Dakota University System after a distinguished 30-year career at Dickinson State University, and 10 years as chief of staff for two North Dakota governors. He served 20 years in the state Legislature and was assistant majority leader in both chambers.



Sam Coleman

2013 Rising Star Award Sam Coleman, '99

Sam Coleman is an artist, pastor, business owner and family man. Ordained in 2003 after earning a degree in art, Coleman is currently a pastor at Charity Lutheran Church and teaches art at a local gallery. He exhibits his award-winning paintings widely and recently opened S² Photography in Mandan.



Lee Gurke

Lee Gurke honored with national award

Lee Gurke, '66, retired U.S. Navy captain and 1987 BSC Alumnus of the Year, received the Outstanding Alumni Award from the American Association of Community Colleges in April. He was one of six nationwide to receive this prestigious award for 2013.

During his 26-year naval career, Gurke served at sea and ashore in numerous capacities. Assignments included chief engineer of the USS Enterprise aircraft carrier, the world's largest integrated nuclear reactor complex. He was commanding officer of the guided missile destroyer USS Buchanan and the Aegis cruiser USS Normandy.

As a strong supporter of BSC, Gurke was instrumental in securing a \$900,000 Department of Defense grant that helped military students access BSC's energy programs online. He also contributed expertise to curriculum development for the Nuclear Technology program.

Gurke ended his Navy career as deputy commander and chief of staff for the commander, Naval Surface Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet, where he was responsible for 130 warships and more than 50,000 personnel. Since leaving the military, Gurke has worked in the Boeing Company's government operations office in Washington, D.C.



Dennis Meyer

BSC has helped Meyer do more

Dennis Meyer planned to be a farmer, but hay fever changed his plans. After graduating from Bismarck High School, he farmed (and sneezed) for five years near Baldwin, N.D., before enrolling in Bismarck State College in 1956.

He earned an engineering degree from North Dakota Agricultural College (now NDSU) in 1960, and worked for the Soil Conservation Service. Transferred to Bismarck in 1968, he began looking for more to do. "I was used to long hours on a farm. My 40-hour job wasn't enough," Meyer said.

He'd heard about a parcel of land for sale in north Mandan and found some friends interested in investing in it. Two longtime BSC staff members, Herb Schimmelpfennig and Mike Wikstrom, became his partners in the deal, establishing Terra Vallee, LLP.

The 30 acres on which the new Mandan Middle School is built, is part of that original 143 acre parcel. Fifteen of those acres were donated by Terra Vallee to the school district. That donation reflects Meyer's service-mindedness. Long active in the BSC Alumni Association, he served as president in 1978 and initiated the Alumni of the Year award. "It was just a wild idea, but I'm very proud of it," Meyer said.

In 1985, Meyer received the award he founded, honoring his service and his generosity to BSC and the larger community. Meyer has been a generous supporter of the Foundation for many years and, in 2009, established the *Dennis F. Meyer Scholarship* fund. He is also a member of the Alumni Association's 1939 Society.

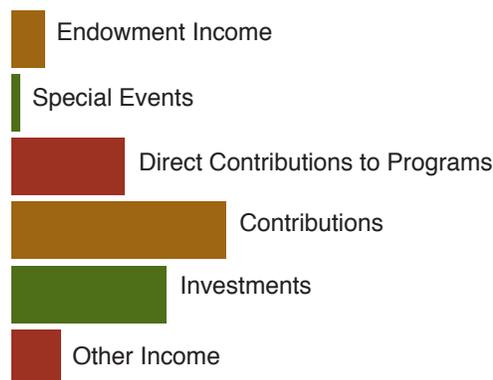
"I wasn't the greatest student, but I've been successful – BSC gave me an opportunity to do more with my life. The atmosphere and quality of instruction at BSC brings out the best in people and I'm proud to be able to help students access that," he said.

