

Chapter News

TGU “Tour of Tables” a Success

Towner-Granville-Upham (TGU) Dollars for Scholars held its second annual “Tour of Tables” Spring Gala in April. This successful event raised over \$4,000 and included 18 tables sponsored by many creative community members. Each table was beautifully decorated with dinnerware and more according to its own unique theme.

For example, Northern Tier Federal Credit Union chose “Amber Waves of Grain” to represent one of North Dakota’s largest commodities and give a salute to our hard-working farmers. The dinner plates which had been collected by farm wives in hometown grocery stores had a vintage wheat pattern. Other table themes included “Mardi Gras,” “Trees for Tomorrow,” and “Graduation Celebration 2009.”

Community members purchased tickets to attend this dinner and sit at the decorated tables. Guests at the dinner tables then paid \$1 to vote for the best table. Guests enjoyed a program which included a welcome from Ryan Taylor, TGU chapter president, and guest speaker Lori Sayler, NDDFS state director. Several high school students entertained the crowd with various musical selections.



Reminders

Please Update Your Web Page!

Many chapters have yet to take advantage of their own Web page which is part of the new NDDFS Web site. It is vital to both the State office, as well as your chapter, to keep your page updated (complete with a link to your chapter’s own Web site if available) so that users have the best possible experience and can get to you easily!

Please populate your page with your chapter’s information as soon as you can – it is a very simple process. E-mail Lori Sayler to receive again an easy, step-by-step instruction sheet to update your page. **You will need to get your chapter’s specific password from Lori as well to start the process.**

To check out your site specific page, go to nddfs.org and find the “Chapters” section. Click on the region of the map in which your chapter resides, and then click on your chapter. You will see that this page has been populated with very minimal information – that’s why we need you! More than 700 unique visitors have used the site since its launch. This is a great opportunity to raise your profile so please update your page as soon as possible.



Dollars for Scholars Fall Event: Educate, Honor and Inspire

The State chapter will once again host a special event for the North Dakota community DFS chapters this fall. Mark your calendars now for **October 3, 2009** at the Seven Seas Convention Center in Mandan, ND. This year’s luncheon theme is “Educate, Honor and Inspire” and will be held from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Educate: A panel will present on saving for college, financial aid, financial literacy and financial planning. Learn from a Collegiate Partner how the financial aid award process works and how a DFS scholarship affects the student’s total aid package. Discover what individual chapters can do across the state to help students prepare for college, including important financial literacy skills. Also find out from an economic specialist some good financial family readiness information.

Honor: At this year’s luncheon NDDFS would like to recognize outstanding DFS supporters with the Chapter Hero Award and the Community Hero Award.

Each local chapter may nominate one Chapter Hero candidate as soon as possible. For complete instructions, eligibility guidelines and nomination form, e-mail Lori Sayler at lori.sayler@nddfs.org.

You also may download the form on the NDDFS Web site at nddfs.org/chapters/forms.asp and find the Special Recognition Forms section.

The chosen Chapter Hero and Community Hero will each receive a \$500 scholarship for a student in his or her community.

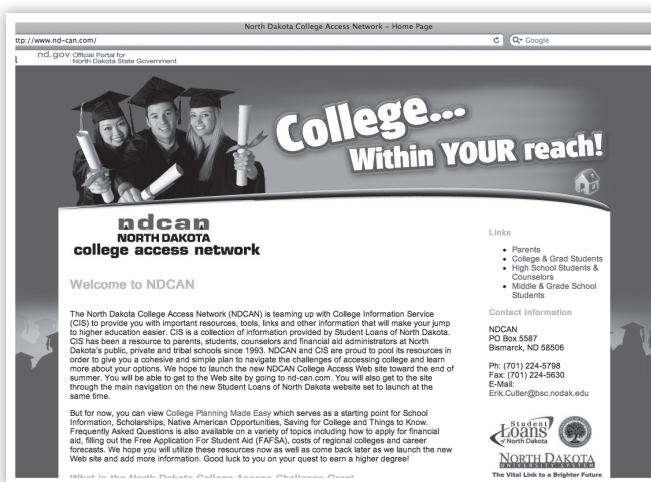
Inspire: Listen to recipients describe what DFS scholarships mean to them, plus hear an inspirational message from Dr. Larry Skogen, Bismarck State College president.



