



News Release
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ND Dollars for Scholars Welcomes New Board Members, Elects Officers

Bismarck, ND – September 9, 2008: North Dakota Dollars for Scholars (NDDFS), the nonprofit organization which has 80 local scholarship fundraising chapters, now has a new slate of officers and five new board members from across the state. The officers include:

Chairperson/President: Chuck Stroup, President, Union State Bank, Hazen, ND

Vice President: Deb Gebeke, Asst. Director of NDSU Extension Service, Arthur, ND

Secretary: Robert Neas, retired NDSU Director of Financial Aid, Fargo, ND

Treasurer: LaDawn Torgerson, Minot School District, Minot, ND

Two board members were elected for emeritus status: Bob Alin, retired Partner/Manager of Scheels, Fargo; and Jerry Sheldon, retired Athletic Director/Teacher at NDSU, Fargo.

Remaining board members include:

Art Thompson of Bismarck, Knife River Energy

Judy Beaudry of Washburn, Financial Advisor with AXA Financial

Boyd Anderson of Minot, Brady Martz & Associates

Bonnie Dardis of Fargo, Indigo Signworks Company

NDDFS welcomes the following five new members to the board:

Dennis Bense, Bismarck – Manager, Bismarck Scheels

Lianne Rockstad, rural Walcott – AB Art Gallery

Cory Finneman, Bismarck - Papa's Pumpkin Patch

Susan Heitkamp, Hankinson – Director of Nursing, St. Francis Healthcare Campus LTC, Home Health and Hospice

James Barnhardt, Bismarck – Communications & Marketing Director, Bank of North Dakota

Some of the many goals for the North Dakota Dollars for Scholars board are to start more chapters in the state, to provide training and support to all chapters, to continue to develop the Collegiate and Matching Partner program, and most importantly to bring more scholarship opportunities to North Dakota students. For more information about NDDFS, please visit

www.nddfs.org.

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Media Note: New board member photos are attached.