2012-13 Fiscal Report

The Bismarck State College Foundation abides by all guidelines of the Association of Fundraising Professionals and the Donor’s Bill of Rights. Our cost to raise a dollar is 9.3¢, which is competitive with other organizations and well below the percentage required by oversight agencies. The BSC Foundation is a 501(c)3, non-profit organization and all donations are tax deductible as allowed by state and federal tax laws. Most of our funds are permanently endowed, so the assets will be available to assist BSC and students for many generations. Our endowment qualifies for the State of North Dakota 40% tax credit.

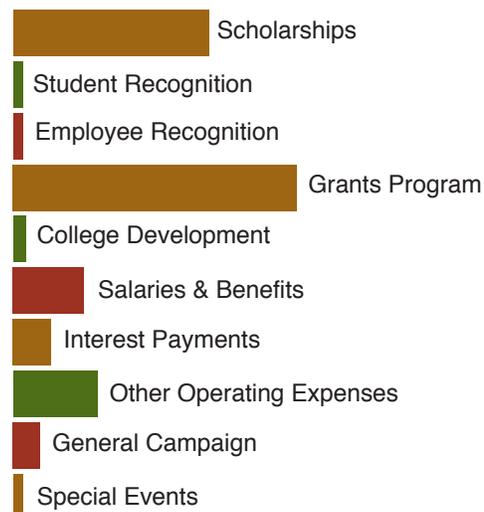
Support & Revenue

Endowment Income.....	\$ 182,570
Special Events.....	\$ 46,801
Direct Contributions to Programs	\$ 615,208
Contributions	\$1,161,091
Investments	\$ 840,160
Other Income.....	\$ 264,874
Total Support & Revenue.....	\$3,110,704



Expenses

Program Services	
Scholarships.....	\$ 493,528
Student Recognition	\$ 24,216
Employee Recognition.....	\$ 24,533
Grants Program	\$ 714,818
College Development	\$ 31,110
Operations	
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 178,907
Interest Payments.....	\$ 95,270
Other Operating Expenses	\$ 212,653
Fund Raising	
General Campaign	\$ 68,538
Special Events.....	\$ 23,889
Total Foundation Expenses	\$1,867,462



Support and Revenue Over Expenses

\$1,243,242

Total Assets June 30, 2013

\$28,814,749

We appreciate your generosity and commitment to education.

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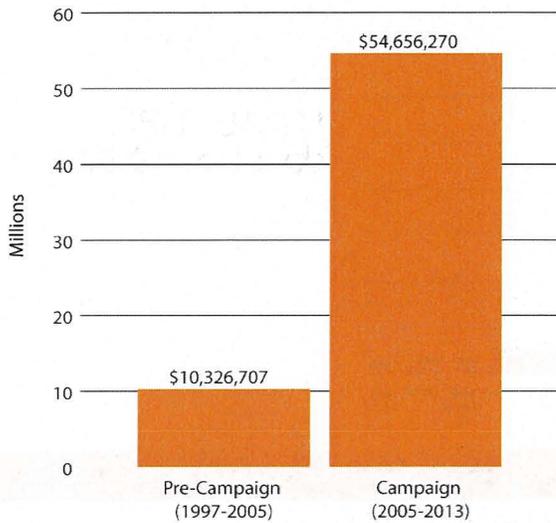
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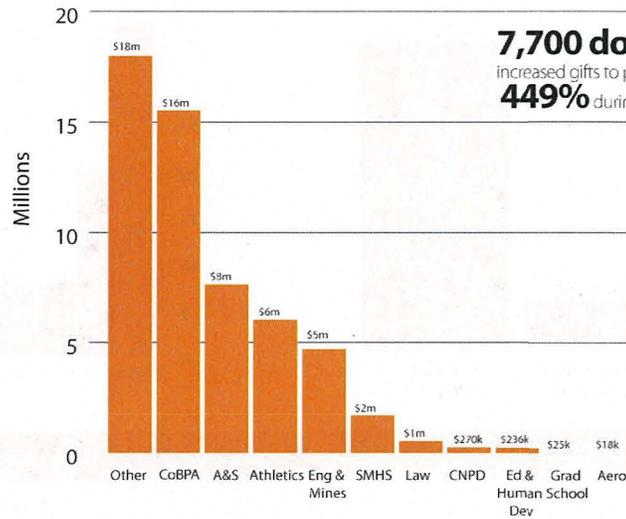
During North Dakota Spirit | The Campaign for UND, the UND Foundation endowment balance grew from \$75 million to **\$163 million**, and **430 new endowments** were created. The campaign was supported by **109,646** cumulative yearly donors, **38,808** unique donors, and **16,821** new donors.