2008 Chapter Appreciation Luncheon. A dollar parade raised funds for the Dr. Fradkin Regional Community Service Scholarships.

Preparing for College with NDCAN and SLND

The North Dakota College Access Network (NDCAN) is teaming up with College Information Service (CIS) to provide students and families with important resources, tools, links and other information that will make the jump to higher education easier. CIS is a collection of information provided by Student Loans of North Dakota. CIS has been a resource to parents, students, counselors and financial aid administrators at North Dakota’s public, private and tribal schools since 1993. NDCAN and CIS are proud to pool its resources to provide students a cohesive and simple plan to navigate the challenges of accessing college and learn more about their options. To learn more visit www.nd-can.com.



Workshop Update

NDDFS has received a positive response to this year’s DFS workshops held in Dickinson, Minot, New Rockford and Valley City from April through August. At each location, several chapters attended to share fundraising ideas, best practices and tips on how chapters can better one another. It was a fun, interactive and productive session!

State Governing Board members Chuck Stroup, Judy Beaudry, Deb Gebeke and Lianne Rockstad assisted with the workshops. Our Collegiate



Falkirk Mining Company Announces Scholarship Winners

Falkirk Mining Company and North Dakota Dollars for Scholars is pleased to announce the \$500 scholarship recipients sponsored by Falkirk Mining Company.

Four students qualified for the energy-related scholarships. The students will be pursuing an energy-related career, including power plant technology, mining engineering and telecommunications/electronics.

Falkirk Mining Company is committed to local students pursuing an education in the energy or

Partners (Dickinson State University, Minot State University and Valley City State University) presented on financial aid and how the DFS scholarships affect a student’s award package. The discussions were beneficial for both chapters and Collegiate Partners.

The State Chapter handed out several scholarships, plus attendees received door prizes from BND, SLND and College SAVE. No chapter left empty handed!



mining field and especially to vocational/technical careers in this field. Falkirk Mining Company shares the Dollars for Scholars mission of encouraging postsecondary education to our North Dakota students.

The scholarship recipients are:
Clinton John Goven, *Turtle Lake-Mercer*
Tanner Wahl, *Turtle Lake-Mercer*
Samual Hultberg, *Coleharbor*
Keith Loutzenhiser, *Washburn*

State Director Visits Washington, D.C.

Recently while in Washington, D.C. Lori Sayler met Sen. Byron Dorgan and discussed the proposed student loan lending changes and its impact on North Dakota students. She also shared with him the successes of the Dollars for Scholars program in North Dakota, including the numerous scholarship dollars given to our students from the local and state chapters. Developing awareness among our leaders at the nation’s capitol can only strengthen our DFS program! While there, Lori also

enjoyed a tour of the Capitol from a college student originally from Langdon, North Dakota who is serving as an intern for Sen. Dorgan.





Scholarship News

North Dakota Dollars for Scholars (NDDFS) is pleased to announce that 68 North Dakota college-bound students are getting \$34,000 in scholarships going into the next school year from NDDFS and its supporters.

The partnership between NDDFS and Bank of North Dakota, along with Scheels Foundation and

many donations from businesses and individuals throughout North Dakota, allows the State chapter to offer more scholarships to North Dakota students. The following scholarships are only available to North Dakota students who live in a community served by a local DFS chapter. To learn more about the individual scholarships, visit www.nddfs.org/Students/Scholarships.asp.

Dr. Fradkin Regional Community Service Scholarship Winners

Table with 2 columns: Name, Chapter. Lists winners like Jocelyn Baumann, Trenton Bruner, Beth Hanretty, Kelsey Kava, Laura Mathiason, Hana Mattern, Keisha Sparks, Amy Swenson and their respective chapters.

Vocational/Technical/Trade School Scholarships

Table with 2 columns: Name, Chapter. Lists winners like Kenya Duchsherer, Jacob Duchsherer, Ethan Gullicks, Steven Hauff, Rose Hegel, Danielle Hoyt, Joshua Karey, Brady Keller, Kayla Kessler, Tanner Long, Chelsey McMillan, Bailey Mutschelknaus, Kain Pelton, Hayley Pleines, Megan Roder, Travis Rossman, Nathan Schaper, Kodi Schell, Christopher Schwarz, Dustin Snyder and their respective chapters.

