

FYI Campus Newsletter

Bismarck State College ~ September 14, 2006

Fall enrollment is 3,477 students, an increase of 3%

BSC's official third week enrollment report shows the college has 3,477 students this fall, an increase of three percent over last fall. Last fall's total enrollment was 3,370. This fall's number is the second highest enrollment in the college's 67-year history. The record still stands at 3,546 students in the fall of 2004.

Other details of the report show 2,192 full-time students and 1,285 part-time students. The report also shows there are more first time freshmen than last fall, and that the college retained more sophomores.

BSC welcomes new staff

Gerry Pabst brings graphic design experience to her job as administrative assistant for the Office for Student Affairs. She also works Thursdays and Fridays in Human Resources on various projects. Pabst has an associate degree in communication arts and worked 17 years in the Black Hills State University Graphics and Media Department at Spearfish, S.D. She grew up in Colby, Kans., and has worked in retail and banking, and most recently for Medcenter One as a data specialist. Gerry and her husband, David, moved to rural Bismarck in 2003 and have three children, Krystle, 25, Justine, 21, and Tyler, 16. The family enjoys rodeo activities, raises horses, and has many pets. Gerry likes quilting, crafts, and reading.

Michael Dodge took over as residence supervisor of Werner Hall in August. He was born in Virginia and grew up in Washington, D.C., where he has worked summers since 2000 as a substitute teacher and teaching assistant for the Fairfax County Public Schools in nearby Virginia. Dodge graduated with AA and AS degrees from BSC in 2003 and has a BA in social science from the University of North Dakota. While at UND, he worked as lead associate for the Dakota Text Book Co. in sales. When not supervising residence students, Dodge enjoys playing sports, television, and video games.

Daphne Hauck moved a door down to become administrative assistant for Distance Education. She has been working the past five years at BSC for Dickinson State University's extended campus program assisting students with registration and answering questions. Hauck is a graduate of the N.D. State College of Science legal secretary program and has a long employment history in office support with clerical positions at State Farm Insurance, North Dakota Water Education Foundation, Medcenter One, and Northern Water Works Supply, all in Bismarck. She grew up in Wishek and is married to Randy. They have three children, Nathan, 7, Danielle, 12, and Derek, 18, who just enrolled in Power Plant Technology. Daphne enjoys walking, camping, and being with friends and family.

Heather Fleckenstein oversees 104 women as residence supervisor for Swensen Hall. She obtained a wealth of experience as homecoming coordinator and developmental complex coordinator in charge of three buildings, 800 residents, and 20 RAs for the Minnesota State

University's Department of Housing and Residential Life in Moorhead, while a full-time student there. She graduated from MSU in 2005 with a BS in elementary education and BA in Spanish. Since December, Fleckenstein has worked as a substitute teacher for the Maplewood School District near St. Paul, Minn., and was a nanny in the Twin Cities for four summers. She enjoys swing dance, scuba diving, movies, and being with friends and family.

Frank (Lee) Huber, OSHA safety and health consultant, has worked in environmental health throughout his career. He grew up in Bismarck and received an AA in biology from BSC in 1971. Huber earned a BS in microbiology with an environmental health option from Montana State University in Bozeman and has worked for the North Dakota Department of Health since his graduation, serving 31 years as an environmental scientist. During that time, he worked with the air quality division and occupational health. Huber has volunteered as a soccer and youth hockey coach and enjoys motorcycling, hunting, and fishing. He and his wife Deb have a 21-year-old daughter, who graduated from BSC, and a 23-year-old son.

Music faculty recital scheduled Sunday evening

The BSC music faculty performs in recital Sunday, Sept. 17, at 7:30 p.m. in Sidney J. Lee Auditorium. Presented at no charge, the program of vocal and instrumental solos and ensembles ranges from classical works by Handel and Schubert to musical theater, opera, jazz, and an original song by new faculty member Thomas Schreck.

Read the news release at www.bismarckstate.edu/news/spotlight

North Dakota author will read at BSC Sept. 20

Debra Marquart grew up near Napoleon, toured as a road musician with rock and heavy metal bands in the '70s and '80s, wrote an award-winning book about it, and now offers "The Horizontal World: Growing Up Wild in the Middle of Nowhere."

She appears for the BSC Visiting Writers Series with a reading and book signing Wednesday, Sept. 20, at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Union Missouri Room. She speaks to English classes Thursday, Sept. 21.

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Commencement time changes to afternoon ceremony

If you've been attending BSC's commencement for some years, listen up! The ceremony will take place in the afternoon, instead of the evening.

In your BSC Planner or personal calendar, you may want to note: BSC Commencement Ceremony takes place at 2:30 p.m. Friday, May 11, 2007, at the Bismarck Civic Center.

Faculty and Staff News

Bonnie Weisz, testing and assessment coordinator, traveled to St. Louis Sept. 6-10 for the National Testing Association's Annual Conference.

Dave Clark, executive vice president, and **Kevin Holmstrom**, ETO program manager/instructor, are attending the Energy Providers Coalition for Education (EPCE) meeting in Chicago Sept. 13-15.