For more campaign information and cash gifts by department, visit spirit.und.edu.

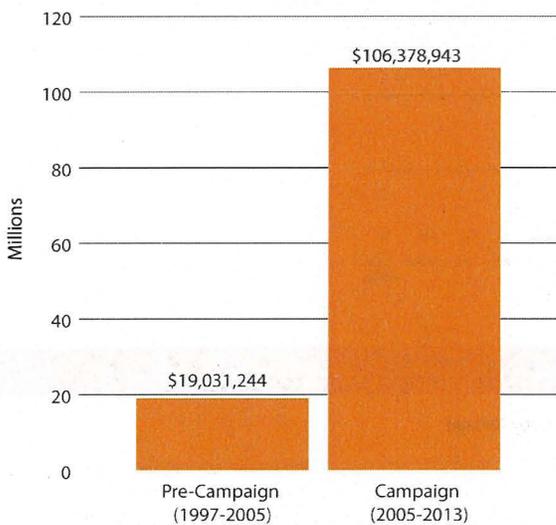
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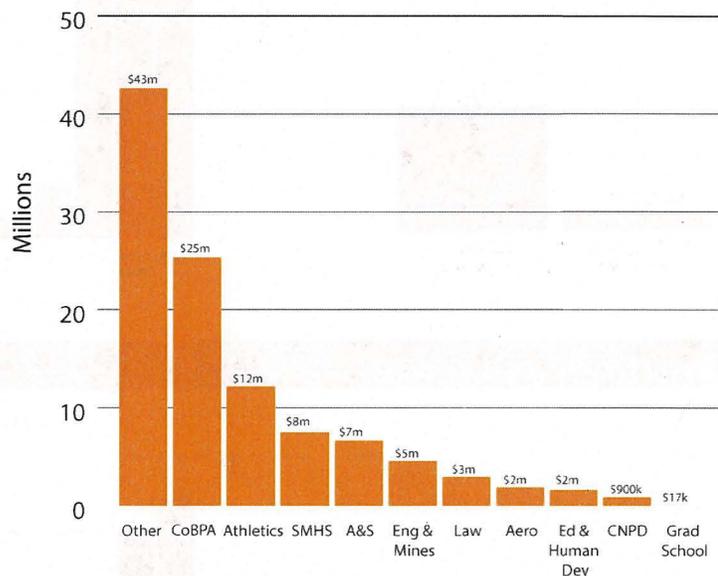
Support to Programs by College



Priority Needs



Support to Priority Needs by College

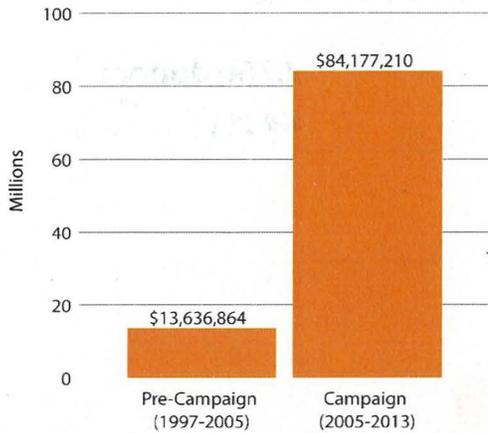


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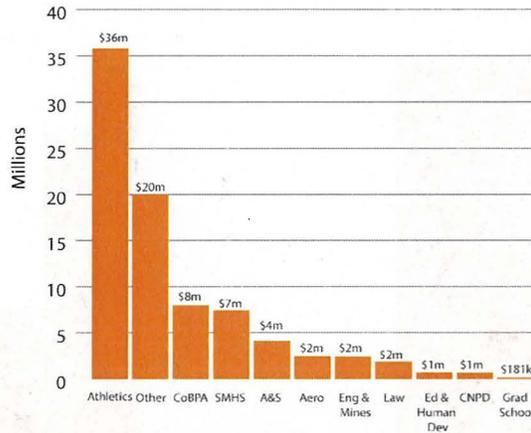
During North Dakota Spirit | The Campaign for UND, alumni and friends of the University of North Dakota gave or pledged a total of \$324.1 million to UND's passionate students, inspirational educators, innovative programs, extraordinary places and priority needs.