Returning Students/Graduate Students Scholarship

Table with 2 columns: Name, Chapter. Lists returning students like Brittany Beehler, Jameson Bickert, Jennifer Bickler, Julie Buchholtz, Eric Eberle, Christine Eidson, Luis Elizondo, Sarah Evenson, Joshua Enger, Samantha Follman, Sandra Gallagher, Amber Gebeke, Ashley Gierke, Ashley Hausauer, George Herman, Nicole Herman, Alicia Hermanson, McKyla Hondl, Krissandra Jentz, Sam Jacobs, Stephen Joersz, Jennifer Keating, Andy Kolschefsky, Sadie Kraft, Krista Lambrecht, Tessa Larson, Chelsey Lazier, Travis Lennie, Jessica Levenhagen, Derek Miller, Ryan O'Neil, Kylie Palmisceno, Shyleen Poitra, Jenna Prien, Melissa Rosinau, Valerie Sannes, Austin St. Claire, Shane Weigel, Alex Windjue, Derek Ziman and their respective chapters.

A Letter from Lori, NDDFS State Director

Hello Dollars for Scholars members, supporters and friends! It's unbelievable to think that summer will soon be winding down and college-bound students are getting ready to use their valuable Dollars for Scholars scholarships!

I am so pleased to report that this year's DFS Workshops were great fun and incredibly productive. I really enjoyed having the opportunity to meet many of you.

As you will read inside, we will again be hosting a DFS Chapter Fall Luncheon and I would like to extend a personal invitation to all chapters. We truly appreciate the hard work, dedication and support you give to our North Dakota students by providing them with scholarship opportunities. The luncheon is an opportunity for your chapter to provide an

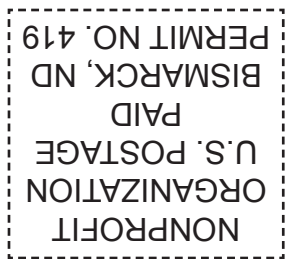
extra \$500 scholarship to a student in your community on behalf of NDDFS and Bank of North Dakota. We also will honor a Chapter Hero at this event so please nominate an extraordinary volunteer from your chapter for this prestigious award. We hope all 82 chapters will be represented both in nominations for the award, as well as at the event!

As we move into full swing of fall festivities and another school year, please share news from your local chapter with me. Also know that I am available to help your chapter in any way I can, so don't hesitate to call or e-mail. Have a great back-to-school season!



Lori Sayler

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NDDFS Welcomes Central Valley!

Congratulations to Central Valley (Buxton, Reynolds, Cummings) for chartering a Dollars for Scholars chapter in April 2009! The chapter was eligible for a matching \$2,000 grant from the State chapter which they received in May. The DFS Board of Directors includes:

- Judy Doeden, President, Rhonda Sundbom, Vice President, Vonna Tweed, Treasurer, Brenda Gjelsness, Secretary, Shari Jerde, Tim Lindstrom, Wanda Knutsvig, Susie Kuster, Eric Gunderson, Darrell Knutsvig, Lisa Moen, Roberta Scilley



Front row: Judy Doeden, Vonna Tweed, Wanda Knutsvig, Shari Jerde, Susie Kuster. Back row: Rhonda Sundbom, Tim Lindstrom, Eric Gunderson, Darrell Knutsvig, Lisa Moen

Dr. Fradkin Featured in Online Video

You may have seen him in person in North Dakota last fall. Now you can catch him on the internet!

Dr. Irving Fradkin, founder of Dollars for Scholars, and his dream are featured in a brief video on both You Tube and the Scholarship America Web site. In 1958 Dr. Fradkin had the simple idea that if everyone in his hometown gave just \$1, local students would have a chance they otherwise wouldn't to go to college.

In the video Dr. Fradkin meets some dedicated volunteers and students who, half a century later, have benefited from the idea he turned into reality. That reality has ignited passion and a Dollars for Scholars spirit across the country.