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Passionate Students

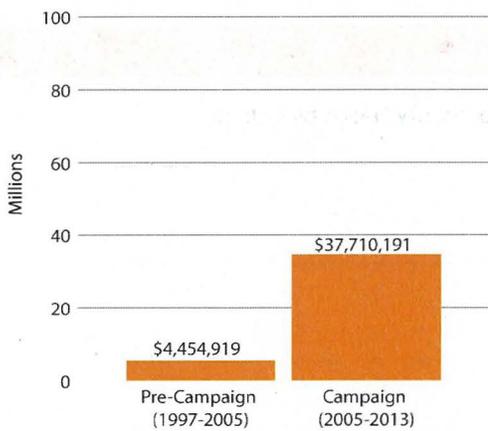


Support to Students by College

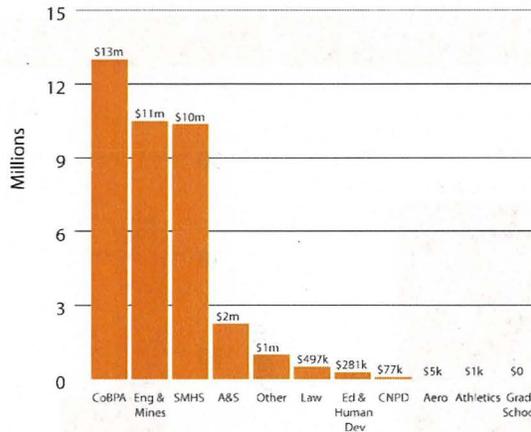


From 1997 to 2005, 4,613 donors supported UND's passionate students. During the campaign, (2005-2013), that number **more than doubled to 9,570.**

Inspirational Educators

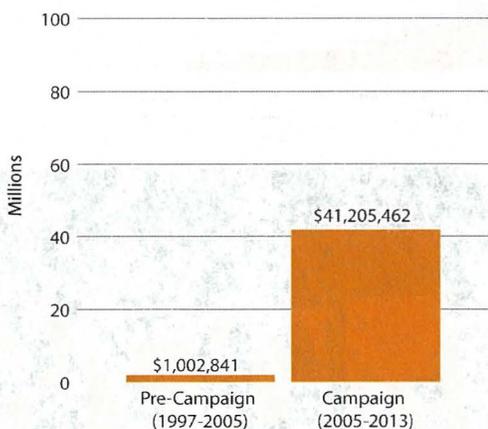


Support to Educators by College

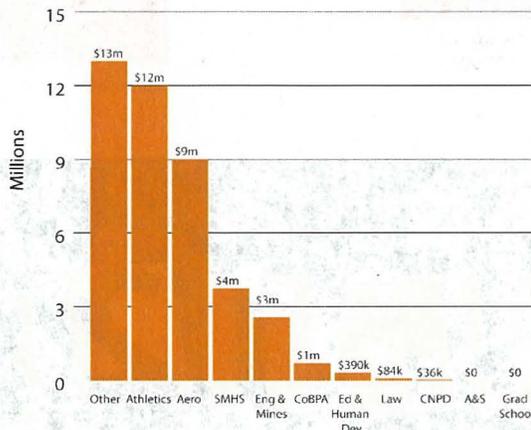


The **746%** increase in dollars to UND's inspirational educators came from just 135 additional donors (554 total).

Extraordinary Places



Support to Facilities by College



In the 8 years prior to the campaign, 250 donors gave to buildings on campus. During the 8 years of the campaign, that number jumped to **637** - an increase of **155%**